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WELCOME TO OUR ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY 2026!

It has been another successful year on and off the pitch for the club with several successes in the league and the cup, progress towards the renewal of our lease at the Rob Dawe Memorial Close.

We extend our gratitude to all players, coaches, volunteers, parents, and sponsors for their support this season. The contributions of coaches and other behind-the-scenes volunteers, who dedicate their time without compensation, are especially appreciated for their role in advancing the club.

On the pitch our under 13 Colts won the league, our U8 Blues won the plate final and a mention for the under 13 Blues who were cup semi-finalists and the 12 Colts who are likely to be runners up in their league.

Sadly, we saw our 14-Blues fold before the season started and we would like to thank Charlotte for her commitment to the club over many years. In addition, we would like thank Tracey Marshal for her work as treasurer, standing down at the beginning of the season.

Work continues towards renewing the lease at the Close with legal documents now shared between Redrow and the landowner that will enable the new lease, finally eliminating the risk of the land being developed. We have a grant of £6,000 available to us to seek planning permission on site. Fundraising efforts will commence over the coming months to help us reach the goal of new buildings.

The clubs support of the "Lions at Large" event ended in October raising over £1,500. We will continue to collect for the Cheltenham & Gloucester Hospitals charity and specifically their oncology unit. We have also continued to support the 'Early Learning School' in Entebbe, Uganda, by donating boots and trainers.

Special thanks to Sophie, our welfare officer, Sal our new treasurer, Ben, Rosy, and especially Phil and Sue Addle for their indispensable support plus all other volunteers and committee members. A big welcome to Kirsty who has recently joined our welfare team.

We hope you enjoy the day and would appreciate your support at the summer tournament. If you can offer tombola or raffle prizes, volunteer over the weekend, or sponsor the tournament, we would be grateful.

Rich

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UNDER 6 – PHIL ADDLE

U5 Coaches: Phil Addle & Jules Harvey

U5 Players: Beau Addle, Freddie Anderson, Thea Candlish, Jordan Fitzpatrick, Jesse Hobbs, Ivy Humphries, Albie Lodge, Jake Lovato, Tze Pak Kan, Toby Pamment, Rhys Plane, Max Roberts, Myles Robotham-Hunt, Owen Williams, Nico Upton

U6 Coaches: Rich Howell, Russ Smith, Ryan Strain & Gavin Smith

U6 Players Harry Allard, Rupert Beard, Miley Crowther, Reuben Grace, Ellison Grenfell-Williams, Agim Hazizaj, Freddie King, Henry Mitchell, Alexander Morrow, Oliver Portlock, Reo Selwyn, Jax Sheppard, Cooper Smith, Mason Smith, Hugo Strain, Theo Thomas, Leo Thrussell, Finley Toogood, Kalilou Touray.

This season we have been able to split our large squad of players into 2 separate age groups, Under 5's, run by Phil and Jules, and Under 6's run by Rich and Russ, ably assisted by Ryan and Gavin. As is normal with this age group, we have had quite a few players who have come and gone during the season, but who may well hopefully join us again when the players are a bit older. All the players have improved, to varying extents over the season, and have increased in confidence. The U5 training has concentrated on a few set games to help learn skills, followed by a short match at the end, whereas the U6 training is at the next level, with parents also being involved on occasions in helping with certain training exercises (much to the enjoyment of the players) all aimed at getting them ready to start playing matches at Under 7's next season. We already have Russ, Ryan and Gavin ready to take on the Under 7's next season, but they will need more helpers, we will also be looking to get more coaches for next seasons Under 6's, so if you are able to help, or just want to know what's involved, please come and talk to us.

Thanks to Sue for turning up most weeks to sell kit, Kirk who has helped out with training when available, and to all the parents who have turned up every week, in all weathers to support the players, and most importantly to the players themselves who have kept us entertained, and who all want to win the trophy every week, at last they will all get one to keep.

Phil



UNDER 6 GIRLS – HOLLIE MORGAN

Players: Bonnie Riley, Elodie Harvey, Miley Crowther, Prakriti Rajanedi, Sophia Fitzgerald, Elsie Cole, Sophia Fitzgerald.

Another fantastic season wrapped up for our U6s girls

It's been amazing to see how much the team has grown this year. Training alongside the U7s has really helped the girls develop their skills and confidence, and the progress they've made has been incredible.

We've got a great mix of players — some who've been with us since last season and others who joined more recently — and it's been brilliant to see them all learning and improving together.

A huge thank you to Bailey, Ade, Jayne, Nathan, and Julian for all their time and effort helping to train the girls this season — it's truly appreciated.

As we look ahead, we're hoping all the girls will continue on into the U7s next season. We're also always keen to welcome new players to our growing team, so if anyone is interested, please get in touch.

That said, we are currently looking for a coach to support the team on match days and help continue their development. If you or someone you know might be interested, we'd love to hear from you.

Well done girls — you've all done brilliantly.

Hollie



UNDER 7 GIRLS – HOLLIE MORGAN

Coaches: Hollie Morgan and Jayne Etheridge.

The Players: Ava Wales, Beatrix Chisholme, Eva Prosser, Isabelle Morgan, Martha Etheridge, Rosie Hart, Rosie O'Neill, Ruby Jefferies, Willow Storer and Eloise.

As we come to the end of another season, you should all be incredibly proud. We stepped into something completely new—matches—and took it on with courage and determination, finishing with five games played.

Think back to our first game. There was uncertainty and plenty to learn, but in our final match we played with real confidence, composure, and belief. That progress is down to your effort, attitude, and willingness to keep improving every week.

With every game, you've grown—your skills, your confidence, and your resilience. You've supported each other well and developed into a stronger team.

This is just the beginning. With tournaments coming up and a league to enter next season, keep working hard, keep believing in yourselves and each other, and the progress will continue.

Just a few thanks yours: A big thank you to Nick Clements for nominating us to win our amazing new football kit from Octopus Energy. Thank you to Sophie with your input and coaching the girls from behind the goals it's made a massive improvement.

Thank you to the supporters who bring the girls to each game and training session. Thank you to the club for supporting us and helping us create a safe space for us to play under. Last but not least, thank you to my helper Jayne I could not do this without your support and just wanted to say we Appreciate you.

