

hampshire fa grassroots Football awards 2018



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introduction



It gives me great pleasure to introduce to you the sixth annual Hampshire FA Grassroots Football Awards held at Southampton FC on Saturday 2nd June 2018 sponsored by the Saints Foundation and powered by AN4 Group.

Hampshire FA receives nominations from its Member Divisional Football Associations (DFAs) and Local Area Referees Committees (LARCs) on an annual basis for the Hampshire FA Service to Football Awards and Hampshire FA Referees Service to Football Awards. These nominations are reviewed at the March meeting of Officers and DFAs.

Following on from the presentations of these awards, we will present the Hampshire FA Certificate of Commendation to those individuals who have completed a further 10 years' service following the award of either a Hampshire FA Service to Football Award or Hampshire FA Referees Service to Football Award. We will then present the Hampshire FA Groundsman of the Year Awards, sponsored by Fleet Line Markers.

Moving on, we then present the Hampshire FA Respect Awards, recognising one youth and one adult league in Hampshire that have strongly upheld the values of Respect in the county and for their hard work and excellence in implementing The FA Respect programme.

The Hampshire FA Charter Standard Awards are selected by the Hampshire FA Charter Standard working group based on club assessments provided by the county FA's Charter Standard monitors over the course of the season, awarded to those clubs who have achieved the highest standards.

Each year, the Hampshire FA Disciplinary Committee

considers appropriate winners of the Hampshire FA Fair Play Awards. The Fair Play Awards take into account the number of teams in a club and the number of disciplinary points recorded during the season. They also invite feedback from our member leagues before reaching a decision on the winners and we will be presenting awards to clubs who have achieved the highest standards.

We then move on to the Hampshire FA Referee Awards which are decided by members of the Hampshire FA Referees' Committee in conjunction with myself and the Hampshire FA Referee Development Manager. The refereeing programme in Hampshire is sponsored by the University of Portsmouth Department of Sport and Exercise Science.

As the evening progresses, we then welcome presentations for the Hampshire FA Inclusive Club of the Year Award and Hampshire FA Walking Football Club of the Year Award, recognising a club for each award based on their contribution and commitment to developing the game.

We are delighted that the Football Leadership programme with Solent University has gone from strength to strength and now has over 450 students delivering 40+ grassroots football projects countywide, all designed to sustain, grow and implement effective initiatives to support the grassroots game in Hampshire.

Moving on from the Solent University Group Project Awards, we then have the Hampshire FA Football Futures Awards. The Football Futures programme in Hampshire is sponsored by Solent University and we are delighted to present awards to two deserving, young volunteers for their commitment



and dedication to volunteering.

This year, we are pleased to introduce for the first time the Hampshire FA Equality Champion Award, presented to selected clubs, leagues, organisations and/or individuals who have championed equality and inclusion in their programmes, through key initiatives and/or personal actions. The awards have been selected by the Hampshire FA Inclusion Advisory Group (IAG) and form part of the new equality action plan.

Furthermore, we move on to another new set of awards this year, our Hampshire FA Media Project Awards. The Hampshire FA Media Project Programme was launched in October 2017 with the aim of inviting students to conduct media features on areas of the grassroots game. We are delighted to present three awards this evening to students whose media projects were selected by the Hampshire FA Grassroots Football Awards panel.

We would like to congratulate Fordingbridge Turks FC on their 150 year anniversary, making it the oldest club in Hampshire and 14th oldest in the World. As such, we are delighted to present them with a Hampshire FA Special Award in recognition and commemoration of their long and established history and legacy.

This year, we are delighted to confirm that Specsavers are sponsoring the Hampshire FA Respect Awards, Hampshire FA Fair Play Awards, Hampshire FA Inclusive Club of the Year Award and the Hampshire FA Walking Football Club of the Year Award.

We end the presentations with The FA 50 Year Long Service to Football Award. This is a highly prestigious

award made to those grassroots heroes who have given an astonishing 50 years' service to the game. This season, we are honoured to make presentations to some very deserving people who have dedicated so much to our national game: Dave Pickles, Dennis Challis, Malcolm Henderson, Michael Ryan, Paul Scoble, Reg Pullen, Robin Osborne and Tony Hart.

Thank you to everyone for your contributions and services to the game throughout the season – we are proud to have you represent our county and look forward to building on the successes and achievements with our dedicated workforce of volunteers, the very lifeblood at the heart of our beautiful game.

neil cassar
chief executive



SAINTS FOUNDATION CLUB DEVELOPMENT & SUPPORT

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Saints Foundation are able to provide support to help develop grass roots football clubs by working directly with club officials and players and equipping them with the tools and resources needed to improve their performance both on and off the field. Our minimum FA Level 2 qualified coaches will work closely with your club volunteers and tailor the sessions to meet the needs of the players at your club.

A development programme will be produced in conjunction with the recommendations of team managers and also the Saints Foundation Coaching Curriculum. Saints Foundation are able to assist your club's coaches with their personal development by providing them with session's plans, working alongside them during session delivery, sharing feedback following session observations and demonstrating good practice through session delivery.

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Saints Foundation is also able to develop clubs coaches through the delivery of coach education courses and workshops. Saints Foundation will actively encourage clubs to develop coaches to a Level 1 standard, as this will help clubs to become or maintain the Charter Standard Club accreditation which is awarded by your county FA.

To find out more information or get your club involved please email tgrevatt@saintsfc.co.uk



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welcome From the sponsors

Saints Foundation is extremely proud to once again be the headline sponsor of the Hampshire FA Grassroots Football Awards – a unique and inspiring event that not only celebrates the many successes of teams and individuals across the county, but also fits so well with our mantra of inclusion, regardless of gender, age or ability.

We, like all of you in the room, recognise the crucial role of the many incredible grassroots volunteers across the county, who are making a difference not only to the growth of the beautiful game, but to the lives of each and every individual involved. As such, we are delighted to join forces with Hampshire FA again in order to recognise grassroots heroes and their outstanding achievements at their annual awards ceremony.

We would like to congratulate each and every one of you here today and hope you all have a fantastic evening.

greg baker
head of saints foundation



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about saints foundation

Saints Foundation is the official charity of Southampton Football Club and exists to change the lives of children, young people, and adults at risk across Southampton and the surrounding areas. Working in partnership with the club, we aim to inspire and support people of all ages and abilities to develop their potential into excellence. We deliver targeted programmes across five key areas of social concern. These include: Employability and Learning, Education, Health and Well-Being, Saints4All and Schools and Community.

Every year Saints Foundation engages with thousands of young people and adults at risk through our programmes targeting some

of the biggest issues in society. The charity invests over £2.5 million into local communities within Southampton and the surrounding area. These funds are generated through grants, sponsorship, coaching income, individuals taking on fundraising challenges and the never-ceasing support of a huge number of individuals and businesses within our local community.

