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This week's games , October 8th

Team	Opponents	Ground	Contest	K.O.
1st XI	NUFC Oilers	Hayes	League	3-00
2nd XI	Old Parkonians Reserves	Away	League	3-00
3rd XI	Old Owens	Hayes	League	3-00
4th XI	No game			
5th XI	Bank of England 4th XI	Away	League	3-00
6th XI	South Bank Cuaco 4th XI	Hawes Down	League	3-00
7th XI	Merton 5th XI	Hawes Down	League	3-00
8th XI	Old Blues 4th XI	Away	SAL Cup	3-00
9th XI	Civil Service 9th XI	Away	SAL Cup	3-00
10th XI				
Vets				
Super Vets				

ALWAYS PACK A WHITE SHIRT WITH YOUR KIT

Classified Results, September 30th/ October 1st

Home	Score			Away	Scorers
2nd XI	2	V	2	NUFC Oilers (League)	Howe, Shaw
Old Meadonians	4	V	2	3rd XI (London Old Boys Cup)	Akpaktu, Martin
4th XI	5	V	1	HSBC (AFA Cup)	Scorers not reported
Polytechnic 6th XI	2	V	3	5th XI (League)	Scorers not reported
Polytechnic 7th XI	7	V	2	6th XI (League)	Shelton, Cheung
Polytechnic 8th XI	3	V	3	7th XI (League)	Winfred-Davies, Davey, Wrenn
Old Salesians 3rd XI	1	V	5	8th XI (SAL Cup)	Cosstick.T, Page 2, Eglon, Adams.W
9th XI	0	V	6	Carshalton 6th XI (SAL Cup)	
Everton	1	V	1	Palace	Benteke

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Fixtures**: **Fixtures are correct at time of publication but are subject to change and alteration

Football training takes place EVERY WEDNESDAY night at Wallington Powerleague, 7-00



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Apology and correction: Sincere apologies to the 8th XI who beat Merton 4-1 last week and were not defeated by the same score as was reported – although the goal-scorers might have been a clue!

This week's men of the match

2nd XI: Jonathan Chen 3rd XI: Chibhu Akpaktu 4th XI: Not reported 5th XI: Not reported 6th XI: Not reported 7th XI: Not reported 8th XI: Sparrow and Childs 9th XI: Not reported

Leading goal-scorers

5 - Adams. W, Bratterman 4 –Carruthers, Fox 3 – Buckle, Cosstick.T, (Ola) Fashoro, Howe, Otejunde, Page, Williams.M, Wrenn (Benteke) (Dann)

Classified Results, October 5th 1991				
Greenfordians	1	1st XI	3	Murray.I, Townson, OG
Phoenix Old Boys	1	2nd XI	0	
3rd XI	3	Tiffinians	1	Elliott, Churchman, OG
Tiffinians	4	4th XI	5	Haines 3, Stringer, Weaver
5th XI	5	Josephians	1	Mace 3, Burton (Paul) Johnson
Shene Old Grammarians	0	6th XI	4	Wilson 2, Letts, Taylor
7th XI	2	Dorkinians	2	Ayling 2
Sheffield Wednesday	4	Palace	1	Bright

THRILLER AT TIFFINIANS SEES THE 4THS THROUGH Old Tiffinians 4 5th XI 5

On a dull and rainy day the 4th XI journeyed to Hampton Court where the game began at a high pace. We settled into our game quicker than the opposition and soon a cross-field ball from Dave Valder was flicked on by Nick Bier for **DOUG WEAVER** to pick up on the left. Doug then cut inside and let loose a glorious drive which nestled into the back of the net to give us a great start.

Tiffinians woke up at this point and, about five minutes later, a terrific drive left Andy Kirchin with no chance, but it soon became clear that it was going to be one of those days, with both sides fired up.

Not long after their equaliser **IAN HAINES** picked up a superb ball from Bruce Stringer which, after one touch, he lashed in with his left foot. The game tightened up after that and the 4ths defended with great resolution until an unlucky bounce from a corner resulted in their second equaliser.

