





#### **INTRODUCTION**

Hi everyone, hope you're all getting excited for your Summer holidays literally just around the corner! Have a wonderful time whatever you're up to, and don't forget to send us in photos of you in your Southend top on your holidays.

It's time for many of you to renew your memberships to carry on taking advantage of all the wonderful things on offer to our young supporters as part of the **Junior Blues**. Details are in the process of being sent to you in the post, however, we've also included an application form in this newsletter. Please mark it as "RENEWAL".

Information for **MEET THE BLUES DAY** on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> July is also included in this newsletter, this is always a fun day with loads to do and the chance to meet your favourite Southend footballers. Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control, we don't have a competition this year for you all to enter for the launch of the new kit but this will still be happening. We do have a new colour for our away kit this year – anyone want to have a guess what it's going to be?!

It's always time to say "goodbye" to some of our favourites at the end of the football year, and this season, we'd like to wish Will Atkinson, Adam Thompson and David Mooney well with their new clubs. On the flip side, we'd also like to welcome defender Michael Turner and welcome back former loanee Stephen Hendrie, and former player, Michael Kightly!

See you all at Boots and Laces on 30th July!





Sammy and Elvis



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Insert membership form here for renewals

#### **PLAYER OF THE MONTH**

The final Player of the Month award, for March, was won by Nile Ranger, and was presented by Junior Blues members, twins Bethany and John Welham.

Don't forget that any of you can be in with the chance of presenting this award next season – just get involved!



#### JUNIOR BLUES PLAYER OF THE YEAR 2016/17

At this year's Shrimpers Trust "End of Season Awards" Evening, we were delighted to announce Simon Cox as the Junior Blues Player of the Year for 2016/17.



Here is Simon being presented with his award by Junior Blues member, Ben Mahoney, who was randomly selected to present the award from amongst those members nominating.

#### MEET THE BLUES DAY – 30<sup>th</sup> JULY 2017

Meet the Blues Day will this year be held on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> July, at Boots & Laces, as usual. Lots of fun and games for everyone, the opportunity to watch training, a veteran SUFC game, reportedly including legend Duncan Jupp this year, and the opportunity to get plenty of autographs from your favourite players.



It's at this event that we normally have the "BIG REVEAL" on what our new kits are going to be for the coming season, which we usually like to involve our **Junior Blues** members in. Last year, members **Ash Collins** and **Holly Marjurum** were lucky enough to be chosen to be involved in the kit launch, along with Blues' Mark Oxley, Ryan Leonard and Simon Cox.



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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.

For the forthcoming season, **Junior Blues** will once again be entitled to one free travel per season to a league game of their choice, on the official travel coaches organised by the

Shrimpers Trust, as long as they are with an accompanying adult.

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

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

Away travel will not be available for the pre-season friendly fixtures.

#### 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.

The final figures for the top 5 from this year's **Junior Blues** competition are as follows:

In 1<sup>st</sup> place, and retaining his Top Traveller status for a 2<sup>nd</sup> year is.....

**Callum Turp**, who travelled 5656 miles Well done Callum, you'll be receiving your award soon!

In 2<sup>nd</sup> place – **Reuben Fuente**, who travelled 2914 miles In 3<sup>rd</sup> – **Scott Doherty**, who travelled 1050 miles In 4<sup>th</sup> – **Liam Oliver**, who travelled 1002 miles And in 5<sup>th</sup> place – **Evan Edwards**, who travelled 882 miles

Well done everyone, and thank you for travelling with the Trust!

### **SENDING LOVE & BEST WISHES**

Everyone involved with the Junior Blues, Southend United Football Club and the Shrimpers Trust was really sad to hear of the recent very sudden and tragic loss of Mrs Carli Lansley, the mum of **Junior Blues** members **Jessica** and **Ethan Lansley**.

Jess and Ethan have been prominent and pro-active members of the **Junior Blues** since joining, and the whole family have enjoyed spending time both at home and away games. We send both of them and their father, Karl, our love and hope to see them soon.



To all our Junior Blues who have had their birthdays recently: 15 – Timothy Nyathi 13 - Fenn Leverett 12 - Matthew Stanford; Tyler Moore; Harry Hayes; Millie Day: Harry Goodier: Tommy Ellicot: Callum Pope; Ryan Fox & Daniel Milchard 11 - Lilian Hart; Henry Godard; Harry Smith; Luke Hughes; Samuel Philpot; Jack Cross; Marcus Hughes & Oliver Blogg 10 - Callum Marimo; Lennon Jameson; Zak Watkins; Dylan Wood; Ella Brodie; Freddy Beszelzen; Danny Connelly; Alfie Charlesworth & William Sanders 9 – Liam Guinea; Ethan Lawson; Evan Edwards; Albie Sheehy; Max Malone; Elliot Darkin; Ross Watkins; Blake Priddle & Eva Askew 8 – Tallulah-Mae Czabanowycz; Callum Willis; Declan Dear; Benjamin Trott; Michael Thorogood; George Gaskin; Lewis Buffin; Callum Cooper; George Morrissey; Rio Connelly; Reece Fox; Oliver Cornish; Leon Dearlove; Lily Jones & Nathan Jones 7 – Zack Whiteman; Stanley Stubbs; William Cross; Oliver Oanes; Ben Fox; William Verner; Charles Lawes Doulton; Owen Harrington & Jake Smith (yes, we have two Jake Smiths with birthdays!) 6 – Jake Smith; Braedan Murray & Sophie Paton 5 – Harry Wing & Paddy Treacy 4 - Amelia Pope 2 – Sapphire Peters ↔ Cassie Mae Hardiman 1 - Sebastian Beedle & Edie Guy We'd also like to welcome to the JB world Emilie Lamb who was born in June!



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