



Six A Side Tournament

The annual Brinklow Six A Side tournament will take place over the weekend of 3rd to 5th June at Barr Lane. As always the success of the tournament depends on the willing support of all those people who freely give their time to set up, administer and pack away. In recent years local clubs and village residents have complimented us on the efficient and tidy running of the tournament and we are keen to ensure that we are even better in 2005.

Planning for the weekend is now underway and all managers should now know what they have to do in preparation. However, there are still a lot of activities that need to be managed over the weekend ranging from refereeing, selling programmes and raffle tickets, manning the BBQ and tea stall through to setting up and taking down the marquees. All of these tasks take just a small commitment of time and can be done by anyone associated with the club not just the managers. So if you have time to spare and would like to be involved with the Club please either speak to your team manager or directly to the tournament co-ordinator Gordon Betts to register your interest.

With everybody's help this year's tournament will be our best ever.

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**6-a-side
Helpers**

The club are looking for people to help with organising the 6-a-side tournament, if you can spare some time please contact Gordon Betts on 01788 833886 or 07909 991575

Presentation Night

We are looking for someone to help put together the presentation, so if you are good with Powerpoint please contact Tony Glasscoe on 01788 833221 or 07768 646647 We also need some technical help with the audio visuals for the night, again please contact Tony.



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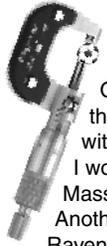
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MICRO's TEAM NEWS



Grrrr ! Hasn't it been cold since we've been outside, but I think the only ones to notice the weather are the parents watching. The boys couldn't care less as long as they are running around with a ball at their feet. At least the parents have Taffy Teapot's Tea !

On to the football. With the introduction of corners and goal kicks added to the now mastered throw-ins the boys have now learnt the full perimeters of the pitch which I am very pleased with. This will allow us to move on to another area of the game.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Steve Clarke for arranging with his employers Massey Ferguson to become our sponsor and will allow us to purchase our first strip. Another thankyou goes to Taffy and Caz for raising yet more funds due to a sixty's night at the Raven Inn.

Unfortunately we are not excepting U6 school year one, at this moment in time but would welcome more U5 school year reception to bolster Adrian's group. So if you know of anyone who might be interested please encourage them to come along or to get in contact. As always any feedback is welcomed, good or bad.

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GIRLS FOOTBALL

A Selection of photos from the girls first games



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SOCIAL NEWS



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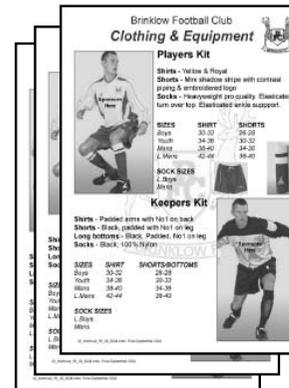
Over 30's training will resume
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Brinklow Football Club Six-a-Side Tournament



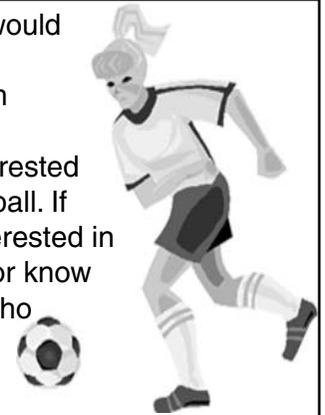
Fri 3rd, Sat 4th
& Sun 5th June 2005

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The Club would be pleased to hear from parents or players interested in girls football. If you are interested in joining us, or know someone who might be interested please contact Dave Anderson on Mob: 07979 961364 or Tel: 01788 832472



GIRLS FOOTBALL

SENIOR TEAM NEWS

Brinklow 4 Yelvertoft 1

Ian Stockdale 2, Justin Neal, Gary Moore

We continued in February exactly where we left off in January with another impressive league win to see us move up to 2nd place in the league, our highest position in modern times. Our goals were superbly and unselfishly created by the team for simple finishes with the Yelvertoft defence in total disarray.