In addition we deliver a comprehensive Football and Sports Development programme, which offers boys and girls across the region the chance to take part in both community and competitive football, via soccer schools, advanced coaching centres, schools programmes and club partnerships.

hampshire fa **service to football award**

A Hampshire FA Service to Football Award is made for 25 years' continuous or aggregated voluntary service to the county and each winner is nominated by their local Divisional Football Association. The Awards will be presented by John Benfield, President of Hampshire FA. This season's recipients are:

dawn paga

Dawn joined Christchurch FC in 1974 and was soon dispensing half-time refreshments to the players and supporters. Two years later, she joined the committee and was then appointed to Assistant Secretary before becoming the Secretary of the 1st, 2nd and U18 teams in the Hampshire and Bournemouth Leagues. Dawn held the position of Secretary for 23 years and additionally supervised the club's move to Hurn Bridge as well as their entry into the Wessex Football League. Dawn began serving again in a hospitality role and is still in charge of hospitality today. In 2003, Dawn was appointed Vice-President of Christchurch FC and four years ago became Life President.

jim farrall

Jim started playing youth football in 1973 and continued into men's football. He played for and managed teams such as Leigh Park United FC, Havant Town Youth FC and Havant and Waterlooville FC. In 2008, Jim was elected Deputy President and became the Club League Representative and Charter Standard Co-ordinator. Four years later, he became Vice-Chairman of the Mid Solent Youth Football League before becoming their Chairman in 2014. In addition to this, Jim has been a League Divisional Secretary since 2012 and is currently a Committee Member of the Portsmouth Divisional FA Finance Board.

john o'hara

John began his involvement in senior football in 1958 when he joined South Farnborough FC as a player and continued subsequently with Farnborough AFC. John was then part of the Steering Committee which led to the foundation of Farnborough Town FC in 1967, where he continued to play until 1972. After retirement, John took on an off-field career at the club and became a Committee Member, Assistant Groundsman, Kit Washer and was even appointed 'sponge man', a role which he retained for 10 years. He has always actively supported the club in areas such as ground maintenance and still serves the club, supporting with match-day duties. In further recognition to John, the club named a stand after him in 2013, which he considers to be a great honour.

len cull

Len's football career started in 1965 playing for Mitchell Youth FC, Eastleigh Boys, Eastleigh Town FC and numerous other local clubs. Len was Player Manager for the Victoria Inn FC and became Progressive Club Manager from 1990-93. Additionally, Len has been both Manager and Secretary of Bishopstoke Boys FC (now Capital FC) and has served for 23 years. Although Secretary for the club, Len never misses a game and is always there to support. Additionally, Len has been involved with the Southampton Leagues for 53 years and was even awarded 'Secretary of the Year'.

miķa colborne

Mike was involved with various football teams from 1988-96 and was also the Manager of Woolston Wanderers FC from 1988-90. In 1996, Mike and his cousin formed Chamberlayne Athletic FC, which today is an FA Charter Standard club, and he now serves as the club's President. Mike is still actively involved in running the club and enjoys making Chamberlayne Athletic FC a fun, welcoming and enjoyable place for children to play football. From 2005-10, Mike took on the role of Reserve Manager for a number of clubs, including Hamble FC, Brockenhurst FC and Bashley FC.

robert Foad

Robert has volunteered as the Gateman at Newport IOW FC for over 45 years. In the 1970s, Robert was asked to join the committee at the club, a role which he continues to this day. Additionally, Robert undertakes various duties for the club whenever it is required. In 2017, he was awarded the IOW Divisional FA's Service to Football Award. Robert has been described as very welcoming and cheery on the gate. He even put up his own sign which reads 'Greet your punter with a smile' as members enter the club!

simon natharcott

Simon started playing football in the Bournemouth leagues in 1976 for a number of teams, primarily Outlaws FC and Visa Eagles FC before retiring at the age of 44. Simon qualified as a Solicitor and has been the Honorary Solicitor for Hampshire FA and Bournemouth Divisional FA since 1992, during a considerable period of change in football administration. Simon has been a Hampshire FA Council Member since 1992 and was elected Life Vice-President in 2007. Harold G Walker Solicitors furthermore sponsor the Russell Cotes Cup.

terry harwood

Terry played Lads League for Paulsgrove FC and was a Member of the Lads League Rep Squad. He also played for Bailey & Whites FC who went on to win the North End League. From 1968 onwards, Terry played for various teams in the Portsmouth Sunday League including Beehive FC and T&H Miltonians FC, both of which were league winners. Furthermore, Terry became the Secretary of T&H Miltonians FC, Kimber Sports FC and Fratton Sports FC and became the Hampshire Youth League Secretary for Hilssea. Other roles undertaken include Divisional Secretary, Registration and Transfer (forms) Secretary and Minutes Secretary for the City of Portsmouth Sunday League Committee. Terry has been heavily involved also with Portsmouth FC and this season marks his 50th year with the club!

vick collich

Vick began his football career in refereeing in 1964 and became a Referee Assessor and Secretary. Additionally, Vick is a Committee Member of the Bournemouth LARC and also served in the role of Vice-Chairman before being elected President. Vick has refereed on the Bournemouth Youth Football League and was also the Referee Representative for the league. In 1982, Vick became a Bournemouth Divisional FA Council Member and was elected Life Vice-President of the Bournemouth Divisional FA (1998). In 2017, Vick was awarded the Bournemouth Divisional FA Service to Football Award.

hampshire fa referees service to football award

A Hampshire FA Referees Service to Football Award is made to Referees and Assessors who have been registered and active in the county for 25 years. The Award will be presented by John Benfield, President of Hampshire FA. This season's recipients are:

andrew lavar

Andrew was promoted to a Class 1 Referee at the age of 19 and has officiated on numerous leagues including the Sydenhams Wessex Football League, Hampshire, Isthmian and Southern Leagues and the National League South. Andrew has been an Assistant Referee on the Football League since 2006. Notable appointments include being an Assistant Referee at an FA Vase Semi-Final, at an FA Trophy Semi-Final, twice for The FA Cup 3rd round and two National League South play-off finals. Additionally, Andrew has been the 4th Official at a Sydenhams Wessex Football League Cup Final and has refereed a Hampshire FA Senior Cup Final.

ben knight

Ben qualified as a Referee in 1993 and was promoted to Class 1 in 1998. He refereed on the Hampshire League from 1998-2002 and was also an Assistant Referee on the Southern League from 2000-02. In 2002, Ben was promoted as a Level 3 Contributory League Referee. Ben has officiated in a Conference National play-off semi-final (Assistant Referee in 2006), Contributory League play-offs (Referee in 2008, 4th Official in 2011) and has also been involved in The FA Cup 1st round three times (2005, 2006, 2011). Additionally, Ben has been involved in the Hampshire FA Saturday Senior Cup Final 4 times as a Referee (2011), Assistant Referee (2004) and as a 4th Official (2006 and in the

second half in 2007). Ben has been a Secretary, Minutes Secretary and Committee Member of the Portsmouth Referees' Society.

bruce bannatt

Over 25 years ago, Bruce was watching a football match and was asked to referee. An unprepared Bruce was given a whistle, took up the challenge and refereed the match. This led to him applying to become a Referee and undertaking the courses and exams which resulted in him becoming a Level 5 Referee. Bruce has refereed a number of cup finals and has also been the Assistant Referee during his career. Bruce says that as he works in an office during the day, he finds refereeing football matches keeps him fit and healthy. He also says that he looks forward to each football season with the same enthusiasm he had 25 years ago!

