

BAFC NEWSLETTER MARCH 2021

BRACKLEY ATHLETIC FC IS A FA CHARTER STANDARD DEVELOPMENT CLUB

WE ARE RARING TO GO!

Spring is here! And with the return of the warmer weather we are also ready to return to play! We can't wait to get back out on the pitch and see the players in action. Further guidance from the FA was released this week which requests only one spectator per child at matches (for safeguarding purposes, don't stand in groups of more than 6 and keep at least 1m apart. We are delighted to have two more sponsors supporting BAFC—Rob Hedges & Landscaping and Mansion Hill Veterinary Practice. A huge congratulations to the winner of the Mother's Day hamper and a big well done to all who nominated their footy Mum, you're all stars! There have been further successful virtual life support sessions attended by BAFC players and other local children, such an important skill to learn. Look out for the Easter competitions 'Guess the number of chocolate eggs in the ball' and 'Guess the name of the bunny', both free to enter. And of course the return of football means the return of social events too.... watch this space!



Congratulations to our BAFC footy Mum Lorna on winning the wonderful Mother's Day hamper!

Lorna was nominated by her daughter *Lily* who said 'My Mummy is the best football Mum. She watches me no matter what the weather, if it's raining and windy she doesn't mind standing and cheering me and my team. She helps me make crispy cakes to give to my team when it's my birthday, she's the best. She always supports me. Even though she is rubbish at football, she always helps me with my keepie uppies and football skills. My Mummy is the best footy Mum.'



And she's not the only loved Mum in BAFC—check out some of our other favourite nominations....

I would like to nominate my Mum because week in, week out she washes my dirty kit, cleans my boots and goalkeeper gloves without complaining. Whatever the weather conditions she still comes to support me and drives me to all our away games even though she's not that bothered about football. Without her I would be a bit of a mess, she's the best. *Charlie*

She is the best Mum ever because she looks after me and keeps my football kit clean and also makes me a lovely breakfast every morning and my lunch, and gives the best cuddles before bedtime. *Kieran*

Not only does my God-Mum watch her own children's football matches, she comes and watches me too. She is always supporting me and I love her very much x *Keeli*

During lockdown my Mum has been outside practicing with me whenever she can whilst also home working. This really helped me keep my skills up. During half-term she put an orange T-shirt on to join in the fitness sessions. During the season she always gets my kit ready for me, she can never come and watch me as often as she would like as my lazy sister won't get up early on a Saturday morning. *Ryan*

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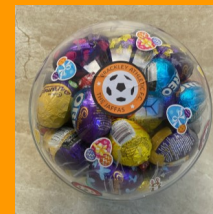


We are delighted to show off these new jackets for the U12 girls kindly provided by **KHTE building services**, and for the U9 girls kindly provided by **Rob Hedges & Landscaping**. We think they look awesome!



EASTER COMPETITION

Guess the number of chocolate eggs in the ball! Free to enter, 1 guess per player.



Winner announced 2nd April.

Mental Health Support

Mind 0300 123 3393

www.mind.org.uk

Young Minds 0808 802 5544

www.youngminds.org.uk

Mental Health Foundation

www.mentalhealth.org.uk

Samaritans 0845 790 9090

www.samaritans.org

NHS 111 www.nhs.uk

Headspace www.headspace.com

Up The Jaffas!

Some of the new equipment purchased with fundraising money.....



Virtual Life Support

Following the success of the virtual life support session held during half-term, our Club Medical Officer has delivered further sessions to some of our players and local children. This is such an important life skill and we're so proud of the children who took part.



EVERY PLAYER IS EXPECTED TO HAVE PAID THEIR £100 MEMBERSHIP FEE BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH. PLEASE SPEAK TO YOUR TEAM MANAGER OR EMAIL [INFO@BRACKLEYATHLETIC.CO.UK](mailto:info@brackleyathletic.co.uk) IF THERE ARE ANY DIFFICULTIES. OVER-PAYMENTS WILL BE REFUNDED AT THE END OF THE SEASON.

Wishing you all a very Happy Easter

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Guess the name of the bunny!
Free to enter, 1 guess per person.
Winner chosen at random 3rd April.



LOCAL COVID TESTING

Brackley Leisure Centre are proud to be working with Northamptonshire County Council to be able to provide COVID-19 Community testing, available for front-line workers and those unable to work from home. A lateral flow test is completed at the leisure centre with results emailed or messaged to you within 30 minutes. Designed to help find those that may be asymptomatic to help better protect their workplaces and others in the community. To find out more of to book a test visit: www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/coronavirus-updates/Pages/covid-19-community-based-testing.aspx

GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL AWARDS 2021



It's that time of year again! Nominations for the grassroots football awards for 2020/21 are now open. Why not nominate your team coach, a BAFC committee member or any one of the many volunteers associated with BAFC? The nomination would

mean so much to the person receiving it and is a chance to show how much BAFC means to you. We would love you to nominate BAFC for Club of the Year—a prestigious award (which we won in 2019/20!) which really shows how important BAFC is to the local community. To nominate BAFC or one of the many deserving volunteers, go to <https://www.thefa.com/get-involved/grassroots-football-awards/nominate>



Preloved Football Boots for sale!

£5 per pair, all proceeds go to BAFC.

UK sizes 3-10 available.

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