



HURST FC



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COMMUNITY CLUB**

Hurst Football Club Newsletter

Chairman's Welcome

Welcome to the first edition of the Hurst Football Club's Newsletter.

The Club's Committee has been hard at work over this season (2019/2020) updating player contact details, the website, social media and looking at new ways to collect subs in future. Your managers will inform you in coming weeks of these changes.

As many of you will now know, Alan and Greg are no longer involved with the club. We would like to thank them both for all their hard work over the years.

We are hoping to put on a quiz night / race night later in the year, so if anyone would like to help with the planning and organising please get in touch.

On Saturday 25th April 2020 we will be holding our annual family day to include presentations, BBQ and a few games of football.

On July 4th, 2020 we will be holding our annual Party in The Park. This is the club's biggest fundraiser so please do help in any way you can and be sure to let friends and family know. More details can be found here. <http://www.partyparkhurst.co.uk/>

We currently have the following people on the committee. Paul Palmer (Chair), Catherine Pearce (Child Welfare Officer), Nick Gardner (Secretary), Jason O'Connor (Treasurer), Denise Hillier (Minutes) and John Ratcliffe. If you would like to join the committee or just come along one night for a drink and chat, please do let us know.

Finally, just to let you know we now have a walking football team, aimed at men over 50 and ladies over 40. More details can be found here <https://www.hurstfc.org.uk/walking-football/> contact Bob: 07770 416469 or Dave: 07774 494100.

If you have not already done so, please do visit the club on social media or our website.

<https://www.hurstfc.org.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/hurstfootballclub/>

We are always looking for sponsors and new players, if you know of either, please do let us know.

Managers Update:

Under 9s

Manager: Nick Roberts

Assistant Manager: Catherine Pearce

Another good season to date for Hurst Hurricanes U9s.

The boys have done very well in their transition from 5 a-side to 7 a-side football.

Unfortunately, we lost in the quarter finals of the cup, but we had a very encouraging cup run, and sadly in the quarter final ran out of legs due to having no subs.

We are winning more than we are losing and the kids are really enjoying their football. We are currently playing in the BYDL White league and have signed up for the Summer League. New players are always welcome!

Under 13s

Manager: Owen Morgan

We've had a tough season with change of manager, but the boys attitude changed, and I saw a real improvement in their attitude to the game itself and towards each other. They have massive potential but with a small team of around 13 players and some games playing with 10 they battle their hearts out as much as they can!

They have the potential to compete with the higher teams and I aim to get them to play the best they can every game and leave positive. I fully support the boys and I know they're a great team that can be a real threat in the season to come!

Under 15s

Manager: Andy Heagren

Assistant Manager: Ben Arnold

Now running a squad of 16 players in div 3, 6 position at present and have made it to the quarter finals of the cup (date to be arranged) either against Wokingham & Emmbrook blacks or fab UTD fc both from div 1

We will give it our best shot.

An up and down season with some good wins and some poor loses and quite a few injuries on the way all and all not to disappointing a season.

We are of a similar standard and quality to most teams in div2 and div3 as divisions are of identical in quality. Looking forward to the remainder of the season.

Under 16s.

Manager: Paul Millar.

Assistant Manager: Nigel Dennis

The U16s are a little different to the other Hurst teams - 3 years ago we successfully merged with Twyford Comets (both clubs struggling to get numbers when we stepped up to 11 a-side). Most of the boys got to Piggott school, so there were no issues with familiarization. We're stronger for it - they appreciate that playing football for a club is a privilege, not an automatic right.

We've had a great season - most games are very competitive our Division, usually a single goal is the difference between the teams. And most weeks, we've been rewarded for our tenacity and application. There aren't any "superstars" in the team, and there are usually different contenders for performance of the week. We stopped doing "Man of the Match" last season after my credibility in selecting a winner was repeatedly questioned (I guess I see a different game to those participating in the middle of the park!)

We've made it to the semi-final of the EBFA Cup (in March) and are third with a game in hand in the League - so real contenders for a trophy of one shape or another. We'll see how the rest of the season plays out, it's hard to predict with confidence. But I do know one thing - if another team beats us, they'll have to earn it, and I'll be proud of my lads for their performances, but also how they conduct themselves in representing both Hurst and Twyford.

Under 17s

Manager: Sean Clayton

Asst Manager: Julia Turnbull

We are Hurst Youth under17 squad. We currently are running with a squad of 14/15 players.

We play in East berks Alliance division and play our home games at Stow Bridge Hinton Road in Hurst.

Our results this season do not do justice to their performances as the effort put in is superb and attitude is very good.

We struggle at times to have more than the 11 at games recently as schoolwork and injuries have taken their toll.

But on a Saturday morning we do our best to enjoy our Football and respect the game and all who are involved on and off the field within our team.

Under 18s

Manager: Iain Perry

Assistant Manager: Chris Evans

We have had a bit of a shaky start to the season.

With a squad of 21 and having lots of players unavailable due to university visits which has meant some weeks we would just about scrape a team together.

Since the university trips have finished, we have picked up two wins in our last four games elevating us up from the bottom of the table.

This is their last year in football and the focus is on them enjoying football with their friends before they go onto bigger adventures in life.

Seniors.

Manager: Chris Bannon

Assistant: Tony Annetts

We are enjoying a good season currently 3rd in the league and in the quarter finals of the Berkshire trophy senior Cup.

This is helped by this season having a consistent team and most of all a goal scorer. Hopefully we will push on in both the league and Cup.

Hurst Walking Football.

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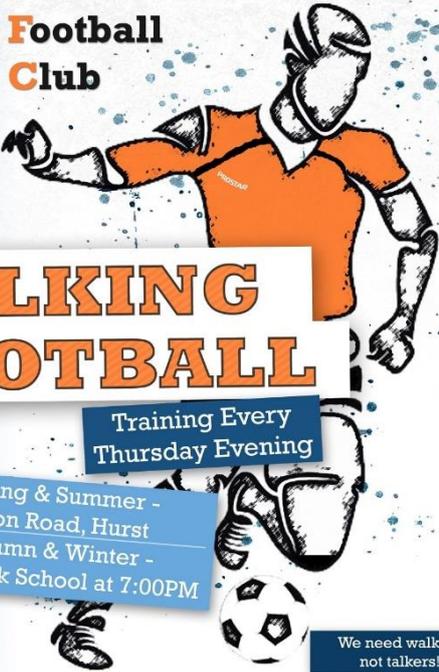
Hurst Football Club are always looking for people to join our walking football teams.

A slower version of the beautiful game, walking football is aimed at players aged 50+ for men, and 40+ for Ladies who want to stay playing the game they love, at a pace to suit.

For more information contact Bob: 07770 416469 or Dave: 07774 494100



**Hurst
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**WALKING
FOOTBALL**

Training Every
Thursday Evening

- Spring & Summer -
Hinton Road, Hurst
- Autumn & Winter -
Emmbrook School at 7:00PM

We need walkers
not talkers!

Over 50's Men and over 40's Women - Come and be a part of our Team!

Email: hurstwfc@gmail.com	Matches played at Bisham Abbey.	Affiliated with and endorsed by the F.A.
Tel: 07770 416469 (Bob)		Supported by the NHS to improve the nation's health.
Tel: 07774 494100 (Dave)	One Sunday a Month, March - November.	Insurance and Kit Provided.
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