

April 2007 **Pitchside**

The Parkfield Youth FC Newsletter



With the small sided teams getting to the end of their regular season and a few more weeks to go for the 11-a-side teams thoughts are starting to turn to better weather and the end of season club events. In this newsletter you will therefore find information about what is happening at the club and dates of upcoming events over the next few months.

Presentation night

(arrive at 7pm for 7.30 start)

For those who don't know this is a yearly event when all the teams are presented to the rest of the club and awards and trophies are handed out. All players and relatives are invited and everyone retires afterwards to the club house for drinks and nibbles. Players dress smartly and wear a Parkfield tie, white shirt and grey or black trousers / skirt.

Merchandise

If you would like to buy any Parkfield items such as fleeces, bags and caps a form can be downloaded from the club website. Alternatively order from your team manager or Steve Lee our merchandising manager.



Club House works party

As mentioned under dates we plan to have this year's works party on Sat 26 May starting at 1pm this year. For those that don't know this is a day when we try and get as many volunteers as possible to help spruce up the club house and grounds in readiness for the tournament days. Last year was a great success and we managed to paint the club house inside and out and do some work to the car park and other items. You all are welcome to help and any time you can spare, no matter how short, is appreciated!

Dates for the diary

Presentation night at Hatch End High School	Sat 19 May (FA Cup Final day)
Club House works party	Sat 26 May 2007 (TBC)
Boys Tournament	Sat 9 / Sun 10 June 2007
Girls Tournament	Sun 15 July 2007

Pitches

One initiative that has been very successful has been the pitch improvement scheme that was started about two years ago now. Despite the very wet weather this year the Parkfield pitches have held up remarkably well – so much so that on some Sundays recently Parkfield has been able to host matches that surrounding clubs have had to cancel due to poor playing conditions. A bit more grass would help but generally the work to suppress worm casts and aerate the pitches has worked wonders.

Website

(www.parkfieldyouthfc.com)

The web site attracts a lot of interest every month especially those looking out for the results each week. Remember you can print out a fixture list for your team from the team pages. Other items on the site include social events, tournament news and items on teams. If you have any newsworthy items for the website or this newsletter (first goal, hat trick, good win – anything!) please let our web site manager Peter know by email – peter.gibbons@parkfieldyouth.com.

Alcohol license

The club intends to obtain a permanent alcohol license so that we can sell alcohol on Sundays at lunch time (11.45am onwards planned). The application process is underway and we expect to have a license in the next three months.