An excellent performance in a game that could quite easily have seen Brinklow finish with a double figure hall.

Rugby Oak Reserves 1 Brinklow 4 Rugby Advertiser Cup

Mark Bird, Alistair Heron, Jamie Sinclair, Carl Moore

The least said about this game the better apart from the fact that a very professional performance in very intimidating circumstances saw Brinklow through to the quarter final of the Advertiser Cup.

Congratulations to Carl Moore who scored his first Brinklow goal.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
CRC	15	13	1	1	72	17	40
BRINKLOW	15	9	2	4	45	36	29
TOAD	14	9	0	5	40	30	27
LAWFORD	15	8	1	6	49	31	25
MERRY MONK	14	7	1	6	35	36	22
BARLEY MOW	16	5	5	6	45	48	20
JOLLY ABBOT	11	3	3	5	32	32	12
YELVERTOFT	13	4	0	9	35	62	12
R. WORKERS	13	3	1	9	29	48	10
LON.RD R.OAK	14	2	0	12	24	68	6

Top Goal Scorers

Justin 13 Jamie 11 Gaz 6
Stocky 6

Forth Coming Fixtures

March 7th	Away	Royal Oak	Alwyn Rd	Advertise Cup
March 14th	Home	Toad	The Revel	League
March 21st	Home	Merry Monk	The Revel	League
March 28th	Away	R. Workers / M. Monk	Ashlawn 1	League Cup 2nd

Paul Huddlestone

Victoria sees that David Beckham is getting wet on the terrace and calls out to him:

'David, come inside, it's raining.'

David: 'But it's raining out here as well'



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U7's TEAM NEWS

Fixtures

5th March - 10am for 10.30am Athletic Utd (Away Sowe Common)
26th March - 10am for 10.30am Hillmorton (Home Barr lane or The Revel)
16th April - 10am for 10.30am Coundon Court (Home Barr lane or The Revel)

Training

12th March onwards outside Training – Barr lane unless advised for the Revel

Summer Tournaments

Two teams and have been entered into the Brinklow 6 a side tournament, Brinklow Celtic and Brinklow Rangers. Note the date – 4th June, start time 9am

Watch this space for more tournament dates and venues

Subs

Virtually all subs have now been paid, only one outstanding.

Kit monies outstanding

Matthew – Tracksuit - £29.75

Toby – Track suit – £29.75

Tom2 – Track Suit - £29.75

Cheques made Payable to Brinklow FC

Great Yarmouth Tour

It was with great disappointment we had to cancel the trip to Great Yarmouth, I know the boys are very sad. However two things that may cheer them up, one, there is always next year and two, you can now go to the last ever game at Highfield Rd !

Coundon Court 4 Brinklow 1

Scorer for Brinklow – TOBY

If ever there was a game of two halves, this was it, with us taking the lead early on, with a good shot by Toby which the goalie spilled, this seemed to spur Court on some what but it was only a superb equaliser that breached the Brinklow goal.

After conceding an early goal in the second half we then started to chase the game and with less than five minutes left a couple of defensive lapses cost us dear and somewhat flattered the scoreline. A penalty save with the very last kick of the game gave the Brinklow Crowd some cheer late on.

Declan Mellett

David Beckham goes on holiday. On his return Micheal Owen asks him: 'Where have you been?' Beckham: 'I went water skiing'. Owen: 'Did you have a good time?' Beckham: 'Not at all... I didn't manage to find a lake that went downhill'



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U8's TEAM NEWS

In between the bad weather in January/February and the half term holidays we had an opportunity for a friendly match against the Under 9 Green team. This was another match played as three halves to allow as many players as possible to gain match experience. Whilst the Under 9's scored more goals than us overall, we acquitted ourselves well and at times took the game to them. In addition we picked up a few ideas from them that we will work on over the next few training sessions. Thank you to Mick and his team for an excellent morning of friendly football – hopefully we can do it again some time.

