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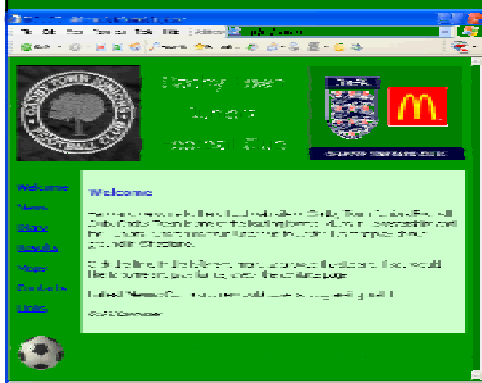
Oadby Town Football Club



A message from your editors

Welcome to your second OTJFC newsletter! The editors are: Dave Austen (he supports Arsenal and is receiving treatment for this) Gary Bradshaw, Neil Sharpe and Andy Lawrence. To keep you up to date with how the teams are doing and what is happening at club level, please take some time to browse. You never know, your name might be in one of the manager's reports! Did you know that OTJFC has

How they stand....									
Team	Div	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Ag.	points	Pos.
U9									
U10B	1								
U10R	2								
U12	1								
U13	D								
U15	C								
U16	2								
U17	1								



a 'Code of Conduct'? This is a requirement for us to be in the FA Charter Standard scheme and can be found on the web at: www.otjfc.co.uk. Yes, we have a website too! Set up and maintained by Andy, this is a great place to find out more about your club. For feedback and comments on the newsletter and the website, please email neil-sharpe@supanet.com. Happy reading!

New clubhouse update

'They think it's all over'. Well, it isn't, not just yet anyway! As you can see, the new clubhouse still has a long way to go (see photograph) but unlike our partner contractors who have modelled their Wembley design on ours we *will* be ready for the FA Cup final (2007!)—thanks to a grant from.....

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Manager's Updates

Under 10s Reds:

Since the last newsletter the reds have struggled to get much needed points on the board. However on December 11th away at Highfield Rangers we witnessed a candidate for game of the season. With Highfields sitting in 2nd place and on form it was expected that the game would be a whitewash. The reds however, battled hard and had control of a very entertaining match.

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With the score at 0-0 despite both teams playing end-to-end attractive football both sets of supporters would have been happy to take a point. Deep into injury time the Reds broke away with Stephen Clay scoring with a wonderful solo effort, this game epitomised what the reds have been about: Team-work. With a view to next season the Reds and Blues combined recently for an 11 a-side match against current high flying under 11 side Magna 73, in a game that nobody expected us to get anything out of (and in fact a few questioned why we would put a side low in confidence into this match) the team held on and produced a very good defensive display for the first 15 minutes until we broke away to open the scoring with our 1st attack. This then set the tone and we went in 5-0 up at half time, fitness showed in the 2nd half but we still came away with an incredible 6-4 victory.

Under 10s Blues

At Christmas the Blues signed Matthew Sharpe from the Reds following the departure of Chetan Baines due to his family relocating. We have also been able to sign Callum Blockley from our Division One rivals South Wigston Juniors.

Our matches are getting a lot closer now and the lads are now unlucky not to be winning their games. Now we have been able to

Dates for your diary

Presentation Nite:
Knighton and District
WMC, Avenue Road
Extension

Fun Day:
June @ the new
clubhouse—date
TBA!

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strengthen the team hopefully by the next newsletter we will be able to report our first win!

Under 13's

The under 13s are still having mixed fortunes so far this season but some good results in the past few weeks has cheered everyone up a bit, especially with Karl Smith netting a brilliant hat-trick against Thurmaston. Ben Cherry has also run into good form lately bagging a brace in the same match as well as putting some quality crosses into the box which we have not been missing this season. Keep up the hard work lads.

We have lost a very good defender recently in James Newby who has decided he wanted to change sport and play with an odd shaped ball instead! We have found a replacement who I think can be just as good. Welcome into our squad Stefan Illic—good luck Stefan!

Under 9s

Four first game after Christmas saw us drop a couple of points having only achieved a draw. Probably too much Christmas pudding! We then went on to beat our nearest rivals to stay 6 points clear at the top of the table. Two more wins should seal the title!

Under 15s

The Under 15's welcome new signings Anthony Conlon, Josh Nicholson and Tom Marriott - after virtually a complete change of players after season 2004/05 the Under 15's are now much more competitive and have won 2 of their last 4 games. The most recent victory was a one nil win against Thurmaston Magpies when the team played well to keep a clean

sheet after scoring early. Alex Van Roose in goal showed he was back to his best in this game after missing a large part of the season after breaking his arm during the first match of the campaign.

Recent school trips (skiing and to New York!) mean that for most games a full squad is not available - with four games to go, Andy and Glenn (U15's coaches) hope to finish the season on a positive note with further victories - watch this space.

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U R the Ref!

You have awarded a penalty to the team playing in red. A red player steps up to take the penalty and, rather than shooting for goal, he rolls the ball back to a team mate who, from the outside of the penalty area, unleashes a fierce strike that sends the ball into the net. Do you:

1. Disallow the goal as the penalty taker was offside
2. Award an indirect free-kick to the defending team
3. Order the penalty to be re-taken as the ball wasn't kicked forwards
4. Allow the goal



Answer: 2. Law 14 states that the ball must move for-
ward. If a player taking the penalty fails to do this then
what happens depends upon whether the player scores or
not. In this case the penalty taker failed to score and so
the referee awards an indirect free kick to the defending
team.