



Oakwood FC News

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Your Club needs you !

You may or may not be aware that the FA are pushing hard for all the County FA's to implement their Ground Grading requirements.

What does this mean to us ? Well, unless we achieve the basic requirements for Division One then whether we finish in the top three or not we will not gain promotion ! Even worse, potentially, if we don't achieve the basics for Division Two then we could end up relegated in the coming years which, I'm sure you'll agree nobody here wants. So, what do we need to get?



Basically we need to do four main things and these are outlined in Project "Acorn".

- 1) A 50 seat (Div.2) or 100 seat (Div.1) covered stand.
- 2) New dugouts .
- 3) The upgrade of our Floodlights to Ryman League standard.
- 4) Installation of hard standing to all 4 sides of the ground.

In addition we urgently need to provide changing facilities for our youth teams.

So what do we do ?

Well, as some you may know I am in the process of applying to various Trusts and other funds to see if we can raise a big part of the necessary cash. But this alone won't get us to where we need to be.

The only way we can get there is for EVERYONE to pull together and do what they can to raise some much needed money.

This newsletter contains some of the ways that you can get involved. **Please help me to help you!**

Bruce Gardner

Got any ideas on how we can raise more money?

Any comments or questions?

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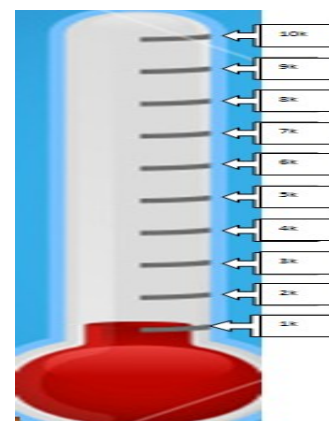
Project "Acorn" Launched

Project "Acorn" identifies the five phases of improvements we would like to achieve and has set the club a target of raising £10,000, over the next two years, as our contribution to this project.

The project document will be used for all the

funding applications and is a way of showing everyone in the club what we are doing and where we are in the fundraising process.

Watch out for the fundraising thermometer on the Project "Acorn" notice board in the clubhouse !!



Sponsor a Seat Prize Draw-Tickets now on sale

The 1st phase of Project "Acorn" is to raise £9,500 to enable us to buy a 50 seat stand.

Applications have been made to several funding bodies totaling £6,500 and the aim is for us to raise the additional £3,000.



Ticket no. 2306 represents Stand 12, Row K, Seat 6.

The draw will be made lottery style with 3 balls being drawn for each prize. One for the Stand number, one for the Row and one for

the Seat number we will then announce the ticket number that corresponds to the seat.

We need EVERYONE to sell as many as they can. The more you sell the quicker we reach our target.

Tickets will be handed out to every player but if you need more see Jane, Kelly or Bruce.



Sponsor a Seat is a prize draw offering some fantastic prizes and is our first fundraising event. We have 360 books of 10 tickets to sell and we need your help to sell these. The more we can sell the more funds we raise towards our total.

To add a bit of fun to the draw each ticket number corresponds to a seat in a stand. So ticket number 0001 represents Stand 1, Row A, Seat 1 and

Foneaid

Have you got any old mobile phones sitting at home doing nothing ?

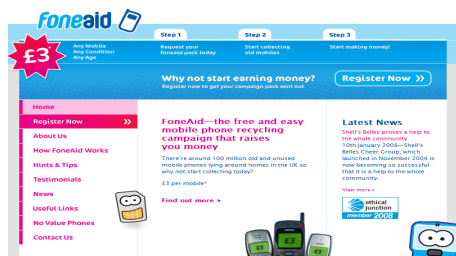
Whether they are broken or not you can earn money for Oakwood by allowing us to recycle the phones through Foneaid.

For every phone we send to them we earn £3.00 for the club and for every 100 phones we recycle we receive an extra £100 worth of vouchers.

Please have a look around at home

and donate your phones as soon as possible.

Please talk to your friends or your workplace and see if they have any



lying around. Remember, no matter how old or whether they work or not we will receive £3.00 for each one.

The youth teams came up with 82 phones and made £246. Hopefully we can be as successful.

Please hand your phones to Bruce Gardner, Kelly or Jane. . If your company needs a letter detailing our campaign please let me know and I am happy to oblige. Many thanks for your support.

Easy fundraising

Do you buy things on the Internet ? Play.com, EBay, Amazon, I-Tunes ?

Then why not register with Easy fundraising for Oakwood Football Club and earn money for the club without it costing you any extra ?

Register yourself today by going to <http://oakwoodfc.easysearch.org.uk/> Click on the Easy Fundraising tab



and simply register your ID and Password.

After this simply sign on to Easy fundraising every time you want to make a purchase and then select your favourite site and make your purchase as normal.

Oakwood will then receive a fixed percentage of the purchase price or a



fixed amount from the retailer, via Easy fundraising, without it costing you an extra penny.

This is a great way to raise funds for the club and couldn't be simpler.

Please don't delay. Register today and let's see the money start to roll in.