

# Junior Blues

NEWSLETTER – Issue 25 – January 2019

## INTRODUCTION

Hi everyone,

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

I hope you've all had totally amazing Christmas and New Year breaks and that some of you were lucky enough to get new SUFC tops for Christmas!

We had a great Christmas party early on in December, with some of the players coming along and joining in, or giving out presents. I even joined in a bit and got to be in loads of photos with you all!

On the pitch, we're in a very similar position to this time last year in the league, hopefully we'll have some players coming in during the transfer window in January who can help us push on and try to get into the play off positions. Of course, that might mean that we lose a few players, but, as always, we will send them off with our thanks and wish them all well as they move on.

Four home games out of five this month, so plenty to get excited about at Roots Hall, including seeing if we can progress into the quarter finals of the Checktrade Trophy!

As always, don't forget to give me a shout out if you see me in and around Roots Hall, and please ask your parents or guardians to share photos that they take of you with me on Twitter [@shrimp\\_sammy](https://twitter.com/shrimp_sammy) – I always like to see them!



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## PLAYER OF THE MONTH



Blues' loanee defender from Bristol City, **Taylor Moore**, was the recipient of the Player of the Month award for October.

On the left here, Taylor's being presented with his trophy by **Junior Blues** members, **Harry** and **Ethan Harrigan**.

November's award was won by our very own **Junior Blues** Ambassador, **John White**.

On the right, John is being presented with his trophy by **Junior Blues** member, **Jenson Sparkes**.

Voting is currently open for the December Player of the Month award to all Shrimpers Trust members via the Shrimpers Trust website.



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## CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year's **Junior Blues** Christmas Party was held, once again at **Play Football, Southend**, and included one hour of football activities with the SUCET coaching team, followed by food and an entertainer for 80 lucky **Junior Blues**.

The event took place on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, after school – and luckily the weather held pretty well, although there was a little light drizzle towards the end of the outside activity.

The children were split into two groups and played 11+ v 11+ matches with Southend United first team players joining in.

The 8s and unders had Stephen McLaughlin, Sam Mantom and Ted Smith joining in with them, and the 9s and overs had Stephen Hendrie and Theo Robinson joining in with them. One memorable moment some of you may have been shown was when **Junior Blues** member, **Jenson Sparkes**, performed a “rainbow flick” right in front of Stephen McLaughlin – Macca’s face was a picture, so much so, the Club made it into a GIF! Here’s the link to it on Twitter, which you may need to ask an adult to help you with: <https://twitter.com/SUFCRootsHall/status/1072179347774234625>



After pizza, chicken strips and entertainment, John White, Nathan Bishop, Harry Bunn, Rob Kiernan, Ted and of course, Sammy, gave out the Christmas presents and posed for photos.

We hope everyone had a great time, and would like to express our thanks to the players, to Sammy and the coaches from SUCET who helped make this event possible.



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## AWAY TRAVEL



Book a place by visiting the Trust website at [www.shrimperstrust.co.uk/travel.asp](http://www.shrimperstrust.co.uk/travel.asp) or call **Lesley Hicks** 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 [www.shrimperstrust.co.uk](http://www.shrimperstrust.co.uk)

  
**BRADFORD CITY**  
**Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019**  
Adult, Student & OAP Members - £ 25.00  
Non-members - £ 30.00  
Junior Blues - £ 10.00

ROOTS HALL	08:00
THE ELMS	08:10
HADLEIGH CHURCH	08:15
TARPOTS CORNER	08:25
THE WATERMILL	08:40
FORTUNE OF WAR	08:45

  
**CHARLTON ATHLETIC**  
**Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019**  
Adult, Student & OAP Members - £ 10.00  
Non-members - £ 15.00  
Junior Blues - £ 10.00

