

Sholing Youth Newsletter

Welcome to the very first Sholing Youth Newsletter!

We are introducing this so all club members and their families can be kept informed and up to date about the latest news from the club and the FA.

Club newsletters will be published every month, we hope you enjoy reading them.

If you have any feedback or ideas for future content please contact us by email at

sholingyouthnewsletter@gmail.com

You can also find more information at the links below

<http://sholingfc.co.uk/index.php/youth/youth-section-intro-contacts>

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From The Dugout



Welcome to the first Sholing Newsletter – a great idea to keep you all informed on what’s going on behind the scenes.

The club has grown massively since winning the FA Vase, and can boast quality within it’s ranks with the First Team winning a historic cup

double in 2016/17 and finishing league runners up in the same season.

The Development Squad is feeding players into the First Team squad, and the U16’s and U18’s are being fed into the Development side so the Sholing DNA is working and we are continuing our policy of giving youth players opportunities in the First Team at a young age.

As you will probably be aware the club was awarded £100,000 by Budweiser more than 12 months ago. This was paid to the FA to help pay for ground improvements.

There have been some frustrating hold ups, but we are currently getting quotes from outside the FA Preferred Framework Contractors List to enable us to keep the building work within budget.



This could see us going modular, so if any of you would like to be added to the tender list please let me know. We need to get prices together over the next 6 weeks to enable us to push this scheme forward.

We have been busy signing players for the new season which is coming fast. The only player not re-signed is Marley Mason and we wish him well at his new club

Finally I welcome Sharon Betts to the club. She has already proved herself to be fully committed to the cause with many fresh ideas. It’s great to work alongside someone who has drive, enthusiasm and passion for what she believes in.

Enjoy your season, let’s make it another successful one!

Dave Diaper

END OF SEASON ROUND UP by Carly Kinsey

Wow! What another fantastic season from all youth teams with many reaching cup finals, topping their leagues and the future development of our young players really showing.

There was a massive run in the FA Youth Cup with the U18's reaching the second round proper and playing Leyton Orient while all teams have shown what Sholing Youth have to offer with some tremendous performances.

We are delighted that numerous U18's have had the chance to play in the Development Squad and First Team which proves our vision of home growing our talent with Dave Diaper always looking to give players from the Youth Section the chance to show their abilities in semi-professional football.

The amount of enquiries we receive year on year from those wishing to play for the club just proves what great results the managers and coaches are achieving with our young players.

It's great to see so many young players enjoying their football. The dedication they have shown to their teams is hugely impressive and they all deserve a lot of credit.



TEAMS FOR 2018/19

We have registered 23 teams across 11 age groups for the new season, playing in 8 different leagues. We welcome 6 new teams and for the first time have three teams in three different age groups.

A warm welcome to the players and families of the new teams and a very warm welcome back to all remaining teams and families.

We hope you enjoy the new season!

THANK YOU

We need to say a big thank you to all of our volunteers. The managers, coaches, assistants, referees, assistant referees, first aiders, team administrators, parents and supporters who all give up their time and braved all the different elements the weather threw at them!
THANK YOU!!!

CLUB NEWS

As you are all probably aware, Carly Kinsey stepped down as Youth Secretary at the end of February. Carly remains Youth Section Chair and still very much at the helm of the club working closely with the committee.

Sharon Betts has taken over as Youth Secretary for the U7-U16 teams. All other committees remain the same and we thank them for their continuing hard work.

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Greg Dickson – Secretary U18's – 07496 804555 – secretary@sholingfc.com

CLUB OPEN DAY – SATURDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

After the disappointment of the cancellation of last season's presentation, huge efforts are being made to ensure all future club events are a success.

We are delighted to announce a club open day on 29th September where free entry will be given to all players and their families to the First Team Wessex League fixture between Sholing and AFC Porchester.

All teams are invited to have their 2018/19 team photos taken on the First Team pitch by the club photographer. Sponsors will also be invited as part of the recognition and thanks they deserve for being so generous with so many of our Youth Teams.

There will be refreshments, stalls, raffle, bouncy castle and lots of other activities. Team Managers will be able to provide more details nearer the time while we will also release information on our social media pages.

Like with any planned events we need volunteers. Any time you can give to help on the day would be highly appreciated. Please contact club secretary Sharon Betts to register your interest if you can assist. Help will be needed for car parking, stalls, refreshments, setting up in the morning and tidying away afterwards.

Raffle Prizes

If you'd like to donate a prize for the main raffle please let us or your Team Manager know. Any offers will be greatly appreciated.



BALL BOYS/MASCOTS

This season all teams will be invited to participate in first team matchdays. All Mini Soccer U7 to U10 teams will have the chance to represent the Youth Section as mascots at Sholing first team home fixtures and receive a memento of the day.

All Youth Team players from U11 to U18 will be invited to represent the Youth Section as ball boys for the first team.

We have trialled this recently and the boys who took part really enjoyed being involved. Parents or carers of the child attending will be given free entry to the ground for that fixture. We will send out more details shortly.

OLD KITS FOR CHARITY

For the 2018/19 season both the adult and youth sections will be supporting the charity KICK 4 LIFE by donating unused kit.