Thoughts are now turning to the future. In the short term this brings a match against Stretton Athletic on the weekend of 12th March, the Great Yarmouth Tour and the Brinklow Tournament (plus other tournaments that we may choose to enter). We now need to plan for the Brinklow Tournament, which the Under 8's will play in on the afternoon of Saturday 4th June. With the squad the size that it is we propose to enter two teams of 8 players so please let one of the managers know if you are not available to play on that day. We need at least 12 but preferably 16 players.

Thinking ahead to next season we will be entering the Coventry Sunday league as Under 9's. For this the players need to be under 9 as at the end of August 2005 and original birth certificates will need to be provided together with passport photographs. Depending on how many players there are in the squad we may enter one or two teams. Please let the managers know if you will be signing up for Sunday league football so that we can plan accordingly. If a player is not able to play in the Sunday league games but still wants to be part of the squad they will still be welcome at training sessions, which may move from Saturday mornings so as not to wipe out everyone's weekend.

Gordon Betts

Ronaldo, Luis Figo and David Beckham are standing in Heaven before the throne of God.

*God looks at them and says; "And so here you are to face your Lord and maker.
I shall ask each of you a question."*

*Addressing Ronaldo first he asks, "Ronaldo, one of the world's greatest football players,
what is it that you believe brought you here before me?"*

*Ronaldo looks God in the eye and says passionately, "I believe football to be the food of
life. Nothing else brings such unbridled joy to so Many people, from the slums of Rio to the
bright lights of Madrid. I have devoted my life to bring such joy to people, with little else,
who stood on the terraces supporting their team."*

God smiles and offers Ronaldo a seat to his left.

*He then turns to Luis Figo, "And similarly you, Luis, a hero to so many, what do you think it
was brought you to my throne?"*

*Figo stands tall and proud, "I believe courage, honour and passion are the fundamentals to
life and I've spent my playing career providing a living embodiment of these commitments."*



God, moved by the passion of his speech offers Figo a seat to his right.

He then turns to Beckham, "And you, David. Presumably you just want your ball back?"

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RESERVES TEAM NEWS

Brinklow 3 The Bear 0
Rugby Aggs 1 Brinklow 3
Hillmorton Ex Servicemen 5 Brinklow 1
St Thomas Cross 3 Brinklow 5
London House 4 Brinklow 3 (Advertiser Cup)
Sounds Expensive 3 Brinklow 2
Brinklow 3 Prince Of Wales 1
Newbold Revel 0 Brinklow 2
Brinklow 5 Dp Limos 8

Leading Goal Scorers

Dave Galpin	12
Martin Smith	7
Antony Ford	7
Simon Bates	4

This section of the season saw us start with a fantastic win over one of the top teams in our division. The match against the Bear also saw the first game this season for Andy Mayne who came on as sub and promptly scored. Two goals from Galps, one a Henry back heal, assured us of victory.

Two goals in his last two games for the reserves, due to work commitments, saw Christian Mc Turk finish his season with a flourish. One was in the win over Rugby Aggregate, with Galps and Mark Wells also notching, the other against Hillmorton Ex Service in a game ruined by an unbelievably biased ref.

Revenge against St Thomas cross came via a hatrick by Fordy, an O.G and Mike Edward's first goal of the season.

Then came the Advertiser Cup tie vs London House. After going 2-0 down, goals from Mark Wells, Whiff and Fordy put us into the lead with only 10 mins to go. Despite chances to finish off the game and an all round good performance London House cruelly grabbed the place in the next round.

Gaz Whiteford got on the score sheet with a well taken goal and Whiff scored from the penalty spot but it wasn't enough to beat Sounds Expensive.

Our next game was against Prince of Wales. We went 3-0 up with two goals from Galps and one from Fordy. Then came the moment when Spencer Wells dislocated his knee. The air ambulance arrived and alerted a local newspaper reporter. When he asked Galps what was happening, Galps replied "Well I've scored two....."

