



Edition 2

Dear Parent/Guardian and Supporter of Nether Green!

Welcome to the 2nd edition of the Green'Un. In this edition, we thought we would update you on our teams as the start of the new season is upon us already. We will have a record number of teams entered in the leagues from Nether Green boys and girls this coming season, as we continue to be one of the largest junior football clubs in the area.

We welcome our new teams starting for the first time this season and wish them and their managers fun and success as they learn to navigate the thrill and spills of junior football.

There are some important attachments along with this edition; please take time to read them before the season starts, as this will help to reinforce what is expected when playing or supporting NGFC:

- FA Code of Conduct for players. **Please ensure your son/daughter reads this**
- FA Code of Conducts for spectators/Parents/Carers
- NGFC Safeguarding policy
- NGFC Equality Policy
- NGFC Anti Bully Policy
- NGFC Photography & Filming Policy (Please inform your team manager if you **DO NOT WISH TO CONSENT** to this policy)

Our mailing list generally contains only one parent/carer email address, therefore please forward this newsletter and attachments on to others that have an interest/responsibility for your son or daughter on match day, so they too understand our policies. Thank you.

Pitches / Facilities

Just a quick update since the last edition. We are currently in the process of applying for an FA grant to purchase a second, longer container, to be placed in Common Lane car park. We have been waiting on the council for approval, but unfortunately, they have said we need planning permission for this after weeks of waiting, which means a delay whilst we go through this painful process with them. The plan will be to store the U13/14 goals in the new container, close to the plateau pitch for safe storage and less match day carrying, as currently they are behind the pavilion.

As many of you will have seen during the summer, we have new pull-out goals this year, which your team managers may need help carrying out before games or storing after games. They are simple fold out goals that just need the “U” shaped pins pulling out from the cross bar, to enable the sides to fold out, then putting the pin back in to lock them back in place to make sturdy during the match. Similarly there is a pin on the base bar at the back of the net connecting the base bar to the net sides.

Please can we make sure the pins are left stored in the base bar and in the cross bar after taking the goals down so we don't lose them.



All teams appreciate any help on match days from parents, especially with assisting the managers set up the pitches and taking down the goals after a game. Please can we keep the pavilion tidy and return any matchday equipment to the far-left changing room in the place it was collected from and not use the small room on the right as you enter the pavilion to “dump” it in for ease and convenience. Remember this room is for our pitch maintenance equipment only.

We are continuing to work with our pitch maintenance contractor “Premier Pitches” as we start our second season of treatments of a 5-year initial funded plan, we have already started to see improvements and hopefully this will continue.

We recently painted over the graffiti on the container, purchased new respect barriers, corner flags, training cones and mannequins for all the teams to share. We have changed the layout of our 5v5 and 7v7 pitch this season to see if this helps improve the games and pitch quality for the season ahead.

Teams Update

We thought we would introduce our teams participating this season so you can follow their progress. Below is a list of all the teams we have competing, along with links to each team. Tables are only shown from U12 upwards for boys, so links for younger age groups will just show their fixtures. In future editions we hope to get some progress updates from some of the team managers on how the season is going.

The Boys Teams

Development

We currently have 15 players starting with us in September at Goodwin, with the aim to create 1 or 2 teams come next summer to enter in the league next season at U8s. If you know any school year Y1 or Y2 boys wanting to join the team, please let us know.



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PLAYERS WANTED

- ▶ Nether Green Green FC are setting up teams for inclusion into league football both boys and girls. We are currently recruiting players from school years Y1 & Y2 (Sept 2023 age) for our development squad.
- ▶ Your child does not need to have played football before, the sessions focus on fun and games, exercising, keeping healthy and building friendships.
- ▶ Training is Sunday mornings 10-11am at Goodwin University on [astro](#) pitches.
- ▶ If you are interested or have any further questions, please contact:
▶ nethergreenfc@yahoo.com or Jonathan on 07771921353



Under 8s

We have two brand new teams joining us this season fresh from a year in the Development squad...Thunder and Lightning (what great names!)

Thunder have been drawn in Div Owls

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=15&selectedDivision=955679931&selectedCompetition=0#tab-2>

Lightning have been drawn in Div Magpies

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=15&selectedDivision=110927342&selectedCompetition=0#tab-2>

Under 10s

We have single U10s team called Lions, a highly competitive team who hope to have some success this season. Lions have been drawn in Div Mercury

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=13&selectedDivision=650280508&selectedCompetition=0#tab-2>

Under 11

We have a single U11s team this season called Eagles, under a new management team. They have been drawn in Div Orange

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=12&selectedDivision=399577600&selectedCompetition=0#tab-2>

Under 12s

Sadley, we lost one of our U12 teams from last season, leaving the Phoenix as our sole entry at U12s drawn in Div K. A tough season last year, but hopefully they will turn a corner this season

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=11&selectedDivision=95740421&selectedCompetition=0>

Under 13s

We have two teams this season at U13s, Juniors and Rangers.

Juniors narrowly missed out on promotion last season, but the league have automatically promoted them to a higher division, so a stiff test awaits in Div G

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=10&selectedDivision=595317325&selectedCompetition=0>

Rangers went even closer losing a heartbreaking play off promotion game last season. They will be hoping to go one better this season in Div I

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=10&selectedDivision=90355438&selectedCompetition=0>

Under 14s

We have two teams this season at U14's, Gold and Red.