All kits that cannot be utilised by other Sholing teams can be donated to this great charity. One of the Sholing Managers will be taking the kits out to Africa later in the year so we look forward to showing you first hand how appreciated they are. More information can be found on their website <https://www.kick4life.org/>

ID CARDS

The adult section have agreed to fund Club ID cards for all Youth Section players, Managers and Coaches for the coming season. We have taken advice from Hampshire FA with regards the information we can put on them so they will be compliant with Hants FA advice. The cards will permit all Youth Team players and a parent FREE ENTRY to all First Team games and will be issued before the start of the new season.

Respect



RESPECT MEETING

There will be a RESPECT pre-season meeting which all parents will be able to attend.

The purpose of this is to pass on information about the FA RESPECT programme which incorporates the Codes of Conduct all Youth Section players, families and supporters have agreed to in their club registration.

Sholing Youth fully supports the FA RESPECT programme and you will see a marked difference in our visible promotion of this during the current season.

A date will be relayed to all registered email addresses once arranged.

WHISTLEBLOWING

We fully support the below Whistleblowing policy with regards safeguarding for children:

Whistleblowing can be used as an early warning system or when it's recognised that appropriate actions have not been taken.

It is about revealing and raising concerns over misconduct or malpractice within an organisation or within an independent structure associated with it.

Any adult or young person with concerns about a colleague can also use whistleblowing by contacting The FA's safeguarding team on 0800 169 1863, extension 6300 or 6400, or via email on safeguarding@TheFA.com.

Alternatively you can go directly to the Police or Children's Social care and report your concerns there.

Volunteers – We Need You

We will require volunteers to help run club events throughout the season. Whether you help for just one hour at one event or are happy to commit to more hours at many events your help will be greatly appreciated.

It is really important for us to make our next event a real success but we do need people to assist.

Likewise if you are interested in helping out within any other capacity we would love to hear from you.

IMPORTANT DATES

29th SEPTEMBER – Sholing Open Day/Team Photos/Sholing vs AFC Porchester

TBC - RESPECT Evening

2nd SEPTEMBER – Tyro Youth season starts

9th SEPTEMBER – EDMSL season starts

Newsletter Sponsorship and Advertising

Anyone interested in sponsoring the newsletter or advertising their business within its pages should contact as at sholingyouthnewsletter@gmail.com to find out how.

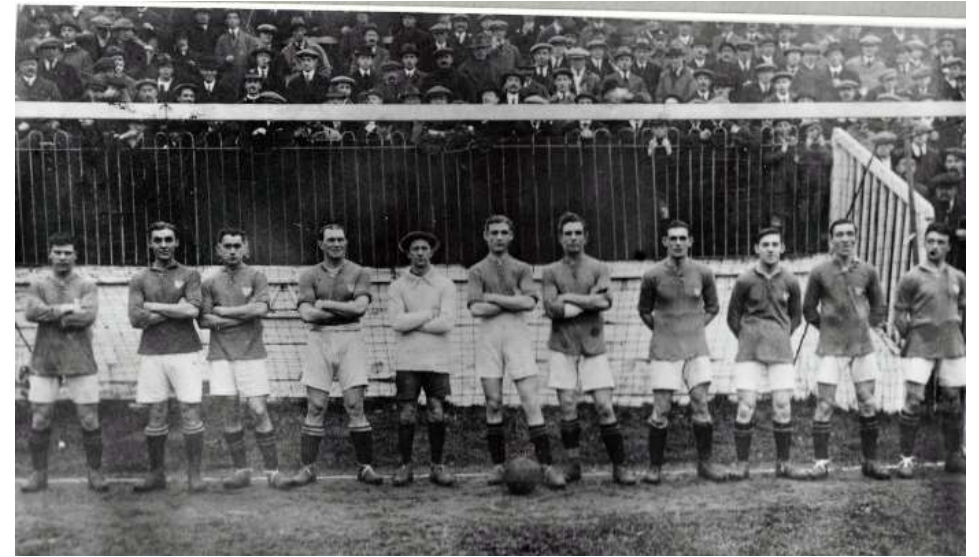
Each newsletter will be sent to approximately 350 people, all of whom are parents or volunteers for Sholing Youth FC. This is a great opportunity to promote your business to a large, captive audience for a small fee.

All money received from sponsorship and advertising will be put back into the club to benefit the players.

DID YOU KNOW?

Sholing were previously known as Thornycrofts and reached the FA Cup first round in 1920, playing Burnley in front of 10000 spectators at The Dell.

Burnley were riding high in the old First Division, finishing second that season but amazingly Thornycrofts held them to 0-0 draw before losing the replay 5-0!



FORTHCOMING NEWSLETTERS

We are very excited about some of the content planned for future newsletters. This will include team news, player profiles, Q&A's, competitions and much, much more!

If you have an idea for some content please contact us at sholingyouthnewsletter@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you!

ADULT NEWS SECTION

Pre season training is underway with plenty of friendly fixtures organised over the coming weeks.

The First Team kick off their Wessex League season with an away trip to Bemerton Heath on 4th August. They have drawn Knaphill in the FA Cup, the game to be played at Knaphill's Redding Way in Surrey on 11th August.

Unless that game goes to a replay The Boatmen's first home fixture isn't until Saturday 8th September when they play Hamworthy United.

Come on the Sholing!