

Bromborough Basketball Club

An England Basketball 3 Star Club

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Newsletter November 2015

Our first ever Parents' Evening,

Monday 16th November, 7:30-8:45 sixth form common room, Bebington High School

Have you ever wanted to have a discussion with a coach, but find it too hectic around games or training sessions, when several others also want the same thing or someone has to leave? Well here's the first opportunity for parents and members to ask questions of the coaches in a meeting designed for that.

On Monday 16th November from 7:30 to 8:45 the coaches will be available for conversations at Bebington High. This is the same time as the under-14s train, so we will also try to make some time for Mike to be available for the parents of the under-14s. We will also hold the club's Annual General Meeting at the same time.

Free refreshments will be available, Bulldogs and their siblings are welcome to attend with parents. The agenda will include Coaches' reports, a Financial report and Social activities update.

Meet the committee who run the club and ask any questions you may have.

We hope you can come!

Could you please return the slip at the bottom of the next page a.s.a.p. to give us an idea of numbers.

Volunteers required on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays to staff "the desk"

As Cathy has stopped volunteering on a Monday, we need someone to be a focal point when Heather, Mikey and Adrian are coaching their sessions at Bebington High. As parents usually stay on Mondays, we simply need one of them to sit at the desk and make sure there is someone for the coaches to call on for help and for any new players or parents to speak to when they first arrive.

On a Tuesday and Wednesday we need parents to change their plans and stay for all or part of a session. We are not asking that one parent stays for the whole session, but perhaps that one parent brings two children and stays for the first part and another parent arriving early to collect both children for the lift home.

In all cases we need a parent to:

- speak to any new people as they arrive and collect contact details for new players
- make sure members sign the attendance list,
- collect subs from those not on Standing Order.
- go to find the first aider or a technician to adjust the baskets when required at the Oval.

Heather, Trevor or Colin will collect all money and paperwork on the night.

It would be a great morale boost to the committee and coaches if parents volunteered their services at the meeting on Monday 16th. Then we can ask a parent to organise a rota. In the mean time, we hope that one of you will volunteer as an individual for each of the sessions in the week beginning 9^{th} November.

Playing progress

At the time of writing the **Under-12s** are about to play their first game, **the Under-14s** have just lost an exciting season opener to Mold Mammoths and play again this week, **the Under-16s** are 1&1, with both games decided by

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3 or fewer points, **the under-18s** are about to play their first two games inside five days and **the Seniors** are also 1&1 after two very encouraging performances.

All of our teams are "young" for their age groups, apart from the under-12s, who have quite a few players who played last season and a couple who were involved in the opening under-14s game. So we should expect teams to improve as we go through the season. However, we should also remember that many of our players will still be eligible to play in same age groups next season.

Training time changes on 10th November

Due to the Under-18s game against St Gerard's on Tuesday, Under-16s training and the Skills session will be AFTER the match, from around 8:15 until 9:30pm. There will be no Seniors training on Tuesday 10th.

Christmas party

20th Anniversary Hoodie

Provisionally we are thinking of hiring the Oval sports hall (including its bouncy castle) on the Sunday before Christmas. Let us know what you think on Monday 16th.

Basketball Christmas presents from the Bulldogs

We have two types of drinks coasters, the new 20th anniversary water bottles, keyrings and navy blue hoodies in stock. We also have a variety of shorts and good quality basketballs at the correct size for members' ages. Simply ask on Monday 16th and we can arrange for their delivery as surprises to members, if required.

Additionally, you can order Hoodies and kits. Order by 30th November in good time for Christmas.

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Member Name	Chest Size	(Child age or adult S, M, L etc.)
Name on Hoodie	Name on sleeve / chest (please select one)	
20th Anniversary Hoodies are £20. Navy blue hoodies (no	personalisation) are	e £16, usually available from stock.
Red/black/white kits		
Member Name	Chest Size	(Child age or adult S, M, L etc.)
Name on back	_	
Preferred Numbers (please select three) 1 st choice 2 st	nd choice 3 rd ch	oice
Personalised kits are £31.		
Parents' meeting attendance		
Name of Bulldog		
Number attending (include members, parents, others)		
Any questions you wish to raise?		

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