



CHAIR'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE



Nick Brain - Chair

Hi, hope you had a great Christmas, and that your air-fryer pigs in blankets tuned out as well as ours did. If you don't celebrate Christmas, then I hope you had a good break!

This is my first new year message, so apologies for it being a long one!

Starting off, thank you to all the volunteers who keep our brilliant club going, and growing.

We've seen a lot of improvements in the way the club is run behind the scenes, such as use of technology meaning that financial transactions are more transparent; a new standard kit for all teams through a new single supplier and club shop and quite a few new appointments – **Luke** replacing me as one of our two vice chairs, **Laura** as HML Secretary, amongst others.

Details of all the club officials can be found on our website.

Thank you to **Leanne** and **Mark** who work so hard in running the clubhouse, the social heart of the club. Also, to **Mark** for all the work he does in securing grants for the club



*One
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One
Kit*



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PitchPower Grant

Thank you to all of our managers and coaches who provide such a great environment, often in the interesting weather, and sometimes while taking on other roles in the club too. Like everyone else they have pressures of work, and sometimes difficult circumstances at home, but they still manage to dedicate so much time to our children.



I'm please to say that due to the work of Mark, Mike, and Luke, we have been granted a significant amount of money by the Football Foundation for pitch improvements. This will make a huge difference to the quality of the playing surfaces and reduce the number of postponements that we have to make due to the weather.

I'm sure it's obvious to most though that we are pretty near the capacity for the space we have. We really need additional facilities. If anyone has any contacts, please let me know!

Thank you to all the kit sponsors, who put their hard-earned cash into helping our kids to play football.



Sponsors Wall

Thanks to all at Soccer Shooters too, who do such a great job preparing our minis and giving them the best start to football, as well as our girls now too.

Thank you to all of our parents and other guardians. Thanks for trusting us with your children's football development, helping out with setting up and putting away, (amongst other things), and provide positive support to the players.

I'd really like 2023 to be a year in which parents take on a lot more of the volunteer roles at the club. This can be big roles – we currently have vacancies for Avon Youth League Secretary and for Treasurer for next season – or much smaller roles, such as sorting out pitch allocations.



Remembrance Sunday

We had another successful tournament, this time over two weekends. The annual tournament is incredibly important to the club. As well as being financially important, it's also helps bring the whole club together, and advertise Warmley Rangers to the local football community.

One issue though was a lack of volunteers, meaning that some people worked really long shifts. Without the whole club helping out there can be no tournament, which will be a real shame.

2023 tournaments dates will be June 24th and 25th and Sunday 2nd July.

There is no
failure...you
either win or
learn

Club Motto

We would really like help with social media and marketing, and we are always short of helpers at the clubhouse on Sundays. Recently we've been unable to provide food due to shortage of help, and with would be really disappointing if we were regularly unable to open the clubhouse at all.



Summer Tournament



The #GreenArmy at Wembley

The club trip to Wembley to watch England went really well. For quite a few kids this was their first opportunity to see Wembley Stadium and to see their national team play live.



Halloween at SBL

The Halloween and Christmas parties were really enjoyable, and I look forward to more regular events next year.

The new Social Committee – largely parent led – has had a great start.



Christmas Party

Since being trusted with the club Chairmanship at the Summer AGM, I've tried to get out and meet coaches and parents/guardians across the club. It's not always easy though, having my own under 9s team to manage too, but I hope to do more of this in the next few months, and I'm always available for a call or a message. My number is below.

Sorry if I've missed off any group or event, there's so much going on it's hard to keep up!
And finally, of course – Happy New Year!

Nick

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