Hollie



UNDER 7 BLUES- TOM DYER

Coach: Chris Beacham

The Players: Ben Clapton, Ben Armstrong, Enzo Rezaei, Freddie Shepherd, Jack Dyer, Jakson Merchant, Jenson Brooks, Jesse Lovato, Leo Parry, Theo Sadler, Vinnie Perkins, Zachary Ashworth

This season has been brilliant to watch. Since September, the boys have come a long way. You can see the improvement every week, in their confidence, their teamwork, and how they play the game.

They've absolutely smashed their friendly matches. Every game has been full of effort, energy, and plenty of great moments. Even when we've had to mix the teams around, the lads have adapted quickly, supported each other, and kept that strong team spirit going.

It's been great to see them connect, build friendships, and work together on and off the pitch. That's what really stands out.

We're all really proud of how far they've come this season. Now we're looking forward to a summer of tournaments and then into our first season in September.

Well done boys, keep it going.

Tom



UNDER 7 YELLOWS – CHRIS BEACHAM

Coach: Mark Middlecote (Husam Mustafa next season)

The Players: Toby Hamlin, Momen Mustafa, Jaxson Rogers, Eli Littlemore, David Ogbodo, Ezra Anderson, Ranell Perry, Miles Burgess, Rory Plane, Dan Siestrzykowski, Ed Furley

The Yellow Team has come on leaps and bounds since September which has been great to see. From the first few training sessions to now, the boys have developed so much in confidence, teamwork, and themselves.

One of the best things this year has been the attitude from every single player. The effort at training, the encouragement they give each other, and the way they've handled matches has made coaching them a pleasure.

The boys have been excellent in the friendly games and have really shown what they can do. There's been lots of good football played, lots of goals, defending, and plenty of moments that have made everyone proud on the sidelines.

Even with teams moving around, the lads settled quickly and carried on working hard together. They've created a great group that help and support each other.

We're all looking forward to the summer tournaments and seeing the boys continue their progress into the new season.

A huge well done to all of the players for a fantastic year.

Chris



UNDER 8 BLUES - ELIZE DAVIS

A Great First Season in the League!

The Players: Barnaby O'Neil, Ellis Wheatley, Ethan Allen, Harper Davis, Jack Furley, Noah-James Flagg, Rui Reid, Zachary Davis, Aiyanna Trickey

Highlights

This season has been a truly special one for the boys. There have been so many fantastic moments and great football played throughout the year. Confidence has grown across the whole team, but the standout highlight has to be winning the Severn Valley Plate competition—an achievement they should all be incredibly proud of.

It has been a pleasure to coach this group and watch them develop week by week. They have taken to match play brilliantly, embracing new challenges with enthusiasm and showing great teamwork, determination, and spirit on the pitch. Seeing their confidence grow and their enjoyment of the game shine through has made this season one to remember. Every player has played their part, and they should all be very proud of what they've achieved.

Acknowledgements

A huge thank you to all the parents for your continued support and encouragement from the sidelines. Your energy each week makes a real difference and is always appreciated.

Thank you to Sal for your influence, your technical ideas and input, and for helping me see things from different perspectives—I couldn't do this without you.

Thank you also to Matt; your input this season has been invaluable, especially in helping keep the team focused and on track.

Looking Ahead

Next season marks another step up, and I have no doubt the Blues will take it in their stride. I'm excited to see how far this group can go as they continue to grow and develop together.

Come on Blues!

Elize



UNDER 8 COLTS - GRANT TURTON

Coaches: Grant Turton, Dan Durrans, Pete Ruther

Players: Cam Beale, Isaac Durrans, Aston Lea Eyre, Jacob Holmes, Noah Lister, Sasha Metelyk, Jack Ruther, Sa'ad Sambo, Jack Turton



What a season it's been! Our very first year in the SVYL and the boys have done themselves, and the club proud. From the very beginning of the season, their attitude and commitment in both matches and training have been nothing short of inspirational.

Over the course of the season, the improvement across the team has been extraordinary. Every single player has played a part in that progress, contributing to the development of not just their own game, but the team as a whole.

A big part of that improvement has come from our focus on development ahead of results. While winning is always nice, our priority has been helping the boys grow as players—building strong technical skills, improving their decision making, and encouraging them to play with confidence and intelligence. It's been fantastic to see how much they've developed in these areas as the season has gone on.

One of the most pleasing aspects of the season has been the bond the boys have built. Since coming together as a squad, they've become great friends on and off the pitch. That togetherness shows every time they step onto the field—working hard for each other, supporting one another, and always playing as a team.

Like any season, there have been ups and downs. But the positives have far outweighed the challenges. In fact, towards the end of the season, the team has consistently risen to the occasion, often punching above their weight against some very strong opposition.

We've also worked hard to play the game in the right way—focusing on an attacking style of football built on passing and movement. Always a challenge with a group of 8-year-olds inspired by highlight reels on Youtube of players like Messi taking on three defenders and

smashing the ball into the top corner—but generally the boys have really embraced the team approach, and it's been fantastic to see.

To finish, a few important thank you's.

Firstly, to the players—you are an absolute joy to coach. Watching you improve week by week makes everything we do worthwhile.

Secondly, to the parents—your support and commitment are the backbone of this team, and without you, none of this would be possible.

And finally, a big thank you to our sponsors - Stroud Road Pharmacy, Health and Travel Clinic, and Via Nova Coffee Shop, and also to those parents and family members that donated towards our new kits:. Your support is hugely appreciated!

Well done, boys—an incredible first season and a brilliant foundation to build on for the future!

Up the colts!

Grant

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UNDER 8 YELLOWS - ROB OSIPUK

The players: Fawwaz Agunloye, Bowie Batie, Alfie Boyle, Thomas Buckley, Dylan Jackson, Jack Jones, Rupert Matthews, Freddie Osipiuk & William-Joe Wathen

If there is one overriding emotion from this first season playing in a league; it is pride! Yes, we have won a few matches and as many as six players have scored goals but the biggest thing we have achieved this year, is the amount of progress the team has made.

What we have been finding, is when we have played the reverse fixtures against teams we have played earlier in the season, each opposition coach is making comments such as "blimey, your boys have come on massively". I think our supporters have been feeling that too when watching matches and as coaches, those are really pleasing bits of feedback to receive. The team are fully deserving of them, for all of the effort and hardwork they have put in. What we try to keep to, is "being our best" as much as we can and then pushing that limit of what our best can look like.