chris taylor

Chris took up the whistle in the 1992-93 season and was promoted to Class 1 in the 1993-94 season. Following promotion, Chris went on to referee on the Wessex Football League and became an Assistant Referee on the Southern League. Chris has officiated on the Portsmouth area Sunday Leagues (1995-96 through to 2000-01) and Hampshire FA U18 and Women's Football League. Additionally, Chris was the Honorary Treasurer for the Wessex Football League RA (1997-98 through to 1999-2000) and became

the Wessex Football League's Referee Assessor (2001-02 through to 2006-07). All being well, he hopes that his refereeing days will continue for many more years to come.

huw avans

Huw completed his refereeing training course in 1992 and was promoted to Class 2 (1996) and then to Class 1 (1998). Huw has continued to referee on the Southampton Saturday Football League and the City of Southampton Sunday Football League as well as being an Assistant Referee on the Sydenhams Wessex Football League. In addition to this, Huw officiates during the week on the Hampshire Colleges, University and School games. Huw is also the Chairman of the Southampton Referees' Society and is the Secretary of the Southampton LARC. Additionally, Huw is also a Referee Tutor and is still actively tutoring to the present day.

martin panfold

Martin completed his refereeing course in 1992 and has refereed every season since, primarily in youth football. In addition to this, he is the President of the Southampton & District Tyro Football League.

william bull

William passed his referee exam in 1992 with Huw Evans. William took charge of the Southampton Senior Cup in 1999 and completed 18 years on the Contributory League. William says that he has been fortunate to referee the Hampshire FA Senior Cup Final and Russell Cotes Cup Final. Additionally, William spent 11 years on the Football League as an Assistant Referee and lined over 200 games before retiring last year. William has since taken up the role of Match Observer in a number of leagues whilst helping the Southampton FC Referees' Academy welcome newly qualified Referees.

hampshire fa *certificate of commendation*

A Hampshire FA Certificate of Commendation is awarded to an individual for 10 years' additional service following the award of a Hampshire FA Service to Football or Referees Service to Football Award. The Award will be presented by John Benfield, President of Hampshire FA. This season's recipients are:

barry campbell

Barry played local football from 1962-87 for a number of clubs including present club Co-Op Dragons FC (formerly known as George & Dragon FC) and is still running to this day. Co-Op Dragons FC have gone on to win an impressive 30 senior trophies in 30+ years, 2 of which were Hampshire FA Senior Cups. In the 1972-73 season, Barry also ran the U16 boys' team for Langstone Sports FC. In 1977, Barry became the Secretary of Ports Nalgo FC and was concurrently running 4 teams. The club changed its name to George & Dragon FC in 1985 and eventually changed to Co-Op Dragons FC in 1990. Continuing his Secretarial role, Barry went on to become Secretary of Co-Op Sports FC and East Lodge FC until 2009. Furthermore, Barry has served on the Portsmouth Divisional FA Council for 30 years (with a short break in between) and was awarded a Service to Football Award in 1997.

graham joy

Graham is a Committee Member and Player at Mercury FC. Graham qualified as a Referee and has officiated matches on the Hampshire League, Dorset Premier League, Bournemouth and New Forest Leagues, Sydenhams Wessex Football League and also the Dorset Combination Football League. Graham is currently a Bournemouth Divisional FA Council Member and serves on the Establishment, Finance and Rules Revision Committees. Throughout his long-standing career and involvement in the game, Graham has been fortunate to meet lots of people, many of which have become lifelong friends.

graham lammon

In 1947, Graham became the Secretary for Mayles Sports FC. In 1950, he qualified as a Referee and within two years was promoted to Class 2. Additionally, Graham was part of the Management Committee at Havant Schools FA and became the Secretary in 1962 serving until 2003. Graham has served in a variety of roles including President of the Hampshire Schools FA (1975-76), as Treasurer of the Portsmouth Lads League (1978-83 and again in 1986-98), as Deputy Chairman of the Portsmouth LARC (in 2002) among other roles. Graham became a Hampshire FA Council Member in 1996 and still serves on the Council to the present day.

paul maiden

Paul started playing football for Southampton Schools throughout the 1960s and was still active in the 1970s, playing in the Hampshire County League. Remarkably, Paul was never booked by a Match Official and maintained the utmost respect for the Officials. Paul has had a long-standing involvement with AFC Totton and has held the roles of Committee Member, Vice-Chairman, Social Secretary, Barman, Groundsman, Stadium Manager (when the club relocated to Calmore) and Minutes Secretary (current role). Paul's highlight in football was when he helped behind-the-scenes at The FA Vase Final at Wembley Stadium. He is proud to serve the club he says has fully embraced the term 'community'.

ray coleman

After many years as a Player, Coach and Manager in adult football, Ray transitioned into youth football and went on to form Seagulls FC in 1977. Since then, Ray has managed clubs for a total of 20 years. Additionally, Ray has held every role on the League Management Committee of the Mid Solent Youth Football League and was elected President of the league in 2012. Ray also held the position of Chairman for Hampshire Youth FA from 1994 to 2000.

roger bing

After playing junior league football, Roger decided to become a qualified Referee during the 1982-83 season and by 1991 was Level 5. When the Wessex Football League was formed, Roger became an Assistant Referee. Roger was also the 4th Official and Assistant Referee at the 'old' Dell in the Southampton Senior Cup. Roger has also been involved in referee training and mentoring, and became the Mentor Co-ordinator for the Southampton area. The two highlights of Roger's career were refereeing the George Reader Cup and being the Assistant Referee at St Mary's for Southampton University's final. Roger is still involved in refereeing college, schools and university matches.

hampshire fa groundsmen of the year award

The Awards will be presented by **Iain Courage**, Sales Director at Fleet Line Markers

1st place

steve barry
**east christchurch sports &
social club fc**

Steve began marking the pitches at East Christchurch Sports & Social Club FC and took over the maintenance of the pitch 4 years ago, serving the club for a total of 8 years. Steve also manages and maintains the pitches for Mudeford Phoenix FC. Last April, the lead Groundsman at Southampton FC visited East Christchurch Sports & Social Club FC's site and advised on recommendations which Steve then implemented, ultimately leading to the achievement of this award. Steve voluntarily serves as a Match Day Steward for the club in addition to the role of Groundsman.

2nd place

barry morse
follands sports fc

Retired aircraft fitter Barry Morse started playing football at the age of 15 for Netley Central FC and Sholing Sports FC. Barry began overseeing the maintenance of the field at Follands Sports FC once he stopped playing in order to give something back to the footballing community, which he enjoys. In addition to the role of Groundsman, Barry is also the Chairman of Follands Sports FC.

2nd place

pete newcomba
follands sports fc

Pete joined Follands Sports FC in 1995, working alongside First Team Managers including Dick Donihoe, Larry Clay and Danny Bowers as a Coach and Physio. In 2010, he decided to combine his responsibilities with looking after the 1st pitch, leading to the management of all pitches at Follands Sports FC. Since 2010, Follands Sports FC have been invited to host end-of-season cup finals for Southampton Divisional FA and Hampshire FA.

