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FA NATIONAL GAME STRATEGY 2007-12 UPDATE

The FA National Game strategy is due to be launched later this month following the most extensive research and consultation process ever undertaken by the FA which involved all major stakeholder groups.

The FA invests £38 million into grassroots football every year including £15 into the Football Foundation. With such significant levels of investment a robust strategy is required to set out the priority areas for investment.

The emerging priorities from the 'Your Game Your Say' process encompass all areas of grassroots football and include:

- Raising Standards
- Inclusion
- Player Development
- The Football Workforce
- Growth and Retention
- Governance
- Promotion & Advocacy
- Partnerships

The FA are currently formalising the process and timescales of County FA Plans for 2008-12.



McDONALD'S COMMUNITY COACHING PROGRAMME – LEVEL 1 CCF COURSE



Fourteen coaches from seven FA Charter Standard Clubs completed a 1st4sport Level 1 Certificate in Coaching Football Course (FA Club Coach) in April. The 30 hour course was delivered at FA Charter Standard Development Club Rozel Rovers by JFA Coach Educator Brian Oliver and FA Course Independent Assessor Paul Mooney.

Through JFA Football Development, the McDonalds funded course was organised to support those Clubs committed to good practice and to provide continued assistance in maintaining their FA Charter Standard criteria.

In return for a commitment of two hours coaching per week, the FA Charter Standard Clubs selected coaches each received the following FREE package:

- A place on the Level 1 Club Coach Course (including Resource Pack, Coaching DVD & Laws of the Game CD)
- Umbro Coaching Kit (which includes Tracksuit, Polo Shirt, Shorts and Waterproof Jacket)
- Equipment (16 Footballs, Bibs, Cones and a Bag).

Coaches were in attendance from FA Charter Standard Clubs including Grouville, Jersey Wanderers, Rozel Rovers, St. Brelade, St. Clement, St. Pauls and St. Peter FCs.

1st4SPORT LEVEL 2 CCF INITIAL TRAINING PROGRAMME

Fourteen Channel Island coaches completed a 60 hour initial training programme for the Level 2 CCF Award (UEFA 'B' Part I) held at FA Charter Standard Development Club, Rozel Rovers, from 11th to the 18th May – the week long intensive course was directed by FA Course Tutor Assessors, Chris Whalley and Brian Oliver.

Coaches in attendance represented Guernsey Northerners, Guernsey Sylvans, Jersey Scottish, St. Clement, St. Ouen, St. Pauls, St. Peter and Vale Recreation Football Clubs as well as the JFA representative teams and ESCs Football in the Community Scheme.

The coaches are currently gaining 16 hours coaching experience within their Clubs and building a portfolio of evidence. Two review/support days are planned between the initial training programme and Independent Assessment to be held on 20th and 21st October.



1st4SPORT LEVEL 1 CCF COURSE – HIGHLANDS COLLEGE

Ten college students, who are studying a BTEC Introductory Diploma in Sport and Leisure at Highlands College of Further Education, successfully completed the Level 1 Certificate in Coaching Football Course in June – the course was delivered by JFA Coach Educators Brian Oliver and David Kennedy.

The Level 1 Course is aimed at those coaches who wish to work with young players, are looking to increase their knowledge of football coaching and gain a National qualification. Included in the course are pre-requisites of Emergency Aid training, the FA Safeguarding Children Workshop and a mixture of both theory and practical based work.

If you are interested in JFA Coach Education Courses, please contact Football Development Administrator, Andrew McGinnigle on 449670.



JERSEY FESTIVAL OF PRIMARY SCHOOL FOOTBALL

The 33rd Jersey Primary Festival of Football took place at FB Fields from 7th-14 April. The annual festival is organised by the the Football Section of the Jersey Primary Schools' Sports Association in partnership with the English Schools FA.

Sixteen ESFA affiliated district teams participated in this years festival including, Barking, Bishop Auckland, Chiltern, Felling, Gloucester, Hackney, Jersey, Newbury 'A' and 'B', Orpington, Plymouth, South Birmingham, Sutton Coldfield, Thurrock and Waltham Forest. This years event also saw the first ever visiting team from France, with Mondeville from Normandy breaking new ground to hopefully become regular visitors.