Earlier in the season we held rivals Newbold Revel to a 2-2 draw. They weren't too pleased. So to beat them 2-0 on their own pitch was sweet indeed. Galps and Fordy local heroes for the day.

At 5-2 down it didn't look good against DP Limos then suddenly we started to claw our way back. Galps scored 4 and Whiff put away a penalty. With the score at 6-5 to the visitors it looked like we just might do it. But it wasn't to be. DP Limos scored two more and that was that.

Many thanks go to Taff, Caz, and everyone who supported Spencer on his night at the Raven. Cheers!

Simon Pulford

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YOUTH TEAM NEWS

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
Brinklow Jnrs	13	10	0	3	30
Mount Nod Highway	13	10	0	3	30
St Nicholas Boys	12	9	0	3	27
Kenilworth Wardens	15	7	2	6	23
Sporting Athletic	13	7	2	4	23

The above is the table at present and things could not be closer!

This report focuses on the last four games, which resulted in three wins and a loss for the Youth. Morris Rangers saw a bitterly cold day with an aggressive opposing team but the correct result of 5-2 with goals coming from Ryan Byrne (3), Luke McKiernan and Luke Morton. Rangers only turned up to kick and complain, having two players sent off, one being a substitute after only a few minutes following a horrific two foot tackle on Ryan Byrne.

Next was a win against Finham at The Revel a very close game but Brinklow had the major part of the play. The opening minute saw a header from Luke Morton hit the bar and a missed penalty in the first and second half's from Brinklow had us thinking that the writing was on the wall for a 0-0 or a last minute winner from Finham. It was luckily the other way and a well deserved winner for Brinklow from Luke Morton gave us the three points!

The next game, I did not see but I am reliably advised that intimidation won it for the opposition. Tactics such as spitting on their own shirt and stating to the ref that a Brinklow player had done it sums it up! A loss of 4-3 is enough said.

Finally, Kenilworth Wardens at home saw major possession by Youth and ultimately a result of 2-1 in our favour. Kenilworth had few chances and their goal came from a rebound penalty after Richard Taylor had initially saved. Goals from Lee Perkins and Scott Vallance gave us the points.

Clive Morton



*A tragic story in the newspaper: David Beckhams library has burnt down.
It contained two books. Beckham is inconsolable.
'No! I hadn't finished colouring the second one in yet!'*

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U9's TEAM NEWS

Although this month has been a difficult month due to the weather and fixture scheduling, it has been a fantastic month in terms of the boys development, with both teams producing by far their best performances of the season up to now with the football becoming increasingly more consistent.

In training we have concentrated primarily on the attacking side of our game which the lads have enjoyed immensely, and has paid off in the matches where both sides have created numerous chances which has enabled us, obviously, to play the major part of our games in the opposition half. Still a lot of work to do but with the excellent attitudes of all the guys, I feel that we have certainly turned the corner. Now that we look a lot more balanced and attack minded the boys seem to be able to relax and enjoy a more free flowing game.

It is my intention in training to continue in this same vein, however the basics always need brushing up on and we shall endeavour to concentrate on set piece attacking and defending so we always remain organised. The lads enjoy this part of training as it enables them to have a little rest but also keeps them focussed.

I must applaud both sides with the workrate they are producing in their matches and although the scorelines might not be reflecting their efforts I can honestly say that I have witnessed countless games since Christmas when the yellow and blue jerseys have completely dominated the pitch, but we are certainly not having any help from lady luck. Many Congratulations to all the boys for their fabulous attitudes and constant dedication, you're amazing!

Everything on the pitch is beginning to happen for us and the same has to be said behind the scenes. The fundraising for the tour is now flying, with the bonus ball gaining in strength, and the Race Night raising a whopping £550.00. A tremendous effort by all concerned, you know who you all are, WELL DONE and THANKYOU.

