



NEWSLETTER

Team Talk

We hope you have your calendar's at the ready as we have some exciting dates for your diary in this month's edition.

We are welcoming a new volunteer Tony Walker who will be helping us to get our message out via our social media platforms .

We are still looking for a lead coach for our youngest ages. If you are interested the club will cover the cost of all qualifications and provide support through the setting up process. If you are interested to know a little more, please do ask any coach.

As we keep saying volunteers are what makes grassroots football work, it doesn't have to be football related there are lots of other ways to provide help so do give us a shout if you have an hour or so to spare. Dale - MBFC Club Secretary

Contact us - marketbosworthfc@gmail.com

Dates for your Diary

SPRING TRAINING - NOW BACK ON HOME TURF

We are now back fully up and running at our home ground and would love to see you all on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. Watch out for the new bar specials too including our brand new mocktails.



PRESENTATION EVENINGS - May 19th & 20th

Naturally we will make these 'big nights' for both players and supporters with more information on the format to follow.



MARKET BOSWORTH SCARECROW TRAIL - June 10th -19th

We would like to get involved and are inviting any artistic or just enthusiastic parents/players who may want to design the MBFC offering this year. Please get in touch if this is something you could assist with.



BATTLE OF BOSWORTH SUMMER TOURNAMENT - June 18th & 19th

We have over 40 teams now confirmed. Come and join us it really is a fun day out for players and their families with bar, BBQ, ice creams and more on offer and of course raising funds to be reinvested in our fabulous club!



PITCHSIDE ROUND UP



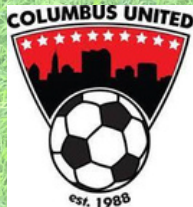
Cup Finals

Like buses it seems, cup finals are coming along in twos as our U8s Knights (May 14th) and U16s (May 6th) both progressed to their respective cup finals. We love a day out – so please come and support if you can



Hosts with the Most

We had the pleasure of hosting TMBS year 7 County Cup Match on Thursday March 10th followed by the quarter final on 22nd March. We are delighted that TMBS progressed through both and wish them all the very best for the semi final on April 26th (and hopefully the final)



Columbus United Match Report

Another great night with our guests from over the pond. I have to say that welcoming Columbus is incredible. What a fabulous team they are. The players and the parents could not be more supportive. What an incredible effort too by our players and equally those player parents who laid on a buffet fit for kings/queens including hand make cakes for each team



Referee Update

March saw Edward reach his 5 game sign off and the latest of our fabulous officials to achieve the next rung of the ladder. At MBFC all our junior referees wear the yellow County FA armband please show your support if you spot them officiating a game.

Ground Improvements

There is much happening behind the scenes and we are currently working on a grant for our own tractor and accessories to aid the pitch and enable us to become self sufficient in this regard. Additionally, we are investigating the possibility of extending the clubhouse into an upper floor. If there are any builders out there in the membership who may be interested in providing a quote/providing advice, please get in touch soonest



**....STOP PRESS...
NEW ADULT TEAM**



Well, the original target for this was the 2023-24 season but we could have some incredible news that may bring this forward. We are on the look out for new players who could make this a reality this coming season!!!!!! We have the nucleus – so if you are inclined to dust off your boots play or are interested in cocahing or know someone who would do let us know! Training will be Tuesday evenings 6 - 7.30 pm commencing 19th April. To join the training or for more info please message Ethan on 07542671895 or Brandon on 07445 493801

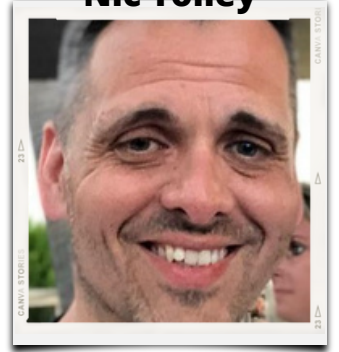


Looking after our Heads Part 2

Changes to Heading the Ball

As you may have seen recently the long term effects of heading footballs and brain injuries is being reviewed nationally after the work that was originally highlighted by the Jeff Astle Foundation. From this the FA have issued new guidance to clubs over heading training in children's and youth football.

Welfare Officer Nic Tolley



From the ages of U5s – U11s no training sessions for heading a football are allowed.
For U12s no more than one session per month.

For U13s no more the one session per week and a maximum of 5 headers in that session.

For 14s – U18s no more than one session per week and a maximum of 10 headers in that session.

Whilst it is impossible to stop the heading of the ball in matches, we will be supporting this safe way of training in the club. All managers and coaches have been issued with the FA's guidance on Heading Practice during 2021-22 season (thefa.com)

KICK IT OUT - TACKLING RACISM & DISCRIMINATION

This month we were made aware of an incident from elsewhere in the county. At MBFC, we are grateful that the playing is generally done with great positivity and we rarely have issues that cause concern.

However, we operate a zero tolerance approach to any kind of abuse and will act on any issue we become aware of. We hope your experience mirrors this, however, should you ever have any concerns, please raise these either to the Club Secretary or Welfare Officer and your report will be dealt with in the strictest confidence

For further information: <https://www.kickitout.org/>



BUMPER WEEKENDS - PARKING ASSISTANCE

Spring has well and truly sprung in terms of the number of matches at the ground. On 20th March we had a record breaking 7 morning home matches as well as the afternoon game. This naturally puts strain on our parking any volunteers who can help with the morning rush and directing cars would be very welcome - please do get in touch if you are willing to help out

Deepest Condolences

Some sad news please, please join us in thanking and remembering 'Café John', part of the dynamic double act with 'Bistro Barry'. John only worked with the club in the bistro for a relatively short time but built a huge fan club and will be deeply missed by all. Thank you John, you made many folks happy in such a short space of time and you will not be forgotten.

Collection tins are now at the ground. Please give generously to a great cause, if and when you can

