

CHESTERFIELD JUNIOR BLUES FC

Newsletter Winter 2017



The Chairman's Notebook

by Tim Bedford

Firstly, welcome to this new Chesterfield Junior Blues Newsletter. I hope that you find this an enjoyable read.

Having had the honour of recently being voted as the new Chairman of Chesterfield Junior Blues FC, I wanted to go on record to acknowledge all of the work of the outgoing chairman Oliver Couch. Without his initial hard work and the help and the support of all of the other committee members, coaches and volunteers we would not have the club we have today.

CJBFC was set up on 6 July 2005 and in that season had 6 teams (one each between u8 and u13) with 10 volunteers in coaching and non-coaching positions. Now we have over 300 players across 25 teams and over 50 coaches and volunteers.

We are a club whose hard work in the community has been recognised with two separate awards this year.

We are the Derbyshire FA Charter Standard Development Club of the Year for 2017 and more recently we were awarded the Community Club Award at the Active Chesterfield Sports Awards, we can all be proud of these achievements

A little bit about myself. I was first introduced to Chesterfield Junior Blues after a chance meeting with an old school friend. He told me about some football trials coming up and we both

decided to take our sons along to see if they enjoyed it and made the new team of under 7s. Gavin Long was their manager and he had the team playing with a smile on their face and enjoying themselves. Things clicked and we started to play some very good football and they went from strength to strength.

It's pleasing so say that from that initial team of 9 boys all are still playing football, most still with CJBFC but we are now under 11s and have 5 teams with almost 60 boys, still playing with the same ethos that Gavin started so many years ago.

My eldest son joined CJB a few seasons ago and he has developed as a player but more importantly as a young man, forming new friendship groups and enjoying his football once again.

Please enjoy the newsletter, if you want to volunteer speak to your coach or email one of the committee members, help is always appreciated, or look at some of the positions that we have vacant within the club and help out that way.



Tim Bedford
Chairman



**CHARTER STANDARD
DEVELOPMENT CLUB**

FUTSAL

by Oliver Couch

This season CJB has eight futsal teams competing in the Chesterfield Futsal League, from u8s to u13. We play against clubs we know well and against clubs we only see at futsal. We currently hold the League's Cups at u7, u10 and u12. This season cup winners will play against champions in the Derby Futsal League with the winners representing Derbyshire in the national FA Youth Futsal Festival.

Futsal is a sport in its own right, but is also key part of what the FA calls the "England DNA" and helps to develop footballers' ball skills and decision making under pressure. Many of the world's best footballers started playing futsal and only focused on football in their mid-teens –

Messi is one famous example. Professional clubs' academies are introducing futsal as an important part of player development; and coaches whose teams play in the CFL say their teams are better at football skills because they play futsal.

But the best thing is the youngsters love it.

If you'd like to know more visit the CFL website at www.chesterfieldfutsal.com or speak to your CJB manager.



A view from the touchline

A GRANDPA'S OBSESSION

In the summer of 2013, my 6 year old, football loving grandson wanted to go to the trials for a new CJB Under 7's team and that's where it all began.

The season began, the team had their new football strips, and all were raring to go. Of course I was there on the touch line cheering them on along with their parents and families and I also took him on occasions to the training sessions due to work commitments of his parents.

It was so apparent how much these youngsters enjoyed their game. They supported one another and developed wonderful friendships. I was very quickly 'hooked' and loved seeing how this group of young, very raw talent, improved and how their coaches brought out the skills and sportsmanship of the game. The team encouraged and supported each other and the coach's attitudes dispelled any self-confidence issues. The parents also played a major part showing great commitment and support.



Now to 2017 - the team are now in the Under 11's group and have gone from strength to strength. There is a fantastic family feeling within the group and I still support them at every opportunity. I've had the pleasure of watching them go from 'raw recruits' to a very competitive, well-mannered and disciplined team. My elder grandson also joined CJB's under 13's in 2015 so I have the pleasure of supporting him and his team mates too. My biggest problem at weekends is how to fit in seeing as many matches as possible.

This winter, whatever the weather, I'll be there on the touch line cheering my teams on. Do I have any regrets? Yes - after watching these youngsters for the past 4 years I wish I was a younger man as I would have loved to be more involved with the coaching side of Grass Roots football.

Coaches and Volunteers

Chesterfield Junior Blues are proud to be a FA Charter Standard Development Club. The Charter Standard recognises clubs who excel at all levels of coaching and child welfare. To ensure that we retain this we must ensure that all coaches, assistants or volunteers have the required safeguarding checks (indeed any adult in a team who has direct contact with children as a CJB Volunteer). The club has an appointed Child Welfare Officer, Jonathan Moore (contact details below), who will ensure that these checks are completed as quickly and as efficiently as possible.

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Below is the correct sequence to complete this

- ➔ • New Volunteer gets form from secretary by emailing secretary@cjbfc.co.uk or the club website at www.cjbfc.co.uk
- ➔ • Form is completed and emailed back to the club to Secretary, the Secretary will then send info to Jonathan Moore
- ➔ • Jonathan Moore will send information about CRC/DBS check to volunteer
- ➔ • Volunteer should register personal details on gbg.onlinedisclosures.co.uk with information sent by Jonathan
- ➔ • Volunteer then sends readable photos of documents chosen during the above process to Jonathan via email
- ➔ • Jonathan then inputs this information onto the system to complete an identity check
- ➔ • Volunteer then pays for the check online – CJB Treasure will refund the fee once the process is completed
- ➔ • All information goes off for the appropriate Police checks to be carried out and the certificate soon follows
- ➔ • Once CRC complete, details entered onto FA Whole Game System
- ➔ • Coaches Kit can be ordered if required

If you have any questions please contact your team coach or a member of the CJB committee

Dates for your diary

Meeting	Date	Time	Venue
Sub-Committee meetings	About a week before each Management Committee meeting		
Management Committee	Tuesday 16 January	1930	TBC
Management Committee	Tuesday 20 March	1930	TBC
Management Committee	Tuesday 17 April	1930	TBC
Existing Players Registration Evening; and pre-trials Committee meeting	Monday 21 May	1800	Hub at Proact Stadium
Presentation Evenings	Friday 27 April	1900	Proact Stadium
	Friday 4 May		
	Saturday 12 May		
	Friday 18 May		
Registration Night	Tuesday 19 June	1800	TBC
Coaches briefing meeting	Tuesday 19 June	1900	TBC
AGM and Management Committee	Tuesday 3 July	1930	TBC

HERE'S WISHING YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