I'm going to sign off now by just thanking everybody for their continued help and support, and hope the weather is a little kinder for us in March,

A very upbeat manager

Martin Pulford

Everybody involved in the under 9s set-up wishes Daniel Batchelor a speedy recovery from his broken ankle and hope to see him back in goal before the end of the season.

Scorers	
Name	Goals
Rhys Thomas	7
Joshua Smith	6
Ben Kimberley	6
Andrew Skerratt	3
Taylor Williams	2
Ryan Wareham	2
Lloyd Pulford	1
Connor Molloy	1
Thomas Ridding	1
Joe Burton	1
Keenan Sanghia	1
Alex Sidwell	1
Jordan Batchelor	1
Jack Tipper	1
O.G.	1

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U10's TEAM NEWS

London Road Lions 0 Brinklow 4

Brinklow 1 Chapplefield Colts 7 (Cup Game)

Brinklow 11 G N P 2 (Friendly)

Cov Jag Youth 1 Brinklow 3

Brinklow 4 Christ the King 0

Good set of results this month apart from the cup game. The football is nice to watch at the moment, with good link up play from all the players, the defence has been a lot tighter with Phillip, Alex, Luke and JB doing a fine job. The midfield of Turbo, H, Adam and Connor is also strong and tracking back to defend has been excellent. Luke Green has been on form this month with some crucial goals especially against Christ the King. Ashley Whitehead has got on the score sheet with an excellent hatrick in the friendly against G N P. Richard Kendrick is always pulling off some fine saves with another penalty save against Christ the King and has been a great asset since joining the squad. Brett and George are keen learners and are always working hard to improve their game, and are getting games in the freindlies we are having.

We are currently holding on to second place but we can't finish any worse than third. This has been an up and down season with only a couple of downs.

The tournament season starts in May and June, if parents could let me know if they are going to be away that would be brilliant as we want to enter two teams if enough players are available.

There are also going to be eleven a side freindlies in the close season to get the lads used to the change and a lot of work in training will revolve around eleven a side.

WELL DONE BOYS FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK AND EFFORT.

Gary Stothard

Players for next season

The u10's are looking for additional players for next season due to the move up to 11-a-side. If you know someone who might be interested please ask them to give Gary, Jamie or Neil a ring on the numbers below.

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U16's TEAM NEWS



CAN HE FIX IT?

**HAPPY 40TH BIRTHDAY TO DALE
FROM ALL THE U16'S**

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U13's TEAM NEWS

Another month passes and I'm extremely pleased to report that the Under 13's continue to go from strength to strength. Looking at the table below, you'll see the Under 13's have now won 5 of their last 6 games. The only match lost, saw the Under 13's give their best performance of the season so far, but unfortunately it involved playing against the league leaders, who played with twelve men throughout the 70 minutes. However I don't want to dwell on the negatives. Over the last month or so, the Under 13's have given some great team performances as well as some fine individual performances. Hopefully the dark days at the start of the season where we couldn't buy a win, thankfully are a dim and distant memory. Great credit must go to the lads for turning things around. All the hard work and effort they've put in at training and matches over recent months has come to fruition and I hope they can now appreciate that their ability to compete and attain results only comes from hard work and application.

I have nothing but praise for the lads and they thoroughly deserve the results they are achieving, but they must not rest on their laurels. They must continue to work and build on their recent results and hopefully move to a position in the league table that reflects their true talent and ability.

Brinklow 4	Morris Rangers 3
Hawkesmill Juniors 1	Brinklow 3
Ryona FC 1	Brinklow 3
Rugby Town 4	Brinklow 2
Brinklow 10	Binley Woods 3
Ernesford Dynamos 2	Brinklow 4

Sponsors

We are proud to announce an additional sponsor for the Under 13's. Jane and Steve Mosley of Mosley Warehouse have very kindly sponsored the team's new kit and join a long list of valued Brinklow FC sponsors, whose generosity the club could not survive without. Many thanks. We are also very grateful to Steve Pointon (Josh's Dad) of Oscar Pet Foods, who continues to support the Under 13's and who has recently very generously donated some money to the team, which I hope to use to help purchase new waterproofs.