It's been a pleasure for Ryan and I to continue to help these boys and to coach them in developing their skills, while also enhancing their love for the game. It's very important to us that we make sure they are having fun while playing their football. They are a really close-knit squad, they enjoy each other's company and can't wait for training and matches. We also recently had a great trip to the bowling alley as a squad!

It's also been amazing to have great support from the parents throughout, and it's really helped us as coaches.

A massive thanks to Kieran Boyle of CKB Recruitment for very generously sponsoring our new training tops, on the back of the new kit at the end of last season. Also, a big thank you from me to Elize Davis and Grant Turton, as my U8s coaching network and as always to Phil Addle for all his help in answer to my questions!

We are really looking forward to having some fun at the summer tournaments and I hope everyone has a great break and comes back raring to go for our second full season, next season.

Come on Yellows!

Rob



UNDER 9 BLUES – JAMIE REID

The Players: Jacob Anderson, Jenson Hawkins, Spencer Loftus, Luca De-Niro, Arlo Overthrow, Theo Toogood, Hugo Reid, Beau Turner, Harrison Ehrlich, Sawyer Hardy, Charlie Joseph-Ley

As we end the season of 2025/26 with the under 9's blues, we couldn't be happier with the transition to 7v7. I mentioned at last season's presentation that I felt this group of players would adapt quite well and we were proved right on the whole. We managed to win the majority of our games in our league fixtures and also playing many friendlies against opponents an age group above, only losing a handful of times over the course of the season and in defeat it's important we learn in those times for our development. We always want the players to keep improving as individuals, but it's just as important that we continue to develop as a team. Striking that balance is exactly what we're aiming for moving forward.

We cannot wait for the tournaments coming up over the summer and we're also looking forward to next season already.

Today we celebrate awards for players of course but I just want to say they're all my player of the year, and I love coaching each and every one of them, I test the boys at every opportunity we get together because I know they're always capable of being even better each week and they should all feel immensely proud in their development.

A massive thank you to every parent, it was a long winter and credit for you all showing commitment to every game and every training session!

Thank you again goes to T2 tiling for our kit sponsor, we appreciate it massively.

My final thanks is to my assistant and old friend, Matt Turner, it's always great to have you by my side.

I hope you all enjoy this summer period, and we look forward to seeing you again for the 2026/27 season.

Jamie



UNDER 9 COLTS- DAVE COOMBS

The Team: Ace Bourne-Hallett, Dawson Marshall, Dylan Beeley, Frank Gilson, Gabriel Defecinski, George Boulton, Leo Snowdon, Noah Potter, Nolan Rezaei, Reuben Lodge, Toby Dix, William Brookes, Xzavier Hunt.

The difference between this season and last is night and day, The boys tried so hard last season without many wins, they have put the same level of effort in this season and has really paid off as we only lost twice and had a really good cup run beating teams from higher division, the levels of attendance at training and matches has been key to this and Andy and myself are extremely proud of how they play and how they battle for each other, A lot of our victories come from being behind in games so it shows their spirit and never say die attitude, especially on the coldest wettest days in winter. Their personalities are really starting to shine through which makes training and match days very enjoyable although we have banned the 8 year olds from calling us bro and don't dare mention 67!!

I'd like to personally thank Andrew Potter for assisting me and being a good sounding board with some fresh ideas, Ben Marshall for helping at training which makes my life a lot easier, Rachael for helping me organise a lot of fixtures, Rianne for being a fantastic referee who doesn't take any messing. Matt Hunt @ Adaptive interiors for sponsoring our away kit and Lahsram Reflections for sponsoring our home kit and as always, a big thank you Phil Addle who helps with so much!

Personally, I don't want this season to end as momentum has been building all season, but I'm really excited for the next one and push on again.

UTW

Dave



UNDER 9 GIRLS- ELIZE DAVIS

Another Memorable Season!

The Players: Aiyana Trickey, Breonny Trickey, Charlotte Hill, Daisie Mabbett, Eva Maysey, Harper Davis, India Crane, Olivia Beacham, Rebecca Murphy, Renee Thompson, Robyn Hopson, Silvana Thompson, Willow Cawdron.

What another fantastic season it has been for this team. Moving up to 7v7 football brought a whole new challenge for the girls, but every single player embraced it brilliantly and showed just how much they have developed over the last year.

Throughout the 2025/26 season, the girls have continued to grow in confidence, ability, and teamwork. Their understanding of the game has improved massively, and this has really shown during matches. From strong defensive performances to some excellent attacking football, the progress made by the team has been incredible to watch.

Most importantly, the girls have continued to support and encourage each other every step of the way, creating a brilliant team spirit both on and off the pitch. Every player should be extremely proud of what they have achieved this season.

A huge thank you goes to all the parents and families for your continued support, commitment, and encouragement throughout the season. Getting the girls to training sessions and matches each week and cheering them on from the sidelines makes such a big difference.

I also want to say a massive thank you to the coaching team and everyone who helps behind the scenes. Sal, thank you for always supporting my ideas and bringing your calm approach and technical knowledge to the sessions. Thank you to Izzie, whose calmness and positivity continue to be a huge support to both the players and coaches.

The future looks very bright for this team, and I cannot wait to see what next season brings. Well done girls — another season to be proud of!

Elize



UNDER 9 YELLOWS – KEVIN WILCOX

The players: Finley Wilcox, Dougie Counsell, Lucas Dyer, Dylan Harding, Jack Slade, George King, Jacob Ashworth, Henry Guscott, Rico Rogers, Owen Withers Teresa

I can't believe that's a wrap on yet another season, and in my opinion and I'm sure the parents agree, our most successful. And the lads should be really proud of it.

It's been a real privilege to coach such a brilliant crazy bunch of players and to watch them grow. This season has been my favourite. The lads have been incredible, yet again. They have competed, shown character, been respectful and most importantly never gave up.

