

HEADS UP



Time to develop yourself

1 CPD EVENTS

We have a series of events available for all levels of coaches who are looking to improve their skills and knowledge of the game. All our events are available at no cost and coaches with or without qualifications are welcome to join us. To register your interest as a coach, click the link below - [CPD Events - West Riding FA](#) If your club would like to arrange a session for your own coaches please contact your Football Development Officer.

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Join the midweek football revolution!!

2 NEW U23 DIVISIONS

The U23 Development Leagues have proven to be very popular and their origins go back several years. The primary goal is to support the growth of players across the county as they transition from youth competitions to open age football tournaments. As part of this, there is a continuous desire to allow for a safe and suitable environment where players can express themselves, enhance their skills, and gain the greatest possible enjoyment from the beautiful game.

Now, West Riding FA has confirmed the opening nights for its centralised divisions in both Bradford and Featherstone.

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Are all your coaches qualified?

3 QUALIFICATIONS FOR COACHES

As we pass halfway in the season, it is time to check your teams and ensure that all Youth Teams have a Qualified Coach. The minimum qualification per team (if you are an England Football Accredited Club) is Introduction to Coaching Football, an in date Safeguarding Children Course and Introduction to First Aid in Football. All these courses are online courses and can be found at the link below

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4 GRASS PITCH MAINTENANCE

The Grass Pitch Maintenance Fund provides eligible clubs, leagues and organisations with a tapered six-year grant to help them sustain pitches already at a 'good' level and enhance pitches that are either considered 'poor' or 'basic'. So, if you're responsible for the maintenance of a grass pitch, click on the link below to find out more

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Power up your grass pitch with funding towards the improvement of pitches at your facility.

5 CLUB RULES - DEMOCRACY OVER DICTATORSHIP

Club Rules are important. The FA provide template club rules, however clubs, and their members have the autonomy to create and adopt club rules as they see fit. It is important that club members understand the club rules and that the content preserves the right of the membership to check and challenge the decisions made by the Management Committee. The rules should include details of the clubs complaints policy and appeals procedure and a provision for members to call an EGM.

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Check out this article to make sure your rules shape up!

6 ACTION FOR SPORT

Action For Sport is a national charity dedicated to ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to participate in sport. Here at West Riding, we are proud to support the Charity and promote the fantastic work that they do. However, they need your support too. If you think you can offer any help / make any donations, please contact Clive, at Action for Sport on 07900 223829 or email c.michallat@actionforsport.com

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