Go-karting

As promised, shortly after Easter the Under 13s will go go-karting. This is not a cheap day out, but to help pay towards the cost, over the next few weeks we'll be selling raffle tickets to raise money. As first prize, Bob Sud (Milans dad) has very kindly donated a £75 paint make-over voucher – and coupled with some other generous donations, the raffle tickets should be a good buy. So everyone, please have your money ready and wait to be accosted !!

As always, I'd like to finish by thanking everyone connected with the Under 13s. Many thanks to all the guys who help and assist me in the many ways they do. Thanks to Steve & Jane Mosely and Steve Pointon for their financial support. To Bob Sud for the star raffle prize and finally to the lads, for making the last month one of the most rewarding yet and at long last, finally getting the results they fully deserve. Well done.

Peter Day

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U11's NEWS



Arsene Wenger walks into the Arsenal changing room for their next game, looks at his players and says, "I'm not supposed to play some of you since our chairman said you were stupid against Man U."

"So what I have to do is ask you a question, and if you get it right, you can play."

They all agree and ask Wenger to start with their star players first. First up: Henry. Wenger looks into his eyes intently and asks, "Okay, now concentrate... what is two plus two?" Henry thinks for a moment and then he answers, "Four?"

"Four!" Wenger shouts loudly, excited that his top player got it right.

In response the other Arsenal players plead, "Come on boss, give him another chance!"



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U11's 'BULLDOGS' NEWS

Chaplefield Colts 0 Bulldogs 6

Another fine performance from the Bulldogs. Ben Stone continues to push his goal tally ever upward, a 100 goals in a season is not as far fetched as it sounds. At the other end Dan Turner grows more and more commanding in goal. The defence in this game were outstanding, on the odd occasion the Colts did break through Dan Turner proved more than capable.

The midfield, Henry and Glen, controlled the game throughout constantly feeding the front line attack and linking with both wings to put a strangle hold on the game early on. By half time the Bulldogs had switched to cruise control and a cold damp and muddy mornings football left us all with a warm glow for the journey home.

Exhall Tigers 4 Bulldogs 2

This was a game of two halves. One side of the pitch being covered in nine inches grass the other being hard pact mud. This totally disrupted our wide game. Exhall had a game plan of playing everything through their giant three midfielders who muscled there way through. It was just one of those days for the Bulldogs. After battling back from a goal deficit with a splendid strike from new signing Owen Deacin, their hard work was dashed by a Tigers second goal scored with the last kick of the half.

A sluggish start to the second half saw the Tigers extend their lead with two goals in five minutes. A goal from Mr reliable, Ben Stone five minutes from the end of play was too little too late and the Bulldogs had taken a mauling from the Tigers.

Dunlop Jets 4 Bulldogs 0

The final whistle in this game could not have come soon enough for me. Not because the game was so bad but for the fact Bulldogs were rapidly running out of players through injury. Two players out injured in training the day before, Daryl Phipps and Daniel Slatter, were to prove very costly. The Bulldogs started very well and dominated the first quarter and were unlucky to go behind with a very well struck Dunlop free kick.

Dan Turner was the first casualty after dropping on an innocuous ball only to find a tear in his keeper trousers and a nasty gash to his leg.

At the break it was obvious Dan could not continue so Willem the wall started the second half in goal. Glen Wright was another victim of the half and had to retire at half time.

Up front the strikers did not have much joy. The Dunlop keeper did an outstanding job in keeping the Bulldogs at bay. Then after a bit of a misunderstanding in the Bulldogs box the Jets scrambled a second goal.

