



# CEREBRAL PALSY UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

## NEWSLETTER

*"Be the Best you can Be"*

Issue 23 – April 17

### FOUNDATION/TOTS/DEVELOPMENT

PLEASE NOTE EASTER HOLIDAYS & FIXTURE DATES



**Cheshire-** It's been a fantastic welcome – 6 new players to our club already and great to see some of our current players benefitting from extra sessions in the week. Sessions will continue each Thursday apart from 13<sup>th</sup> April when we will off for Easter.

**Liverpool –** A big welcome to some new players who have joined us recently at Liverpool. Sessions will continue each Monday apart from 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> April for Easter and the bank holiday.

**Partington –** Sessions will continue but will be off Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April for Easter – *please also see below dates of when other sessions will be effected.*

**FIXTURES:** Thanks to everyone for their help with the Stoke game, it helps to create a positive environment for everyone. Well done to all players on the day especially some of our U8s who played their first game. Thanks to Alice (Doug's Mum) for the wonderful photographs that captured the spirit of the day.



Well done to everyone who played in the Warrington Inclusion League. Fantastic attitudes from all the players. Last fixture of the season will be Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April and each player who has taken part this season will receive a medal. Please let Michelle know by Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> April if you can play or not.

\*Please continue to let us know asap if you can't attend training. This really helps us to plan and staff each session accordingly. Thanks\*

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

NB: There will be NO training Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April @ Partington. This is due to the Regional Talent Centre National Cup at St Georges Park. If you'd like to come and support the lads (u14 & u17) you are more than welcome. Please let Ruth/Michelle know.

PLEASE NOTE: There is NO training on 6<sup>th</sup> May @ Partington as we will be at St Georges Park to watch the adults in the Disability FA Cup Final. They will once again play Chelsea and we will be taking a coach from Partington to watch and support them. We are also hoping to play some games v Stoke city whilst we are there. We will do a separate letter about this in the coming weeks (but keep the date free it will be a fantastic day out).

### ADULT PHASE

Massive congratulations to our adult's staff and players for a fantastic season so far. Last week saw both squads confirm first and second place in the CP Sport National League Northern Conference. Well done to all involved!!!. Great consistency shown throughout the season and they are all working hard to continue that form.

This is just the start of our adults aiming to retain the treble they won last season. In the coming months they will also play in the CP Sport National Cup and due to the Northern Conference League win last weekend they will now play in the Disability FA Cup Final on 6<sup>th</sup> May v Chelsea for the second year running. Congratulations on your achievement lads the rest of the club is behind you and looking forward to coming to St Georges Park on 6<sup>th</sup> May to support you in the FA Cup final once again.

### \*\*\*Build up to Barca\*\*\*



Well done to everyone who took part in the sponsored spin a few weeks back and thanks so much to everyone who donated, sponsored and cheered the lads on that day... some even

provided some extra peddle power :)

Everyone's efforts and generosity will help the lads play in Europe for the first time in June and represent CP United FC and England in the International CP Trophy.

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## REGIONAL TALENT CENTRE



Well done to all our players for their performances at our home fixture. There was some fantastic football played and great learning going on.

Let's work hard now these next few weeks both at football and at home to prepare for our next fixtures

Thanks to everyone who helped with the running of the day. We had some lovely feedback from referee's, coaches and parents from other centres to say they felt very welcome and looked after J

Our club values are based around :

- ⚽ Be kind
- ⚽ Show respect
- ⚽ Look after each other
- ⚽ Creating the environment we do on fixture days is a way of living these values and it's very much appreciated by everyone.

**Thank you!!**

**\*\*Changes next season...Please see additional letter\*\***

**NB: NO TRAINING SAT 15<sup>th</sup> APRIL – EASTER BREAK**

**National Cup – St Georges Park – Sat 29<sup>th</sup> April**

We leave Partington @ 7.30 am on the coach. We prefer ALL players travel on the coach if possible. Parents/family are welcome on the coach too but it is important for the lads to be together and the coaches to be able to do some work with them around individual challenges for the day whilst travelling. Please let us know asap if you cannot travel on the coach. Thanks.

**RTC PAYMENTS** – Please make sure any outstanding fees are paid by Sat 8<sup>th</sup> April – *if you are unsure as to whether you have paid please see Ruth.*

## CLUB SHOP

Some players have now started to access the club shop and add extra kit to what they already have. If you would like to use this facility please follow this link.....

<http://www.clubwebshop.com/a-z/clubs/cerebralpalsyunitedfc/>



You will need to register as a member before you can buy anything \*please note you may have to attach the club badge to garments if it is not already assigned to the item. (please use the embroidered badge option).

## SAINSBURYS ACTIVE VOUCHERS



We are collecting Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers again. There is a collection box in the Community Room. THANK YOU.

## FUNDRAISING & SPONSORSHIP

Joe Curley (a relation of one of our little superstars Louis Henry) is running the Halstead marathon on May 7th and wants to raise money for our football club.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/joe-curley>

Andy Ashcroft (Louis's Dad from our Foundation Phase) is doing the Liverpool half marathon on 2nd April to raise funds for CPUFC.

A big thanks to Joe and Andy and good luck J

Thank you to Emma Shaw for organizing a workplace donation recently for the club.

*Every penny raised will go towards sustaining the club and helping it to grow.*

We are also look for a business or individual who would like to sponsor some rain jackets for the adults to have in Barcelona – (The name of the company can be put on the back of the jacket as sponsors etc?).

## CLUB UPDATE

We now have 105 players registered with the club from age 3 up to adult. Having broke down everyone's age we now have (on paper) 12 teams!!! That is 3 more since the start of this season and to grow to 12 teams in just 2½ years is quite an achievement!

This growth makes fundraising and donations even more essential and we appreciate everyone's continued support and efforts.

## CHARITY

The process of becoming a charity is getting there slowly (it's a big job with lots of volunteers finding time to do all the work so has taken quite some time but we are nearly there!) We have 5 trustees on board now and are hoping to finalise the draft application in the next week or so. Massive thank you to everyone involved for your time, efforts, determination and support. Due to the growth and development plans we have for the club getting charity status is essential. We will update next month of any further progress.

## SPONSORSHIP & DONATIONS

Thank you to everyone who is now set up on a monthly donation payment scheme is really does help to keep things ticking over.

You can do this via the online set up (details below) or if you need to pay cash that is fine too. Any help you can give would make a big difference.

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