Half-time saw the wind start up, which we had not had the benefit of, but we were the first to score after good work by Dave Valder and Bruce Stringer gave **IAN HAINES** a chance for his second, and he made no mistake. With a minute to go a dubious penalty was awarded, and scored, so, at full-time, the score was 3-3, and soon into extra time **IAN HAINES** intercepted a poor clearance and went on to complete his hat-trick but a poor call at a corner by Andy Kirchin saw the ball squirm its way to the back of the area and, despite the best efforts of goal-keeper and defenders, the score became 4-4 and remained so at half-time of the extra period.

Thankfully the 4th XI seemed to get stronger and stronger as the game progressed with inspiring performances all-round, but Nick Bier deserves a special mention, as does **BRUCE STRINGER,** who got his just rewards by scoring our fifth and decisive goal, following more good work by Dave Valder.

Tiffinians were not finished, however, and a call from their 'keeper clued us into the tactics for the final five minutes with the rather strange call of "Come on Wimbledon; we can still do this", and light was shone on this call when he proceeded to imitate Hans Seegers with a Wimbledon style clearance – playing at centre midfield!

However, the 4ths absorbed all of the pressure and deservedly ran out winners. This was a good early season test, with great performances all-round, which included three high calibre goals that will bring back the crowds. Andy Kirchin

Kirchin Hoffman Adams.T Pegg Robinson Weaver.D Barry Valder Haines Bier Stringer

1st XI: Lake Goddard Forbes.D Kendrick.N Galvin.D Hughes McGeever Townson Murray.I Paton Trout
2nd XI: Reeves Mole,N Forbes.A Wood Udale Pullen Law Parkinson Dyer Tarn Chapman
6th XI; Britton Higgins Backley Forbes.S Davey Hayes Letts Stewart Drawbridge Taylor Wilson
7th XI: Peckover Brindle Rayworth Cunningham Murray.B Horner Nelson Banks Wright Ayling Spencer

Senior Division One - Bottom 5 of 11	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
OLD WISLONIANS	**3**	**1**	**1**	**1**	**4**	**4**	**4**
Old Owens	2	1	0	1	6	3	3
Old Parkonians	3	1	0	2	5	3	3
Crouch End Vampires	3	0	1	2	3	10	1
Winchmore Hill	3	0	0	3	3	10	0
Intermediate Division One - Bottom 3 of 11							
OLD WILSONIANS RESERVES	**2**	**0**	**1**	**1**	**3**	**4**	**1**
Alleyn Old Boys Reserves	4	0	1	3	4	7	1
Old Owens Reserves	1	0	0	1	4	5	0
Junior Division Two - Bottom 3 of 10							
OLD WILSONIANS 3rd XI	**1**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**2**	**3**	**0**
Civil Service 3rd XI	3	0	0	3	1	8	0
Norsemen 3rd XI	2	0	0	2	3	14	0
Minor Division One South – Bottom 4 of 9							
OLD WILSONIANS 4th XI	**3**	**1**	**0**	**2**	**5**	**9**	**3**
Ibis Eagles 4th XI	3	1	0	2	4	8	3
HSBC 4th XI	3	0	2	1	8	12	2
HSBC 5th XI	3	0	0	3	3	9	0
Minor Division Two South - Bottom 4 of 10							
OLD WILSONIANS 5th XI	**3**	**1**	**0**	**2**	**4**	**13**	**3**
West Wickham 5th XI	3	0	1	2	5	9	1
Merton 4th XI	2	0	0	2	2	8	0
Lloyds Warren 3rd XI	2	0	0	2	1	17	0
Minor Division Three South – Top 5 of 10							
Polytechnic 7th XI	4	3	1	0	19	5	10
Carshalton 5th XI	3	3	0	0	14	6	9
South Bank Cuaco 4th XI	2	1	1	0	8	0	4
West Wickham 6th XI	3	1	1	1	10	7	4
OLD WILSONIANS 6th XI	**3**	**1**	**0**	**2**	**4**	**10**	**3**
Minor Division 4 South - Top 3 of 10							
OLD WILSONIANS 7th XI	**4**	**3**	**1**	**0**	**12**	**7**	**10**
Polytechnic 9th XI	3	3	0	0	13	0	9
Kew Association 3rd XI	3	3	0	0	8	4	9

Please note that both the 8th and 9th XIs play in Minor Division 5 South, which has 10 sides
Only two games have been played in this division so far this season so it is a bit early to print a league table as, at the moment, the sides are involved in the SAL Cup

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ALL OUR TODAYS

HOW THIS GAME FINISHED 3-3 IS BEYOND ME Polytechnic 8th XI 3 7th XI 3

How this game ended 3-3 is beyond me. We struck early, with **SEB WINFRED-DAVIES** firing home from a corner and soon increased our lead with **ANDY DAVEY** flicking the ball in at the far post. Always in control, and the opposition lacking ideas, we were confident we could keep our 100% record going and it was no surprise when, shortly after the restart, **CALLUM WREN** slotted home to make it 3-0.

