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Two extra outfield Coaches	Interviewing NOW	Will keep you informed.
Goalkeeping Coach (Various)	From the Peter Alexiou Goalkeeping Academy	Phone Bobby Mc Donald

Two events bring in £1500 profitwell done !!

Scotland Boys Club – Academy of Football ran their very first Festival of Football and their first Casino night and managed to raise a fabulous £1500 for the Club. Both these events were organised and run essentially by the Fund Raising Committee from the School of Excellence and Academy PLUS Squads. I thank them, and all the other parents and coaches from the other Squads who either assisted, helped or even attended the events. Everyone did really well and your efforts have been much appreciated.

New Goalkeeping Coach(es)

I was delighted to welcome our 'new' goalkeeping coach, **Mr Peter Alexiou** (former Greek International Goalkeeper) last Friday night. He came 'team handed' and will either be coming along himself every Friday 8.00 pm till 9.00 pm or will be sending one of his assistants. We did promise this for a while – now lets hope the kids will benefit from this additional specialist training. Can all goalkeepers please make sure they are **padded up to the hilt with old tracksuits** and the like. **It will be extremely rough on the old knees and elbows...so plenty padding please.**

Forms / Photos etc

I will be dedicating this 'audit' task to Robert Sands this weekend as I did not get an opportunity to speak to him last weekend when I was down South.

FIXTURES STILL TO BE PLAYED TILL DECEMBER

Day	Date	Squad(s)	Scores	Opposition	Venue	Meeting Time	KICK OFF
Sat	11 Nov	Wishaw Wycombe	v	1999 Age Group	Beltain Parks	9.15	9.45
Sat	11 Nov	1998 Improvers	v	Baillieston Juniors	Richmond	9.00	10.00
Sat	11 Nov	Moorlands Boys Club	v	S of E and Academy PLUS	St John's	9.00	9.30
Sat	18 Nov	1999 Age Group	v	Blantyre Boys Club	Richmond	tba	tba
Sat	18 Nov	Mossend Boys Club	v	1998 Improvers	Mossend	tba	tba
Sat	18 Nov	S of E and Academy PLUS	v	East Kilbride Burgh United	Richmond	tba	tba
Sat	25 Nov	East Kilbride Burgh United	v	1999 Age Group	East Kilbride	tba	tba
Sat	25 Nov	1998 Improvers	v	Wolves Boys Club	Richmond	tba	tba
Sat	25 Nov	East Kilbride Youth Club	v	S of E and Academy PLUS	East Kilbride	tba	tba
Sat	2 Dec	Claremont Boys Club	v	1999 Age Group	East Kilbride	tba	tba
Sat	2 Dec	S of E and Academy PLUS	v	1998 Improvers	Richmond	tba	tba
Sat	2 Dec						
Sat	9 Dec	1999 Age Group	v	Edenvale Boys Club	Richmond	tba	tba
Sat	9 Dec	1998 Improvers	v	Milton Rovers Boys Club	Richmond	tba	tba
Sat	9 Dec	Wishaw Wycombe	v	S of E and Academy PLUS	Wishaw	tba	tba

The above fixtures are the last official League fixtures for 2006.

Next Day Trips

Arbroath - This is a one day trip and will involve certain squads (undecided) going up to Sunny Arbroath to play against the Arbroath FC – Community Squads..... getting frozen to the bone, catching hypothermiaand wondering if it would have been better fishing in Greenock on a wet Monday...Ha! Ha! Seriously though....they are a fab group of individuals that work with this Club – I have been dealing with them for years and the students will be treated fabulously well – and be well fed with an Arbroath 'smokie' supper with salt and sauce as they say up there.....better have your answers ready. I can even organise a tour of the 'stadium' if you like ...or will we give that a miss !!! I will advise of travelling age groups in the next couple of weeks.

