



NEWSLETTER – Issue 05 – October 2015

INTRODUCTION

Hi everyone,

We have some exciting news for all our **Junior Blues** members, and that is that our annual and **EXCLUSIVE** “Meet the Players Day” will be taking place on Tuesday, 27th October at Boots and Laces.

This is your chance to come along and watch a training session, before having the opportunity to chat to your favourite players, get autographs and have photos taken. Further details are inside this newsletter.

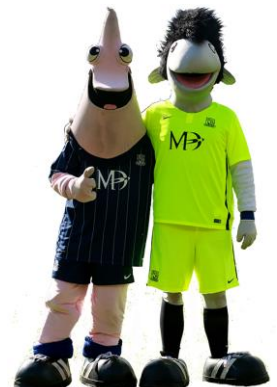
We have the fairly local away game at Gillingham FC coming up on 24th October, just a few days before our “Meet the Players Day” and would love to see as many of you there as possible supporting our boys.

Also inside this newsletter are a couple of instances of **Junior Blues** and things they’ve got up to in the course of supporting our wonderful boys! Scott Doherty got to be a mascot at the away game last season at Shrewsbury, when they contacted us and asked if we could supply one, and Liam Oliver got to be interviewed on BBC Essex at Wembley in the lead up to that memorable Play Off final.

As always, we’re always on the look out for members to take part in things like this when they come up, and in plenty of other things, including Player of the Month presentations. Drop us an email to juniors@shrimperstrust.co.uk especially if you’ve worn your Southend United shirt abroad on holiday this Summer, send us in a photo telling us where you were and we’ll try and print some.

UTB!

Sammy and Elvis



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PLAYER OF THE MONTH

Just one Player of the Month award so far this season, and it's for August. This was won by popular defender **Ben Coker**, who was presented with his trophy by **Junior Blues members, brothers Luke and Robert Clarke.**



Did you know.....each time a player wins the Player of the Month award, the Shrimpers Trust makes a £50 donation to a charity of their choice? In Ben's case, that charity is **Diabetes UK.**

Don't forget.....we are always on the look out for **Junior Blues** to present the trophy. Make yourself known to us by taking part in competitions, activities or sending in articles or photos and you stand a MUCH greater chance of being selected!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO LET US KNOW IF YOUR ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGES. EITHER EMAIL US YOURSELF OR ASK YOUR PARENT TO AT:

juniors@shrimperstrust.co.uk

IF ANY OF THOSE CHANGE. THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT AS WE USE EMAIL TO CONTACT MEMBERS AS THE QUICKEST WAY OF LETTING THEM KNOW OF THINGS GOING ON AT SHORT NOTICE, AS, FOR INSTANCE, IN THE CASE OF "MEET THE BLUES DAY". THANK YOU!

SOME OF YOU MAY HAVE SEEN THE EXCELLENT T-SHIRT BY ART OF NOISE COMMEMORATING OUR WEMBLEY PLAY OFF WIN. THIS IS NOW AVAILABLE FROM ART-OF-FOOTBALL.COM FOR JUST £12 FOR CHILDRENS SIZES



PLEASE QUOTE JB ADMINISTRATOR, KAY FOGG'S NAME IF ORDERING



Our annual **Junior Blues' "MEET THE PLAYERS DAY"** will be taking place again this season, during October half term, on Tuesday 27th October, at the training ground at Boots and Laces.

This event will be from 11.00 a.m. and will involve being able to watch the training session, then meeting the players and getting autographs and photos afterwards, followed by pizza and refreshments.

Because this was such a well supported event last year, and we want to ensure there is enough food and drink to go round, we are asking that members please ask their parents/carers to BOOK them in. This can be done in one of two ways:

- ❖ By email to: ***juniors@shrimpertrust.co.uk*** - stating your name and membership number, or
- ❖ At SUFC ticket office, IN PERSON, or on match days, in the Shrimpers Bar. Again, we require your name and membership number.

****This event is FREE to Junior Blues and is exclusively for Junior Blues only****

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please note, toilet facilities for this event are limited, and that children will be outdoors for the duration.



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AWAY TRAVEL

Book a place by visiting the Trust website at www.shrimperstrust.co.uk/travel.asp or call Clare Brooks on 07892 905338. Online bookings now require payment to be made.

Junior Blues are entitled to one free travel per season, with an accompanying adult, to a league game of their choice.

Under 16s must be accompanied and travel for the fantastic bargain price of just £10!