As the season progressed, so has the team. And we looked our strongest after Christmas, with only one defeat in the league. We had a lot more positive results than negative, scoring a staggering 70 goals this season, which has shown how far the lads have come from previous season. The lads work hard in training every week and have shown what they are learning into matchdays

Since the league season finished back in March, we've had plenty of friendlies against new and familiar teams. We had the Tuffley tournament a few weeks ago, and three more to go over the summer, with a few more friendlies in-between. I'm already looking forward to seeing what next season brings us.

And just a few thanks.

First to Phil, who's always been at the end of the phone, to order kits and book pitches for us to use.

To all our sponsors.

Jamie and Dave for advice and ideas, and opposition players to look out for throughout the season.

Phil and Kate, for always helping guide and teaching the lads with me and taking charge at matches and training when I haven't been there.

And most importantly, A massive thank you goes out to all the parents and families for their support and encouragement every weekend. Your presence at matches and dedication to the team's success have been amazing.

Many thanks again

Kev



UNDER 10 YELLOWS- PAUL CARTER

Another very enjoyable season for the Yellows!

Our 4th full season as a Team, another one where the lads have all shown great attitude and commitment throughout. The continued improvement from last season has been brilliant to see and we have had a lot of great games this season. Regular comments from other coaches praising how we play has been very pleasing after knowing how much effort the lads put in.

Only losing 2 competitive games this season!

A big thanks to all of the parents for being there every week, helping set up and for just being a great bunch and that helps us out so much.

We will look forward to a summer of tournaments, a bit of rest then to go again next season.

Well done lads!

Paul and Ed



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UNDER 10 BLUES- NICK CLEMENTS

Assistant Coaches – Nathan Morgan and Hollie Morgan



(Left to right Back Row) James Ogbodo, Lucas Morgan, Dae Leese, Zach Gbejewoh, Max Wood
(Front Row) Adiran Hysa Beato, Alfie Brown, Ralph Bishop, George Lott, Ollie Clements
(missing Jude Morland)

This year has brought a different challenge for the boys compared to last season, and they've stepped up to it brilliantly. Our philosophy of 'Win or Learn' has been at the heart of how we've approached things, but that doesn't mean there hasn't been success along the way. A cracking cup run, a memorable penalty shootout win, and some excellent results across the season have all been well deserved.

We've seen some brilliant moments throughout, great goals, competitive matches, and real development from the lads both individually and as a group. This has been a proper team season, with everyone playing their part and contributing to the progress we've made.

A big thank you to the boys for their attitude and commitment throughout, turning up each week ready to go and giving their best. To the families as well, your support never goes unnoticed. Whether it's lifts, muddy boots, or standing on the sidelines in all weathers, it all plays a huge part.

We would also like to take a moment to thank Olly Tilling for everything he has given to the team over the years. Alongside Oscar, they have now stepped away from the club, taking with them a huge number of memories. Quite simply, this team wouldn't be what it is today without their time, effort, and dedication.

With that change, Nathan and Hollie Morgan have stepped in and somehow found even more ways to support the team and the wider club. From backing us through Cherridale Services (our kit sponsors) to always being on hand when needed, their contribution has been massive.

And who knows, if I ask nicely enough, we might even convince them to sort us out with a new kit next season!

A final thanks to my wife Dani, who continues to listen to the post-match breakdowns and training debriefs, whether she wants to or not!

Next season represents another opportunity for this group to continue growing, both as individuals and as a team. With the attitude they've shown so far, there's no doubt they'll keep developing and building on everything they've achieved this year.

Nick

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UNDER 10 COLTS – SHANE CLARK

It has been a fantastic season for Hardwicke U10 Colts, full of growth, resilience, and real team spirit.

A huge thank you goes to all our players — Zaine Barnes, Jack Bourne-Jones, William Furley, Cody Greensmith, Braeden Holder, Jacob Makulski, Alfie Pinnell, George Sadler, Freddie Savery, Benny Smith, Jesse Smith, Charlie Windsor— for their effort, commitment, and attitude throughout the year. Every single player has stepped up and improved, which has been brilliant to see.

We are also incredibly grateful to our sponsors, **H&M Distribution LTD**, for their continued support and sub-jackets.

As well a massive thank you to all the parents for turning up twice a week, always staying positive, giving plenty of encouragement week in, week out. Plus helping put up and pack away the pitches every week. It all makes a real difference. We couldn't do it without you.

Thank you to Kirsty for washing the boy's smelly kits each week. Again, absolute hero of the team.

Dave and Nick help Shane and I every week and their assistance is very much appreciated.

A special mention also to Rich and Phil for everything they do behind the scenes as well — it doesn't go unnoticed.

On the pitch, this season has been a real journey but incredibly fun. We've only lost once at home all season in the league, turning our ground into a real fortress and a very tough place for any team to visit. While we found away games more challenging, often losing narrowly, the response from the players in the return fixtures was outstanding — putting things right and showing real determination to get results back at home.

Our performance of the season came against HOG, a team we had never beaten before. To come away with a win in that match showed just how far this group has come. It was a true team performance, with every player working hard for each other and earning the result together.

Across the pitch, the improvement has been clear. We now have three strong goalkeepers, a solid and reliable defence, a hardworking midfield, and plenty of goals going forward.

Most importantly, the development of every player — both individually and as part of a team — has been outstanding.

Working on tactics, corner routines, when to press and confidence on the ball and in their own ability has been a real focus this year and all these little things have really paid off.

It really has been a season to be proud of and an incredible journey.

Well done Hardwicke U10 Colts.

Lee, Shane, Nick and Dave



UNDER 11 BLUES – GAZZ ALLEN

Coaches: Carly Jones, James

The players: Rudy Miles, Reggie Johnson, Joe Francis, Barnaby Hayward, Skyla Morgan, Aidan Bullock, Adam Armstrong, Jude Allen, James Turner, Travis Hackwell, Jack Bell, Max Bean

This season has been a rollercoaster. We've seen key members leave, both on and off the pitch, but more importantly, we have seen others step up and deliver exactly when the team needed it most.



Since we agreed on our path forward back in September, the support has been incredible. A massive thanks to Carly and Dave for their help with team admin, at training and on match days. I also want to welcome James, who has hit the ground running, providing valuable tactical input and being a great support during those lively touchline encounters with opposition coaches. Between the three of you, you have been the backbone of this squad. To the parents and volunteers who run the lines, set up the goals, and manage the respect barriers, you make it so that I can focus on the football.