The six day festival is, and has always been, 'player centered' with a high emphasis placed on both Fair Play and Sportsmanship within the competitive structure.



The event is extremely well supported by the Local Authority, Education, Sport and Culture, who provide the excellent facility at FB fields in St. Clement which includes a canteen, car parking, changing rooms and four superb playing pitches.

Other supporters of the festival include members of the Jersey Football Referees Association who assisted with the officiating of the forty-eight 11-a-side games which took place throughout the week.

The Football Section of the JPSSA provide a comprehensive football programme for both boys and girls in Jersey with most of the 29 schools engaging in 7-a-side leagues and cup competitions as well as the local and county stages of the national ESFA inter-school tournaments. The Jersey boys representative programme begins with the Berkshire tour in late February, the annual inter-insular game against Guernsey Schools in March and culminates with the Jersey Festival during the Easter holidays.



JFA-CAPITA CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE 2006/2007

The JFA-Capita Centre of Excellence re-opened in November 2006, following a four week process that involved the screening of over 200 recommended players from Clubs and Schools – 66 year 7, 8 & 9 boys and girls were selected to attend the Centre.

The players were provided with an eighteen week technical coaching programme, delivered by FA qualified staff covering, passing, receiving and turning, ball control, dribbling, shooting, heading and defending. JFA Centre goalkeepers were also provided with a specialist programme covering basic handling, shot stopping, supporting the defence, dealing with crosses and distribution.

Due to the financial support from sponsors CAPITA, the JFA were able for the first time, to provide a games programme for each year group so that the players had an opportunity to work towards, and the incentive of representing the Island competitively.



The under 12 boys participated in a four team festival held over three days at FB Fields in Jersey during Easter (see above) involving neighbours Guernsey, a school district team from Luton and local club Rozel Rovers FC. The under 13 boys squad travelled to West Brittany to compete in the 'Mondial Pupilles' (see below) – once again this visit proved to an extremely beneficial cultural experience, with the boys hosted by French families.

The under 14s boys enjoyed the experience of the Isle of Wight soccer festival during Easter and the girls under 13 squad visited neighbouring Island Guernsey to play their counterparts from the GFA School of Soccer (see above).

Centre Director, Dave Kennedy said, "Many thanks must go to all the staff at the Centre who have provided such high quality coaching sessions and made themselves available to support the games programme - a truly outstanding effort by those concerned".



SOUTHAMPTON FC – COACHING EVENT

Three coaches from Southampton Football Club provided in-service training to JFA-Capita Centre of Excellence staff at Rozel Rovers Football Club over the weekend of 16th and 17th June.



Saints Academy coaches Terry Moore, Jim Totozyk and goalkeeping specialist Simon Arthur, worked alongside JFA staff to deliver three coaching sessions to over forty year 7, 8 and 9 boys from the Centre of Excellence.

Centre Director Dave Kennedy said “Over the years the JFA have built up an excellent relationship with the Academy at Southampton Football Club. Events such as this give our coaches the opportunity to keep up to date with good practice, give our boys the chance to display their football skills and strengthens the link with Saints Academy.”



ST. PETER FC – MINI SOCCER FESTIVAL

Some 260 boys and girls participated in FA Charter Standard Community Club St. Peter FCs first ever Mini Soccer festival over the weekend of 21st and 22nd April. The event proved to be a tremendous success not only for the players but for the hundreds of spectators who attended.



On Saturday the festival featured youngsters from school years 2 and 3 and on the Sunday from school years 4 and 5. The exciting games and quality of skills on display highlighted the fantastic amount of good coaching which is being provided within Clubs.

Club President Tom du Feu said “Many thanks to the festival organising committee, to all the many Club helpers, Cimandis the main sponsor, J.J. Le Sueur Ltd. and JFA Football Development – finally a big thank you to all the referees who did a superb job”.