3rd place

stuart mawson
stockbridge fc

Stuart played for Stockbridge FC during the 1960s-80s in the Andover Junior Football League and the North Hants Senior Football League. Stuart is proud to have a whole host of medals and trophies to his name. Throughout the last few years, Stuart has undertaken groundsman duties. Stuart is also part of the renovation team currently updating and modernising the changing rooms which are being turned into a reception and kitchen facility; this is keeping him 'very busy'.



hampshire fa respect award

The Awards will be presented by Ian Walkom, Chairman of the Hampshire FA Safeguarding and Respect Subgroup Committee

andover & district football league

The Andover & District Football League was established in 1920 and has run consecutively since, excluding the war years. In the early days, the league successfully ran 4 divisions with around 50 teams. Many clubs (currently playing in higher leagues now), had their initial roots in the Andover & District Football League. The league operates the highest standards in accordance with The FA's Respect Programme and has achieved the highest Respect record this season in Hampshire. The league ensures there are Respect handshakes before every game and even have their own end-of-season Fair Play Award, awarded to the club with the least discipline points. The league has been very proactive in finding ways to engage more U18 players to join and give adult football 'a try'. Additionally, every club in the league has played in a Cup Final!

southampton & district tyro football league

The Southampton & District Tyro Football League was formed in 1967 and is celebrating its 50th anniversary this season. The league provides football for U11-U15 age groups of all abilities and began fully embracing The FA's Respect programme during the 2012-13 season. This season the league has also changed its Fair Play Award to the Respect Award, with a team award given in each age group together with an overall winner. The league has also given vests to all Respect Stewards in each age group, further embracing the meaning and values of The FA's Respect programme. From next season, the league will be working more closely with Hampshire FA on matters of Respect issues. The league plans to hold more Respect events throughout the season and achieve FA Charter Standard league status.



hampshire fa charter standard award

The Awards will be presented by Nick Taplin, Chairman of the Hampshire FA Charter Standard Working Group

aldershot

Farnborough youth Fc

Farnborough Youth FC (formerly Farnborough Town Youth) was formed in 1991 and provides football for children aged 6-18. Charles Mortimore MBE organised the original team, which was based in the Aldershot & District School. A number of local teams became part of Farnborough Town FC including two teams which were formed at Cove Junior School. The club prides itself on providing 'Football for All' and fully supports player development. The club helps to prepare players for their role and level in the game with a child-focused approach. Additionally this season, 3 former youth players transitioned into the Farnborough FC First Team.

bourneamouth

Sway Juniors youth Fc

Sway Juniors FC is located in the beautiful surroundings of the New Forest. A small village club, it has 120 registered players from U6 to U16, playing in 3 different league competitions. The club also has mini-soccer development squads (mixed and girls). Players and their parents are attracted to the club's inclusive culture, where football is available to everyone. The club's recent achievements include the U14 and U16 age groups awarded the Sportsmanship Trophy for their respective divisions, the U15 team also went on to win the Testway League Cup competition this season and the U12 girls won promotion to the New Forest Girls Football League in an unbeaten season.

isla of wight

vectis youth Fc

Vectis Youth FC was formed in 2014 (originally with 6 teams) and aims to provide football in a safe and fun environment for all children. This is encapsulated in their club motto 'Stronger Together'. The club achieved FA Charter Standard Development status and has Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 coaches. The club will welcome the new season with 16+ teams ranging from U8 through to U16 including girls, disability and 'footy tots' teams. The club has ambitions to create an adult set-up and achieve FA Charter Standard Community Club status. Furthermore, the club is supporting 7 of their U15 players to undertake referee training to officiate the younger teams.

north hants

woolton hill argyle youth Fc

Woolton Hill Argyle Youth FC was formed in 2001 (originally with 6 teams) and is an FA Charter Standard youth football club. The club has teams ranging from U7 through to U16 with 230+ players. Additionally, the club has been recognised for Fair Play by the Peter Houseman Youth Football League. In the 2007-08 season, the club achieved its first cup success when the U9 team won the Peter Houseman League and Cup Double. Woolton Hill Argyle Youth FC has recently purchased its own ground equipment so the club can maintain its own pitches. The club is proud to boast 20 FA qualified Coaches and also has a number of young FA qualified Referees.

portsmouth
gosport falcons youth fc

Gosport Falcons Youth FC was formed in 1991 and now has 12 teams and 150+ players ranging from U7 through to a ladies team which was established last season. The club has worked hard to establish mini-soccer teams and has hosted a number of open days to promote the set-up. Furthermore the club has established links in the local community and within schools to engage more participants. Together with the Portsmouth Youth Football League, the club hosted mini-soccer and 9-a-side cup finals. The club prioritises fun and enjoyment but also the health and wellbeing of all participants. Additionally, the club prides itself on having a hard-working committee together with the Treasurer who has been involved in the club since its formation.

southampton
pace youth fc

Pace Youth FC was formed in 2000 with a single team of boys. Over the past 17 years, the club has grown steadily and now boasts 38 teams across 7 different football leagues. The club offers football to around 400 children from the local area in a safe and inclusive environment, with support from over 80 adult volunteers. Pace Youth FC's ethos is heavily focused on player development, a commitment to offer quality football coaching and invest in volunteer Coaches to continue their own professional development. The club is proud to see the players develop and transition from mini-soccer and throughout the youth set-up. Over the years, the club has seen players successfully sign contracts with professional clubs, which is evident of the fantastic work and efforts of the whole workforce.

adult male

lifting gear and safety rovers fc

Lifting Gear and Safety Rovers FC was formed in 2013. Many of the players had previously played in youth football together and parted ways to play at clubs of different standards. The first year was a sharp learning curve for the team but a good team spirit helped them get through the always difficult first season. At the end of that season, the club was awarded the Hampshire FA Fair Play Award after an excellent disciplinary record. Since then, the club has played a friendly against Lynx FC in the National Stadium of Gibraltar, won the Meon Valley League's Nicholson Cup and came runners-up in the Portsmouth Midweek Floodlit League. This award provides recognition to the hard-working volunteers who make it possible for the players to play football week in and week out.

adult female

horndean ladies fc

Horndean Ladies FC (part of Horndean FC, which was established in 1887) is an 11-a-side team that plays on a Sunday in the Hampshire County Women's Football League in Division 2. The ladies team is managed by Darrell Testa who is an FA Level 2 Coach. Since obtaining this qualification, Darrell has created a more inclusive environment for the team and overall has improved the quality and methods of training. The mentoring Darrell received gave the team a whole new direction which has encouraged an abundance of new players together with a stream of enquiries from players wanting to join. The team has been together for a considerable length of time and has developed a strong bond which is echoed throughout the club.