Kit Hollis then tweaked his bum and things changed. Poly got a goal out of the blue as we switched off but the game appeared over as Callum Wrenn, at the spearhead of our attack, curled the ball against the foot of the post and the fast arriving James Gunnell slotted home. With no appeals from Poly, and celebrations in progress, the referee decided James was off side. Had Callum not been at least five yards in front of him, I would have agreed - it was a most bizarre decision.

3-1 up, the referee signalled a minute to play although it was not a minute as we know it as, 120 seconds into it, Poly scored again - as our agitation levels with the referee had grown our concentration had waned. Still, time was up, but the referee kept on playing and playing. With the moon now well and truly out, Poly eventually equalised, and, amid feral jubilation, Gowtham was kicked in the back of the neck and chaos ensued.

Summary of the season so far: appalling time-keeping, assaults, spitting, thuggery and incredulous refereeing. With Hawes Down awaiting us next week, prospects of a smile are looking slim.

Nick Mole

Chesnais , Graham , Hollis , Winifred-Davies , Mole , Davey , Davies, Jeevan, Gunnell , Wrenn, Mander,Craig Gunnell

Some referee's quotes so far this season:
During the game last week on Bruce enquiring if the referee was going to do anything after about the tenth bookable challenge:
"What can I do if they don't want to play football"
On me shaking the referee's hand last week and merely saying that wasn't enjoyable, after reckless challenges and spitting - " "That's football at this level"
On me being asked what the trouble was about at the end of the game and not realising the referee was behind me:"You cannot expect to get good referees at your level"

PROBABLY A FAIR RESULT, BUT….. NUFC Oilers 2 2nd XI 2

The 2's started well, defending strongly against some early pressure from NUFC. After a few good spells of play, through Bratterman, Steadford won the ball in the middle and drove at their defence before setting **HOWE** for a well-taken finish into the bottom corner from just inside the box. Again, Oilers put some pressure on the 2's, especially through their centre backs, playing long balls out wide. Not long after the first goal, Steadford hit a good left foot strike from distance to win us a corner, which, after a great delivery from Childs, was bundled in by centre-back **RICH SHAW**. Towards the end of the first half Oilers had a free kick out wide, which we failed to clear well and the ball bounced up and clearly came off an Oilers arm to then be poked in from close range.

Ben Giles came on at half-time and injected some energy into the 2's with some tricky runs and we came close a number of times. Strong attacking of the ball in the air from Dunk, Shaw and Farmer relieved us of a bit of pressure but, after overloading out wide, Oilers crossed to the back post and had a deflected header go in to equalise, just beating' keeper Adam Deadman, who had been good all game, making one particularly impressive stop from a cross just minutes earlier.

The match opened up towards the end as both teams tired, with the best chance coming from some good link up play with Giles, which saw Steadford smack the crossbar late on. All in all, the 2's worked very hard and played well, and 2-2 was probably a fair result. However it is always disappointing to lose a 2 goal lead.

Jonathan Chen

Deadman, Shaw, Dunk, Smart, Chen, Farmer, Steadman, Childs, Howe, Giles, Bratterman, Fox, Elliot

SUPPERIOR FITNESS TELLS Old Meadonians 4 3rd XI 2

When the boys met in Clapham there was a sense of excitement in the air. Infused by Chibu's proud grin to have finally reached the dizzy heights of the 3's, we felt the team this week looked strong

and victory would surely be coming our way. After the majority of the team had experienced a bonding walk over the Thames we arrived at the boat house one member short and, more importantly, without any kit. Luckily, just moments before a dreaded shirts v skins situation came to fruition, (Always pack a white shirt with your kit – ed) BNS finally emerged with the glorious bag of shirts.

