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A warm welcome to the 2006/07 season

Well for most of us its 'here we go again'. For others is the start of a new adventure, playing for a new team and being part of a new club — The Worthys Youth Football Club.

This is our first season as a united club and we now provide football opportunities for over 140 children of both sexes and covering the age range from 7 to 18.

With another season upon us now and matches taking place each week, we trust that all of you are ready to get going with the training and league matches and support your managers throughout the season.

We look forward to a fun-packed season, with all of you enjoying your football and hopefully some success in the leagues and cups as well. The main thing is to enjoy your football and do your best.

Every good wish for a great season.

Yours in Sport,

Andy, Pete and Mike

PS: Should you have any issues relating to this news letter or the club please do not hesitate to discuss them with us. If you would like to raise anything anonymously, Karen Wilmot is the parent representative on the Club Committee.

Karen would be happy to field any such questions to the committee without raising your identity (Karen can be contacted on 01962-627495).

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FA Charter Standard Development Club Status — Success at the First attempt

Great news!

We have been informed by the Hants FA that our application for FA Charter Standard Development Club status has been successful. We now await final confirmation from the FA Headquarters Media Group before we can start using the logo and advertising our success.

As most of you know we started the process in February of this year and have worked very hard to get all of the various requirements in place and all of the supporting documentation produced.

This has been a rapid exercise and one that we will now benefit from in terms of publicity, sponsorship, recruitment and the general strengthening of the club.

Finally, The Hants FA have classed our submission as an excellent application and as such they will now be using it as a guide for best practice for other clubs.



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A first trophy for the girls football

U14s girls won the Dorking tournament in June. They beat Woking A in the final 2-1 with the last goal coming in the last 30 seconds of the second period of extra time—a penalty.

Code of Conduct

Your personal copy of our code of conduct is attached with this newsletter. Please read this and arrange for the last page to be completed and returned to your team manager as soon as possible.

Membership form

This document is important for your coach as it will enable him to look after your interests fully whilst playing for The Worthys.

You should hand this document when completed to your team manager please.

Transport and seat restraints – New Legislation

As you will not doubt know by now, the Department for Transport's new seat restraint regulations come into force on **18th September 2006**.

The law affects those of you with **children under 1.35m tall or under 12 years of age**.



The new law states that "...children 3 years to 135cm in height (or 12th birthday whichever they reach first) **MUST** use the appropriate child restraint".



Please note that from the Clubs perspective, unless appropriate booster seats are provided then transport to and from matches/training cannot be provided.

Please familiarise yourself with these regulations and your obligations to children that you transport as well as your own.

Child Protection – CRB Checks

As part of the Worthys YFC Child Protection Policy we have a simple code of practice and supporting procedures governing how the club is run.

Currently, all Worthys YFC managers, members, staff and regular volunteers with direct access to children and young people are required to complete a CRB Enhanced Disclosure via The Football Association's CRB Unit.

As part of this policy, and recognising our responsibilities, we need to establish a way forward in terms of parents/guardians who kindly donate their time by

transporting their children and other players to and from training, matches and tournaments.

As we are sure can be appreciated, it is impractical for the club to undertake CRB checks on all parents/guardians.

We therefore will adopt the approach that parents/guardians consent to their children being transported by other parents/guardians unless we are informed otherwise.

Alternative arrangements can be discussed with the respective team manager if necessary.

Membership fees

In line with our new Club policy we are collecting membership fees in two payments (September and January) during the season.

This was agreed at the AGM held in June 2006 and information sent to you by your team manager.

The first instalment of **£40** is due by **30th September 2006**.

Cheques should be made payable to **Worthys YFC** and returned to your Team manager.

The membership fee includes all costs associated for the season ahead, including kit, match fees, referee fees and training sessions at Eversley Park.

We are hopeful that with increased sponsorship of our Club that we may be able to reduce or indeed waive the January payment. Fingers crossed!

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