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hampshire fa fair play award

The Awards will be presented by Steve Vasey, Chairman of Hampshire FA Disciplinary Committee

aldershot adult male manor old boys fc

Manor Old Boys FC was formed in 2009, consisting of past players from Alton's Manor Colts FC. The club is one of the longest-serving Sunday league teams and next year will be celebrating its 10th anniversary. The club currently plays in the Aldershot & Camberley League in Division 2. Club highlights include a perfect hat-trick, a centre-back scoring on overhead trick and an unexpected trip to Gatwick.

bourne mouth adult male scott v fc

The club was formed in 2011, initially playing 6-a-side at The Sir David English Centre, and was founded by a group of schoolmates who named the club after their house at school. This is the club's 7th season; in the club's first season it won Division 9 of the Bournemouth League. The club has only one adult team which is headed up by Neil Atkinson and their home ground is Chapel Gate. The club currently plays in Division 4 of the Bournemouth Sunday League.

isle of wight adult male yarmouth & calbourne reserves fc

Yarmouth & Calbourne Reserves FC play in the west of the Isle of Wight (IOW). Despite being bottom of both Division 2 and Combination 2 of the IOW leagues (due to the club's geographical location and limited scope to recruit players), the club strives to play the game in the right way. The reserves have suffered some cruel defeats this season however despite this, put on a brave face and have dealt with each defeat with grace. The club has a mixture of players, both young and slightly more senior (two of which are 56 and 60 respectively) who play with a smile on their face and are proud to put out a team each week without picking up a single yellow or red card all season. The club is proud to have sealed the season by winning a trophy.

north hants adult male afc corinthians

AFC Corinthians is a men's 11-a-side team that plays in the Winchester & District League on a Sunday morning. The club was established in 1994 and currently runs teams in Hampshire and Berkshire, all of which play with the established ideals of the Corinthian spirit, with enjoyment and attitude being paramount. The club is represented tonight by the club Chairman, Graham Stockwell, and the team Manager, Jeremy Davis, who have been at the forefront of guiding the players and the team in the right way to approach their football.

portsmouth adult male
sirloin of beef Fc

First known as The Globe and Laurel in 1995, the club changed their name to Sirloin of Beef FC in 1997. Mark Gardner has been the Secretary and Manager of the club since its formation and is considered an asset. Although the club has spent the majority of seasons playing in the lower realms of the leagues, they prioritise the values of respect, best practice and setting an example throughout the club. Mark's beliefs include honesty and respect with all involved. The respect shown by the team on and off the field means more than winning trophies. Sirloin of Beef FC are proud that they have been able to support their local leagues for many years.

southampton adult male
sporting wessex Fc

Sporting Wessex FC started out as Spar-Tec Wessex (named after their engineering company sponsor) when they joined the Southampton Football League in 2002. The name change came in 2005 and expanded into Sporting Wessex Sports Club when Sporting Wessex Cricket Club was formed in 2012. Now settled in Eastleigh, the team have become known for their distinctive purple and green kits and their desire to play the game in the right way. Success has come with League titles achieved in 2004, 2005, 2007, 2017 and two Southampton Cup wins. Currently in Junior 2, Sporting have their long-term target set at breaking back into the Senior Divisions again.

aldershot youth male
junior shots youth Fc

Junior Shots Youth FC was formed in 2010 and was founded by 3 members from a disbanded football club. The club started with 3 teams but has since expanded to 11 teams, running from U7 through to U16. The club now has a very successful Mini-Kickers section which prioritises learning, enjoyment, developing an understanding of grassroots football and an opportunity for participants as well as parents to make friends and establish a strong community. The aim is to see the transition of the participants into the U7 team each season. The club aims to provide grassroots football for the local community to be enjoyed by all levels and abilities.

bournehamouth youth male
burton youth Fc

Burton Youth FC is a grassroots football club based in Burton near Christchurch, Dorset, and are currently in their 26th year. The club is proud to be an FA Charter Standard Club with teams ranging from U6 through to U15 with approximately 154+ players (boys and girls). The club has a "Fun First" policy which has helped it to be successful in the leagues where they compete, by not emphasising winning as the ultimate priority whilst being true to the club's overall philosophy. In 2014, the U15 side won the Bournemouth Cup whilst the club has gone on to achieve the Hampshire FA Charter Standard Club of the Year Award a fantastic 3 times already, an award they consider to be both an honour and a privilege.

isle of wight youth male
vectis youth fc

Vectis Youth FC was formed in 2014, with 6 teams competing in the Isle of Wight Youth Sunday League and the Hampshire Cup. The club and committee aims to provide a safe and fun environment for all children. This is encapsulated in their club motto 'Stronger Together'. The club achieved FA Charter Standard Development status and has Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 coaches. The club will welcome the new season with 16+ teams ranging from U8 through to U16 including girls, disability and 'footy tots' teams. The club has ambitions to create an adult set-up and achieve FA Charter Standard Community Club status. Furthermore, the club is supporting 7 of their U15 players to undertake referee training to officiate the younger teams.

north hants youth male
rooksdowen youth fc

Rooksdowen FC is a grassroots football club founded in 2014 for children wanting to enjoy football. The club is aligned to the local Peter Houseman Youth Football League and strongly supports the ethos of fair play, teamwork and player development across the U6 to U16 age groups. Rooksdowen FC have had many great achievements, which include the U10 team winning the Indesit regional tournament and progressing through to the semi-finals in the national tournament held at Power League in Wembley. In 2017, the U8 team were awarded the Fair Play Award and the U12 team were also the Southern Counties Fair Cup Winners. Additionally, the Secretary was awarded the John Ward Cup for the 2017-18 season. The club is exceptionally proud of the amazing volunteers who make all of this possible and are delighted to have been awarded the Hampshire FA Fair Play Award.

portsmouth youth male
hayling united youth fc

Hayling United Youth FC currently runs 3 teams at U8, U7 and U13. The U13 team has been established for some time while the U7 and U8 teams were established this season having transitioned from the club's development group which is coached by Steve Jones and Jim Wells. Both teams have been coached by new Coaches and Assistant Coaches, which has been a real learning curve for everyone. The club welcomes all abilities and places a strong emphasis on the children having fun, learning and developing essential team-skills on and off the field. The club is exceptionally proud of what the Players and Coaches have achieved this season and look forward to next season when they will welcome a new U7 team.

southampton youth male
winsor united youth fc

Winsor United FC was established in 1971 and has teams from U6 through to U18, plus a men's team. The club became Charter Standard last season and currently has 20+ teams which includes 2 youth girls teams and 250+ players. Ron Foreman has been the Club Manager and Secretary for 38+ years and the Chairman, Mike Whittle, has served for 43+ years after previously undertaking roles at the club including Treasurer, Secretary and is currently the Club Welfare Officer. Chairman Mike Whittle also achieved the BBC South Unsung Hero Award and went to Birmingham for the finals. The club strongly emphasises the importance for all players to have fun and enjoy their football, especially these days where skills levels are high.

county youth Female
winchester city Flyers Fc girls
youth

21 years ago, after 2 years of friendly matches, Adee and a couple of other dads of football-mad daughters started Winchester City Flyers Girls and Ladies FC. Today the club has a remarkable 300 players and 17 teams ranging from U10 to ladies. Additionally, there are 30+ participants aged 5-8 who attend The FA Wildcats Centre every Sunday morning. Adee's philosophy has always been clear that it's not about him but about the girls playing football. He has always hated trials and wanted girls to take part and have a go. There is not a day that goes by without him spending some time developing girls and ladies football. There is a strong connection with the venue for tonight's awards as Mike Channon's granddaughter plays for the Flyers!

county adult Female
team Solent ladies Fc

Team Solent Ladies FC, part of Solent University's Team Solent FC, is a highly successful women's team, which now competes in Division 1 of the Hampshire League. Team Solent Ladies FC was promoted in the 2013-14 season and, additionally, the students gained promotion from BUCS Division 2A to BUCS Division 1A. The team won the BUCS Leagues, the BUCS Cup, the Hampshire County Women's League Division 2 and Invitation Cup, as well as the Hampshire FA Women's Intermediate Cup in the 2013-14 season and were even runners-up in the Southampton Senior Cup. Other achievements include winning the BUCS Western Conference 2A League (2016-17) and BUCS Western Conference 1A League (2015).



