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EDITION FOUR

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WELCOME!

It's time for edition 4 of our summer newsletter and the excitement is building as the season gets closer. Training for the first team commences on Tuesday 21st June and our first pre-season friendly is only 2 weeks away on Sat 2 July at Hinckley Leicester Road FC. We have continued to announce new signings and in this issue we have exclusive interviews with Kyle Finn, Ty Deacon and Ben Milnes. Sadly we said goodbye to Henri Wilder and Jack Concannon this week and we wish them well at their new clubs.

There are details about how you can help out at the Lamb and 2 games that supporters can get involved in. There is also news from the Women's team who are building the foundations for their league campaign under the new management team.

We have a thriving commercial department at the club and Commercial Manager Scott Rickards has been busy producing a new brochure full of opportunities which we have details about. Did you know that you can become an individual VIP Member?

Our next newsletter will be the final one of the summer as Lambs Media returns with an abundance of video content and regular updates on the website and social media.

There is plenty of other news included - so enjoy the read!

Picture - George Cater



Peaks Speaks!

We caught up with Andy Peaks who has announced some more signings since the last edition of the newsletter was published. But is he still on the look out for players? "I have now got some good options all over the park, but I am still looking. "I wouldn't mind adding one more player to what we have got, possibly in midfield. "Now we know that Henri is leaving we will need to look at the left back position too."

Andy also confirmed the players from last season's squad who will return for pre-season, some who he was unable to get a good look at because of injury or unavailability. "Alex Jones is still under contract, and I am keen to look at Orrin (Pendley). "I know what he is capable of from his time at Kettering and Rushall and I want to see him in pre-season. "Ben Hart and Callum Cockerill-Mollett are coming back for pre-season - both were injured and need a good pre-season behind them."

"Charlie Shaw is going to come and do a pre-season and I want to look at him, as well as Tom Parker, Keelan Fallows, Cameron Howkins and Callum Griffin. " I have also been talking to 'Wahib (Tahra) who says he wants to come back, but I am waiting for him to return from France."

So, what does an Andy Peaks pre-season look like? "Everything we do will be short, sharp and intense. "Everything we do will be at high intensity. "I don't want players standing around not working - it is vital that our team is fit. "I was told by a number of managers when I was at Rushden that they felt we were one of the fittest teams they had played. "We will be using the GPS vests right from the start to monitor them. "It will be enjoyable with fitness sessions and times with the ball as well. "Once we have the players fit, then we will start to work on the shape and the fundamentals of the game. "It will be important that we don't go straight into the friendly games at a high intensity, it will be a general build up as we don't want to pick up injuries, which you can do if you do not pace it right."



Kyle Finn

There is no doubting that Tamworth fans will remember the impact that Kyle Finn had on the team when he joined the club on loan from Coventry City in 2018. One particular goal away at Lowestoft Town stands out in the memory. Kyle signed for Hereford after his release from Coventry and then moved to Halesowen Town at the start of last season and went on to score 16 goals.

"Playing at Tamworth was probably the best experience I had at a young age. "I was only 18 at the time and although I wasn't there for long I always said it was a club I wanted to go back to if the opportunity came up, so it was a no brainer to come back to Tamworth. Kyle made his debut for Coventry City against Blackburn Rovers in the League Cup and then was on the bench for a number of first team games. He moved to Hereford for 3 seasons and his highlight was playing at Wembley in the FA Trophy final.

Kyle has spoken to a number of teams during the close season - some in the National League North and others in our league. "As soon as Andy contacted me I was really keen to come back. "I like the way he is doing things, the players he has brought in and everything seems to be moving in the right direction again. "It seems to be the club it was when I was there before and it is just a matter of time before the club gets back where it should be."

"I enjoyed my time at Halesowen, which was a successful season for me. "I scored 16 and got 15 assists playing in the number 10 role as well as a winger. "However, it wasn't the level I wanted to be playing at and Tamworth is perfect for me to step up, especially as they are pushing to get in the league above. "It will be great to play with Jas (Singh) again who I have spoken to a few times and he said that the Gaffer is getting together a great group of players."