It hasn't been the easiest run. Losing Travis and Adam for long periods to non-football injuries was a big blow for them, and the team. Because we played much of the season with just 9 or 10 players for 9 a side, we survived and played on pure dedication and commitment. Without that effort from the players and the parents, we would have had to cancel many fixtures. Instead, you showed up and you dug in for the team.

Our trip to Gloucester City as mascots was a definite highlight. Seeing the kids take penalties on the pitch at half time, followed by burgers, chips, and plenty of laughs, was a great reminder of what this is all about.

On the pitch, the results were a great mix. The winning doubles over Elwood, Abbeymead Sharks, and Heart of Gloucester were fantastic. With at least six games decided by just a single goal, it shows that in almost every game we are right in the mix, win or lose.

The atmosphere in this team, the smiles, and the way you support each other makes it easy for me to turn up to every session ready and motivated. Thank you all for a brilliant season and I look forward to seeing you all again for u12.

Gazz



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UNDER 11 COLTS – KEIRON MACE

The players: Archie Mace, Kian Hoomany, Oscar Richards, Harry Howells, Francisco Rodriguez, Arlo Brown, Leon Chirchir, Oskar Wasilewski, Dominik Wojtanowski, Animateus Parker, Dylan Hazley-Dam, Khalid Agunloye, Cian Knight, Jesse Hopkins, Tobias Gayle

I would like to start off by going back to the start of the season where we were unsure we were going to have a Colts this year with a few players leaving from last season. With the amazing work of Rich we were able to recruit 7 new players so thank you Rich!

Although we were a newly formed team, the boys made great connections on and off the field which was amazing to see. They showed great attitude and commitment throughout the season which made my first-year coaching much easier so thank you boys.

This was our last season playing non-competitive football this season but the boys still wanted to go out there and try to win every game, we ended the season 6 games unbeaten which shows how much the boys didn't want to get beat! Hopefully we can take that momentum into next season.

Thank you to the parents that not only supported and encouraged the boys every week but also helped set up for matches and run the line for us. Thank you to Ana and Jess who took on the role of setting up social events for the boys. One last massive thank you is for Ben who took training when I wasn't able to, myself and the boys really appreciate you putting on training sessions and being on the sideline on a Saturday when you were able to.

As we wrap up this season we quickly start planning for next season to continue developing as individuals and a team, but most importantly to keep enjoying playing football.

Keiron



UNDER 12 BLUES – BENJAMIN MARSHALL

Assistant Coaches - Andy Toogood and Nicholas Houghton

Our Players: Aiden Pocock, Anthony Rodrigues, Cruz Chapman, Daruis Jurj, Elijah Derby, Jack Maysey, Jake Butler, Koda Marshall, Noah Collins, Rishan Roopesh, Sam Marshall, Stanley Lardner and Vinnie Toogood.

I feel immense pride and gratitude for the remarkable season we've had. This year has been extraordinary, filled with triumph, teamwork, and unwavering dedication. Our team embarked on two cup runs that showcased our potential and determination. Each match was a testament to our players' skills and commitment. The excitement and energy during each game were palpable, and the memories created will be cherished for years to come. In our first-ever competitive league, we fiercely battled for the top spot. Our players displayed resilience and adaptability, facing each challenge with courage and determination. The competition was tough, but our team consistently rose to the occasion. Throughout the season, we witnessed some truly outstanding goals that left us in awe. The creativity and precision demonstrated by our players were incredible. Equally impressive were the defensive masterclasses executed with skill and strategy, defining our season and highlighting the well-rounded talent within our squad.



To each player on our team, thank you for your unwavering commitment, hard work, and the joy you brought to the field every game. Your passion for football and the camaraderie you have built are the heart and soul of this team, giving us countless good times and memories.

A heartfelt thank you to all our supporters—families, friends, and fans—who cheered us on from the sidelines. Your encouragement and belief in our team have been invaluable, and we are grateful for your support throughout the season. I extend my deepest gratitude to Nick and Andy for their coaching assistance. Your dedication and insights have been instrumental in our team's growth and success. Special thanks to Gary for organizing the Christmas party once

again. Your efforts brought us together off the field, strengthening our bond as a team. Lastly, thank you to Rach for helping with the admin work. Your support behind the scenes ensured everything ran smoothly.

As we celebrate our achievements today, let's look forward to more exciting seasons ahead. Together, we have built a foundation of strength, teamwork, and friendship that will carry us into the future. Thank you all for making this season unforgettable. Here's to many more!

Ben

UNDER 12 COLTS – TOM HANN

Our Squad: Ollie Norman, Harrison Hawes, Harry Sealey, Archie Turner, Henry Hann, James Wookey, Finton Wicks, Freddie Portlock, Reggie Glynn, Farqan Abdaly, Khalem Ford-Godsell, Nolan Manhiri, Leo Pham, Xander Humphries and Bentley Welsh.

This season has been a remarkable journey for the Hardwicke U12 Colts—both on and off the pitch.

The changes coming into U12 football took a lot for the lads to get used to, especially alongside the huge step of moving up to secondary school. Despite a difficult start, they took it all in their stride, putting together an incredible 12-game unbeaten run and progressing brilliantly in the cup, only narrowly losing on penalties.

The season also brought plenty of challenges, with the biggest being the weather and the frustration of cancelled fixtures. However, as the season went on, the lads grew into a really close team and showed fantastic character throughout.

To finish the season as league runners-up with 11 wins, 3 draws and 3 losses—with one fixture still to play—is something every player should be extremely proud of.

Myself and Duane would also like to thank the team behind the team for all of their support this season. A massive thank you to Colin, Emma and Tracy for everything you've done—it really does make a huge difference.

Finally, a message to the lads themselves: thank you for all your hard work, commitment and tenacity to keep going even when things were tough. We are incredibly proud of every single one of you and ridiculously excited to see what U13s will bring.

Colts on three...

1, 2, 3 — COLTS!

