

The Buzz

Harborough Town FC

What's Happening at The Hive

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Football Matters

Wow what a season we have had so far....

When reflecting on the season there have been a number of highlights, starting with the opening of the new ground with our FA Cup fixture with Cambridge City way back in August, the official opening fixture against the FA Representative X1 before their visit to the Falkland Islands, and the opening of the new club shop.

These are exciting times for Harborough Town and the future has never looked brighter. None of this would be possible without the dedicated support of so many people, to all of our youth section coaches and administrators so a big

THANK YOU

Casino Night—Saturday 4th May

The senior teams will be holding their presentation evening at the football club which will be followed by a Casino night!

The casino night is a great event which proved a huge success last year! Please do come along for a fun filled evening.

Tickets are priced at £10 and include your chips to be played at the casino, for the evening. The person who ends up with the most chips at the end of the evening will win a prize!

For tickets contact

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Senior Section

The UCL League table sees the First Team finish 11th as per the last 3 seasons but with our best points tally per game as the League was reduced from 22 to 20 teams this season. Aaron Preston finished the season with 25 goals the 5th highest in the league, our average gate was 98.95 up 25% on last season we thank you all for your support.

The Reserves finished 7th and Josh King netted 30 times the 2nd highest in the league. 5 players – Alex Morris, Ben Bekavac, James Knowles, Tom Cockings & Calum Watts stepped up from the Reserves to the 1st team and all retained their places and 8 other Reserves were included on a match day team sheet, which is a testament that we're doing things the right way.

Finally who can forget the "Old Boys" of the Club the Vets who finished 3rd in their League and also won the county cup for the 2nd time in Three seasons.

Finally we are again extremely grateful to those of you who have supported the teams both home and away and to our sponsors

NC Carpentry, Traffco, CML Property, The Oat Hill & Munton Roofing for their continued support.





Youth Section

The Youth section of the club continues to grow and develop, we will have three new under 6 teams next season, three under 7 teams, our under 8s and 9s continue to develop and improve their ability levels, the under 10 Rockets and

Rovers reached the league under 10 finals before Easter, our under 10 girls reached the cup semi final in their first season, under 11 94 winners of the group E trophy, under 13 2012 joint league winners of under 13 division C, Under 13 girls in the County Cup Final on May 17th, Under 17s second in the league and playing in County Cup Final on 7th May, Under 18s midweek second in midweek league, and reached the semi finals of County and League Cups

U18s Mid Week trials will also be held shortly so please watch this space

Your support for these upcoming games would really be appreciated



All games shall be played at Leicestershire FA, Holmes Park. LE8 6FA

U17s are through to the County Cup Final on Tuesday 7th May KO 19:00hrs

U13 Girls are through to the County Cup Final on Friday 17th May KO 19:00hrs

U11 94 are through to the Foxes League Cup Final on Sunday 19th May

Its Carnival Time—Roll Up, Roll Up!

Who remembers England winning the world cup in 1966!?

Well it's time to remember that victory all over again as part of Harborough Carnival's 'Moment in Time' theme this year. Harborough Town U9s have bagged themselves a float; we've picked (of course!) England lifting the Jules Rimet in that momentous win against West Germany as our 'Moment in Time' and the plans are underway for decorating the float.

Please come and support us on the day – **Saturday 8**th **June 2019.** We'll be on the float and then at Symingtons with a stall, prizes to win and an old football boots initiative

If you have any ideas or can offer any help or props etc; please let us know via Maz .



Come on England!!

Any old Boots?

As part of the stall at Symingtons after the Harborough Carnival, as well as great games and prizes to win; we'll also be selling any old football boots- any size, any colour, any brand, muddy (or <u>clean</u>!) to help raise money for the club.

Help us find a new home for your old football boots that are no longer any use.

Please bring any spare pairs you have to the club house between now and up to Friday 7th June.

England Lionesses chase glory in France

England Lionesses are playing their group games in the Women's World Cup which starts on the 7th June 2019;

The Members Bar at the club is getting a face lift and should be ready to welcome members and families to cheers the Lionesses on their 2^{nd} group game - England v Argentina.

Further details will follow. In the meantime, have these dates in your diaries and we hope you can **join us from** the 14th June.

Sunday 9th June – England v Scotland. Kick off - 5pm

Friday 14th June – England Argentina. Kick off – 5pm

Wednesday 19th June – England v Japan. Kick off – 8pm Rest of the tournament dates:

Round of $16 - 22^{nd}$, 23^{rd} , 24^{th} and 25^{th} June

Quarter Finals - 27th, 28th and 29th June

Semi Finals -2^{nd} and 3^{rd} July 3^{rd} and 4^{th} place -6^{th} July Final -7^{th} July



Whats New!

