



NEWSLETTER

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Back row : Jerry - Hoops - Keith - Steve - John - Dave
 Front row : Megan (Somerset ref) - Lach - Richard - Sparky

Weston Whites Go Top

Weston Whites started their Somerset FA league 50s campaign in good style by winning 4 and drawing 2 . In the first game against Yeovil they started slowly and won it near the end with a single goal. In the second game Keynsham sat deep and frustrated Whites to hold out for a 0-0 draw. Up next was Shepton Mallet. Whites passing game got going and they scored 2 without reply. In a feisty game against Clevedon the

Whites were met with a keeper in good form and the match ended 0-0. Weston Reds was the next game and despite the Reds putting up spirited performance the Whites ran out 3-0 winners. The last game against Frome found the Whites again in good form to win 3-0.

Weston scorers were Dave Harris , Steve Crilley and Mark Hooper with 3 goals each. Weston Manager Lach Geddes was pleased with the start. He said "Teams will defend deep against us and we need to be patient and let our passing game progress. I was pleased to be part of a defence that didn't concede a goal and was helped by John Henbrow, Mark Hudson, Richard Bourton and Keith Seabourne."

-Previously -

WSM made the trip up the M5 to Abbeydale community Centre the home of Abbeymead for the first round in this seasons Gloucester FA 60s League. In the first game against Phoenix Blue Weston started slowly and didn't get their passing game together. Not many chances for either side were created and the match ended 0-0.

The second game was against last seasons Champions Wiltshire WF. Weston started cautiously but once they got their passing game going they grew into the game.

In the second half Weston began to dominate the game and forced one of the Wilts defenders to step into his own area and a penalty was given.

Richard B coolly slotted his kick home to win the game 1-0. The third game was against Highworh. Weston really began to play and once again passed the ball around well. Highworh's game plan was to pump the ball forward to their tricky forward and hope that he would score. However Rich R was on great form and defended very well and hardly gave the Highworh forward a shot on goal. Richard B scored 2 goals, the second a great strike from distance. Final score was 2-0. Acting Manager Richard B was very pleased with his sides performance. The other players not mentioned above in the squad were John. Dave, Brian , Phil Jim and Keith. Weston are second in the league to Abbeymead but only by goal difference

Somerset FS 60s : Weston Reds



Back Row : Keven - Keith - Ian - Richard- Tim
Front Row : Gilles - Geordie - Ian

Weston Reds promising start.

Newly formed Reds made a promising start for their first ever Tournament. They played 6 games drawing 4 and losing 2. They conceded just 5 goals and scored 1. The Reds The first round of this years Somerset FA 60s league was held at Weston.

Westons first game was against Yeovil. Weston made a strong start by taking the game to Yeovil. Weston dominated the game but some wayward shooting denied them a goal and they had to settle for a draw.

In the second game Weston played last seasons runaway Champions Clevedon. The game was over shadowed by the amount of players from both sides having numerous "running" offences to their name. Both sides had a few chances but neither could take them and the match ended in another 0-0 draw.

In the third game Weston finally found the back of the net. Keith won the ball off a defender and moved in on goal and scored with a fine strike. Soon after Richard B made it 2 with a shot from distance. Weston then made substitutions and things got confused particularly in defence. This let in Keynsham to score to make the final result 2-1.

Manager Arie was happy with the days events and thinks that we will have a much better season . He thanked John, Rich R ,Terry,Brian and Dave for getting the team off to a good start. He thanked Keith and Richard B for finally converting chances.

