



Bulkington Sports JFC Newsletter

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Barracudas Take League Title

The U8 Barracudas followed in the footsteps of the Braves last season by clinching the U8 Eclipse league title. The team, managed by Mick Burn & Lee Harding, went all season unbeaten in the league scoring 56 goals and only conceding 7. The team also came runners up in the recent Chetwynd tournament. Well done to all of the team including Mick & Lee.

The Barracudas success was complemented by the U9 Braves who took the runners' up spot in in the Monarch league and reached the Police Cup final. They also won the Gregory Celtic tournament in Northampton and were runners up in our tournament. Well done to the team and to Dale & Vaughan.

The U10 Ajax team also had a good season finishing runner's up in the Meteor league. Well done to Matt, Margaret, Simon and the team. Unfortunately the Ajax team left the club at the end of the season to set up in their own right as a club. We wish them well.

Welcome to the Bulldogs & Lions

Bulkington Sports JFC extends a warm welcome to two new teams that have formed in preparation for the 2008-9 season.

The U9 Bulldogs joined us in January 2008 and have since been playing a series of friendlies & tournaments. The team is being coached by Chris Olnier with Jon Morgan as team manager. The club

would also like to thank Vaughan Shayler who initially took the team under his wing.

A more recent addition to the club is the U8 Lions team who are being coached/managed by Craig Harris. The Lions came to us as a squad of 5, however, thanks to Craig's hard work they now have a full squad of players for next season. The team is

working hard to get as many friendlies & tournaments under their belt in preparation for next season.

Good luck to both teams for next season.

U9 Bulldogs



U8 Lions



2008 Tournament News

BULKINGTON SPORTS staged their third annual seven-a-side football tournament at Liberty Way and there was no lack of determination as youngsters from under-7s to under-10s showed their skills.

In the under-7 and under-8 groups there were no winning trophies because, under FA guidelines, the action was non-competitive. Fair play shields were awarded instead, selected by our excellent (and neutral) referees.

In the under-7s, Bulkington Sports Grubbers and Rugby Town Falcons were chosen while in the under-8s the plaudits were shared by Bulkington Sports Lions, Ambleside Colts, Weddington Thistle and Chetwynd Hawks.

Bulkington secretary Mark Chatland said: "All the non-competitive games were played in the correct manner with all the children showing great respect, not only for each other, but towards the referees."

In the under-9s, the sides were split into three groups with Coventry, Leicester, Droitwich, Nuneaton and Bedworth all represented.

Two of the three Bulkington teams, the Bulldogs and the Bullets, failed to make it to the quarter-finals from the group stages but our Braves had better fortune and came up against St Nicolas Colts.

In a close tie, Braves lived up to their name by edging through after a penalty shoot-out while in the other tussles, Oadby Owls Snowys and Droitwich Foxes progressed. Leicester's Glenfield Colts beat Oadby Owls Tawnys 1-0 to complete the last four line-up.

The two semi-finals were both hard-fought, with the odd goal settling the matches, Snowys beating Colts 1-0 while Braves got the better of the Foxes by the same score.

The final was an excellent advertisement for junior soccer, with Bulkington and Oadby playing flowing football. The latter inched in front early on but were pegged back by a superb deadball strike. The final finished 1-1 with Oadby taking the trophy 3-1 on penalties.

At under-10s, 20 teams were in action in four sections, with Bulkington Gunners getting

through, only to lose in the quarter-finals, while Bulkington Saints suffered the heartbreak of missing out after losing a penalty shoot-out to St Peters Celtic Juniors after both teams finished level in the same league.

After well-contested last-eight ties, Chetwynd Warriors (Nuneaton), St Peters Celtic (Leamington), Marlborough Rovers (Leicester) and Chapelfields Colts (Coventry) progressed.

Both semi-finals produced exciting games, with Chetwynd winning 3-0 against Celtic and Chapelfields edging out Marlborough by the odd goal.

The final was another thrilling affair that hinged on just one goal, with the Colts stealing the spoils.

