



Leeds City Newsletter

Dear All,

Welcome to our 3rd newsletter of the season. This newsletter should be reflecting on what a fantastic finish all are age groups have had to the season but for obvious reasons football has took a backseat.

COVID 19 saw football stop in March and everyone from the club hopes that your family and yourselves are all staying safe in these strange times. If anyone needs any help please let the club know. Leeds as a city have lost two of its footballing legends in Norman Hunter and Trevor Cherry to this terrible virus.

Despite there being no football, the club have been working extremely hard behind the scenes. Angeline the club secretary has submitted an application for a pitch maintenance grant to the FA which if we secure will provide us with extra money for the pitches. Angeline has also begun to put an application together for funding of new goals and has been working extremely hard registering all the teams with the respective leagues.

In May 2020 the managers and committee had the clubs first ever virtual meeting which was great to see old faces and have a good catch up.

Lockdown also brought the light some amazing talents outside football that some of our players have. Leon from our U8's produced his own Leeds City Juniors music video which went viral on twitter via our feed @leedscityjnrs

Also due to lockdown a number of coaches and parents have produced training sessions and challenges to keep all the players engaged. Special mention goes to Steve Beck from u8 Girls, Sini from u8 boys and Mike Inman from the committee and John Porter parent from u11 boys.

Thank you also goes to Ant our groundsman; he has worked round the clock to get the pitches playable. He had to contend with a massive amount of rain prior to the New Year and after the New Year, as well as three storms in January and February before COVID 19 came along. Had it not been for this hard work the club would have barely got any games in this season.

Thank you also goes to all the managers, coaches, volunteers, parents, siblings, players and committee members, stay safe and hopefully see you all very soon.

This was the u16's last season in Junior football and it is great to hear that a number of the boys have opted to stay with the club and move to the senior Saturday teams. Good luck.

We normally produce a lovely brochure for end of season presentation, we are not doing that this season, but please find further attachment with the Managers season reviews, which are a fantastic read.

Stay Safe

Pete Walsh

Partnership with Instinct Sports Coaching

Leeds City Juniors are delighted announce our new partnership with Instinct Sports Coaching which is headed up by Nathan Hunt. Nathan played all his junior career for the club and has gone onto play for the seniors, where he is captain of one of our Saturday teams. Nathan has just completed his degree in sport at Manchester University and is about to finish his Level 2 FA Coaching Badge. If you are interested please get in contact.

Another exciting announcement we have with Nathan, is that he will be taking over the clubs Bob Cats training on a Saturday Morning on Bedquills from 10:15 to 11:15. This is designed for children aged between 4-7 years old and we have no doubt Nathan will be producing our future stars.

INSTINCT SPORTS COACHING

1-TO-1 COACHING SESSIONS

Are you looking to improve?

Are you looking to gain confidence as a player?

Football specific training for £15 per hour or £10 per player in small group sessions.

Available to players of all abilities aged 5+

Coach: Nathan Hunt

- Academy Director
- FA Qualified
- First-Aid Trained
- Safeguarding Children
- DBS Checked

In Proud Partnership with Leeds City FC

Contact Us to book a session!
instinctsportscoaching@gmail.com

Refereeing Opportunities

The club are currently supporting a number of young referees, but are looking for further referees who may be interested. The club will pay for the FA Referee courses and as with the U11's and U12's the young referees are being paid £20 per match or £25 per 90-minute match. This fee is not something the club can support but has been raised by the parents and by tuck shops. The true benefit of this is that the coaches and parents can enjoy the games knowing they will not have to referee a

game and the young referees are learning the art from a young age. If you have any siblings / family or friends who wish to earn some extra cash on a Saturday or Sunday please make contact. leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com

Goal Keeper Coaching

The club are looking for any parents / siblings etc who have a goalkeeping background or are interest in coaching goalkeeping to make contact. We are trying to establish dedicated goalkeeper training on a Saturday morning and or Wednesday Evening for the kids who are interested. We will pay for all FA Coaching Keeper Badges. Please contact: leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com