Manager Arie had a very painful end to the games as he took a full blooded shot to the face. He suffered bruising around his eye but the real pain was felt in his pocket as his new glasses cost £90. 🤔

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- Keith successfully bribed Doug for the price of a Buffet to attend the referees convention hosted at Clevedon Town. Doug was then let loose to practice his referee skills on some Guinea Pigs (Clevedon Players) Armed with the whistle he proceeded to avenge all his cross over team mates from Weston-Super-Mare.
- Keith - Doug and Steve attended the Over 70s Walking Football trials at St George's In Sheffield to assess the potential players elligeable for the new England Squad.
- Peaky Blinders Night was launched for the 18th December at WSM stadium and a working party has been assembled. Race Night - Skittles- Auction- Raffle - Stocks - Quiz - Buffet. If you are interested in supporting us , the admission is to buy a Peaky Cap for £20 and 1/2 price for guests. All net proceeds pay towards new travel kit for all Weston Walking Footballers over 50.
- Mike pictured below left with the ball has returned after having completed his radium treatment.



WFA LAWS 2019

This revised edition of the WFA 'Laws of the Game' acknowledges that this unique sport is evolving and developing as it grows, but nevertheless holds fast to the basic ethos and values of the game -

To ensure all matches are played safely with full consideration of every participant's age, gender and ability It is therefore expected that all players, managers and club members will conduct themselves accordingly, respecting all fellow participants, including referees and other match officials. Failure to do so is likely to result in disciplinary action, including disqualification of individuals and/or clubs from WFA events.

Section A: Players, Pitches and Equipment

Although it is likely that tournaments, leagues, competitions and events will have bespoke rules and conditions, all matches played under the auspices of the WFA will comply with the following standards.

Players

1. Goalkeepers must be clearly distinguishable from outfield players on either team.
2. Substitutes must be clearly distinguishable from players on either team, until they are called into play.
3. A match should be abandoned if a team is permanently reduced to below the minimum number of players. The term 'permanently' does not apply, however, to players who have been sin-binned but does apply to players who are unable to play through injury or receiving a red card. The minimum number of players per format is:
 - ☐ 5-a-side matches – minimum of 3 players
 - ☐ 6-a-side matches – minimum of 4 players
 - ☐ 7-a-side matches – minimum of 4 players
4. A team which causes the abandonment of a match will forfeit it.

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Pitches

5. The standard pitch dimensions for competitions (i.e. 5-a-side, 6-a-side and 7-a-side) are a width between 25 metres (min) and 37 metres (max) and a length between 35 metres (min) and 55 metres (max). It is acknowledged, however, that pitches at some facilities may fall outside these guidelines in which case it is a matter for the referee to decide whether or not to proceed.
6. The standard goal size for such competitions is a width between 3 metres (min) and 5 metres (max) and a height between 1.2 metres and 2 metres (max). It is acknowledged, however, that goals at some facilities may fall outside these guidelines in which case it is a matter for the referee to decide whether or not to proceed.
7. A goal area must be clearly marked at each end of the pitch. This may be a semi-circle or rectangle and should extend between 4 metres (min) and 6 metres (max) from the goal line.
8. A clearly marked penalty spot should be positioned in line with the centre of the goal and 6 metres from the goal line.
9. The position of the ball on the pitch is determined when it crosses a line entirely (i.e. the whole of the ball). A ball located on the line marking the goal area is considered to be within that area and can, therefore, only be played by the goalkeeper.

Section B. Foul Play**Running and Jogging**

1. Running or jogging on or off the ball is not permitted by any player (including goalkeepers) and will usually result in an indirect free kick being awarded. If, in the opinion of the referee, such conduct results in a clear goal-scoring opportunity being denied, then the offending players should be removed from play for 2 minutes (blue card) and a penalty kick considered if the offending player is a goalkeeper.
2. The referee shall have sole interpretation on deciding what is and what is not walking. A walking action will generally be determined as a progression of steps throughout which there is constantly at least one foot in contact with the ground; both feet are momentarily grounded with the advancing leg straightened.

Ball above Head Height

3. The ball is not permitted to travel above head height:
 - I. The ball should be deemed dead once it has exceeded head height.
 - II. Head height is defined as 1.83 metres or the height of the goal cross bar, which should not exceed 2 metres (see Section A: subsection 6).
 - III. The whole of the ball must exceed head height to be deemed an infringement.
 - IV. The referee shall have sole interpretation on the ball exceeding head height .

