



Clarby News



Issue 1 The official newsletter of Clarbeston Road AFC (Charity Number 1163455) **March 2019**

Welcome to our first edition!

This is the first issue of what we hope will be regular updates to keep our members and supporters aware of club news and events. Please let us know what you think of it so we can make sure it meets your needs. We will post copies on our web site and circulate links to it through other social media so hopefully everyone will be able to read it without a lot of wasteful printing.

Our web site, Facebook and Twitter links are as follows:

www.clarbestonroadafc.co.uk/home.html

www.facebook.com/ClarbestonRoadAFC/

@ClarbyRoadAFC

Queries may also be sent directly to June Harries (Club Secretary) on:

01437 731574 & june.27harries@gmail.com

Check out our senior fixtures, results and tables on:

<http://www.pembrokeshireleague.co.uk>

FAW Trust “More than a Club” Programme

We are delighted to have been selected as a Priority Club by the FAW Trust for their *More than a Club* programme. This means we will have mentoring support from Aled Davies, FAW Trust Football Development Manager to help guide our further development as a club. We are currently a FAW Silver accredited club and we are committed to a programme of continuous improvement to our governance, facilities and coaching standards. We believe this will be of benefit to all of club members and supporters. Watch this space for further news.

Under 15s in Cup Final

Congratulations to our Under 15s who have reached the final of the Pembrokeshire Junior League Under 15s Cup following a hard fought 3-2 victory over local rivals Camrose. We wish them good luck in the final against Tenby and we hope to see a good turnout of support for the boys



We still have cup ties to play for the Under 13s, and Under 16s and we wish them all good luck and hope we have further good news to report in our next edition.

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Ground Improvements



We have been realising the benefits of the programme of work we undertook at Knock Field last summer to improve our playing areas, to provide power, water and drainage at the site and to improve access and parking. We have further minor works to undertake at the end of this season to deal with a drainage issue around the access to the seating area overlooking Pitch 1. We will also be providing further fencing and a spectator viewing platform, suitable for wheelchair access and for push chairs/buggies, to overlook both the Junior Pitch and Pitch 1. Subject to funding, we wish to further extend our parking area at the top of the site to avoid the need for cars to park on the road outside of the site.

Please note that toilet facilities are now available to both players and spectators in the portakabin at Knock Field.

Parking for Pitches 2 and 3



We are very pleased that the new car parking area that we have provided for Pitches 2 and 3 has substantially reduced the congestion problems caused by roadside parking. We have a few outstanding tasks to complete

to finish off the work that we hope to complete soon. The arrangements are now much safer for players and spectators accessing our pitches as we have a safe route from the car park to Pitch 3 and onward to Pitch 2 across a safer crossing point. Following a request through our County Councillor, David Howlett, Pembrokeshire County Council has agreed to improve the road markings and warning signs to help manage the speed of passing traffic. We ask all players and visitors to these pitches to use our car park and to travel with caution along this stretch of road.

Have your say on the future of the community

We have joined up with St Marys Church Wiston Restoration Committee and Clarbeston Road Memorial Hall Committee to ensure that our respective plans to improve our facilities are led by the needs and wishes

DEVELOPING OUR COMMUNITY.....HAVE YOUR SAY

St Mary's, Wiston Church Restoration Committee, Clarbeston Road AFC, Clarbeston Road Memorial Hall Committee and Wiston Community Council have some ideas and project proposals to provide better services to the local community.

You are invited to a meeting at Clarbeston Road Memorial Hall 6pm on Wednesday 20th March with free buffet supper

Please help us ensure that any projects taken forward are led by YOUR wishes and needs. Come along and play your part in creating a shared vision for the future, owned by the whole community.

PLANED is supporting the community in developing our community vision to produce a new Action Plan that addresses current and future needs identified by local people.

Let's make the future of the community an exciting one!

For more information and to confirm your place, please contact Karen Scott

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A vertical graphic on the right side of the flier. It features three white circles with black outlines, each containing text. The top circle says 'Turn up', the middle one says 'Get involved', and the bottom one says 'Make things happen!'. Green checkmarks are placed between the circles, and the background shows a blurred outdoor scene with trees and a path.

of the community. The details are set out in this flier provided by PLANED, who are facilitating the process. We would be very pleased to see our local members at the meeting on 20th March. Come along and give us your views about how we can best work together as a group of organisations to address the wishes and aspirations of the community. Your feedback will be key to guide us on the next stage of our development.

SPONSORSHIP

We are grateful for the support of a number of local businesses who sponsor our pitch side advertising boards and team kits. We are always pleased to welcome new sponsors and we will soon be extending our sponsorship options for both businesses and individuals.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CLUB SPONSORED WALK

PANTMAENOG FOREST

SUNDAY 5TH MAY

A club fundraiser with suitable walking routes for all age groups. Further details to follow.

MINI FOOTBALL PRESENTATION EVENING

CLARBESTON ROAD MEMORIAL HALL

FRIDAY 10TH MAY

Our annual celebration and presentation of medals for our younger players, from Under 7s to Under 11s.

CLUB DINNER AND PRESENTATIONS

HAVERFORDWEST CRICKET CLUB

SATURDAY 8TH JUNE

Our celebration of club achievements during the year. All members welcome.

MICHAEL THOMAS MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

KNOCK FIELD PITCH 1

29TH & 30TH JULY; FINAL ON 2ND AUGUST

Our annual tournament to the memory of Michael Thomas followed by a BBQ at the Cross Inn, Clarboston Road. Fundraising for a local charity (yet to be determined).

OPEN DAY AND FUN DAY

KNOCK FIELD

SATURDAY 3RD AUGUST

Fun football games for all age groups and abilities.

SPITTAL FOOTBALL FUN DAY & BBQ

SATURDAY 17TH AUGUST

Our popular fun day, held with the support of Spittal Community Council and the Pump on the Green.

Please see our Facebook site for more information ahead of event dates.

Volunteering

We are always for looking for new volunteers. We have 12 mini/junior/girls teams and 2 senior teams and we are always pleased to welcome new coaches, helpers and referees, for who full training is provided. All of our volunteers who work with children need to meet the requirements of the DBS process as part of our safeguarding arrangements.

We also welcome help for a wide range of other roles, even if this is just as an occasional pair of hands when we are running events or maintaining our facilities. You may have professional skills that may help us, creative ideas or be a whizz with social media. We would love to speak to you if you think you can help us. In turn we can guarantee plenty of fun and fulfilment.

Team of the Month

Each month we will feature a photo of one of our teams. We have selected some of our Under 8s for this first edition, as their smiley faces sum up what football should be about! We have had so much interest from this age group that we are setting up an additional team from the beginning of March.



Code of Conduct

Finally, a reminder to all club members and supporters to respect and abide by the respective FAW codes of conduct that we have adopted for players, coaches, parents and supporters.

These are available to view on our web site through the following link;

www.clarbostonroadafc.co.uk/code-of-conduct.html