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Following on from the lovely weather last Sunday, it looks as if we will be blessed with some similar conditions tomorrow. Hopefully everyone will have an enjoyable footballing Sunday. This week's hot topic revolves around the confirmation of matches – both with opponents and match referees. Despite circulating some reminders a couple of weeks ago, there are still some issues of games not being confirmed in a timely manner. Please can you note the below and ensure that your managers / administrators / match secretaries are aware of their responsibilities:-

- The HOME TEAM is required to confirm the details of the fixture by 9pm on the Tuesday night (prior to the Sunday). This confirmation should be made to both the opponents and the match referee (as appointed by the Bedfordshire Football Association)
- If confirmation is made either by email or a message being left, please follow this up to ensure that the message has been received
- If the Bedfordshire Football Association are unable to appoint a referee, notification will show CLUB REFEREE. In this instance, clubs are asked to source their own referee (this can be in agreement between both teams) and if a referee is successfully sourced, please notify Mike Desborough (Referee Liaison Officer, Bedfordshire Football Association – mike.desborough@bedfordshirefa.com). Mike will continue to attempt to source a referee if he does not hear from you and if he manages to source an official, this referee will take priority over any official you have sourced. So by notifying Mike you will avoid wasting people's time and any unnecessary frustration
- If the AWAY TEAM has not received confirmation of the match, then please make contact with the home team to seek details of the game. DO NOT assume that the game is on / at the location given on Full-time / at the time indicated on Full-time. My advice would be to pick up the phone and if you are unable to contact the manager, then attempt the club secretary. If all attempts have been exhausted then please feel free to contact myself, but do not leave it until Saturday night to chase!!!

CLUB AGREEMENT FORM

Please remember that in last week's update there was an attachment containing the CYFL Club Agreement Form. This needs to be completed, signed and returned to me by **Friday 9th October**. I am happy to accept either scanned copies or hardcopies via the post – whichever format is more convenient for you.

HANDBOOK AMENDMENTS

Attached to this update are the latest Handbook Amendments; please can you ensure that these details are circulated to managers and administrators. Should you have any amendments to the Club Directory (as published in the CYFL Handbook), please let me know asap and I will circulate these new details.

TONY GEE CONTACT NUMBER

Please note that Tony Gee (Fixture Secretary) has a new mobile number - **07999 404262**.

TRANSFERS

Please note that the transfer window opens from **1st October**. Attached to this update you will find the transfer form and instructions. Please note that transfers will be completed by myself, as opposed to the Registration Secretaries. Also please follow the instructions as detailed to avoid any unnecessary delays. And finally please note that I will not enter into correspondence with parents concerning transfers, so please do not direct parents or players to me; correspondence will only be made to the clubs involved in the transfer itself.

CYFL WEBSITE



Please remember that the league website – www.chilternyouthfootballleague.co.uk is now live and fully operational. We would like to invite all clubs to contact us with any articles, news items, tournaments or information that they would like us to post; we can even add links from the CYFL website to your club websites. Also you will find archived versions of these weekly updates on the website, should you need to check back for any information.

INCLUSION ADVISORY GROUP (Bedfordshire Football Association)

Bedfordshire FA is recruiting volunteers to sit on our new Inclusion Advisory Group. Attached to this email is a document containing some details of the group. If you are interested, please contact the Bedfordshire Football Association directly.

Have a great footballing weekend!