Keith's Corner

I have today been sent an updated FA Laws of the Game document for walking football. I was unaware the FA were sending this out but the reason they have updated the existing laws document is to ensure the walking football rules match with the overall changes to the laws of football for the 2019/2020 season.

In essence, there are no real changes to walking football rules. The changes in the document simply reflect the changes made to the Laws of Football, introduced in July this year, which I'm sure you are

aware of (subs leaving the pitch, hand balls, coin toss/kick off etc). You would have seen these if you watch 11 a side football etc.

Therefore, please find attached the updated laws document. In summary, the changes in the new document are as follows:

- **Page 5** – Changed wording on one paragraph to confirm that substitutes have to leave the field by the nearest point of the boundary line.
- **Page 7** – Injuries. Part added stating it allows a penalty taker, if injured, to stay on the field for treatment (if quick) and can then take the penalty kick.
- **Page 9** – Kick off, change to who takes kick off at start of the match (team who wins coin toss decides which goal to attack in first half or take kick off).
- **Page 9** – Drop Ball, slight change based on the new law around drop ball.
- **Page 10** – Ball out of play. New part added around if the ball touches a match official.
- **Page 12** – New parts added around indirect free kicks/handball, again as per new laws.
- **Page 15** – Slight changes to penalty kicks and around the GK being on the line, again, as per new football laws.

Welcome to Walking Football



We would like to welcome you to one of our Walking Football sessions. Walking Football is a slower version of football designed for players over 50yrs of age.

We currently hold 4 sessions per week –at the 3G Pitch At WSM FC Winterstoke Road

Monday Night. : 8:pm. – 9pm
 Tuesday Morning: 10:00am – 11:00am
 Tuesday Morning: 11:00 am -12:00 pm (Fun session)
 Friday Morning. : 10:00am – 11:00am

(It is advisable to arrive 10 to 15 minutes prior to the start of a session)

The cost is £3 a session & appropriate footwear is required for the 3g pitch moulded plastic/rubber studs (No Blades or Metal Studs, No flat sole trainers).

New players are very welcome to join us, why not come along and see what you think. Running is not allowed, and there is minimal / no contact to minimize the risk of injury. Apart from the weekly sessions, we run several teams at over 50, over 60, over 65 & over 70 age groups so that all players have the opportunity to play in leagues or friendly matches and tournaments against players of similar age and ability.

For further information please contact Tim Ricens on tim.richens@icloud.com/07775795824 or Arie Van Vliet on vanvliet1120@gmail.com/01278751029

FUN SESSION : Tuesday Morning 11am



The fun session is run by Bernard pictured on left at Spotland Rochdale during a Northern Tour.

Bernard is a staunch Accrington Stanley Supporter who is one of the original members of Weston Walking Footballers. .

The fun sessions are more suitable for the less competitive players. It is played at a slower pace. Amongst this group we even have a player who is 80 years old.

If you think you would like to give it ago you will be made very welcome by the group. The sessions are currently held at the 3 G Weston pitch at 11 am. Hope to see you soon !

WESTON WOLFIES MINI QUIZ



SEPTEMBER ANSWERS

- 1) Peter Taylor
- 2) Jon Parkin (Preston North End)
- 3) Peter Knowles
- 4) Ray Clemence
- 5) West Ham Utd
- 6) Cyril Regis , Laurie Cunningham, Brendon Batson (WBA)
- 7) Reading FC
- 8) Sunderland F.C
- 9) Joe Royle
- 10) Everton & Celtic

OCTOBER QUIZ

- 1) Who are Stoke City's Pottery rivals
- 2) Who was known as the Clown Prince of Soccer
- 3) Where is the Holt End ?
- 4) Who was known as the baby faced Assassin ?
- 5) Which South West club plays in green
- 6) Who was known as Crazy Horse ?
- 7) Which professional Cricketer played for Scunthorpe Utd
- 8) Which English Football club holds the all time record attendance played in this country ?
- 9) What was Rogerio Ceni famous for ?
- 10) Which club has won the league cup on most occasions?