



June 2010

Dear Parent or Guardian

Registration and Running Costs for next season

This letter details the registration requirements for next season and attached is our registration form. It is necessary for all players to register with the club, and for all age groups from under eleven upwards to register with the Horsham & District Youth Football league.

All players from U11 and above are required to have a new identity card each season (with a new set of photo's), and the league place the requirement for recording the proof of age of each player onto the clubs.

In order for the club to verify each U11 and above players date of birth, and to provide time for parents to obtain two photographs of their child for the id card, the club will be running a separate **Registration Evening on Friday 9th July at Steyning Cricket Club clubhouse, The Memorial Playing Field**, from 6:30 pm onwards.

Running Cost Requirements for 2010/2011

The Club relies entirely upon volunteers from the local community and parents of players to sustain and develop our Football Club – nobody receives **any** payment for the work that they do. Over the last few years we have also worked closely with the Sussex FA to ensure all our young players can participate in a properly structured and safe environment backed by our commitment to the principles laid down in the FA Charter Standard. To ensure we can maintain these standards in the future, we are asking Parents/Guardians to provide financial support for their Child's football club in two ways, although payments can be made in one single cheque.

As we advised last year the club has the status of Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC) under guidelines from H.M. Inland Revenue. This means that apart from a membership fee covering the basic administration of the Club, any additional voluntary payments by members or other persons can be considered for tax relief as a Gift Aid donation. For the Club, it means we can currently claim 28p in every £1 paid to us this way – making your contributions go a lot further to help the players and teams.

So again we are encouraging all Parents/Guardians to financially support the Club next season by making payments in the following way:

1 - Membership Fees

This is intended to cover Registration Fees, Insurance, Grass Pitch hire and basic kit requirements (goals and balls). It also covers the costs incurred in ensuring our Managers and Coaches are trained to the required FA levels to maintain Charter Standard status.

2 - Voluntary Donations

As a Club we do so much more to ensure the provision of Football is to the highest possible standard and that the Players get the most enjoyment out of a great team sport.

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In particular we aim to provide Football kit the players are proud to wear and training facilities that give every one of them the chance to develop their individual and team skills. In addition we are keen to provide more experiences for them through entering tournaments and providing a Presentation Night event to celebrate their achievements.

3 – Total payment required

We made a promise to parents last year that we would not increase fees for 2010/2011. However, whilst we believe it is important to keep the donation voluntary we would be grateful if you could be as generous as last year:

Under 6s and 7s:

Membership fee - £30
 Minimum suggested Gift Aid donation - £20
 Total - £50

All other age groups:

Membership fee - £40
 Minimum suggested Gift Aid donation - £45
 Total - £85

Please reduce the membership fee by £10 for second and subsequent children.

Therefore, we hope ALL parents will give what they can to ensure we raise enough money to carry on with the standard of facilities and coaching we've enjoyed in the past. To support this, all you need to do is complete the enclosed Gift Aid Declaration and make a single cheque out for the total amount of the Membership Fee PLUS Your Voluntary donation. Please give generously!

IMPORTANT

Unless payment is received at the registration evening, players will be unable to register with the club and the Horsham League and will be unable to play at the start of the season. This is due to insurance requirements. Please contact a member of the committee or your Manager/Coach if you have difficulties with payment (Instalment payments can be accepted if required).

Registration Requirements – 2010/2011 Season

Under 6	Must be under 6 on 31 st August 2010	Strikers Registration Form Gift Aid Declaration (preferred, but optional) Cheque for Membership Fee/ Voluntary Donation
Under 7	Must be under 7 on 31 st August 2010	
Under 8	Must be under 8 on 31 st August 2010	Strikers Registration Form Gift Aid Declaration (preferred, but optional) Cheque for Membership Fee/ Voluntary Donation
Under 9	Must be under 9 on 31 st August 2010	
Under 10	Must be under 10 on 31 st August 2010	
Under 11	Must be under 11 on 31 st August 2010	Strikers Registration Form Gift Aid Declaration (preferred, but optional) Cheque for Membership Fee/ Voluntary Donation + 2x Passport photo's + Proof of Date of Birth (please provide a copy birth certificate or passport for our files)
Under 12	Must be under 12 on 31 st August 2010	
Under 13	Must be under 13 on 31 st August 2010	
Under 14	Must be under 14 on 31 st August 2010	
Under 15	Must be under 15 on 31 st August 2010	
Under 16	Must be under 16 on 31 st August 2010	

For registration, please :

1. Check the above table for the qualifying birth dates for each age group.
2. Complete the Steyning Strikers 2010/2011 registration form.
3. Complete a Gift Aid Declaration to make a Voluntary Donation
4. U11 & upwards obtain two passport size photos (printed on photographic paper).
5. U11 & upwards provide copy proof of date of birth - birth certificate or passport.
6. Bring the above forms and information to the Registration Evening on Friday 9th July from 6:30pm at Steyning Cricket Club clubhouse, The Memorial Playing Field.

We would prefer if you could pay by cheque, made payable to **Steyning Strikers FC**.but if you wish to pay by cash we will issue a receipt on the night. Please hand cash to a committee member. Club officials will be on hand to help with enquiries.

Should you require any additional registration forms, please download from the clubs website www.steyningstrikers.co.uk or contact me or your team manager. If you are unable to attend the registration evening, please ensure you give the forms to someone who is attending or to your team manager by 9th July 2010.

We look forward to seeing you on the night.
Yours Sincerely

Sally Ray
Secretary
Steyning Strikers Football Club.