Club Sponsors

The club is always on the lookout for anyone who is interested in sponsoring the club in anyway, this can be kit sponsorship, training gear, matchday balls, banners etc. Please get in contact if you wish to sponsor or you know anyone who may be interested contact: leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com

Matchday App

The club will be looking to move onto the FA Matchday app next season for all registrations. We will be asking your managers to start using this app throughout this season for games and training. It will reduce a lot of admin for managers and makes things a lot easier. We will be asking for you to download the app and start to get used to it in preparation for our move to it next season. Below is the information from the FA.

Moving on from this please could people look to download the app, from next season we are hoping to use the app for all registrations and payments.

<http://www.thefa.com/get-involved/matchday>

Boot Exchange

If anyone has any unwanted boots in good condition please let us know and we can start to re-establish our boot exchange in the container located in the Bequilts car park.

Contact: leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com

Player Recruitment

Girls U7's needs players. Training on a Wednesday night and games played on a Saturday morning and two Gala's a month to play in next season. The girls would need to be in Year 2 or 3 next September, no match experience needed, just willingness to have fun.

Contact: leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com

Roles at the Club

- 1) **Child Welfare Officer:** This role is currently held by Lee Orange who has held the role for the past 5 years. At the end of next season Lee will have no children in the junior section and therefore we are looking for a long-term replacement who can work alongside Lee until he leaves. This will provide a nice hand over period allowing for any support and guidance. If you are interested or have any queries please contact: leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com or 74ljorange74@gmail.com
- 2) **Website Coordinator:** We currently have a vacancy or vacancies for anyone who could conduct improvements on our current website which is in need of some TLC and continue with the maintenance of the website. Contact: leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com
- 3) **Wildcats Coach:** Wildcats is run every Wednesday night 5:30 – 6:30pm and is designed for girls aged between 4-7. We are looking for coaches to assist. Contact: leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com
- 4) **Bobcats Coach:** Bobcats is for 4-7 years old on a Saturday 10:15 – 11:15. We are looking for coaches to assist head coach Nathan. Contact: leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com
- 5) **Referees:** If anyone is interested in taking up refereeing games please let us know. The club will pay for the course if you wish to do it, or if any of the juniors aged 14 and above want to earn some money by refereeing games please contact us. leedscityjnrsmail@gmail.com

<http://www.westridingfa.com/referees/development-and-courses/the-fa-referees-course>

Key Dates so far....

We have some dates that we would like everyone to be aware of which are below:

Christmas Disco: Saturday 12th December 2020. Times to be confirmed.

Useful Postcodes

Club Address: Adel War Memorial Association, Church Lane, Adel, Leeds, LS16 8DE

Bedquilts: Bedquilts Recreation Ground, Church Lane, Adel, Leeds, LS16 8DB (Easting: 427146.99, Northing: 439616.03)

Useful Websites

<https://leedscityjuniors.org.uk/>

<http://garforthleague.co.uk/>

<https://www.wrgfl.com/>

<http://www.westridingfa.com/>

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/ff>

<http://www.thefa.com/>

<http://www.thefa.com/learning/england-dna-foundation-phase>

<https://awma.club/>

Social Media

Twitter: @leedscityjnrs

Twitter: lcj_girls

Facebook: Leeds City Juniors FC

Committee Members

Chairman: Pete Walsh – peter.walsh80@googlemail.com

Secretary: Angeline McClelland – angeline.mcclelland@icloud.com

Child Welfare Officer: Lee Orange – 74ljorange74@gmail.com

Treasurer: Phil Crowther -

Pitch & Equipment / Registrations Manager: Mike Inman- mikejohninman@gmail.com

Manager Co-Ordinator: Sini Savic – sinisa_savic@hotmail.com