Welcome back Kyle!



Ty Deacon

Ty Deacon has played for Kempston Rovers, Aylesbury United, AFC Rushden and Diamonds and Kettering Town. He has a reputation for scoring goals and last season bagged 27 in all competitions. He joined Andy Peaks at Rushden in November last year after scoring 16 goals for Aylesbury United, and then went on to score 10 for the Diamonds, including 2 at Barwell in Andy Peaks last game in charge. Kettering put 7 days' notice in for him and he joined the National League North outfit.

We caught up with Ty to speak to him about the move, which he is clearly delighted with. "Peaksy kept in touch with me when I went to Kettering and he and Chapsy are good guys. "It didn't really work out for me at Kettering as they play a different way to my style and I couldn't really do anything about that. "It was them being at Tamworth that really made up my mind."

"I had other offers, but the way they play is suited to my style of play. "Peaksy is trying to push for something this season and I really want to be part of it. "I want to win something rather than getting 'nearlys' or 'maybees'. "He has signed some really good players and from what I have seen so far it makes you want to join the club. "The facilities are also much better than those I have experienced at previous clubs - you can't fault the pitch and the surroundings are much better."

Ty is looking forward to renewing some acquaintances too, "I know Collard, Bully and some of the others. "Peaksy has also mentioned to me about playing with Dan Creaney which should be a good goal scoring partnership."

WELCOME BEN MILNES

Ben Milnes

Experienced midfielder Ben Milnes has penned paper for the Lambs from NPL Champions Buxton where he was a key player in their championship campaign. Ben started out at Leicester City before moving on to Boston United (3 years), Corby Town (3 years) and Kettering (3 years) before moving to Buxton at the start of last season. He had an opportunity to stay at Buxton, but he was really impressed with conversations he had with Andy Peaks and about the ambitions he had for the club. "There were managerial changes at Buxton and the new manager didn't really know many of the players. "He was looking to go in a different direction and wanted to bring in his own players. "I spoke to Andy and he was really keen to get me in and I was really keen to join too."

"I have played at Tamworth a few times and also against Andy when he was managing at Rushden. "I know that Tamworth is a good set up but it is a sleeping giant in non-league football. "I was really surprised to see where they were in the league last season before Andy took over."

Ben will be teaming back up with James Hurst and Matt Curley "It will be great to play with them again and there are a couple of others who I know as well. "I can't wait to meet up with everybody when pre-season starts next week."

Ben is from a talented sporting family - his brother Matt plays cricket for Kent and the Oval Invincibles in the 100.

Tamworth FC Needs You!

MATCH DAY STEWARDING TEAM

The club is looking to increase the size of the stewarding team on match days. The stewarding team plays an important role in ensuring the safety of spectators at games and we are very grateful to the commitment of our current group of stewards.

Our stewarding team cover a variety of roles including car parking duties before the game, checking tickets and patrolling the standing and seating areas of the ground. The time commitment is 4 hours - 1.00pm - 5.00pm on a Saturday and 6.00pm - 10.00pm for an evening game. Tamworth FC provides a small payment in return for your commitment.

If you are interested then please contact our Safety officer - **Bob Repton** using the email safetyofficer@thelambs.co.uk Bob will be very happy to provide you with more information and answer any questions you have.

MATCH DAY VOLUNTEERS:

We're looking for match day volunteers who will help with selling match day programmes, handing out team sheets, assisting the turnstile operators. Please email office@thelambs.co.uk for further information

TIDY THE LAMB:

We're looking for people to come and help tidy The Lamb for the 2022/23 season on **Friday 24th June 2022** from 5:00pm. We need volunteers to bring brooms, buckets and gloves as we go around the ground and tidy up. Refreshments will be available.

FRIDAY MORNING TIDY UP (During the Season)

We're looking for volunteers to help tidy The Lamb for the weekend games during the 2022/23 season. With first team matches, academy matches, women matches and leisure league using the facility across the weekend, we need the ground to be tidy and ready for match days.



