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First of all may I wish everyone a Happy New Year.

HOWARD WEBB

We are extremely proud that our Honary Vice President has been awarded the M.B.E. in the New Years honours list. What a year he has had , how does he top that ? We send our heartfelt congratulations to Howard and his family.

WEATHER

In all my years of football I have never known such bad weather as we have had over the last couple of months, certainly not at this stage of a season. Traditionally February is the month when we have most postponements due to weather and if this is the case this year then the leagues are going to have a very difficult task in ensuring that their fixtures are completed.

As a club we are in communication with all the leagues and discussing ways of ensuring the season is completed.

With regard to our own facilities we have now reached agreement with Phoenix and Brinsworth Comp whereby we shall carryout our own pitch inspections before deciding if games are on or off rather than them being called off early by ground staff.

During the cold spell we had a pipe burst in our cabin which resulted in it being closed for the first fixtures after New Year, but repairs have now been carried out and the cabin will be open as usual.

TRAINING

We have had problems obviously with our facilities at Aurora with the weather and unfortunately on many occasions have had to cancel training at the last moment due to their inability to make surfaces safe etc, but we are not willing to take risks with the player's safety.

PHOENIX

Our relationship with Phoenix is still in its infancy and as always in cases like this there have been a few teething problems.

1. Parking. As you know due to the number of games being played on Sundays and the use of facilities by their own members, parking has been somewhat difficult. You will see that where the old cricket nets used to be there is now some construction work taking place, this is an extension to the car park for use on a Sunday by Brinsworth Whitehill this leaving the spaces near the squash courts for the golf section and two senior games taking place each week.

2. Bar. Can parents please ensure that before entering the bar area all players remove their football boots and, don't sit on the seats with muddy kit on, thank you.

We are having meeting on a regular basis with Phoenix to discuss our use of the facilities both on the short and long term, and we are confident that we will build up a very good long term relationship with them.

CHARTER STANDARD

We are pleased and proud to announce that our COMMUNITY CHARTER STANDARD has been renewed for a further 12 months, and we thank everyone for their hard work and dedication enabling this to be achieved.

Your Club Needs You!

Without the assistance of volunteers, special events, such as the presentation evening, parish council gala and bonfire, would not be the success they are. However, it is frequently the same people attending, normally the manager and/or assistant. It has been suggested that each section has one named representative to assist in these events, thus relieving the pressure on people who have many other duties to undertake.

If you could be that person, then make yourself known to the team manager!

Summer Gala

Next Summers gala
will take place on

Sat 18th June

Boys 7, 9, 11, 13, 15

Girls 10, 13

Sun 19th June

Boys 8, 10, 12, 14, 16

Girls 11, 15

Upcoming Social Events

Since last time we have had 3 social events which have all been successful and were enjoyed by many.

The next event is March 12th with Complete Madness at Phoenix. This band is very popular and usually results in a total sell out. Tickets are available at £5 each details from your management team.

This years sporting evening will now be on November 4th at Consort Suite and details will be given out soon. Our usual October social will now be turned over to the ladies as a night for them. Any ideas please send to me or Glynn Perry treasurer@bwjfc.com

Presentation Nights

As part of our commitment in moving our base to Phoenix we have agreed that we will not be using Magna this year and instead will hold 5 nights at Phoenix.

These are as follows:-

6th May Academy and Under 7's

7th May Under 8's, Under 9's, Under 10's and Under 10's Girls.

14th May Under 11's Under 12's, Under 13's and Under 11 Girls.

20th May Under 14's , Under 15's, Under 16's also Under 13 and Under 15 Girls.

21st May Under 18's and Seniors.

We feel that these will be more intimate nights, shorter and the players will receive the attention they deserve

Meetings

Most Sundays during and outside the season our General Committee meet to discuss the day to day running of the club. This committee consists of our Executive committee plus at least one representative from each team. All these meetings are open to you as members of the club and if you have anything to say or just want to see how decisions are made then please feel free to attend. All these meeting commence at 7.30pm in the Phoenix.

During January and early February we are meeting with individual section management to discuss their sections so again any problems or suggestions please pass on to them or to our secretary.

Members Draw

Members draw takes place each week with draws for £50, £30 and 2 X £10 Due to room and the fact that this is the first newsletter since the start of the season we are unable to print them all here. Please see your managers for a full list of winners.

Academy

Our Academy on Friday nights is proving once again to be very popular under the guidance of Justin Carpenter. During the next month we will be looking towards next season when they become Under 7's. Part of this process is to identify and put in place a management team for next season. If anyone would like to be considered for this then please let themselves be known to Justin over the next few weeks.

I am sorry that this newsletter is so long , we have realised as a committee that communication from us is a problem , however on our defence we are all working full time and have asked for volunteers to help put together newsletters etc without much success. Therefore this has left us waiting for me to be on holiday to write this one. My next holiday is end of March so hopefully we will have the next copy available then. Thank you **Jan Walker** Secretary.