Community Newsletter





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KI LANDS £10,000 SPONSORSHIP

In a huge development for the continued growth of the KI, we are beyond excited to confirm that national housebuilders, Cala, have become our sponsors for the 2023/24 season.



The 5-figure deal will allow the KI to employ a parttime administrator/coach to enable the provision of more free coaching sessions. KI founder and director, Richard Gale, said "We have been in discussions with Cala since the beginning of the year and it quickly became clear that there is great alignment in the thinking of the two organisations when it comes to supporting our local community. The £10,000 will help us take the KI to the next level." The funding formed part of Cala's 2023 Community Pledge initiative, which exists to provide a positive, measurable impact tailored to the local community.

This includes donations, volunteering, learning programmes, support initiatives and more. Kevin Flint, Senior Land Manager at Cala Thames, said:

"At Cala we strongly believe in investing in the communities our developments form a part of, and the Community Pledge is a great example of that."

Experienced Level 1 & 2 coaches required by the KI

Due to huge demand we are looking to expand our free coaching provision on Saturday mornings and Monday evenings and are looking for experienced coaches to take on new



sessions. Monday evenings will require minimum Level 2 qualification. Paid positions. Enquiries in the first instance to:

andrew.white@pooletownfc.co.uk

PLAY THE BH COASTAL LOTTERY AND SUPPORT THE KI



The Kids Initiative are now a registered beneficiary for anyone who wants to have fun playing a lottery whilst supporting a good

cause.

You can play from just £1 a week with a top prize of £25,000. 60p of every £ is given back to the local community, 50p to the KI and 10p to the Lottery's own local fund for good causes.

For further information & to play click the link below:

<u>Join In Today</u>



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FREE COACHING SESSIONS EXPAND TO WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

A round up of current FREE coaching sessions

Saturday mornings – currently on summer break, returning Saturday 2nd September 2023. Separate classes for boys and girls in Reception to Year 2. Registration open late August.

Monday evenings – currently on summer break returning Monday 14th August 2023. Reception to Year 4, currently full with long waiting list.

Wednesday evenings – currently on summer break returning Wednesday 16th August.

5.30 -6.30pm Girls only Yrs 5-8. 6.30-7.30pm mixed group Yrs 5-6 (for those NOT in grassroots teams). For more visit the new <u>Coaching Page</u>

IN MEMORIAM BERT PARK AND CLIVE TOVEY

The KI are extremely grateful to the friends and families of Bert and Clive, both of whom have recently passed away, for donations being made to the KI in their memory. Bert, a lifetime supporter of Poole Town, was also a grassroots coach for children in his younger days. Clive, a long- time resident of the area, liked the opportunity the KI gave for disadvantaged children to play sport free of charge. Donations are still coming in and we have received over £400 so far which is hugely appreciated.

KIDS INITIATIVE & POOLE TOWN FC WESSEX CONVERT TO CIC STATUS



Another major development, in what has been a busy summer, is that the KI has become an entity of its own by becoming a Community Interest Company (CIC).

The new company will have no shareholders as it is operated for the benefit of the community and is designed to assist in the search for grants and sponsorship.

At the same time, our affiliated grassroots club, PTFC Wessex has also made the same move. The timing has coincided as the current team, who have run PTFCW for the last 20 years, are stepping down.

Lee Prout, the Chairman, will remain and the day to day running of the club will be handled by Andy White who becomes Vice Chairman.

We are very excited at the new arrangement as Andy already contributes a lot to the KI and we see the 2 organisations working even closer together to provide more free football and more grassroots teams.

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