ST. CLEMENT SPORTS CLUB – MINI SOCCER FESTIVAL



Over 200 children from Jersey, Guernsey and Alderney participated in a total of seventy six-a-side games during the festival organised for players under eight years of age by FA Charter Standard Development Club St. Clement SC on 29th April. Hundreds of spectators and supporters joined the youngsters to enjoy the day, ably supervised by members of the JFRA.

St. Clement SC Club President Alan Morel said “What a great way to make the first use of our new training pitch which only a few months ago was a ploughed field! The festival once again highlighted the superb community spirit within the Club with many members and friends giving up hours of their time to support the event. We of course are also grateful to Grafters Limited for their sponsorship and JFA FD for their support”.



... AND MINI SOCCER WORLD CUP FOR UNDER 10s AND 12s

JFA Football Development also supported St. Clement Sports Club, with the hosting of their annual Mini Soccer World Cup at the end of May. Around 280 youngsters in school years 4, 5, 6 and 7 from throughout the Channel Islands, competed in the annual three day football tournament which unfortunately was disrupted by bad bank holiday weather.

Despite strong winds, heavy rain and thunder storms, there were still two days of action for around forty teams, with the leading ones having a few more games on the third day.

St. Clement SC President, Alan Morel said, “The event is a great fund-raiser to help the Club with the variety of costs that are involved in providing opportunities to play football. Although the elements were against us this year, great credit must go to all those who were involved, whether they were organising, playing, officiating or spectating.”



FA CHARTER STANDARD CLUB MINI SOCCER FESTIVAL



In partnership with Jersey Wanderers Football Club the 2007 FA Charter Standard Club Mini Soccer festival was held at the Hockey Club over the weekend of 2nd and 3rd June.

Seven FA Charter Standard Clubs participated in the event including, Jersey Wanderers, Grouville, St. Peter, Rozel Rovers, St. Clement, St. Pauls and Guernsey Rovers.

They were joined by Jersey Scottish, St. John and ID Elite Soccer School who are all working towards FA Charter Standard recognition.

The format for the weekend was on a “round robin’ basis, with teams having five games on each day. There were around 140 boys, from school years 4 and 5 taking part in the



festival which was played on six excellently prepared mini pitches. Once again football was the winner with the scorching weather being matched by some terrific football.

JFA Football Development and Jersey Wanderers Football Club would like to thank everyone who was involved in this event, in particular Festival Organisers Karl Howard and Katrina Tannahill, who along with many other volunteers at the Club provided a wonderful weekend of football fun for all those who attended.

The festival was summed up at the very end by a young eight year old player from Guernsey Rovers who said, “we may have lost a few games but I don’t care, it doesn’t matter - we all had fun and we will be back next year to have even more fun”.

For Clubs who would like information on the FA Charter Standard Programme please contact JFA Football Development Administrator, Andrew McGinnigle on 449670.



FA CHARTER STANDARD AWARD FOR MONT NICOLLE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Mont Nicolle Primary School recently gained FA Charter Standard Primary School status in recognition of the opportunities being provided both during and after School. JFA Football Development Officer, Brian Oliver, presented the award in July at school assembly.

FA CHARTER STANDARD AWARD FOR ST. MARTINS PRIMARY SCHOOL



St. Martins School also recently gained FA Charter Standard Primary School status in recognition of the excellent football opportunities being provided for both boys and girls. JFA FDO, Brian Oliver, presented the award to the Year 5/6 school team and their coach Paul Renton in April.

JERSEY FA CHARTER STANDARD SCHOOLS

Secondary Schools

De La Salle College
Grainville School
Haute Vallee School
Le Rocquier School
Les Quennevais School

Primary Development Schools

FCJ School
St. Peters School

Primary Schools

Bel Royal School
D'Auvergne School
De La Salle School
First Tower School
Grands Vaux School
Grouville School
Janvrin School
Jersey College for Girls Prep. School
La Moye School
Les Landes School
Mont Nicolle School
Plat Douet School
Rouge Bouillon School
Springfield School
St. Georges Prep. School
St. Lawrence School
St. Martins School
St. Marys School
St. Saviours School
Trinity School
Vic. College Prep. School

Special Schools

Mont-a-l'Abbé School