The game started off with us on the back foot, defending set piece after set piece that were hurled into our box. Luckily some good heading from 'Spuds' and George Rusby, combined with a handful of decent saves by Matt Ballard, saw us through the first half hour. Tactical Maestro,Richard Martin, then decided our 4-3-3 formation left us too exposed to overloads on the wings, so we changed to 4-4-2, which made them play through the middle more.

This immediately paid off when Chibu intercepted a through ball and tried to set Matt Williams free, ending in a corner. As the corner swung in from Marcus, **CHIBHU AKPAKTU's** grin turned to a grimace and he barged through the mass of bodies to get in front of their captain and head the ball home -1-0. However, realising this goal had come somewhat against the run of play, the referee, in his wisdom, decided he was going to save the day for the poor old Meadonian boys.

Completely understandably, he therefore watched Marcus kick through the ball and catch the opposing player a little bit as he followed through his tackle and decided this was his chance to even things up. Having cleanly, although maybe a little harshly, won the ball, Marcus was shocked to hear the whistle blow, and then the whole pitch watched in stunned silence as the referee immediately produced a red card. After much clean and non aggressive protesting by both teams (world war 3 broke out on the bank of the Thames that day) the referee allowed Marcus to stay on the pitch. The whole fiasco lingered in our heads and the referee's and we looked poor for the next few minutes, with their winger motoring around yards behind our back line - apparently the offside rule does not apply today.

Soon the ball broke to their centre midfielder who easily found the winger in an offside position, lobbing a charging Ballard with ease - 1-1. With a few more overloads out wide, a cross soon found its way to our back post where all 5ft of Josh Mackley failed to out-jump the 3 around him and we went 2-1 behind, a disastrous turn of events in the last ten minutes, despite some great passing around by Richard Martin in particular.

Our best chance to equalise came from a great run into the box by Dan Searle, who, yards in front of goal, set up Chibu. His curling shot tipped onto the underside of the bar only to fall straight into Marcus' shins, somewhat accidentally drawing an incredible double save from their 'keeper.

The second half started much better, with Dan Searle terrorising their fullback and Matt Williams finding tons of space on the left. At some point **RICHARD MARTIN** leapt like a gazelle and headed the ball in from a corner to make it 2-2, but our confidence was short lived. With some good play down the left, a cross came in, driven low, which Ballard pounced on, only for the ball to fall in front of their striker who tucked it in to go 3-2 up. The introduction of James Harwood gave us a fresh opportunity to exploit them on the wing, but it took another goal to go in for us to really turn up the heat in the bid for a comeback. However our lack of fitness, compared to theirs, was showing and with Richard Martin wheezing on the sideline, we were only left with a few minutes to find something. Unfortunately it was not to be and the game ended 4-2, but we gave it a good fight until the end.

Dick of the Day: There were some close contenders, with Ballard's usual chaotic display and Dan Searle's woeful free kick which, despite much confidence, produced a mere dribble towards the bushes. Marcus somehow got away with being red carded and missing from an inch out. The clear winner, however, was someone who has had it coming to him for a long time. Lateness, ridiculousness and the team's desire to get him drunk before a big date meant BNS had to enjoy a congealed concoction of baileys, ale and spirits which, to be fair, he did with far too much ease.

Man of the Match: This week was a very close contest between two run away players. Tommy Highwood's composed display at left back showed maturity above his age and he quietly got on with his job, producing many important interceptions and tackles, which impressed the whole team. He was narrowly pipped, however, by Chibu, whose hard work in the midfield and eagerness to win motivated others around him, despite taking a lot of stick for their midfield runners causing havoc in our box. He worked hard throughout and contributed heavily to our ability to play through the middle. Josh Mackley
Squad: Matt Ballard, Josh Mackley, Tom Highwood, Chris Tyler, Ricky Martin, Marcus Bance, Chibu Akpaktu, Dan Searle, Matt Williams, Ben Newman Sanders, Matt Rand, James Harwood

ADAPT TO WIN Old Salesians 3rd xI 1 8th XI 5

Good weather for a slide tackle or two and a little slip mixed in. With a great surface you would think we would start off where we left off last week, i.e. with some smooth passing.... From kick off we did not judge the weight of the ball and our passing almost led to a goal for the opposition in the first 15 seconds.