Gold finished mid table last season and will be looking to improve this time out in Div C

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=9&selectedDivision=880032046&selectedCompetition=0>

Reds finished mid table last season and will be looking to go a step further this season in Div D

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=9&selectedDivision=598997799&selectedCompetition=0>

Under 15s

We have two teams this season at U15s, Panthers and Gold. Last season they were in the same league and served up two epic derbies!

Panthers had a successful year last season, finishing runners up and being promoted to Div E

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=8&selectedDivision=44065843&selectedCompetition=0>

Gold, unfortunately, were relegated last season and will be looking to bounce back this year from Div G

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=8&selectedDivision=276930019&selectedCompetition=0>

Under 16s

We have a single U16s team this season, who will be looking to improve this season after narrowly escaping relegation last season from Div D

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=7&selectedDivision=290214813&selectedCompetition=0>

Under 17s

We have a single U17s team this season called Gold, following a successful promotion from last season and will play in Div B

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=300860210&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=6&selectedDivision=27501352&selectedCompetition=0>

The Girls Teams

In just over 2 years, the Club has gone from having 2 teams to 7 teams competing in the Sheffield and Hallamshire Women's & Girls League (SHWGL). Games are played Saturday mornings between 10am-12noon, with a cup and shield tournament starting in November.

Development

The Club set up the girls' development sessions 3 years ago to help with the growing demand for girls football. The sessions work differently to the boys. Girls aged Y1 – Y6 can come and train to learn skills and begin their journey into football and into one of the established girl's teams.

This year's U8s team, are a product of the development squad and we even managed to enter a team into an U7s tournament over the summer. The success of the Lionesses in the world cup will no doubt help draw further interest into the Sunday morning sessions!

Under 8s

This is a newly formed team straight out of our development squad. The team have been placed in Div Blue

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Under 9s

This is the second season after a successful debut season last year. The team are playing in Div Blue

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Under 10s

We have 2 teams this year at U10s. Pumas who will play in Div Blue

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=251261039&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=13&selectedDivision=906968979&selectedCompetition=0>

and Lightning, who will play in Div Yellow

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=251261039&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=13&selectedDivision=614070411&selectedCompetition=0>

Under 11s

We have 2 teams this year at U11s with many of the players entering their third year playing competitive football. This is the first year the league has followed the boys' league in playing 9v9 at this level, so a new challenge for both teams this season.

Black, who will play in Div White

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Gold, who will play in Div Yellow

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=251261039&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=12&selectedDivision=920542186&selectedCompetition=0>

Under 12s

The oldest of the girl's teams and their first step at playing 9v9, offside and removal of the retreat rule. A great pre-season gave the team their first trophy success winning the Dinnington town U12s tournament, so high hopes for the season ahead. The team will play in Div 2

<https://fulltime.thefa.com/index.html?selectedSeason=251261039&selectedFixtureGroupAgeGroup=11&selectedDivision=324300594&selectedCompetition=0>

Sponsorship Offer

Most teams look for individual sponsorship when they purchase their new kits. U13 Juniors recently acquired their new kit with help from local grass treatment company "Greensleeves".

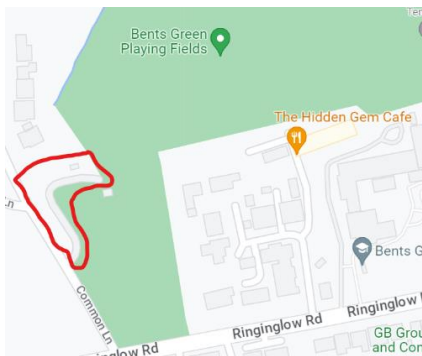
As part of the Sponsorship, Greensleeves are offering a vastly reduced first introductory treatment for just £10 when quoting **NGFC23** which is open to any friends or family members of our Club and what's more, they will donate the £10 back to club funds. Several of the Club parents already use their treatment service to help maintain a healthy lawn throughout the year and can highly recommend Greensleeves - for just £10, it's worth a try! You can contact them on 0114 2456539 or email southsheffield@greensleeves-uk.com and ask Debbie to book you a free, no obligation quote, remembering to quote **NGFC23**.

Pictured below is the team with their new kit, with Debbie and Bob of Greensleeves. We thank them for their kind support!



Reminder

We have also engaged meetings with Work Ltd/Hidden Gem about improving our relationship. They own the car park next to the pavilion, so we are actually 'guests' in their car park on match days. During training nights and Sundays, their charity business and café are closed but on Saturdays the café is open. This is their main source of income to support Work Ltd (the charity for adult students with learning disabilities). We must be mindful that we must avoid parking in the pavilion car park on Saturdays and please **ONLY** use Common Lane car park or the road so we don't affect their trade from regular visitors. We are working hard to build a relationship, as their funding, along with ours, could be the main contribution towards the new renovated pavilion, so please help us to keep those positive relationships. We have highlighted the Common Lane car park below if you are unsure.



Well, that's a rap for the 2nd edition of the Green'Un!

We hope you got more of an insight into the Club and what plans are in place over the coming months and in some cases years, to try and improve your child's playing experience. We know we have a long way to go but remember every member of the committee/manager or coach is a volunteer. None of us get paid; we do it for the love of the game and for our kids. If you are reading this and want to get involved in any capacity, contact any of us via the details above and we would be more than happy to discuss. You can follow us on Facebook and stay up to date with any news in the meantime <https://www.facebook.com/nethergreenfc>

Good luck to all our teams starting the new season this year. Be loud, be proud, but remember to show respect at all times whether you are playing or watching.

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