Respect



hampshire fa referee award

The Awards will be presented by Paul Scoble, Chairman of Hampshire FA Referees Committee

outstanding contribution to refereeing ***reg pullan***

Reg began refereeing in December 1965 and refereed throughout Wiltshire, Bedfordshire and Hampshire. In addition to refereeing, Reg is also a Referee Tutor, Supply League Observer, Hampshire FA Observer and an RA Delegate on the Referees' Committee. Additionally, Reg is a Member of the Referees' Committee and is the Co-ordinator for the Referees' Development Team and Aldershot Local Area Referees' Committee (LARC). Reg is also the Treasurer for the National Referees' Association (RA) and has been a Member of the RA for over 50 years.

most promising referee award (16-25 years) for outstanding performance and contribution ***matt russall***

Matt qualified as a Referee in 2010 and referees on the Isthmian and Southern Leagues. This season, Matt achieved his greatest achievement to date when he was appointed to referee the Hampshire FA Senior Cup Final at St Mary's, which was contested by Blackfield & Langley FC and Havant & Waterlooville FC. In addition, Matt is also an Assistant Referee on the National League South and was this season appointed to the National League South Play-Off Semi Final at Dartford. Prior to his appointment to this season's Senior Cup Final, Matt has been involved in 3 previous Hampshire Cup Finals and plays an active role within the Portsmouth RA.

male referee award for outstanding performance and contribution in refereeing ***sam ogles***

Sam qualified as a Referee in June 2006 at the age of 14 and applied for promotion to Level 6 at the age of 16. Sam has refereed on the Southampton & District Tyro Football League, Hampshire Premier League and Sydenhams Wessex Football League to name a few. In his first year on the Wessex League, Sam was awarded the Les Chafe 'Young Referee of the Year' award and was also promoted to Level 3. Sam was promoted as an Assistant Referee to the Football League (May 2017) and has since chosen to follow the Assistant Referee career path. In January 2018, Sam represented Hampshire FA by officiating as an Assistant Referee in an FA Cup 3rd Round. Today, Sam coaches at Southampton FC's Academy, speaks at RA meetings and even delivers training sessions for Hampshire FA's Referee Youth Council.

outstanding contribution to refereeing from volunteer (workforce) ***gerald marritt***

Gerald became a registered Referee in 1958 at the age of 19 and refereed for 20 years before becoming the Referee Appointment Secretary (1982). 5 years later, Gerald accepted the position of Referee Divisional Secretary. Gerald served in the role of Secretary for Basingstoke Referees' Society for 19 years and subsequently served as the representative for both the Hampshire RA and Basingstoke RA. In 1982, Gerald was presented with the Referees'

Association award for having served a minimum of 20 years and became the 2nd Basingstoke Official to be honoured at that time. Gerald has served as a Hampshire FA Council Member for 30 years and is a Life Vice-President. Gerald is also a Life Vice-President for the North Hants FA and Basingstoke & District Football League. Furthermore, Gerald has served in the role of Referee Observer for a fantastic 29 years and is still active to this day. Another notable achievement, is being awarded The FA 50 Year Long Service to Football Award.

outstanding contribution to refereeing within a referees development setting (must be over 18 years of age)

richard honay

Richard first took up the whistle in November 2002, and is now a Level 5 Referee having been privileged enough to receive the 'Most Promising Referee' award in 2014 and to officiate on a number of Hampshire FA County Cup finals, as well as the Preliminary Round of The FA Cup. Richard was the first Chairman of Hampshire FA's Referee Youth Council and is now the Youth Co-Ordinator on the Referee Development Team, helping to oversee the development work of the Youth Council and Hampshire CORE. As the Secretary of Aldershot RA (since 2012), Richard was pivotal in reviving the society and has developed the Aldershot RA Academy for talented young referees in the Aldershot area, helping to develop their potential.

Female referees award for outstanding performance and contribution in refereeing

Ffion gada

Ffion started refereeing in 2012 and worked her way through youth football to now refereeing open age. Currently, Ffion is a Level 5 Referee, but has had numerous opportunities and support within football, most recently being appointed as an Assistant Referee for England Vs Japan. This was a personal highlight for Ffion and she considers this to be a massive honour. Being Chair of the Youth Council and a Member of the National RA-FA Youth Council has allowed Ffion to help other Referees through development events and schemes, which she has particularly enjoyed. Additionally, Ffion considers herself fortunate to be involved in mentoring and to be on the committee at Eastleigh RA, which has allowed her to progress and develop her skills further.



hampshire fa inclusive club of the year award

The Award will be presented by James Pearson, Deputy Chairman of Hampshire FA, and David Bennett, Chairman of the Hampshire FA Community Trust

caulkhead strollers walking football club (wfc)

Caulkhead Strollers WFC was formed in January 2015 and initially was aimed at members who were aged over 50, both male and female. Since June 2016, they now run an adult over 16 disabled walking football team, open to male and female players. The club is delighted that this is the second award achieved in the past month, having already

achieved the Isle of Wight Sport Foundation Outstanding Achievement Award for Disability Teams. The club has expanded at a high rate and as of next season will introduce U12 and U16 disability teams which will go on to compete in the Saints Foundation Pan-Disability Football League where the club already has two teams.

hampshire fa walking football club of the year award

The Award will be presented by Steve Yeomans, Finance Director at Hampshire FA

havant & waterlooville walking football club (wfc)

Havant & Waterlooville 50+ WFC – The Many Shades of Grey – has been in existence since September 2014, and in that time has expanded from 4 players to 60+ registered players. The club has sought to provide an inclusive and enjoyable experience for all as well as for guest teams who are welcome to the club's festivals. This year, the club has scheduled 7 festivals, some for the 50+ and some for the 60+ age

groups to accommodate and cater to all. The club has helped promote the game in Brittany by supporting an annual festival there and has organised and attended a number of charitable events to provide the players with as many playing opportunities as possible. The club places a strong emphasis on everyone having a fun and enjoyable experience with less emphasis placed on winning.



solent university group project award

These Awards will be presented by Tracey Bourne, Course Leader of Football Studies at Solent University, and Rhea West, Workforce & Leadership Development Officer at Hampshire FA

st mary's independant school project

***students involved:
hayden aaster, thomas sutton,
stuart holland, joseph brewer***

The student group has been working extensively with St Mary's Independent School since January 2017 and has had a significant impact on the school's football provisions by encouraging both girls and boys to participate in an after-school football club. The students have gone above and beyond by attending school assemblies, coaching

and delivering football during PE lessons and have created an incredibly strong partnership between the school, Solent University and Hampshire FA. Today, there are 15+ school students actively participating in football on a weekly basis whereas, prior to that, there was no provision for them at the school.