We got that out of our system and started to play a bit. W.Adams was in and shot just wide of the post before **T.COSSTICK** slotted in after a beautiful three pass move from the back... Efficient. We did not really control the game, with it being pretty 50/50, but after trying to unlock their defence down the right wing, the ball feel kindly to **PAGE**, who smashed it with the outside of his boot into the roof of the net right under the bar. Lethal.. The opposition clawed one back after a break, but we restored our two goal lead with another goal from **PAGE**n – 3-1

We were not passing like we normally would but, when attacking, were quick on the break. A few cross field passes created ample opportunities and a sweeping move from defence to attack gave Jones the chance to curl a beautiful cross onto the head of a diving **EGLON,** who emphatically guided the ball into the net.

Without the passing game, we set up defensively to close out the game. The back four stayed solid and we gave them little sight at goal. Childs made a few great saves in the period, one where he closed out a shot by taking it to his face, and there was time for **W.ADAMS** to find the net by dancing through their defence and slotting through on the near post – 5-1

Not our best game from a passing and composure perspective, but we worked at a good unit , with lots of running and adapted to win in a different way than usual. Himish Patel

Team: Childs, Patel, Sparrow, L.Cosstick, E.Adams, Wicks, Page, McAweaney, Jones, W.Adams, T.Cosstick, Amankwah, Eglon

DoD: Patel (for spurning a Glen Johnson-esqe volley

SIXTH XI IN NINE GOAL THRILLER Polytechnic 7th XI 7 6th XI 2

The stage was set. The rain had passed and clouds were dispersing to reveal ideal conditions for playing football as the 6th XI arrived in Chiswick, a pilgrimage taken by three Old Wilsonian sides on an autumnal Saturday in October. As Moniz put it so gracefully pre-match: “if you can’t f***ing enjoy it on a day like today, then you shouldn’t be playing”. Well we enjoyed it; some of it, anyway.

Despite a much changed side, and an opposition warming up with real vigour (and training cones), there was optimism in the air – the 6’s arriving into the fixture off the back of a 2-0 home victory.

The game started at a good pace, with both sides having early chances. The breakthrough came around 15 minutes in with the home side seeing a cross-cum-shot bobble into the net after a spate of corners 1-0 to Poly. The 6’s did not lose their resolve, however, and reacted brilliantly, with **JACK SHELTON** curling home from the edge of the box just 3 minutes later after the ball ricocheted out to him - 1-1 and the score-line was a fair barometer of the opening 20 minutes.

Poly stepped up the tempo soon after and it was easy to see why they are the early-season league leaders and title favourites. A second goal ensued for Polytechnic after a sustained period of pressure, and a third in quick succession, despite ‘keeper George ‘Ginge’ McGeever making some good stops. Half time was approaching, and skipper Charman decided to shake things up by putting himself up front and hoping there was time for one more goal before the break…

Well, there was time. Time enough for a 40-yard Poly screamer, more likely to be seen in the Premier League than Southern Amateur League; luck was not on our side.

The second half was a closer affair, for the first 5 minutes, until a defensive lapse presented Poly with an unmissable one on one - 5-1. Jamie Moniz decided to take matters into his own hands with a mazy run from right back that drew comparison with Cafu. After flattening two players in his path, he laid off the ball to the wing and made his way into the box, where his chest down and volley left spectators in awe. Sadly the Poly ‘keeper was aware to the danger and saved comfortably. But at least Moniz redeemed his handful of hapless foul throws. Minutes later, however, saw the 6’s pull one back, with **ALEX CHEUNG** heading in from the edge of the area. The comeback was on.

Actually it wasn't. The 6’s struggled for chances and came under both increasing pressure and scrutiny from the referee. First a penalty, conceded by Phakey, and then an offside goal made matters

worse, and ended a disappointing outing for the 6's, with the final score 7-2. There was some solace in not conceding for the final 15 minutes, coincidently whilst Charman had hobbled off injured...

It was clear that we suffered at the hands of a very good team who play together week in, week out - something the 6ths lack. The season is still young, and if we can get a core squad together, then there is every chance we can go on a good run and do well in this league, as we showed last week.