Mark Chatland was overjoyed with the tournament's success saying: "Yet again the Bulkington Sports seven-a-side competition was a superb advert for grassroots football with all the players, officials and parents a credit to their clubs, showing respect to opponents and referees alike."

Annual General Meeting

The club's annual general meeting took place on 17th July at the Bulkington Working Mens Club.

Vice Chairman, John Rusted, ran through the various achievements made by the club in 2007/8 and congratulated the U8 Barracudas, U9 Braves & U10 Ajax for winning silverware last season. It was also noted that several managers/coaches have gained their level 1 coaching certificate in 2007/8 as well as others who are looking to further their qualifications.

Presentations were made to Andy Hunter, Mark Haughian & Rob Milner. Andy is stepping down from his role of club chairman whilst Mark & Rob are stepping down as managers of the U13's. The club wished them all well for the future.

The secretary issued key dates for next season. Managers were issued with dates when there would be no games during school half terms.

The treasurer, Ian Cattell, gave his report into the finances of the club and was delighted to announce that the club had made a healthy profit from the recent mini 7 a-side tournament.

Key changes to the clubs constitution were voted in as follows:

1. Home colours will be red & white striped shirts, black shorts & black socks. Away colours at managers discretion.
2. Club kit & equipment shall only display club badge, squad numbers and sponsors logo where appropriate.

3. 2008/9 subscriptions maintained at £120 per year.

Appointment of officers - 2008/9

Club Chairman - Vaughan Shayler

Vice Chairman - John Rusted

Secretary - Mark Chatland

Vice Secretary - Jacqui Anderson

Treasurer - Ian Cattell

Child Welfare Officer - Mel Cross

Kit & Facilities - Mick Burn

Tournament Co-ordinator - Vaughan Shayler

Communications Officer - Not Filled

Social Events Co-ordinator - Not Filled

2008/9 Subs fixed at 2007/8 level. New club chairman & child welfare officer appointed

Managers & Coaches

The new season starts on Sunday 7th September 2008. Please remember that the emergency stand down has been dropped for the forthcoming season. Only the 28 day stand down is allowable. If you can't fulfill a fixture then the points will be awarded to the other team.

Following Mark Haughian's & Rob Milner's decision to stand down as coaches of the U13's, the club is pleased to announce that Dave Hayward & Mark Leach will take over the running of the team. Karl Sturdy has taken over the running of the U12 Saints for 2008/9.

Coaching Development

Chris Olnor, our head coach, is currently in the process of completing his level 3 coaching badge.

Ian Walker our U14 Bulldogs manager is currently in the process of completing his level 2 badge.

Dale Cross, U6 manager, has recently passed his level 1 badge.

Karl Sturdy, U12 Saints, has recently passed his level 1 badge.

Player Registration

League registrations will take place at Stockingford Working Mens Club between 7.00pm & 8.30pm on the following dates:

U8's - U10's Weds 30th July

U11's - U13's Weds 6th August

U14's - U16's Weds 13th August

Next Managers' Meeting

Thursday 4th September 2008.

Venue TBA

Social Events

Dates for your diaries:

Saturday 4th October 2008

Skittles Night

Wolvey Bowling Club 7.30pm

Fish & Chips or Chicken & Chips

Adults Only £7.50 per ticket

Limited to 6 teams of 14

Please contact Mark Chatland for tickets



Friday 24th October 2008

Bulkington Sports JFC Race Night

Bulkington War Memorial Club 7.30pm

Adults £6.50 each (Includes Fish & Chips or Chicken & Chips).

Children £3.50 (Includes Jumbo Sausage & Chips)

Numbers are limited so please contact Mark Chatland for tickets



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Sponsors of the U10 Braves



Sponsors of the U9 Lions

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2009 Tournament meeting - 02/10/08 Venue TBA

If any manager, parent or player would like to contribute to the next edition of the Bulkington Sports JFC newsletter can they please contact Mark Chatland by email at bulkingtonjfc@btinternet.com