Derby County - This is a superb day trip in the East Midlands with my friends at Derby County Football Club. I will be running a Coach this time. The trip will involve travelling down to Derby from Hamilton Palace to the Derby County Academy at Moor Farm. We will then use the changing rooms at the Academy and be put through a gruelling two hour training session with the Derby County Youth Coaches (this will involve outdoor and indoor coaching depending on the weather). Lunch will be at the Academy followed by interactive talk with Academy Staff. Then we will head up to play in a match against Derby County – Football in the Community Students. This will be followed by us going to the Stadium (Pride Park) and watching the first team play in a League game. Incidentally, the gaffer at Pride Park, Billy Davies was of course an ex-Scotland Boys Club player.....small world. After that – the long journey home. All in all a fabulous day out. I will be taking names shortly for this trip which will be early next year. The numbers for this trip will be limited to the numbers the coach can accommodate. I have not decided on the age group(s) involved yet. Interested parties should advise Theresa.



Director of Football AWOL

As mentioned in last week's Newsletter, I have two day courses to finish down South and therefore will be unavailable this weekend on the Saturday AND next Saturday also.

SATURDAY 11TH NOVEMBER - JAMES GLACKIN & CHRIS JONES WILL RUN MY GROUP. John Renwick and Jim Ruddick will run the 1999's and Derek Mc Donald and Aldo Thomson will run the Academy PLUS.

SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER - JAMES GLACKIN & CHRIS JONES WILL RUN MY GROUP. John Renwick and Jim Ruddick are on hand to run their own Groups PLUS the 1999's as those games that week also run consecutively at the same venue.

Can I take this early opportunity of thanking Chris Jones and James Glackin for organising my squad last week...the feedback was terrific.



THE ACADEMY... ... LAST WEEK'S RESULTS



School of Excellence and Academy PLUS

- The School of Excellence (under new management – Ha! Ha!) and the Academy PLUS Squads had very straight forward and convincing wins against luckless Aston Villa Boys Club on Saturday. Aston Villa tried hard but were no match for the experience and teamwork shown by the two squads who won by fairly large scores in all four games.

1998 Improvers

- The Improvers are clearly 'improving'. They had very convincing wins in all of the four matches against Stewartfield Boys Club at East Kilbride on Saturday. A couple of the scores did not sound convincing ...but the superiority in play was there for all to see. I hope they can keep up this momento...as they clearly deserve these victories. The lads (and girl) are working really hard in training under the auspices of Robert Gormley, Robert Sands and Ian Blair.

1999 Age Group

- The 1999 Squad also played against Stewartfield Boys Club (Under 8's) and once again had four fabulous victories, this time at Richmond Park. The power and strength of these students leave little to the imagination. So all in all – a wonderful weekend of football with the Academy churning out 12 wins out of 12 games. Unbelievable. And poor old me was not there to witness it all.

Apprentice Week – update

I now have a number of names for these 'Residential Weekends'. I will hold the waiting list open for a couple more weeks then will put a close on it and offer remaining places to the general public....please give names to Theresa NOW !!!

MASTERCLASS - For School of Excellence, Academy PLUS, and 1999 'exceptional' students.

INTERMEDIATE - For remaining 1999 Students, 1998 Improvers, and exceptional 2000 students.

BEGINNER - For all other students.

All **SBC coaches** are invited to attend this weekend and will be given **professional coaching lessons** by myself **AND** senior professionals.

This will increase their ability as coaches within the Academy. The approximate cost (all inclusive except for transport) will be **approximately** £125 per person (adult or child)

I will be limiting the numbers to 16 students per course

This Weekend

Saturday	11th November 2006
Squads	School of Excellence and Academy PLUS
Venue	St John the Baptist School in Uddingston (usual astrograss pitches).
Meeting Time	9.00 am
Kick Off Time	9.30 am
Opposition	Moorlands Boys Club ...the big one !!!!