TFC Old Boys v Supporters in Aid of TFC Team Builder

Sunday 17 July From 12.00pm

Admission Free

Following conversations between supporter Andy (Henry) Farrington and former player Darren Grocutt, it was decided that an ideal way of raising funds for **TFC Team Builder** would be to get a group of former players together to play against a Supporters team. Following an announcement on Facebook it wasn't long before a long list of players volunteered themselves for the cause. Andy will manage the team of supporters and if you consider yourself fit and healthy to play, then please contact him via Facebook message. If you do commit to play it is important that you do not let the side down by dropping out at the last minute. The club have donated the pitch, kit and match balls for the game to be played and we hope the attraction of seeing a large group of former players will tempt people to the ground to enjoy what will be a great occasion.

The former players team will be managed by Mark 'Captain' Phillips and will include the following 'greats' from former years:

Darren Grocutt
David Foy
Tim Steele
Tony Kilday
Tony Hemmings
Mark Hallam
Darren Acton
Dave Haywood
Jose Vega
Scott Rickards
Dale Belford
Brian Gray
Adam Fletcher
Rob Mitchell
Adam Chetwynd
Adie Smith



Plus some children of the players too!



Season Tickets **NOW** on Sale

2022/23 Southern League Premier Central Season Ticket Prices

Main Stand Seats Adults £270
Concessions £170
16/17-year-old - £90
Junior Lambs - £65
Mini Lambs- £40

Terraces
Adults £230
Concessions £130
16/17-year-old - £45
Junior Lambs - £21
Mini Lambs - FREE

* Concessionary season ticket prices apply to those aged 65 and over.
* Proof of age will be required to purchase concession, 16/17-year-old, junior lamb and mini lamb matchday tickets or season tickets. Birth Certificates, Passports and Driving Licenses will be accepted as proof of age.

Please note that season tickets are NOT valid for pre-season friendlies or cup fixtures

You can **purchase your tickets** from the club in person every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday between 10.00 and 6.00 from now until the start of the new season. In addition, the club will be open **on Sat 18 June** between 10.00 and 2.00. Please ensure you provide proof of age when purchasing your ticket.



Tamworth FC Women Update

As the new season gets closer, recruitment is the name of the game for the new Management Team. Manager Richard Stanway has announced that the first signing is **Alice Belcher**. She has previously played for Bedworth, Birmingham & West Midlands, Copsewood/Nuneaton, Leafield and Solihull Moors, spending 7 seasons in total in either the Premier or Division 1 of the Women's National League. Having recently converted to an attacking midfield/second striker role, Alice moves to Tamworth on the back of 20 goals last season. Alice brings an experience and attitude that will no doubt benefit the younger members of the squad.

If you are interested in joining Alice and Tamworth Women FC, then 2 dates have been set for open training for the team on