Tom



UNDER 12 GIRLS – LUKE OGDEN

Assistant Coach – Paul Wilkinson

Our players – Back Row - Promise Abeiya, Freya Ogden, Leyla Clothier, Elsie Collins, Millie Taylor, Zoë Wilkinson, Isla Pocock, Darcie Jones. Front Row – Imogen McGuinness, Melaine Gilson, Amelia Szklarska, Felicity Harvey, Lacey Stower, Mia Bishop, Orlah Corbally, Teighan Mumby



Another season draws to a close and what a fantastic season the u12s girls have had, they should all be proud of how they've all developed as individual players and how they've improved as a team. We had a challenging start to the season against eventual division 1 and 2

teams in the qualifying format but once we were allocated a division with similar calibre teams, this is when we showed our true capabilities. The part of this season I am most proud of is how this group has competed in every single game we have played and the character they have shown in the more challenging games.

We finished this season 5th in division 3 achieving 5 wins, 2 draws and 7 losses, with the highlight being our 10-1 victory against Mickleton Rangers, a game where a number of players scored their first goals of the season and we saw our first hat trick scored.

We would like to offer the following heartfelt thanks:

- To all the parents, carers and relatives for getting them all to training and travelling to all games to support the team, helping put the goals away, taking the respect barrier down and carrying corner flags to the car on match days.
- A special thank you to Tom Clothier for running the line at the majority of games and to any parent who has stepped in when Tom hasn't been available. Also to Jack Wilkinson for all his help at training and particularly on mach days helping with our goalkeeper Darcie's warm up.
- To our sponsor Kymac Builders who supplied the kit we wore this season and will continue to wear next season.
- To the club and committee for their continued support, with special thanks to Phil, Rich, Ben and Sophie who are always on hand to support or give advise on a variety of issues.
- To the coaches of the u13 girls team – Vonnice Parr, Teagan Gardener, Julian Harvey, Hollie Morgan and Nathan Morgan for their continued support, help and guidance where is has been required.

We have a few tournaments now to end this season before our focus turns to the 26/27 season, we cant wait to see what this amazing group can achieve and continue their positive journey as a team. Huge credit should go to the girls for their commitment and dedication shown in training and matches, if we are able to continue this it will give us the best chance to improve on our finishing position this season.

Luke and Paul



RESPECT

UNDER 12 YELLOWS – NEIL ROBINSON

Coaches / Helpers: Mark Carter, Neil Robinson, Paul Clutterbuck, Jamie Allen

Team: Ashton Harding, Riley McBride, Milo Handzlik, Joe Waller, Laiton Woolley, Kian Clutterbuck, Isaac Allen, Ajmal Tholley, Munir Tholley, Alexander Robinson, Charlie Price, Oscar White, Alfie Coles, Alfie Carter

As the season comes to a close, we'd like to take a moment to reflect on what has been a very positive and encouraging year for the **Hardwicke Yellows U12s** in the **Severn Valley League – D League**.

League Performance & Results

At the time of writing, the team sits **8th in the league**, but league position alone doesn't tell the full story of the season. Compared to last year, the squad has been far more competitive, and this is largely due to playing in a division that better matches the team's overall ability. Across the season, the boys recorded **7 wins and 1 draw**, with the remaining fixtures all being closely contested matches. There were numerous occasions where opposition managers took the time to compliment not only the team's performance but also their attitude and style of play — something that speaks volumes about the progress being made.

Attacking Play & Team Contribution

One of the standout features of the season has been the team's attacking output. The squad scored an impressive **68 goals**, with **three players reaching double figures**. Importantly, goals were very much a team effort, with **11 different players getting on the scoresheet** throughout the season. This highlights excellent teamwork and improved confidence across the whole group.

Development & Spirit

Beyond results and goals, the most pleasing aspect has been the way the team goes about their football. The players consistently play the game **in the right spirit**, showing respect for teammates, officials, and opponents alike. Training attendance, effort levels, and commitment to improving as a group have been excellent, and this attitude has translated into noticeable development on the pitch.

Looking Ahead

This season has laid a strong foundation for the future. The boys have grown together as a team, learned from challenging moments, and shown real determination and resilience. With continued hard work, confidence, and support, there is plenty to be optimistic about as the squad moves forward.

Thank You

Finally, a huge thank you to all the parents and carers for your ongoing support — from cheering on the sidelines to helping with logistics each week. Your support plays a vital role in creating a positive environment where the players can enjoy their football and continue to develop.

Well done to all the players for a season to be proud of 🏆💛

Neil



UNDER 13 BLUES – CHRIS PIETRAGALLA

COACHES:- Chris Pietragalla . Lee Knight

SQUAD FOR THE SEASON :- Cade Howkins, Finlay Crowther, Charlie Boyes, Jesse Johnson, Jordan Dada, Brian Mukubvu, Mo Humud , Juwon Falajiki, Kellan Cohen, Louie Knight, Alfie Sparry, Isaac Lewis, Reuben Pietragalla, Olly Pressman , Sami Ouiles.

Firstly, let me thank all the parents and players for their commitment and effort throughout what has been another stop start season due to the inclement weather at the start of the year. When we did manage to get our game on the players gave it their all and put some very good team displays on. We managed to give any side a game on our day.

With highlights in the league being a very tough away win (2-4) against Perdiswell back in mid-October. A team that has dropped into our league from the JPL. This followed a few weeks later with a comprehensive away win by 6 goals to nil against our old foe and local rivals Quedgeley. Unfortunately, we were unable to keep this form up throughout the whole season. But we did manage to finish mid table in the 'A' league. A very respectable outcome.

We also managed to put together 2 very good cup runs. Making it to the semi-final of the county cup where we were unfortunate to come across a very good team in Longwell Green who just pipped us to make the final. And we also managed to get to the semi-final of the league cup but fell just short to Perdiswell who managed to get their revenge on us after our league triumph earlier in the season.

Finally, a special thank you to Lee Knight for all his help throughout the season. Whether it be the Monday night training sessions in all weather or attempting to put the nets up on a

Saturday morning with numb hands from the cold. Also, to Craig Crowther and Matt Pressman for stepping up and taking the flag to run the line when needed.

Chris



UNDER 13 COLTS – BILLY KING

Assistant Coach - Adam Davis

Players, Lewis Eddy, Samuel Morris, Jack Plumb, Freddie Hemmings, Brooklyn King, Finnlay Davis, Aaron Qayumi, Alfie Sutton, Harley Bennett, Bobby Thomas, Zac Forsythe, Austin Frost, Finnlay Dunn, Zayn Syed, Leo Tait

Just want to start by saying a massive CONGRATULATIONS to this bunch of lads for winning the U13's league D and nearly going the whole season unbeaten only drawing one game and unfortunately losing our last game of the season with just only 10 players. What a HUGE achievement this is considering where we were last season. Also well done for sticking with it when times have been tough on the pitch the last 3 seasons since myself and Adam took over and beyond.