Saturday	11th November 2006
Squads	1998 Improvers Squads – Navy and White
Venue	Richmond Park (Can parents please turn up at below time to assist with NETS)
Meeting Time	9.00 am
Kick Off Time	10.00 am
Opposition	Baillieston Boys Club

Saturday	11th November 2006
Squads	1999 – Squads - Navy and White
Venue	Beltain Parks, Wishaw (on same road as Wishaw Sports Centre – couple of hundred yards before it coming from Motherwell on right hand side – can't miss it.)
Meeting Time	9.15 am
Kick Off Time	9.45 am
Opposition	Wishaw Wycombe Wanderers Boys Club

Holidays 2007

Squad	Dates	Venue	Total Cost £356	Deposit Of £50 Non Refundable by	Next £100 by	Next £100 by	Final £106 By
School of Excellence	6 th - 9 th April	Cumbria	£356	November 11th	30 Nov	31 Dec	31 Jan
Academy PLUS	6 th - 9 th April	Cumbria	£356	November 11th	30 Nov	31 Dec	31 Jan
1998 Improvers 'Navy'	4 th - 7 th May	Blackpool	£356	November 11th	31 Dec	31 Jan	28 Feb
1998 Improvers 'White'	4 th - 7 th May	Blackpool	£356	November 11th	31 Dec	31 Jan	28 Feb
1999 Age Group 'A' Squad	30 th Mar – 2 nd Apr	Craig Tara, Ayr	£356	November 11th	30 Nov	31 Dec	31 Jan
1999 Age Group 'B' Squad	30 th Mar – 2 nd Apr	Craig Tara, Ayr	£356	November 11th	30 Nov	31 Dec	31 Jan
2000 Age Group 'A' Squad	25 th – 28 th May	Great Yarmouth	£356	November 11th	31 Dec	31 Jan	28 Feb
2000 Age Group 'B' Squad	25 th – 28 th May	Great Yarmouth	£356	November 11th	31 Dec	31 Jan	28 Feb

I am concerned at the 'low' numbers that have 'booked' onto the above holidays and will monitor deposits paid this weekend and next. I will make a call at the beginning of December (the deadline for the Club to book).

If the numbers are still too low to confirm bookings then I will decline and not enter the squads into the competitions. If I book then I am committed to pay...so I will reserve judgement on this until we reach the final deadline in December. Full money (deposits) will be refunded of course. It is therefore imperative that I am aware what is happening at the earliest opportunity. Please inform Theresa if you have not already done so. We are not forcing anyone to go...and the trips are **NOT COMPULSORY**.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE NOT GOING..... URGENTLY !!!!!!!

Changeover of Squads

John Renwick has advised me that he is **NOT** changing the squads around until after the Xmas break. The below listed squads will remain 'status quo' until January 2007 when decisions will be taken.

School of Excellence – James Glackin / Chris Jones	
1	Cameron Carswell (GK)
2	Ross Lyon
3	Callum Gibson
4	Regan Glackin
5	Aiden Mc Elhinney
6	Sean Hughes
7	Leon Jones
8	Gary Keenan
9	Ryan Coulter
Academy PLUS – John Renwick / Derek Mc Donald / Aldo Thomson	
1	David Thomson (GK)
2	Samuel Bullough
3	Calum Mc Donald
4	Josh Mac Donald
5	Anthony Ralston
6	Liam Burt
7	Ryan Kane
8	Liam Bowie
9	Lee Roulston
10	Aiden Gray

The 1999 Squads for this Saturday and up until Xmas are as follows :

1999 'Navy Squad' - John Renwick & Alistair Whyte	
1	Angus Carswell (GK)
2	Euan Moodie
3	Josh Mc Fall
4	Aaron Gray
5	Calum Glasgow
6	Craig Butler
7	Anthony Croal
8	Calum Whyte
9	Paul Croal
10	Andrew Mc Lean
1999 'White' Squad - Jim Ruddick	
1	Ross Bordon (GK)
2	Frazer Hood
3	Struan Paton
4	Craig Costello
5	Matthew Innes
6	Jack Stewart
7	Taylor Milligan
8	Sonny Stewart
9	Connor Stewart
10	Ross Henderson
11	Kieran Mc Millan

Xmas Party

We have decided **NOT** to operate or run a **Xmas Party** this year. The size of the Academy and the logistics are not making the venture possible. If any parent(s) wish to run a separate 'Squad' party....let me know and I will sanction such an event.