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hampshire fa **Football Futures award**

These Awards will be presented by Tracey Bourne, Course Leader of Football Studies at Solent University, and Greg Baker, Head of the Saints Foundation

charlie gordon **outstanding female leader award**

Charlie has been part of Winchester City Flyers FC since she was 9 (she's now 20) and played in the Winchester & District Football League, North East Hampshire League and the Hampshire County League in the ladies team, where the side achieved back-to-back promotions. Charlie continued her playing career at the club even when at University. Charlie has coached at the club, has been involved in presentation evenings and annual tournaments and was even made Communications Officer. Charlie notes her highlight as getting a tweet, video and gifts from the Lionesses as a token of thanks to the club which took 500 people to the recent England Ladies v Wales Ladies match at St Mary's. Furthermore, Charlie is thankful to the club for her continued growth and development in the team.

henry dacon **outstanding male leader award**

Henry is 17 years old and works in the Media Department at Havant & Waterlooville FC and has been their Media Officer since November 2017. Henry is responsible for organising the media team and promoting the club extensively through social media and the club website. Henry also produces the pre-match articles with the club's Manager, Lee Bradbury, and exclusive player articles as well as writing press releases and news items concerning the club on their official website. Additionally, Henry co-presents the Express FM Non-League programme 'Over the White Line' and schedules interviews, supports broadcasting the news and the audio for the show. Both organisations agree that Henry has a very promising future in the media world.

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hampshire fa equality champion award

These Awards will be presented by Chris Smith, Football Development Manager at Hampshire FA

jaz haur

Jaz is a Level 2 Football Coach who works at Mount Pleasant Junior School and coaches the girls' after-school club in her own time. Jaz works with children to push boundaries to develop both girls and boys alike after overcoming some of her own challenges getting into football due to her cultural background. In April this year, Jaz invited Hampshire FA to deliver an FA Girls Football Week assembly and shared her story with the entire school. Through this collaboration and sharing of experiences, it has led to a number of girls attending the after-school club. Furthermore, Jaz is a volunteer Coach and coaches for City Central, an inner city organisation that brings together the local community and children of all faiths and backgrounds to take part in football.

mark stuppla

Mark is Chairman of AFC Stoneham, which has 30+ teams ranging from the age of 4 through to adults. The club and Mark have developed a clear pathway for young players of all abilities to transition into adult football in whichever capacity they wish. Mark believes that the game is a vehicle to teach young players life lessons that they can utilise as they develop into adulthood. The club was proud to win this season's Sydenhams Wessex Football League Respect Award. Mark has implemented a strategic approach for the whole club in all aspects of equality and inclusion, which is communicated at the start of the season together with the consequences if not adhered to. Mark presented one such initiative at the Southampton RA focusing on foul and abusive language and how the club aims to tackle these issues.

sahara uk fc

Sahara UK FC was established in 2005 and formed a committee in 2008. In 2011, Sahara UK FC began playing in the Aldershot & District Sunday League and now play in Division 1. Sahara UK FC aims to support and promote football within the Gurkha and Nepalese communities. The club believes strongly in working towards equality and inclusion, which is demonstrated by the creation and support in running the annual Gurkha Cup which is held in Hampshire. The Gurkha Cup tournament brings together the Nepalese and Gurkha communities and is open to all to attend. Sahara UK FC prioritise diversity and multicultural values throughout their organisation, by working with a variety of people and related organisations including Hampshire FA and The UK Nepal Friendship Society (UKNFS). The club has involved the Premier League and players in its work, demonstrating a proficient approach to outreach work for equality and inclusion.

Sholing Fc

Sholing FC was founded in 1884 and was formerly known as Woolston Works FC who won the first Hampshire FA Senior Cup in 1888. In 2007, the club worked with Hampshire FA and Racism Just Ain't Sain'tly VT FC to help launch the racism text line. The club established links with City Central and became a feeder club which has seen players transition into Sholing FC. Currently the club has 18 youth teams from U7 through to U18, including one U11 girls' team. Last season the club introduced pan-disability football and this season hosted the Saints Foundation Pan-Disability Football League fixtures. Since 2009, Sholing FC's First Team has played in the Southern League and Sydenhams Wessex Football League and in 2014 won The FA Vase at Wembley beating West Auckland. The club plans to develop the clubhouse and changing rooms to be more inclusive for the community.

Sydenhams Wessex Football League

The Sydenhams Wessex Football League was established in 1986 and has its Premier Division currently in the fifth step of the National League System. The league has 21 clubs competing in the Premier Division and 19 clubs in Division 1. In terms of equality, the Sydenhams Wessex Football League Board undertook specific equality and inclusion training with the education then implemented back into the league and disseminated to all clubs as best practice. Additionally, the league identifies clubs with a high discipline record and instructs the clubs to establish an action plan to reduce their record, showing a proactive approach to dealing with issues. Furthermore, the league achieved the Preliminary Award in the Equality Standards Framework.



hampshire fa media project award

These Awards will be presented by Robin Osborne, Chairman of Hampshire FA

solent university's sports journalism degree asians can play football

gurpreet singh

The 'Asians Can Play Football' media project, conducted by Gurpreet Singh from Solent University's Sports Journalism Degree, is designed to show that Asian people can play football and to diminish any known stereotypes. The feature focuses on a promising Southampton FC Academy player and on Unity 101 FC, which, as a club, are a reflection of true diversity in the game. Interviews were also conducted with representatives from Hampshire FA's Inclusion Advisory Group (IAG) and with Chris Hughton who goes on to provide a thorough analysis on the topic of diversity.

solent university's sports journalism degree charter standard & club development

matthew cousins

The 'Charter Standard & Club Development' media project, conducted by Matthew Cousins from Solent University's Sports Journalism Degree, focuses on The FA Charter Standard programme and how it has helped clubs develop by being part of The FA's programme. Matthew interviewed Hampshire FA's Senior Football Development Officer, Charlotte Brown, to find

out more about the programme, the importance of the programme for the sustainability and overall development of the club, as well as the benefits of the programme and what it offers clubs. Additionally, Matthew undertook interviews with Simon Meacher from Pace Youth FC, who have been a part of the programme for more than 5 years.

solent university's sports journalism degree inclusion & equality

daniel sheldon

The 'Inclusion & Equality' media project, conducted by Daniel Sheldon from Solent University's Sports Journalism Degree, focuses specifically on inclusion and equality within football and what is being done to help improve the situation, with a primary focus on the LGBT community. The media feature focuses on Natalie Washington, a transgender female footballer for Rushmoor Community FC and Hampshire FA Inclusion Advisory Group (IAG) representative. As well as an in-depth interview with Natalie, there are interviews with members from Kick It Out, which is one of Hampshire FA's Media Partners, together with Fratton Fever, the LGBT group associated with Portsmouth FC, and also with Kroma, an empowering and enabling organisation for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and alternative (LGBT+) communities.

hampshire fa special award

The Award will be presented by Neil Cassar, Hampshire FA CEO and FA Council Representative

Fordingbridge turks fc

Established in 1868, Fordingbridge Turks FC is a Charter Standard club based on the edge of the New Forest in Hampshire. This year we are celebrating our 150th Anniversary – an amazing achievement for a club run entirely by volunteers. The club is rightly proud of its illustrious past, having played a key role in the early history of the game. The name “Turks” was bestowed upon the club in 1876 by our supporters, likening the team’s fighting qualities and determination to that of the Turkish Army who were at war with Russia at the time, holding their own against impossible odds. Fordingbridge Turks has many reasons to be proud of its historic achievements. We are:

- The oldest club in Hampshire, founding members of Hampshire FA and the oldest club in the South West Region
- Outright winners of the Basingstoke Cup in 1881, believed to be the oldest football trophy in Britain
- The 14th oldest club in the world – quite an achievement for a small town in Hampshire!