ROOTS HALL	11:45
THE ELMS	11:55
HADLEIGH CHURCH	12:00
TARPOTS CORNER	12:10
THE WATERMILL	12:25
FORTUNE OF WAR	12:30

## TOP TRAVELLER

The Top Traveller competition for this season is up and running, and positions are as follows with a familiar name leading the pack:

1 <sup>st</sup> – Callum Turp	3,402
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Kieron Smith	2,540
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Robert Snell	992
4 <sup>th</sup> – Scott Doherty	826
5 <sup>th</sup> – Luke Tough-Bookham	804

Thank you to everyone who travels with the Trust this season, don't forget **Junior Blues** can claim one free travel per member per season as part of their membership and a fixed price of £10 at all other times. Might be worth considering free travel for the Charlton game perhaps, if not already used?

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*To all Junior Blues who have their birthdays in January and February:*

**16** - Jack Bunting-Smith; Milly Harrington; Oliver Sellick & Reece Stubbings

**15** - Luke Chitticks; Stanley Clayton; James Cockell; Reuben Fuente; Benjamin Houghton; Henry Kolton; Shaun Laing & Oily McMahon

**14** - Adam French; Maddison Fuller; Alfie Jeeves; Archie Sheppard; Reggie Smith & Henry Stearman

**13** - Freddie Baker; Riley Buffin; Rian Cleary; Freddy Colbourn; James Crutchlow; Finlay Kipps; Taylor Knighton Brooks; Aaron Mayfield; Katrina Mayfield; Amelia Morgan & Harry Reeves

**12** - Elizabeth Brown; Rachel Burns Gordon; Daniel Finn; Jack Goodier; Aaron Harris; Jake Lepage; Ben Morgan; Tyler Scyfang; India Smith; Kaileen Smith; Charlie Stansbury; Reece Watkins; Bobby Whitehead & Freddy Wilson

**11** - Lewis Callaghan; Jake Chapman; Millie Field; Tyler Fitch; David Fitzgerald; Noah Hammond; Isabelle Jarentowski; Alex Jaworski; Alan Kirkland; Rohan Panchal; Liam Radley; William Stearman; Michael Tiller; Isaac Waters & Ben Wing

**10** - Joshua Barnes; Morgan Cheesman; Harrison Chism; Samuel Denkmayer; Joseph Fleury; Tommy Gower; Jack Hilson; Adam Jell; Tom Lipscombe; Sonny Phillips; Harry Poplar; Oliver Redgrave; Emily Sanders; Murray Williams; Dylan Wilson & Dylan Woolard

**9** - Ben Archard; Leo Caplan; Ethan Clarke; Lewis Dunbar-Jeeves; Baxter Evans; Tyrese Greensword; Jake Harvey; Jack Horncastle; Brandon King; Noah Mathers; Liam McGill; Logan Parnell; Alena Pattle; Erin Radley; George Ragaman; Zachary Rushton; Jenson Sparkes; Luke Tiller; Finlay Toplis; Ethan Williams; Jake Williams & Oliver Wright

**8** - Sidney Beresford; Samuel Brodie; Harry Brown; Ryan Dodd; Arben Gjolena; Riley Hughes; James Lewis; Samuel Lowry; Grace Murdoch; Roger Olive; Jack Waller-Sealey; Jake White & Ryan Yates

**7** - Toby Cornish; James Dampier; Oliver Denkmayer; Oscar Field; Matilda Harrison; Jack Hill; Ronnie Hogan; Poppy Lindsay; Catrina Lyons; Lewis Poplar; Lily Porter; Jayden Smith; Roman Virgo & Connor Willis

**6** - Dexter Chism; Demi Edmunds; Josh Edmunds; Jackson Lewis; Joseph Mitchell & Lucas Tanner

**5** - Thomas Bacon; Ellis Lowe; Evan Roberts & Hayden Roche

**4** - Fletcher Bacon & Bobby Lewis-Hossack

**3** - Freddy Foreman

And finally, Freya Collins, who is 2

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE!**