The 'New Year' Raffle tickets

.....are being distributed this weekend. It would be **fantastic** if each family could sell **25** 'books' at **£1 per book**....(or as many as you can)over the Xmas and New Year period. We appreciate your co-operation. **ALL BOOKS MUST BE SOLD AND HANDED IN BY START BACK DATE WHICH IS THE WEEKEND OF FRIDAY 5TH JANUARY to SUNDAY 7TH JANUARY.** The DRAW will be the following week.

Please note that none of this money is retained by the Academy (or distributed to any particular age group). This money **in its entirety** gets used up on equipment and to utilise the let of a potential indoor Winter Training Facility.

The only expenses that are used from these donations is for the purchase of the 'top' prizes, (and if we could have those donated – so much the better) and of course the printing of the tickets. **Theresa will be in charge of these monies.** They should be sold and handed in **BEFORE** the draw.

Last year we purchased goals and equipment with the raffle money and this year we need to be purchasing another two sets of goals and potentially financing the new Indoor Winter Training Facility (Astrograss) which is being built at Hamilton Palace – opening January 2007 (or similar type of facility elsewhere). We aim to have the best indoor Winter training facilities in Lanarkshire.

I am collecting **RAFFLE PRIZES now.** If each family hands in one prize each we will have **90 prizes.** I already have lots of wine and two Mitre Footballs handed in. I could do with some signed footballs, signed tops, etc etc...or any football related prizes if possible. **Please give this stuff to Theresa NOW...so I can get organised.** All parents will be given 25 books each this weekend (or next weekend if you are not around). Please do your very best.

New Tracksuits etc ...measured up

Has your son been measured up....if not - please get this done this weekend. Speak to Theresa. This is your last opportunity. If you don't...you will need to pay the 'single' price and not the bulk price. If you have **NOT PAID** ...we cannot place your order. Coaches also – please pay as soon as possible – we have adult samples for you to try on too. I have been told **four weeks** for delivery....we will see !!!

Additional LOTTERY Sheet.

I was disappointed at the poor response of this **new Lottery Sheet**....all we are looking for is one line from everyone. We got a total of 20 lines from the entire Academy...in fact I have bought three of them...so in fact we have only sold 17 lines !!!out of a potential 90 !!! I will run it during the month of November and see how it goes...and if it is not working we will scrap the idea. There were **NO** winners last week so the prize money will be carried forward this week.

Theresa will have the forms with her THIS WEEKEND ...and I have also added a sheet to this Newsletter for those on email who might want to fill it out in advance.....so **please, please, please** participate. This money was intended for the 'holiday fund' but if the holidays are not 'going' then it will get used for the kids in some way or other. Theresa keeps this money separate....so I will update you every week on how it is doing.

Xmas Shutdown for Academy

The Academy will **SHUT** down at Xmas on the weekend **Friday 15th December till Sunday 17th December** (it **WILL** run that weekend – but that will be the closure). It will re-open for business on **Friday 5th January – Sunday 7th January 2007.** I have a lot of Charity functions to participate in down South.

THE BONUS BALL was won this week by **John Renwick** – Head Coach.....whit ? Again !!!

Please fill out and return to Theresa - Thank you

Same numbers to be used every week for simplicity sake.



SCOTLAND BOYS CLUB

NAME	NUMBERS				NAME	NUMBERS			

£1 per line

Pick FOUR numbers from the SIX DRAW numbers (not including the BONUS BALL) in the WEDNESDAY LOTTERY.

In the event of the prize being shared – prize money will be divided equally.

Students Name : _____

Thank You for your Contribution