

HASLEMERE TOWN YOUTH FC



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Coming to the end of the season would seem like the most appropriate time to issue our first newsletter of the season...

GREEN GREEN GRASS OF HOME

Starting with an update on the pitches. As you know we use a number of pitches in and around Haslemere, utilising Camelsdale, Woolmer Hill, and Scotland Lane. Various factors determine who uses them - taking into account availability, suitability, cost etc.

HTYFC pay some of the highest rates going in the Waverley area, something we made clear at a recent Haslemere Sports Association meeting. Of course this isn't exclusive to us and extends to the other clubs in the area. With Sport England looking to channel investment in facilities into under privileged areas going forward; the local teams from round here may well have to front up more to the maintenance and running costs of these facilities.

Furthermore with the winter weather and the amount of

home matches we've had, we're conscious of the state of pitches and how we'll have to help nurse them to the end of the season. We will look to perhaps reduce the number of friendlies for teams that are involved in leagues to ensure we can use the pitches to fulfil the season, ensuring that the pitches are fit for use.

Not wishing to sound like a nag (like my mother) whilst on the subject of weather I would like to re-iterate that children must have the suitable attire... to combat the "Beast from the East", make sure they have the er... "vest from the West" for both training and matches, please don't take that literally, and as my mum used to say better to wear more as you can always take it off... perhaps the nagging did work after all!

SUDERBURG EXCHANGE

We are delighted to say that our friends from Suderburg will be joining us again this Easter.

Haslemere Youth have been involved in an exchange scheme with VFL Suderburg (which is near Hamburg) and this year will be the 40th anniversary. Our understanding that this is one of the longest running exchanges (outside of private and professional organisations) in the UK. I cannot express how special the arrangement is - to this day 40 years on we have friends coming to stay with us involved with the very first exchange.

Some of you previously involved with the club have been in touch to say that you have friends coming over this Easter,

friendships made through this exchange years ago. That is amazing to hear, and I will update you with what's happening and when; as always it would be great to see you at some of the events.

We have a number of volunteers helping out, and again we rely on the goodwill and generosity of all those involved to try and make this as memorable as possible to the boys and girls involved. However we can always use an extra pair of hands, so if you wish to help or contribute please do get in touch.

WHOO WHOO!

Lifted from the Shottermill newsletter—need I say more... Well done boys keep up the good work!

It would be great to hear of any other success stories from any of our players if you do have any, feel free to message me.

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SPORTING SUCCESS!



Congratulations to Callum W (right) for being awarded 'Man of the Match' as the top goalkeeper for the Haslemere U8's Youth FC in their match against Alton, where they won 5-4 to Haslemere. Well done Callum for keeping out all of those potential goals!



Congratulations to brother Adam W (left) for also being awarded 'Man of the Match' for the Haslemere U9's Youth FC in their match against Curly Park, where they won 9-1 to Haslemere. Adam worked hard in defence and was a strong defender, well done Adam!