A full set of Away Travel Terms and Conditions can be found at www.shrimperstrust.co.uk



CHESTERFIELD FC

Tuesday, 20th October 2015

Adult, Student & OAP Members - £ 20.00
Junior Blues - £ 10.00
Non Members - £ 25.00

ROOTS HALL 13:00
THE ELMS 13:10
HADLEIGH CHURCH 13:15
TARPOTS CORNER 13:25
THE WATERMILL 13.40
FORTUNE OF WAR 13.45



GILLINGHAM FC

Saturday, 26th October 2015

Adult, Student & OAP Members - £ 10.00
Junior Blues - £ 10.00
Non Members - £ 15.00

ROOTS HALL 11:30
THE ELMS 11:40
HADLEIGH CHURCH 11:45
TARPOTS CORNER 11.55
THE WATERMILL 12.10
FORTUNE OF WAR 12.15

TOP TRAVELLER

We run a "Top Traveller" award for both adult members of the Trust and for the Junior Blues, the Junior who travels the most miles with the Trust will receive a special award at the end of the season.

So far this season up to and including the Burton Game, we have travelled 2006 miles and leading the Junior Blues' Top Traveller Award is Ryan Benson with 372 miles. Second is Callum Turp with 340 miles and joint third are Harry Hurd, Kyle Overall & Faye Short with 260 miles.



One year old **Edee Hawker** supporting the team from South Lower with her family!

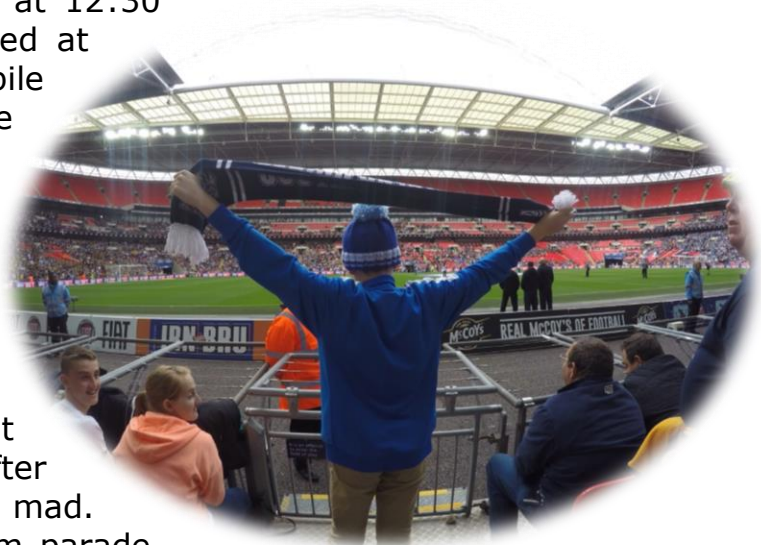


13 year old **Scott Doherty** at Shrewsbury away last season, having been invited to be mascot for the game.

13 year old **Liam Oliver's** account of his day at Wembley!

"We arrived at Roots Hall for the coach at 12:30 feeling a little nervous. When we arrived at Wembley we went to the BBC Essex mobile studio to have an interview about the match. We were asked to predict the score and I predicted we would win on penalties!! The atmosphere inside Wembley Stadium was crazy. I can't explain my emotions after the Joe Pigott equaliser as we were jumping up and down singing and chanting. I had to turn my back on all of the penalties except the winning save from Dan Bentley. After the save the stadium erupted and I went mad.

It was something special seeing the team parade around Wembley with the cup. We left Roots Hall to travel to Wembley with it being a league 2 stadium and arrived later that evening with it being league 1. I will remember that day forever!"



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all our Junior Blues who have had their birthdays recently:

- 16 – Daniel Ovens & Harry O'Connor
15 – Elliot Benopoulos-Jones; Thomas Springer; Henry Hinton; Mitchell Wiseman; Luke Clarke & Charli Day
14 – Jack Chaney; Matt Read; Ben Stanley & Matthew Russell
13 – Louis Chapman; Charlotte Williams; Taylah Bland & Kieran Lowe
12 – Finlay White & Joshua Blackburn
11 – Kyle Overall; Scott Mayes; Ollie Nicks; Cameron McWilliams; Tommy Bullard; Daniel Jones & Harry Thompson
10 – Nathan Williams; Sam Mailes; Jody Taylor & Luan Gjolen
9 – Dylan Smith; James Russell; Tommy Woodcock; Reuben Boxcer; Mark Petchey; Ivan Collier-Smith; Alex Fentiman & Kieran Butler
8 – Charlie Larn; Alfie Thomas; Taylor Clark; Matthew Sawh & Emma Humphrey
7 – Ellis Cross; Harrison Bessant & Thomas Turp
6 – Isobelle Manning; Jack Manning & Henry Mills
4 – Bethany Welham; John Welham; Tommy Ramsey; Macie Royal & Oscar Soussana
3 – Evie Cross 2 – Oscar Woodford

And, celebrating their 1st birthdays – Edee Hawker; Kaitlin Brookes and Jack Bird

Finally, belated Happy 8th Birthdays to Finlay Barney & Josh Graham, and 6th to Zach Graham, who were unfortunately missed off the last newsletter.

