

ST. ALBANS CITY YOUTH F.C.

Club Platinum Partner



Affiliated to:

Hertfordshire County F.A.

Club Disability Partner



Dear Players, Managers, Coaches and friends of St Albans City Youth,

Let me again, express on behalf of the Club, our best wishes to you all. Our thoughts at this challenging time go out to all involved in the City Youth family. The Trustees and Management Committee urge you to look after each other and to continue to follow all the Government Advice and Guidance.

We met via Video Conference last night (Thursday) to discuss several topics as we continue to confront the challenges provided by COVID-19. We feel that regular communication is paramount at present and as promised, we intend to share as much relevant information as possible with you all.

Please be advised of the following,

Events

Annual Club Presentation Day (Saturday 20th June)

The Alban Arena have confirmed cancellation of this year's event. At our next meeting then Trustees will consider the feasibility of producing a Brochure/Yearbook as well as the awarding of 100/200 Club Appearances plaques.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding must remain at the forefront of everything we do. Despite the fact that we are not playing and training at present we still all have a role to play in safeguarding our young people. If you have concerns about any of your players wellbeing at such a challenging time please escalate any issues to Club Welfare Officer, Ian Woods. Please remember if your DBS is due to expire – again please contact Ian. ian.829woods@btinternet.com

We have started the process to register an additional four DBS Verifiers with the FA DBS team so that, as and when, things return to normality we will be well prepared to deal with the multiple DBS applications that may require processing.

Pitch Maintenance

Herts FA and have now furloughed the majority of their staff. As would be expected, the Football Foundation and their partners at the Institute of Green Keepers have placed the Pitch Improvement Programme on hold. We will therefore not be able to have our pitches upgraded through this route before September. The Club will be speaking to all of our landlords, including the Highfield Trust, regarding pitch remediation work over the summer.



F.A. CHARTER STANDARD COMMUNITY CLUB

www.cityyouthfc.com info@cityyouthfc.com

www.facebook.com/StAlbansCityYouthFC Twitter @CityYouthFC

Registered Charity No. 1089343

ST. ALBANS CITY YOUTH F.C.

Club Platinum Partner



Affiliated to:

Hertfordshire County F.A.

Club Disability Partner



Onboarding of New managers and Teams

As usual the Club will be welcoming new teams in our younger age groups in both our boy's and girl's sections as teams form following Saturday Morning Soccer School and Wildcats sessions. We will be looking to hold Video Conferences with potential Managers and Coaches in the coming weeks.

Players Registration for 2020/21

We are working on further to improvements to the Booking Section of the website at present. We hope to have the new and improved player Registration section ready by mid-May. Please can we urge all managers to organise the Registration of their players at the earliest opportunity this year. More details will follow as soon as they are available.

Community News – Train at Home Syllabus & Friday 'Show and Tell'

Our Football Development Mangers, Charlie Boswell and Anthony Gosling, have been doing outstanding work on behalf of the Club and our players in developing a Train at Home Syllabus and sharing it widely across our social media channels. The Syllabus is primarily aimed at our younger age groups starting with KS1 (Saturday Soccer School and Wildcats) through to U12/13. To date, the boys have got 172 players signed up to the scheme and it continues to grow daily. Charlie has been asked to share it with the Herts Development League who are going to share it with their member clubs across the County. On Friday's the boys are also running a 'Show and Tell' session. Please contact Charlie charlie.boswell@cityyouthfc.com or Anthony anthony.gosling@cityyouthfc.com if you have any queries.

Kindest

Sam Mardle

Chair of Trustees, St Albans City Youth FC



F.A. CHARTER STANDARD COMMUNITY CLUB

www.cityyouthfc.com info@cityyouthfc.com

www.facebook.com/StAlbansCityYouthFC Twitter @CityYouthFC

Registered Charity No. 1089343