Post match we found where our real strengths lie - in the bar. We outstayed and out drank every team there, showing true Old Wilsonian spirit. We also attracted the attention of our referee, who, peculiarly, seemed to be rather fond of some of our team... just a shame this was not the case on the pitch. Ash Phakey

TOP OF THE LEAGUE South Bank Cuaco 5th XI 2 7th XI 3 (Played September 24th)

After taking six points from the opening two games confidence was high going into the match against South Bank. However, with our 'keeper not turning up it was left to Kit Holis to kindly volunteer to stand in, promising us that what we were losing at centre-back we were gaining between the sticks.

Almost straight from kick-off the ball found its way to James Gunnell, in central defence, who embarked on a Beckenbauer-esque run through the midfield before making a perfectly weighted pass to **CALLUM WRENN,** who slipped the ball past their 'keeper to give us a very early lead. To say that we took our foot off the gas after our imperious start would be an understatement and, to this end, Kit made sure we kept our focus by screaming at us all to do just that as a speculative 25 yard 'shot' from the opposition dibbled past him in slow-motion and into the back of the net.

Thankfully, with Gotham and **WILL GUNNELL** in the side, we never have to wait too long before scoring a goal and, as has been the feature of many of the 7's games these past two seasons, a lofted ball over the top of the defence by the former was smashed home by the latter.

Looking like we were going to run riot and rack up a cricket score, the referee decided to make a game of it by penalising Will Gunnell for being too tall and awarded the opposition the most dubious of penalties. However, rather than dwell on the negative, we all recognised that this was Kit's chance for redemption – unfortunately the debt went unrecovered and they were level again. Back to square one for the 7's, but, thankfully, it was only a few more minutes before **CALLUM WRENN** latched onto yet another exquisite ball over the top of the opposition's defence by Gotham, and he calmly lobbed their goalkeeper.

The second half was goalless and turned into a farce, with the referee completely losing control of the game. Big props(sic) to Gotham and Will Gunnell, who kept their heads whilst the opposition lost theirs, and to Kit, for an admirable effort in goal. Will Davies

Team: Hollis, Graham ,Gunnell, Davey , Gunnell, Mole, Davies ,Jeevan, Mander, Wrenn, Gunnell MOM; Will Davies

LATE ONSLAUGHT FAILS TO BRING REWARD 2nd XI 1 Nottsborough 2 (P. September 24th)

Having had the season's cup opener postponed and the school boys game the previous week, it felt like, at this point, the season had not really begun. The squad was looking strong, especially Jon Howe, with a couple of the players being disappointed to have not being playing with the 1st XI.

The game started at a good tempo, with the opposition looking composed and giving Wilson's very little time on the ball, especially in the wide areas. They had set up in a similar shape to us, matching the 4-3-3 we were playing. Wilson's , with a strong 3 in the middle of Childs, John and Farmer, looked good. However, these men often seemed to be bypassed, with the opposition often using the long ball into the wide areas or just at Dunk, knowing the timing of his jumping would allow them in. The 2nd XI, on the other hand, found it difficult playing direct, with a 9ft 6" centre half seemingly winning everything that came his way, despite strong battling from Braterman.

Wilson's conceded a cheap goal in the first half and came into half time needing to change things, as it was not quite coming together up top. Unfortunately, with no other left backs in the squad, Doug stayed there.

In the second half Wilson's looked much stronger , driving through the middle field far more effectively and were unlucky not to have scored, with the 'keeper making a couple of good saves from

Childs long range strikes. However, and against the run of play, we let in another sloppy goal, with confusion between 'keeper and centre back.

It was not until the 87th minute that the 2nd XI finally got their goal, with Childs punting a ball up the pitch and **DEMOLA** applying pressure on the 'keeper to finally find himself through on goal and getting the ball into the empty net with some part of his body.

Wilson's then applied some excellent pressure in the final few minutes, with the 'keeper making an excellent save in the final minute to deny Fox, and the game finished 2-1. Jon Howe
Ballard, Aaron, Tobi, Dunk, Smart, Farmer, John, Childs, Howe, Giles, Bratterman, Fox, Demola,
MOM: CHILDS

Upcoming Level 1 Coaching Courses

Two new Level 1 coaching courses have been added to our coach education calendar for September and October 2016.

