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Merry Christmas to all our players and their families

Another "First" for Club



We are once again delighted to receive the support of the First Group, our thanks go to Paul Brady U21's parent and First employee who endorsed our foundation application. This is the second time the company has supported the club with this year beneficiaries our 2006's and U21's who are pictured in their new home kits. We are extremely grateful to the company for their support of the club.



Another two major first's for the club on page 2

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Annual Raffle

Due to the inclement weather a number of sections have been unable to issue their annual draw tickets, this is an important fund raiser for the club and our teams, we have therefore decided to postpone the draw until Sunday 13th January 2013 to allow all sections the opportunity to sell as many tickets as possible. I am sure you appreciate the need to take this decision. Thanks to everyone who donated a prize, this is very much appreciated.

Community Programmes

We have launched a number of community initiatives to target specific audiences and in doing so raise the profile of the club in the general community.

Our young age groups are all currently full, however we are bridging this blockage into the club by offering an **After School Centre on a Tuesday 6pm-7pm at the stadium**, aimed at P1-P7 children this allows those on waiting lists a route into the club, the centre also caters and for those who are simply looking for some football coaching.

A Mini-Kickers Group aimed at 3-5 year old children runs every **Sunday 10am-11am at St Maurices High School, Games Hall**.

A Disability Centre on a Monday 5pm-6pm at Abronhill High School is aimed at P1-P7 children. Our experienced coach provides stimulating and fun coaching sessions.

We had hoped to offer "**Friday Night Footie**" this side of the Festive break but this has been delayed due to the bad weather. This initiative targets teenagers up to 16 years who will play small sided games within the stadium, this will kick-off when we return from the break, all welcome.

We are also offering **over 35's - 7-a-side** every Friday 7pm-8pm at the stadium this will now start on our return, if you are interested in taking part please speak to our coaches or email admin@cumbernauld-colts.com, this is open to all.

Volunteer Development

Over the last two months we have had a number of coaches go through various levels of coach education, congratulations go to Richard McKenzie and Graham Wilson on passing the Scottish FA Children's Level 4 certificate, a group of 10 volunteers completed the Level 3 Course, 2 completed the Youth Lv2 and 5 completed the Children's Lv1 certificate. Richard McKenzie, Chris McLaughlin and Raymond Innes also completed the Scottish FA Disability Course.

First for the Club cont..

We are delighted to be able to advise you that the club is the **First** in the country to achieve the **Scottish FA Quality Mark "Legacy Level" award**, this was presented to the club by Stewart Regan Scottish FA Chief Executive at our official opening evening, this builds on the Community level previously held by the club. More detail on the award criteria can be found at the Scottish FA web site. Pictures in our next edition. Another **First** is the creation of an adult female team within the club. This is an exciting development and provides the pinnacle of the female game. We very much see this as the catalyst to energise and build the club's female pathway and is a terrific addition to the club. The new group are an established team with impressive credentials and were previously part of Airdrie Utd, We are thrilled to welcome Julie, David and the girls to the club, a full feature will be in our next edition.

Results & Leagues

The poor weather has hit our 11-a-side teams hard with many not having a game for some weeks. A number of our teams have however made a solid start to the season and hope to build on this in the New Year. Our Amateurs, U21's, U19's and U16's are all currently challenging at the top of their respective leagues with a number of other teams in good shape to challenge following the festive break.

Congratulations go to our U21's who have progressed to the quarter finals of the Scottish Cup where they will play EK Rolls Royce Youth on Sunday 3rd February, 2pm KO at the stadium. We would encourage you to come along to the game to give the team as much support as is possible.

The up to date scoreboard and league tables can be viewed at our website, Leagues & Fixtures and Results links.

Running Club

If you are interested in taking part in our running group simply turn-up at the front entrance of the stadium on a Wednesday evening @ 7pm. Running helps you to:

-feel good - sleep better - relax and reduces stress levels - manage our weight - improve your fitness levels

We look forward to seeing you in the New Year !

Academy 2007's

We are now taking names for our next academy intake planned for March 2013. If you would like to reserve a place please send your son/daughters details to admin@cumbernauld-colts.com