At the end of last season we lost four players so ideally, we needed at least four more to come in. So we welcomed four new players to our already fantastic group of lads and they have most definitely settled in well and slotted into the team brilliantly adding to what we already had making us a force this season which has been an absolute joy to watch and to see the boys finally getting the results they deserve and progressing so much is so rewarding for myself and Adam to be a part of. Not only is the progression visible in what they have achieved but its also visible on the pitch playing some really good football at times and working hard for each other. The goal tally this season has been incredible and the boys have scored some absolutely brilliant goals this season. Massive well done to Leo Tait, Finnlay Dunn and Alfie Sutton for

scoring 56 goals between them. And to all the rest of our goalscorer's brilliant effort. Just want to finish by saying a massive thank you to Nathan Sutton for running the line for us pretty much every home and away game. And Nick Forsythe for reffing some of our home games. And to all the other parents that help out on match day we appreciate you all. And a special thank you to our sponsor 79GROUP

Let's hope we can push on again next season and keep progressing in the right direction. UP THE COLTS!

Scoring (96) and conceding (20)



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UNDER 13 YELLOWS – JAMES BULLOCK

Our Players; Szymon Blozik, Riley Boughton, Max Brannigan, Arthur Brazier, Liam Bullock, Joey Calder, Jake Davidson, Maksym Kulyniak, Mario Landaverde Cruz, Finley Lewis, Liam Mann, Alexander Newman, Douglas Price, Benjamin Roberts, Arthur Shapcott, Nirusan Sureshkumar, Noah Woodger. Nathan Ghanney.

From the very first training session to our final match, the team this season has shown real character, we have faced challenges, had some tough games and enjoyed some brilliant performances- but through it all one thing that never changed was our attitude and commitment to each other. We saw new players come in and they have really added to the group and pushed us to the next level,

The start of the season we set one objective to improve from the season before, and I'm pleased to say the squad achieved this with ease, finishing 4th in the league winning 60 percent of our matches during the campaign. To the players you've improved individually and as a team your determination, team work and willingness to learn has shone through, you've all represented Hardwicke rangers with pride.

I would like to say a big thankyou to our sponsors Mermaid fish and chips Kingsholm, thank you so much for your support the kit has looked fantastic all season. To Kieron thankyou so much for stepping up every home game to be our referee I can't thank you enough.

As we look ahead, this season is just one step in your journey, take what you have learned, keep working hard and come back even stronger next year. Well done to every single one of you, thankyou and congratulations on a great season.

Jimmy



UNDER 13 GIRLS – VONNIE PARR

Coaches: Vonnice Parr, Teagan Gardner, Julian Harvey, Nathan Morgan, Hollie Morgan.

Players: Madeline Harvey, Lola Loveys, Victoria Hopwood, Nesiah Gbejewah, Maddison Morgan, Amelia Thompson, Ruby Mabbett, Leigh Higgs, Amelia Durnell, Erin Hopson, Elloise Trickey and Star Tyack, Bella Watts, Indie Bishop, Ava Jackson.



As we reflect on the season, you should all be incredibly proud of what we've achieved together. Across the 20 games we played and the 57 goals we scored, every single one of you has contributed to moving this team forward. Despite challenges such as cancelled matches due to poor pitch conditions, you showed real resilience, determination, and passion when it mattered most.

The progress in training has been outstanding. You've all developed your skills, grown in confidence, and consistently pushed yourselves to improve each session. Even with changes in the squad and dealing with injuries, you adapted brilliantly, supported one another, and always stepped up for the team. That attitude and commitment have made a real difference.

Off the pitch, the bond within this group has been just as important. Moments like our bowling trip showed the spirit, laughter, and unity that make this team special. Keep believing in yourselves, keep working hard, and keep pushing each other



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Just a few thank yous: First goes to our refs Benjamin Marshall and Nick Clements for keeping the games flowing and fair. Secondly thank you to our sponsors Compliance cube, and Mears, their kits have lasted yet another season and we still appreciate your donation. Thank you to the parents who give up their weekend to come and watch the girls play come rain or shine. And finally thank you to the team of coaches who have had a hand in helping set up pitches and help train the girls to be the best they can be, we couldn't do it without you!

Hollie



UNDER 14 COLTS – KIERAN BOYLE

Coach: Matt Payne

Players:- Charlie Boyle, Josh Payne, Daniel Adeyinka, Amari Suadwah, Riley Chew, Mason Jackson, Brody Hawker, Owen G, Lewis G, Archie Potter, Jaelan Samuels, Ryan Atkins, Harry Hopson, Jimmy Freeman, Leart Haziri, James Haile & Thomas Cane.

This season has been a much tougher one for the boys than my previous 2 as Manager. We have had some strong teams come into our division, B, with several being big and physical and at times we have struggled to match the top 3 sides in the league and suffered some heavy defeats against them. However, in the main we have competed very well against the rest of the teams in the league and have had some terrible luck in a few games too, but the boys have stuck at it through the whole season, which I must give them all massive credit for. It was nice to end the season with a big win too in a proper 6 pointer!

I welcomed Mat as my new number 2 at the back end of last season, and both he and his lad Josh had a very positive impact. Thanks for all your help this season Mat, with training and setting up before games, and for being my soundboard too, I genuinely appreciate everything you have done for the team. It will be sad to see you and Josh go and we will all miss you.

We also welcomed several new additions to the squad at the end of last season too, with Ryan, Daniel and Mason and all 3 of you have slotted in well and all added something to the team.

I want to thank all the boys who have played for us this season. Despite some of the losses, I have still thoroughly enjoyed it with you all and me and Mat know when you are on it, we genuinely play some attractive and slick attacking football.

As always, thanks to all the people “behind the scenes” at Hardwicke Rangers that put in so much work and effort every day to keep this club ticking over (Phil, Rich, Ben and Sophie to name just a few) You all do an incredible amount of work, so thank you!