Next to go off after a nasty knock to the back of his ankle was Peter Allen. It was not long before Dunlop capitalised on the situation despite the heroics of Willem and the players at the back. Ben Stone was put through on goal following one of Mains super drop kicks only to find himself in a heap behind the goal winded and sustaining an injury to his shoulder. Normally Ben would have been substituted at this point, but with no one left to replace him the Bulldogs had to continue with ten men. Mr Stone refused to stay on the sideline and rejoined the game and battled till the end, as did all his teammates. A brave but fruitless game for the Bulldogs.

And Finally

A big Bulldog welcome to Owen Deacin, who joined us in February.

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U12's TEAM NEWS

With the season only a few months off finishing, the under 12's still find themselves with 15 games left to play so it will be a long old season! We have played 5 games since last months O.T.B. winning 4 and losing just 1 so we are still in contention for a top 2 finish which would be a great achievement if we could possibly manage this.

Brinklow 5 Leamington Hibbs 0

Brinklow started with great attitude and worked well for each other and this paid off, going into the break 2-0 up. In the second half the home team carried on piling on the pressure and when Leamington counter attacked Brinklow worked hard to deal with what the away team threw at them. With all the confidence they were gaining Brinklow deservedly scored 3 more goals, making the full time score 5-0. There were too many names to mention so all I can say that every Brinklow player played with great passion and it was a joy to watch.

Goals came from Tom Glasscoe (2), Zack Murphy (2), and Tommy Hyde completed the scoring.

Brinklow 3 AT7 1

This game was played between two evenly matched sides, both teams started brightly, both creating chances early on. Brinklow had a corner about 10 minutes from half time, Zack Murphy whipped the ball in and Steve Brannen leapt above the defenders to head the ball home giving Brinklow the lead at half time.

AT7 came out after the break firing on all cylinders and had Brinklow under pressure for the opening 10 minutes, and they were rewarded with an equaliser. This spurred on Brinklow; Tommy Glasscoe played a great ball through to Zack Murphy who slotted the ball passed the keeper. Brinklow then started to dominate the game and scored a third with Tommy Hyde putting Gianni Sangiorgii through who finished by chipping the keeper. AT7 clawed their way back into the game showing some great spirit and where awarded a penalty, which they unfortunately did not convert and Brinklow ran out 3-1 winners.

Dunlop 0 Brinklow 4

Great game for Brinklow on a very difficult pitch but we carried on trying to break Dunlop down, rewards coming from the boots of Tommy Hyde and Tom Glasscoe - into Half Time 2-0 up.

Second half saw Dunlop put everything they could in to claw there way back into the game but Jamie led the back line to help Brinklow keep a clean sheet. On our counter attacks we scored 2 more from tireless chasing of Elliot and when Zack found a space in the corner of goal he fired it from outside the area leaving their keeper glued to his spot. Also what was good about today's game was the work put in from every player especially Sam and Aman.

Binley Woods 0 Brinklow 6

The second game in two days saw Brinklow come up against local side Binley Woods. Starting brightly again saw a thunder volley from Brinklows Sam Hayley put us 1-0 up and some great play from Tom Glasscoe in the centre of the park allowed Aman Singh-Sohotta to fire the ball in for Brinklows second. From then on the away team took command and added four more from the feet of Tom Hyde, Tom Glasscoe, Zack Murphy and from the headed goal of Jamie Huddlestone. There was some defending from Steve Brannen, Dale Cooper, Tom Morrison and joint skipper Jamie Huddlestone and good goalkeeping from Matthew Wilby which contributed to our second clean sheet and a perfect weekend.

Brinklow 0 Coundon Cockerels 5

A physically strong Coundon Cockerels started brightly in their top six clash at Brinklow. Two early goals meant that Brinklow were on the back foot right from the start, but solid defending from Brinklow & stirring performances from Aman Sohotta in midfield & Tommy Hyde up front meant that Cockerels had to battle all the way. Into the second half Brinklow raised their game & started to push forward only for Cockerels to thread a couple of excellent through balls to their forwards which ended the game.

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