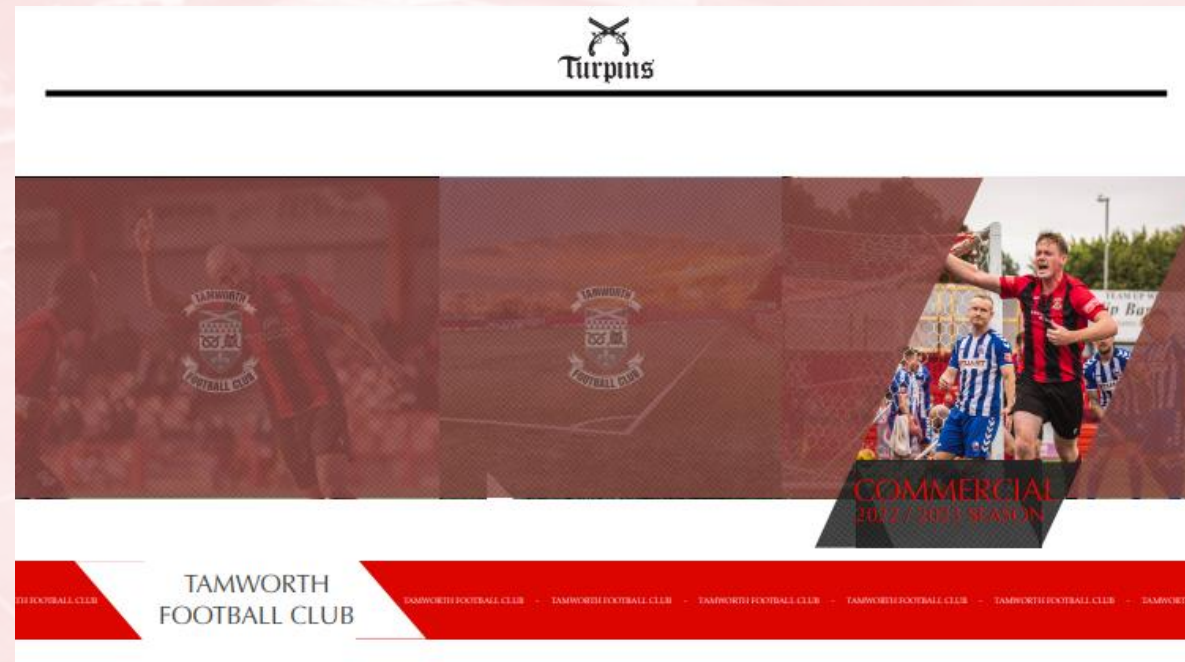
- Wed 29 June
- Wed 6 July

If you wish to attend and be considered for the First or Development Teams, please register here

<https://surveyheart.com/form/6299fd96d2ae5a1463b8b8e9>

Tamworth Women have unofficially been placed in the West Midlands Regional Women's League Div 1 North for next season. This is subject to FA ratification.

Tamworth FC Commercial New Commercial Brochure Now Available



Sponsorship opportunities, Venue Hire (Clubhouse and VIP Lounge), Pitch Hire, VIP Business and Individual Membership and much more

To get your copy please email
commercial@thelambs.co.uk



Why Not Become an Individual VIP member for the New Season?

Become a **VIP Member** at Tamworth Football Club with our prestigious individual package. The seasonal membership boasts exceptional value and offers that upmarket experience during all home league fixtures during the standard playing season.

The package includes the following benefits:

- ✓ One VIP Season Ticket,
- ✓ VIP Sponsors Lounge Access,
- ✓ VIP Car Park Pass,
- ✓ Exclusive Match Day Information from the Management,
- ✓ One entry to Match Day Sponsorship,
- ✓ VIP Members Programme Access,
- ✓ Monthly Competitions to Design Your Own Kit, and much more.

Prices start from as little as £10 Per Week. Get in touch now to secure your membership for season 2022/23 by speaking to our Commercial Manager Scott Rickards.

TAMWORTH ACADEMY **DEGREE** **PROGRAMME** SEPTEMBER 2022

A NEW PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN TAMWORTH FOOTBALL CLUB AND LOUGHBOROUGH COLLEGE IS TO ENHANCE OUR EDUCATION PROGRAMME FOR OUR BRAND NEW BLENDED DEGREE COURSE FOR 18 TO 21 YEAR OLDS FROM SEPTEMBER 2022.

FOUR OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO STUDY:

- **HND IN SPORT AND EXERCISE SCIENCE (SPORTS COACHING)**
- **HND IN SPORT AND EXERCISE SCIENCE**
- **HND IN BUSINESS**
- **BA (HONS) IN SPORTS MANAGEMENT**