Harborough Town Wildcats Centre

In partnership with the FA, Harborough Town FC has been selected to become a Wildcats Centre. This project is aimed to develop girls' football participation at the club to play football and take part in organised sessions in a fun and engaging environment created exclusively for girls.

The club is open to all girls from 5-11 years old

The Wildcats centres will provide a safe environment where girls with no football experience can; have fun engaging with sport, develop fundamental skills, try a variety of sessions, learn new things and create foundations for a lifelong love of sport. For further information please contact:

Catherine Fox htfc.catfox@gmail.com



Festival of Football for Primary Schools

South Leicestershire Primary Schools are working with Harborough Town Football Club this year to run two 'Festivals of Football', one for boys and one for girls, where the finalists from these events will play at the Market Harborough Carnival on 8th June.

This is an opportunity for small and large schools to come together and play in one competition as all other matches are played separately.

We have arranged the following dates for these events to take place at Harborough Town FC:

Friday 17th May—Year 5/6 Boys Festival Thursday 23rd May—Year 5/6 Girls Festival

Relatives and friends are welcomed to cheers the schools' teams on. **Start time of 1:15pm**. The finalists from each of the festivals will play on the 8th June at the carnival.

The final will be 15mins each way, timings as follows: girls' final will be at 2:00pm; the boys' final at 2:40pm.

Presentations will be made on the carnival stage at about 3:30pm.

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Inclusive Football

The club has been busy running football sessions in 4 schools in Market Harborough to create a new inclusive football juniors section for players who have a disability.

For further information contact Maz.

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The sessions in the schools has been successful with over 100 young players taken part.

Harborough Town FC would like to thank Philippa Bass, Football Development Officer for Disability Football at Leicestershire FA for her support and input into the project. Sessions at the club will commence on Saturdays in May.



Harborough Town Academy

Harborough Town are pleased to announce our " New Academy" which starts in September 2019.

Combine your passion for football with a full-time education and development programme, and benefit from an outstanding learning and teaching experience which will push you to achieve your best and set you on the path to establishing yourself with the industry.

Players will study a variety of nationally recognised qualifications within sport, coaching and fitness managed by SCL.

Trial dates are NOW available apply online www.wearescl.co.uk/Harborough-town



Other News:

Sunday 26th May

The annual Richard Smith 6-a-side football tournament will once again be held over the Whitsun bank holiday weekend. Teams are limited to a maximum of 32, so if you want to register a team (maximum of 10 players per team) then please contact

Tony Sansome on **07733 658314.** Cost to enter a team is £50.

Other News:

Monday 27th May

The inaugural Walking Football tournament to be held at the Football club. Harborough Town FC will be hosting this tournament for the first time with teams expected to enter from all over the UK.

Please do come down and lend your support to our walking football team

Junior Presentations



Junior presentation will take places over the weekend of 22^{nd} & 23^{rd} June please keep these dates clear in your diaries. Further details will be sent out to coaches and managers before the end of this season.

Saturday 22nd June - (All U16-18 teams)

Sunday 23rd June - (All Minis to U15 teams)

Harborough Lotto

Harborough Lotto is an exciting weekly lottery that raises money for good causes in the Harborough District

Tickets for the lottery cost

just £1 per week. Each ticket has a 1 in 50 chance to win a prize each week, with a top prize of £25,000! That's a better chance of winning than the National Lottery or the

Support Harborough Town Football Club (Harborough Town Community Trust)

Health Lottery!



You could be a winner!

Easyfundraising

We've registered with easyfundraising and we need your help!

Easyfundraising is a great website where you can help Harborough Town FC raise funds simply by doing your everyday online shopping with over 3,600 big name retailers like Amazon,

Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S.



Every time you shop, we receive a small donation to say 'thank you' and it's

completely free too! We want to raise as much as possible so please sign up a n d h e l p u s. www.easyfundraising.or g.uk/invite/305LJS/

Thank you for reading this newsletter!

The Deadline for next newsletter is Friday, 24th May

This is the members newsletter so if you have any interesting information about your upcoming team \mathbf{or} events please do let us know so that we can tell everyone about it in our next newsletter, for example, are you coach and your team has won a cup of league competition? **Perhaps** one of your players is league top goal scorer? Your team have anew sponsor? Have a think and do let us know !!!l

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