No club could survive for 150 years without tireless effort and support from club officials, players, their families and supporters, through good times and bad. While proud of our past, we are looking to the future as the club continues to grow and thrive. We currently field 18 teams, ranging from Minis to adults, with plans for further expansion next season. Like many clubs at

grassroots level the Turks have faced challenging times on and off the pitch. We believe that we are the oldest club in the world without its own pitch, and this year sees the start of a series of events with the aim of kick-starting a fundraising campaign to secure a new home for the club. The aim is simple: a ground with training facilities to nurture the talent within our ever-expanding youth section alongside changing facilities that don’t look older than we are! Having reached out to larger (mostly younger!) clubs across the country for support, we were pleased to receive a number of donations, including a signed football from Sunderland FC, match tickets from Derby County, Newport County, Millwall & Mansfield, a club pennant from Southampton FC and signed shirts from the England Women’s team and Notts County – one of the few clubs that are older than we are! Our next planned event is a Festival of Football on 19th May where we will be hosting Oxford United Academy teams for what promises to be a day of football and family fun. We are honoured to have received support from Hampshire FA in celebrating our 150th Anniversary and to have been invited to attend the match today.



the fa (50 years) long service to football award

The FA (50 Years) Long Service to Football Award is a highly prestigious award made to those who have given an astonishing 50 years service to football. The Awards will be presented by Neil Cassar, Hampshire FA CEO and FA Council Representative

dave pickles

In 1962, Dave started playing football for Swanage Town and Herston FC in the Dorset League. Dave has played for many clubs including Bourne Valley FC, Queens Park Athletic FC and Linden Sporting Club FC. Dave joined the Bournemouth FA Council in 1980 and has served in many roles, including Chairman and President. Dave started refereeing in 1993 and still referees at least 4 games per week. This season has seen Dave referee 80 games! In 2015, Dave became the Referee Appointments Secretary for the SWEA Churches Leagues, Brockenhurst College, Bournemouth University and AFC Bournemouth Community Development set-up. This season, Dave was appointed to the Hampshire FA Faith Cup Final, to 2 Bournemouth Youth League Finals, to a Bournemouth Divisional FA Cup Final and an SWEA Final.

dennis challis

During the last 60 years, Dennis has played in the Hampshire, Aldershot Senior, West Surrey Midweek and Basingstoke Leagues as well as the Police National, Regional and County Football Leagues. He was also a Match Official on the Football Combination, Hampshire, Basingstoke, Southampton Saturday, Inter Police Leagues and Midweek Leagues as well as the Boys and Youth Leagues in Southampton. Dennis also officiated in Hong Kong. Dennis joined the Sydenhams Wessex Football League in 1990 and has undertaken roles including Assessor and Referees' Secretary. Furthermore, Dennis is President of the Sydenhams Wessex Football League and has served in the role since 2011.

malcolm henderson

Malcolm completed his Class 3 referee exam in 1967 and was promoted to Class 2 (in 1969) and to Class 1 (in 1971). From 1967-86, Malcolm officiated in the I Zingari Football League, Liverpool Business House Football League and Liverpool & District Sunday Football League. In 1970, Malcolm became Assistant Development Manager at Liverpool FC before becoming Commercial Manager and Assistant Secretary at Oldham FC in 1973. Malcolm has worked for the Saudi Arabian Football Federation and on his return to the UK officiated on the Northern Premier Football League. Additionally, Malcolm has officiated on the Leicestershire Senior & Combination Football League among others. Malcolm became an FA Tutor and FA Assessor and today serves as the Alton representative on the Hampshire FA Referees' Association. Furthermore, Malcolm is a Council Member on the Aldershot Divisional FA.

michael ryan

Michael played football from 1962-85 for teams including Holdenhurst FC, Parley Sports FC, Victoria Park FC, Henbest FC, Bourne Wood FC, Fiveways FC and Talbot FC. Michael has held the role of Manager for Telephone Sports FC, Hollies FC and SK Sports FC. Michael became Deputy Chairman at Bournemouth Hayward Football League in 2016. Michael has been involved in football for 56+ years and has loved his journey in the grassroots game. Michael served as Chairman of Christchurch FC and is currently Vice-Chairman and a Life Vice-President of the club. Furthermore, Michael is proud to be a Life Vice-President of the Bournemouth Divisional FA.

paul scobla

Paul passed his referee exam in April 1967 and progressed via the Hampshire and Wessex Football Leagues to the Football League's referee list in 1991. Paul has been a Contributory League Observer for the past 20 years. Paul has held previous administrative roles including the role of Saturday Appointments Secretary for the Portsmouth Divisional FA and the Hampshire League, Registration Secretary for the Portsmouth North End League and (on amalgamation), the Portsmouth Saturday Football League. Paul is a Director on the Hampshire FA Board, Chairman of the Hampshire FA Referees' Committee, Portsmouth LARC and Portsmouth Divisional FA. Furthermore, Paul is Treasurer of the Portsmouth Saturday Football League and Sydenhams Wessex Football League.

reg pullan

Reg began refereeing in December 1965 and refereed throughout Wiltshire, Bedfordshire and Hampshire. In addition to refereeing, Reg is also a Referee Tutor, Supply League Observer, Hampshire FA Observer and an RA Delegate on the Referees' Committee. Additionally, Reg is a Member of the Referees' Committee and is the Co-ordinator for the Referees' Development Team and Aldershot Local Area Referees' Committee (LARC). Reg is also the Treasurer for the National Referees' Association (RA) and has been a Member of the Referees' Association for over 50 years.

robin osborne

Robin qualified as a Referee in Northamptonshire in 1962 and moved to Leicestershire in 1963, where he continued to referee until 1988-89. During this time, he also managed his local village youth team from U10 to U13, winning the League and Cup 'double' at U11. Robin moved to Bournemouth in 1991 and immediately became involved with Bournemouth Divisional FA, initially as Auditor, then as Honorary Treasurer. Robin was also a Committee Member of Christchurch FC from 1996-2001, being Chairman from 1998-2001. He was elected to Hampshire FA Council in 1995 and appointed Director on incorporation in 2000. Robin became Finance Director of Hampshire FA in 2001, Deputy Chairman in 2013 and Chairman in 2014, a role which he continues to serve to the present day.

tony hart

Tony began his career in football as a Player and Linesman for British Rail FC in 1966. A year later, Tony became a Class 3 Referee, officiating in the Bournemouth and New Forest Leagues and Hampshire Junior Cup games and was promoted to the Hampshire FA County list of Referees. Throughout the years, Tony has been involved in a variety of roles within football and has served as a Committee Member and Chairman of the Bournemouth Referees' Society, as Delegate for the Hampshire FA RA and as Referee Appointment Secretary in the Bournemouth area, serving for 20 years. Tony is a Bournemouth FA and Hampshire FA Council Member and has been elected Life Vice-President of both organisations.



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