



AFC HENLEY

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AFC Henley: Annual Statement 2014

Our membership continues to grow and we have over 300 members aged 4 -18:

- We run a Mini-Soccer Centre for U5s - U8s, staffed by professional coaches.
- 19 teams from U9 - U18 play in the East Berks Youth Football League
- We run a girls-only module within the Mini-Soccer Centre and have a feeder arrangement with Wargrave Girls FC for any girls wishing to progress to competitive football.

We provide football for all ages and abilities by working with Henley YMCA under the umbrella of the Henley Football Partnership:

- The Partnership is an FA Charter Standard Community Club, the highest status available, which won Oxfordshire FA's Community Club of the Year award in 2009 and 2012.

We have strong links with Reading Football Club:

- We use academy coaches from Reading for our Mini-Soccer Centre and to help with coaching development within the club
- Several current and former members attend academies at Oxford, Reading, Queens Park Rangers and Southampton.

We have a European focus and arrange annual exchanges with:

- SC Leichlingen.
- We are members of Henley-Leichlingen and Henley-Falaise Twinning Associations.

Child Protection is a key priority for the club:

- The club adheres to the FA's Child Protection and Best Practice guidelines
- Our volunteers are all CRB checked. Many have qualified at FA Levels 1, 2 and 3.

We are interested in the wider community:

- We allow local charities, schools and colleges to use our ground for sporting events.
- We run after-school clubs and holiday football camps
- We are developing cooperative links with Henley College

Finance:

- Our new major sponsor, Fix Auto, has committed to a 10-year programme with AFC Henley
- We have also received financial support from Stuart Turner, Invesco Perpetual, Courtiers and Henley Town Council
- Following the discovery and removal of asbestos, our Harpsden ground pavilion is to be refurbished at a cost of £42000 with the financial support of Henley Town Council, the John Hodges' Trust (Harpsden) and anticipated grants from SODc and the Football Foundation
- We look forward to having a new joint Hockey Club/AFC Henley pavilion built at Jubilee Park in due course with the proceeds of housing development adjacent to Tesco.