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VENUE

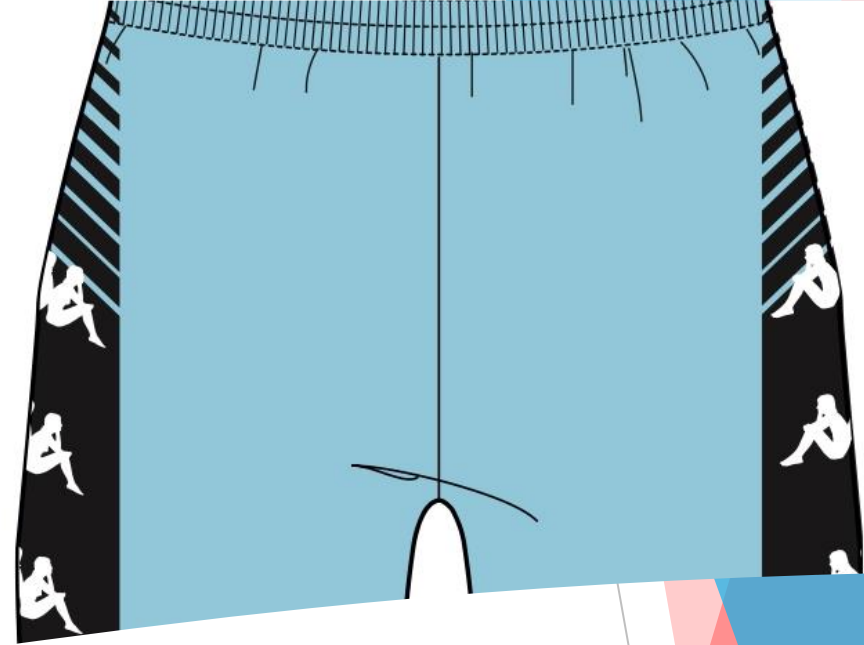
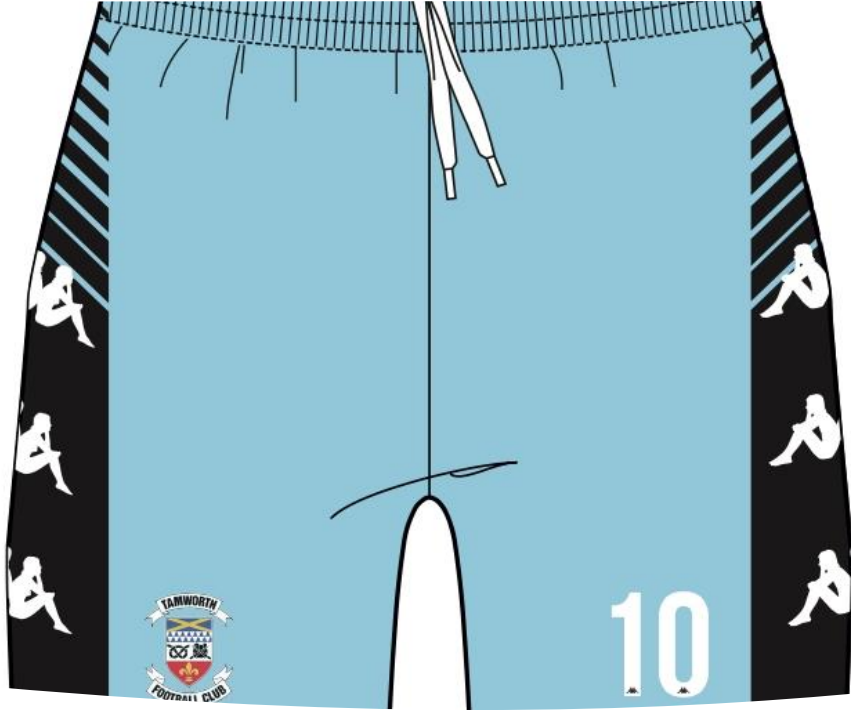
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TIME

1:00PM - 3:00PM

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THURSDAY 23RD JUNE 2022



Tamworth Academy are hosting a **Festival Of Football** on **Sunday 26th June 2022**, where our Academy age groups from under eights to the women's team will play in matches at The Lamb. Our Wildcats from ages U9's to U12's will be playing matches too. The action gets underway at 9.15am and goes on throughout the day. Refreshments will be available.

Shorts

The annual **Fans v Tamworth FC Staff** game returns this summer with the date set for **SUNDAY 14 AUGUST** with a 12.30 KO. If you would like to play in this keenly contested game, then please message **Matt Hilton** via Facebook

We are still waiting for news from the **kit manufacturers** about delivery and time schedules for purchase. As soon as we know, details will be posted on the web site.



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