A big thanks to all our parents again this season, for getting the boys to and from games and training, and the great support you give the boys week in week out, which is always positive!

To my wife Em, you have 3 football mad lads in the house and get football overload on a regular basis, so thank you from me and our boys for being our biggest supporter always.

I also want to say a special thank you to Jess, for the number of times you have run the line this season, and for getting me and Charlie to games too.

Lastly, my thanks also go to Steve, Scott, Pete and Stuart too for running the line for us this season.

Football wise, we sit 7th at the time of writing this. Having completed all our 16 league games, winning 3, drawing 3 and losing 10. It has been a tough season, but still, plenty of highlights.

4 games that stick out for me are: -

The 5-4 defeat away at A League Newent in the cup, where you played brilliantly and we were so unlucky not to get more from the game and progress in the cup, as well as that amazing atmosphere your parents created in that stadium, which was brilliant.

Barnwood Away, when we bagged an equaliser in the last minute to draw the game 1 all, in a game we probably deserved to win. The 8-1 win away at Sling (given the troubles we have had with that particular side for a couple of seasons now) this one I know, was for you and your parents a particularly sweet tasting result. And for me our standout performance of the year was beating Cotswold Rangers 5 nil away on the

last league game of the season, when we had to win to stand any chance of staying up.

Thanks again for all your efforts this season lads, it is a privilege to coach you all.

I am very much looking forward to carrying on next season; to continue to watch you develop as football players and watch your continued journey into becoming young men (hopefully we get some growth spurts soon and we can start matching some of these huge sides we keep facing haha).

Kieran



**We only
do
positive.**

UNDER 15 BLUES – JAMIE ALLEN

Coaches Jamie Allen and Steve Potter

It's a bit different writing this this year as we still have 2 games left. We currently sit 6th and the highest we could possibly finish is 5th. It's been a funny old season; we've sort of underachieved this year. Especially with the team I have now. We haven't really got the results we've deserved and especially the effort the boys put in. All our results have been close and just haven't been able to get the Ws more especially at the start of the season. We've beaten the top teams comfortably at least once and then drew with bottom of the league. But that's football.

Thanks to all the players,

Max, Quinn, Archie L, Archie U, Jack E, Harry, Jack W, Jacob, Rhys, Ollie, Aaron, Josh, Ahmad, Theo, Damo and Israel.

Thanks to our sponsors ARC MOT Quedgeley.

Thanks to the parents for there continued support, running the line, putting the nets up, helping find referees and the hardest part getting the boys to training and matches on time.

Thanks to Steve Potter for helping me with the team, without him I can't run this side. He's a big help and we've had a great time running side together.

It's been another enjoyable year coaching this group and possibly next year maybe the last? Who knows.

Also thanks to all the people at Hardwicke behind the scenes. Without you the club don't run. So thanks again.

Bring on season 26/27

Jamie



UNDER 15 YELLOWS – SIMON JENNINGS

Assistant Coaches: Bryon/Neil

Squad: Logan Nathaniel Kasper Thomas James B Ethan Callum Izaac Kaydon Jacob Aiden James D Alex Zach Harrison Alfie Jaden

On a whole it has been a productive season for the squad as we had an induction of new players that has gone really well. Credit to all players that have been asked to play a multitude of positions within games to support each other and different formations. Teamwork has been a massive factor this season and there has been major improvement from the start of the season to where we are now what has been great to see. Massive thank you to both my assistant coaches Bryon/Neil without both their efforts the team would not be able to function.

Simon



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UNDER 16 BLUES – KIRK PLANE

Coaches: Kirk Plane, Matt Meecham & Rich Wynn

This will be my final season review for this special group, as the youth football journey for these lads now comes to an end.

Going into the season, I was optimistic. We'd finished the previous campaign strongly with five wins from our last seven games, and all 19 players had signed on again. Progress up the league table felt possible. Instead, it turned out to be our unluckiest season—one we'll always wonder about. If only games ended at half-time! 😊

In our first five matches, we scored first and led 1–0 at half-time in every game. Unfortunately, we didn't manage to turn any of those into points. Our first win didn't come until 1 November, but it was worth the wait: a memorable 3–1 home victory against Quedgeley. Olly scoring the third goal and his celebration with players and coaches still makes me smile.

After such a tough first half of the season, you might have expected heads to drop. But not this group. Every player here today should be incredibly proud. Results were hard to take, but the spirit within the squad never faded. The friendships, laughter, and enjoyment at training and matches stayed strong throughout.

This team always showed up. They worked hard until the final whistle, battled for every ball, and never made things easy for the opposition. Teams knew they had to earn their points against us, with strong tackling, hard running, and a willingness to close down space.

Thank Yous

- **Matt and Rich** – thank you both for your outstanding commitment, coaching, and support. You helped the lads develop while making football fun.
- **Parents** – thank you for your constant support, getting the boys to training and matches, and always helping with pitch set-up and pack-down.
- **Lee and Steve** – for running the line and stepping in as referees when needed.
- **The club**, especially Rich and Phil – thank you for your guidance & support with pitch availability, registrations, and referee support.

And finally, **to the players**: thank you for listening, respecting, and trusting us. You gave 100% week in, week out, and made us extremely proud. I hope you all continue your football journeys—next season or further down the line.

I've loved being your coach for the past five years. I hope the friendships you've built here stay with you for life.

Youth football done! 🏆

Kirk

The squad 2025/26: Alfie Meecham, Carlos Goncalves, Joe Cruise, Lucas Snowdon, Oliver Childs, Ryan Plane, Parker Brogden, Nate Baines-Evans, Alex Bird, Tom Mooney, Goncalo Correia, Connor Harron, Jack Herbert, Victor Ozimek, Lucas Sheppard, Jack Steed, Oscar Still, Jakub Jankiewicz & Connor Wynn.



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Saturday 4TH & Sunday 5TH July 2026

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Sat 4 th July	06.00	Tournament Set up
Sat 4 th July	8.30 – 13.00	Tournament Help – Stalls, Car park etc
	13.00 – 18.00	
Sun 5 th July	7.00	Tournament Set up Day 2
Sun 5 th July	8.30 – 13.00	Tournament Help – stalls, car park etc
	13.00 – 19.00	

Thank You!