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## CLUB NEWSLETTER

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# Club News

Welcome to the next edition of the club's newsletter.

## Junior Section

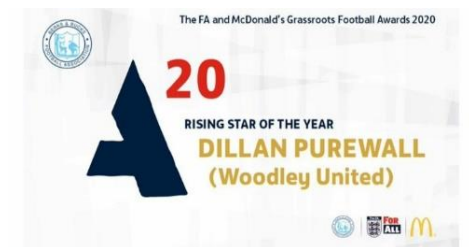
In the recent Football in Berkshire Awards for 2020, our U8's side won the best Isolation Engagement Camp during lockdown.

This is something that most age groups engaged with over Zoom, however the U8's shone under Charlie Payne and Paul Meaden, who managed to include several special guests during the sessions.

These included our 1<sup>st</sup> Team players Tommy Boyd, Lamin Ceesay & Gareth Ainsworth the successful League 1 play-off manager of Wycombe Wanderers. Also involved was Nathan Tyson a local lad who began his career at Reading.

## Youth Section

Congratulations to our U15 manager Dillan Purewall, who won the Rising Star of the Year in the Berks & Bucks MacDonalds Grassroots Football Awards 2020.



See him receive his award from the 50-minute mark on [YouTube](#)

An excellent achievement from Dillan in his 1<sup>st</sup> season and thanks to his U15 players, parents and all supporters.

The club would like to welcome the players and spectators from Reading Rangers who have now joined our U13 Mohawks, U15 Rangers and U15 Hurricanes teams. Also, thanks to Emmanuel Essah, Steve Langdon and Robert McAlaney who are providing support with team management.

## Adult Section - Ladies

Congratulations to Ellen Surtees for winning Female Player of the Year in the Football in Berkshire Awards for the 2019/20 season.



Ellen, for a central defender, has scored a number of goals and got a high number of assists. Also, as captain, she has been a leader on and off the pitch taking on responsibilities for talking to players and helping them which, also allows the management team to focus on other areas.

Welcome to Christian Parker, who will be the new manager of the Men's Royals team.



Christian joins from Maidenhead United where he managed their u18 team for the past two seasons, and he has also managed a Thames Valley Police forces' side for five years period.

Luke Tomlin will take on the management of the "A" team following Tim Green's relocation to Manchester. Luke will be assisted by Jamie Leith.

A final mention on the Football in Berkshire awards where Denis Axton was the Spectator of the Year. Denis is the grandad of 1<sup>st</sup> team captain Luke Axton-Hall.

The club would like to congratulate the winners of these awards, together with a big thank you to everyone involved with teams, club organisation and all related support, during the lockdown period. Let's stay alert and stay safe as we look to meet again on a football pitch soon.



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Woodley United achievements in end of season Awards and new members to the club



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Jamie Williams Photo courtesy of NGSportsPhoto  
Extracts used from the Non-League Paper 9<sup>th</sup> August 2020

## NOTICES



## Club requirements

We are looking for anyone to help with the following:

- Director of Football
- Social Events
- Mini Kickers Coaches/Assistants
- Newsletter contributions
- Website data entry

Let the club know if you would like to discuss more

## Comms Team

The club is working with Spond to improve the information relating to training/matches/events/club news. Please make sure you are connected



## News

A total of 39 teams will represent the club this season. In addition, there are Saturday morning sessions for our girls and mini-kickers sections

## Diary Dates

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September** – Managers meeting on Zoom at 19:30

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September** – restart of the Grassroots EBFA league season

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September** – restart of the Grassroots BYDL league season

## Other items

## Pulse Premier Football Academy



Click on the title for more details.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

We are looking for ways to provide more information about your club and will appreciate any feedback/details to share

CLUB CONTACTS  
Your team Manager / Club General Manager

## Re-Starting Football &amp; Covid-19

RE-STARTING OUTDOOR COMPETITIVE GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL – SUMMARY  
COVID-19 GUIDANCE

With the Youth Grassroots football returning in September (**see Diary Dates**) we will all need to be more mindful that risks are minimized at matches and venues. Details are changing and Risk Assessments/Information Packs being prepared. The latest information can be found at [Club Covid-19](#)

Woodley United FC  
Return to  
Football  
Training



## Your Club – good publicity



Woodley United appeared in the Non-League Paper in conjunction with Gareth Ainsworth, his involvement with our 1<sup>st</sup> team and winning the League 1 play-offs



The Women's FA Cup season starts here

See out 1<sup>st</sup> Team manager Jamie Williams' interview in the [Wokingham Today Sports](#) section



Woodley United Ladies have an extra-preliminary tie against neighbours Wargrave on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September**. The Winners host Milton United on Sunday 20th September. Here's wishing them good luck

## Focus On – latest ventures from your Community Club of the year



[Matt Benham](#) & [Greg Taylor](#) (**Sunday Men's team**) have been running 100 miles each during the month of August and raising £500.00 for both the Teenage Cancer Trust and Bone Cancer Research Trust – If you would like to donate and show your support please click on their names