October 2016

Saturday 22nd October 2016: 9am-5pm – Practical and Theory
Thursday 27th October 2016: 7-10pm – Emergency Aid
Saturday 29th October 2016: 9am-5pm – Practical and Theory
Saturday 5th November 2016: 9am-5pm – Practical and Theory
Sunday 6th November 2016: 9am-3.30pm – Safeguarding Children Workshop & Practical and Theory
Venue: Copthall School, Pursley Road, Mill Hill, London NW7 2EP
To book onto this course and for further information, please use the following link -
http://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=173791#regform

Don't forget to use the Charter Standard discount voucher afacsclub at the checkout, giving you £30 off the full course price.

We also have an Emergency Aid course taking place on Thursday 6th September (7-10pm) in Barnet, EN5 2PU. For more information and to book on the course, please use the following link - http://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=173796#regform

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Level 2 Coaching Course, which the AFA will be running starting in October 2016.

Course Pre-requisites to registration and certification

Prior to registration for the qualification, learners are required to:
· be at least 16 years of age
· Have attended The FA Level 1 in Coaching Football course, and hold the 1st4sport Level 1 Award in Coaching Football qualification
Prior to certification for the qualification, learners are required to:
· hold as a minimum a current FA Emergency Aid Certificate
· hold a current completion certificate for The FA Workshop Safeguarding Children in Football
** Please note FA Emergency Aid a& FA Safeguarding Children will not form part of the Level 2 course **

Course aims and objectives

This nationally recognised qualification will take the learner on a journey through the core components of the England DNA – How We Coach, How We Play, How We Support and The Future Player, helping them to begin shaping or refining their own coaching philosophy.
In order to understand the coaching of players, coaches need to understand themselves and their players as well as the game itself. This course will support learners along this process both on-course and in their own coaching environment.
The course is underpinned by the ethos of allowing the players to feel included, empowered and to be

able to make mistakes. It is about designing relevant game-like practices with plenty of decision-making that enables the players to practice in an environment that's positive and enjoyable. This course is designed to prepare learners for employment as a football coach with the ability to put these key ideas into practice. As a FA Level 2 football coach, learners will be able to plan, deliver and evaluate a series of linked and progressive football coaching sessions independently.
This course will cover key issues in coaching while putting the players and their learning at the centre of the choices that coaches make. It will help learners to reflect on, realise the impact of, and justify the decisions they make while encouraging a long-term view on player development. The course will examine what effective and great practice looks like in training and competition, right the way through the player's journey from under 7 to open age, across the various formats of the game, helping coaches to consider the age, ability, maturity and experience of the players in their care.

Course Details:

Block 1 - How We Coach: Monday 24th, Tuesday 25th, Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th October 2016 (9am-5pm)
Block 2 – How We Support and The Future Player: Thursday 9th, Friday 10th and Sunday 12th February 2017 (9am-5pm)
Block 3 – How We Play: Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th April 2017 (9am-5pm)

Cost: £400 or **£300 for AFA Charter Standard Clubs only – please use the discount code L2csafa** (the number of discounts available is limited)
Venue: East Barnet Old Grammarians FC, Alan Drive, Barnet, Herts EN5 2PU
** Please note course dates and times are subject to change **
Please note: **ALL** days must be attended to ensure successful completion of the course. **Failure to do so will result in non-qualification**. Before booking on, please ensure you can attend all the dates outlined.
For more information and to book your place on the course, please use the following link -
http://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=176555#regform
Please pass this email onto any of your coaches or players who may be interested.
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.
Kind regards,
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Reports Table

Team	P	RS	RSL	NR	NP	Pts	Dropped	% response
1st XI	10	10	0	0	3	27	3	100
2nd XI	8	7	1	0	2	20	4	100
8th XI	6	6	0	0		18	0	100
9th XI	5	4	0	1	1	11	4	80
7th XI	6	2	1	3	1	6	12	50
3rd XI	5	2	1	2	2	5	10	60
6th XI	3	1	0	2		3	6	33
4th XI	5	1	0	4	1	2	14	20
5th XI	6	1	0	5	1	2	16	16

P = Played RS = Reports submitted RSL = Reports submitted late NR = No Report NP = No phone