



**Hello,**

With Christmas fast approaching we felt that we would write to all parents giving an update on the club. The season has been a little bit fragmented due to the wonderful British weather, the good news is that we still have lots of football to play this season, I think that we may have a few evening fixtures come the end of the season, you have been warned.

We have again provided mixed football for children and young adults between the ages of 5 and 18, with many age groups having multiple sides, in addition we have two girls' sides that continue to thrive.

We have over 65 volunteers who regularly coach football and assist with the running of the club, without these wonderful people we would not be able to provide football for over 320 children.

It is great to see the children train and play at recreation ground on Saturday mornings and Sundays, as Chairman of the club I appreciate how lucky we are to have such a great facility, there is no better sight in football than seeing hundreds of children playing and enjoying football at the Rec.

The club has traditionally been strongly supported by parents who make up the committee, unfortunately this year some of the long-standing committee members will be moving on as their children no longer play at the club. We are therefore looking for volunteers to come and join the committee to help run the club.

We have provided a summary of all the roles within the club, if you would like to help please contact me to discuss in more detail. We are a friendly committee and we will provide all the support necessary; no prior experience is required.

We continue to struggle to attract new volunteers to the club, we have turned children away from the club because we have a lack of volunteers who are willing to help coach and run teams. Many of our younger age groups need more help otherwise we will not be able to provide game time for children.

**Next season we are going to enforce a new rule at the club that will make every team have a volunteer who helps towards the running of the club. Any team that does not provide a volunteer will have their position within the club reviewed. This drastic action is only as a result of the inactivity and lack of support from some teams.**

**Contrary to popular belief the committee members are a friendly and approachable team of people, please feel free to speak to the existing committee members about the work they do, it isn't that scary!**

**All of the committee are in the same position as you, they all work full time and have children and other commitments, we are only asking a few people to give up a couple of hours a week.**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the existing managers, coaches and committee members for all their hard work and commitment, you are appreciated. One final word of praise to Kirsty and the volunteers who help to run the coffee shop, your efforts provide a focal point for the club, which is unique and brilliant, thank you.

Have a great Christmas.

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**Dates for the diary:**

**Charity Day:** 28<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**Mini Soccer Presentation** 25<sup>th</sup> April 2020

**Youth Soccer Presentation** TBC

**Why would I want to join the committee?**

“Without the committee we quite simply do not have a football club. We all recognise the hard work that the team managers and coaches put in each week and we want to do our bit to help ensure that Corfe Mullen United Juniors can provide a happy and safe environment in which our children can enjoy football”. – Kirsty Southern

“It is sometimes hard work, but it is rewarding when we get to see the children play especially when they have smiles on their faces at the end of a match.” – Phil Dove

“Before we joined the committee none of us knew what we were doing however the committee work together and support each other to ensure that the club functions well, we are recognised as being one of the premier clubs in Dorset.” - Jo Merifield

**The club is run by an organising committee that is made up of the following positions. The committee is elected each year at the AGM in line with the club’s institution.**

**Chairperson**

The role of a chairperson is to oversee the running of the club and ensure that it is run efficiently and managed appropriately. They will lead club meetings and provide leadership in all areas. The chairperson also organises the club charity day and presentation events.

**Vice Chairperson**

The vice-chairperson assists the Chairman and acts as a deputy in their absence.

**Secretariat (3 positions)**

The Secretary is one of the most important roles in the club. The main point of contact for Dorset FA, team managers and other clubs and leagues, the Secretary will look after the administrative duties for the club/league.

We intend to have three roles within the club to reduce workload.

**Registration Secretary**

The registration secretary is responsible for the registration of all teams and players to ensure that we are compliant with the requirements of the FA and leagues.

**Mini Secretary fixtures secretary**

The fixtures secretary will be in charge of organizing pitches and opposition for home games and subsequently reporting results to the FA for all of our mini soccer teams. They communicate with Corfe Mullen managers, so they are aware of matches on a weekly basis.

**Youth Secretary**

The fixtures secretary will be in charge of organizing pitches and opposition for home games and subsequently reporting results to the FA for all of our youth teams (11 aside). They communicate with Corfe Mullen managers, so they are aware of matches on a weekly basis.

**Treasurer**

The treasurer’s role will be to ensure that the club stays financially sustainable, pay all expenses, and collect any monies owed to the club.

**Kit Officer**

The kit officer is responsible for ensuring that each team has the required equipment and football kit required to both train and play matches.

**FA Liaison Officer**

Responsible for ensuring that all committee members, managers and coaches hold the relevant qualifications and training to allow the club to retain its FA Charter Status.

**Welfare Officer**

The club welfare officer ensures that the club operates a safe, child friendly environment and promotes good practice in line with the club’s Child Protection Policy.

**General Volunteer**

Assist where required, to include help with presentation event, organise social event.

## **Club Ethos and Philosophy**

**“To provide a safe, friendly and happy environment for children of all abilities to enjoy football and to develop both as footballer and person.”**

Corfe Mullen United Juniors based is a voluntary organisation established in 2003 to provide football opportunities for the youth of Corfe Mullen and surrounding areas.

The club (registered with Dorset County FA) operate structured training sessions and participation in Sunday league football (as age appropriate) for boys and girls in the school age groups from Reception to Year 13 (U6-U18).

Each of the age group's teams have their own coaching sessions that are led by FA qualified DBS checked coaches and our Ethos is focused on building teamwork, developing each player's individual skills and understanding of the game in a safe environment, but most importantly encouraging the players to have 'FUN'.

Players are encouraged to develop by attending training sessions and give their best efforts to win a football match, but not win at all costs, ensuring fair play, professionalism and RESPECT are always shown.

The club operates a code of conduct for players, club officials, parents/guardians and coaches to promote RESPECT for the rights, dignity, worth and equality of each and every person involved.

Corfe Mullen United Juniors are a Charter Standard Club, all coaches commit to gaining as a minimum the FA's Level 1 Certificate in Coaching Football and encouraged to further their development with the FA's Level 2 Certificate in Coaching Football and/or additional FA Youth Modules, in order to deliver consistency and quality coaching to the children.