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## CLUB NEWSLETTER

# Introducing our Youth Coaches

by Max Chaytor

Our focus in this edition, is a group of teenagers who are working with the club during the 2019/2020 season.

Each one has completed their FA Level 1 coaching badge and coach within our junior & youth sections.

<u>Wes</u> has played previously with Chris Squire's current U18 Spitfires team and has been



working with our Mini Kickers section.

He is now manager of the U8 Mohawks after assisting with this age group.

Wes is looking to study Football Coaching and Management at UCFB Wembley, or Sports Coaching at Bath/Bournemouth.

<u>Dillan</u> has been a referee since 2017 and is looking at coaching, to assist him with his further education in Football Coaching & Management.

He is looking to use his experience this season when he attends UCFB (University College of Football & Business) in Wembley.

Dillan has taken over the U15 Mohawks from John Payne and has already had a taste of success when the team won at the Woodley Saints summer tournament.



<u>Harry</u> qualified as a referee in 2018 and approached the club to complete his 5 qualification matches.



He then asked the club about assisting with coaching and we were delighted to include him with our U14 Hurricanes team.

Harry was

involved during the summer preseason and had success when the team also won at the Woodley Saints tournament.

Harry enjoys coaching and is currently working with after-school sports clubs to hone his skills.

<u>Matthew</u> was playing last season for our U18 Meteors after spending most of his youth playing striker for Theale Tigers. He won the



Supporters Player of the year award and asked if he could concentrate on coaching with the club.

Again, we are pleased to help albeit we have lost his terrorising of

opponents defences.

He has linked up with Harry to coach our U14 Hurricanes and is planning to study Sports Psychology at University at Portsmouth, Winchester or Southampton.

With the eventful time being experienced by this team we are sure he will have a good base to build from.



On behalf of Woodley United FC, we would like to wish all Players, Supporters, Managers, Coaches, Assistants and anyone else involved with the club a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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#### 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



#### **Matchday Experiences**

The club actively work with Reading FC to have our teams attend the half time penalty shootout and Paul Westcott's U10's is the team for the forthcoming FA Cup match on January 4th with Reading vs Blackpool

Further experiences are scheduled for other age groups next year

#### News

The club would like to wish Jon Laugharne & Darren Purbrick all the best for their future in football after leaving the club and thank them for the work done with the club's 1st team.

Rachael Laws has this month been voted into Sunderland AFC Ladies team of the decade



For three weeks from the 20th January the FA will launch 21 days of positivity.

The club will be actively supporting this FA initiative

To find out more go to www.TheFA.com/21Days

#### 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

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Congratulations to all involved with the Club as we were the Winner of the "Service to Sport in the Community Club Award" at the annual Wokingham Borough Sports Council event held in November.

Special mention to **Bill Rodda** who won

the "Unsung Hero" award

## Focus On - Development Football by Paul Ferris

Paul Meaden and Ashley Bantock have created a section within our U8's and U9's that focuses on the players who are wanting to partake in matches but without the match day complexity.

So far, they have had great success with a growing group who have been meeting on Saturday mornings using grass pitches and now Goals, which saw a newly formed U8 team enter the Berkshire Youth Development League in November 2019.

Discussions are ongoing with a school for a permanent venue for the new year and the club will be monitoring the progress of this initiative.

## Your Club - Who's Playing, Who's Involved

by WUFC

Congratulations and good luck to Jamie Williams, Rachael Laws and Adam Barnard on their appointment as the men's 1<sup>st</sup> management team.

Jamie will also oversee the Reserves (Royals) team with Adam King, Jez West and Leo Richardson, who is an international player for Anguilla

A notably moment occurred when Father & Son Jon and Leon played for the men's A team in September 2019

Congratulations to them both on this achievement

Congratulations to Samuel & Emmanuel who both scored for their respective teams on their debuts following a long wait in receiving International Transfer Clearance.







## Key Dates - For the diary by WUFC

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 – Managers Meeting Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 — In house FA Emergency Aid