

Hellingly hounds Dogs AFC

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SEYAF FIXTURES 2018 & AWARDS

2017 saw our first season as an organisation involved with SEYAF. Both our teams, one at U11 and one at U14 level, competed at all the tournaments and the Finals Day held at Canterbury. There were plenty of highs for both teams including some fantastic individual performances, team performances, great TD's and some fantastic defensive performances too.

As a celebration of this year's events, we will be holding a celebration and awards evening at the club house on Friday the 9th September. All players and their families are invited to come along and join in with the celebrations. The evening will start at 19.00 and include some nibbles for all.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS #SEYFC2018



EVENT	DATE	LOCATION	ALL EVENTS 1100-1500 UNLESS STATED
1	17TH SEPTEMBER 2017	BEAVERWOOD CLUB, SIDCUP	
2	8TH OCTOBER 2017	SIMON LANGTON SCHOOL, CANTERBURY	
3	5TH NOVEMBER 2017	EASTBOURNE SPORTS PARK (1200-1600)	
4	25TH MARCH 2018	BEAVERWOOD CLUB, SIDCUP	
5	22ND APRIL 2018	TBC	
6	20TH MAY 2018	TBC	
7	10TH JUNE 2018	TBC	
FINALS	15TH JULY 2018	TBC	



“If you’ll not settle for anything less than your best, you will be amazed at what you can accomplish in your lives.” Vince Lombardi

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

It's been a while since I sat down and wrote for the Newsletter. Since the last report, we have finished the 2017 SEYAF season. The players have come on so much over the last year. Wow, I also forgot that we are now 1 year's old!! Our U11's teams went from never playing a game to scoring numerous TD's and actually winning a couple of games. Our U14's were very unlucky not to make it through to the Semi Finals. On Finals day, they played some fantastic Offensive, and even turned a few heads as they pulled off some great plays.

On the recruitment front, we have attended several fetes and school fairs. This has resulted in several new players coming along to training. However, we are still looking to recruit more players at all age groups, especially the U17 team. We ask all players and parents, if they can share social media posts, to let their friends and family know about us, this could lead to more players attending our training sessions.

We now have a lovely dry storage container located at Horsebridge. This has kindly been donated to us from the Co-op in Heathfield. We thank them for this as well as Richard Davis, who passed on their details to us when he heard about the container becoming available. This will mean it saves me carting all the equipment to training and also that I can now get into my garage!

I need to hand out a few thanks for the parents who helped at Tournament #4 back in May. We ran a cake stall, BBQ and raffle, which helped the club to raise over £160 to help towards new training equipment. So, thank you too all the helpers on the day. To name a few; Mandy, Sue, Claire, Gavin, Andrew, Richard and Michael.

We have some fixtures out for the 2018 season. We will be hosting at Eastbourne Sports Park on 5th November. This will be held on the 3G surface and will hopefully be a fantastic day.

Flag training is up and running on Wednesday 6th September at Horsebridge Rec. We are hoping to see all our current players back as well as some new faces. We are always recruiting new players, so please encourage all your friends and family members to come along and try Flag or Contact Football.

Friday the 9th September sees us host our first ever Awards evening. The cricket club has let us use the pavilion at Horsebridge for the event. There are 4 awards per age group including O MVP, D MVP, Overall MVP and Managers award. This will hopefully be a well-supported evening and see the players win their awards that many have worked so hard for. I feel that all the players deserve an award, but there are not enough to go around. However, this doesn't mean at that these players have done anything wrong or not tried. These were hard to sort out who will win what, but all the coaches have discussed the awards and hope everyone will agree that the coaches have done their best.

Many thanks for taking the time to read this Newsletter.

Luke Boorer

Chairman

CLUB SHOP



We have teamed up with FootballAmerica.co.uk to bring you a Hellingly HoundDogs Club Shop. This is a fully stocked club shop with lots of Hound Dogs branded clothes. The range will include hoodies, T-Shirts, Shorts, beanies etc. To order your Hound Dogs equipment, just pop over to www.footballamerica.co.uk/teamstore114/

FUNDRAISING



Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for Hellingly Hound Dogs American Flag Football Club?

There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, Ebay, Screwfix, Argos, Staples, John Lewis, Aviva, thetrainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

1. Head to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hellinglyhounddog> s/ and join for free.

2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising, sign up and **add Hellingly Hound Dogs** as your chosen cause. Then just start shopping.

3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and Hellingly Hound Dogs American Flag Football Club are very grateful for your donations.



New Equipment

We would like to thank the Co-op in Heathfield who have recently donated a used shipping container. This will be used to store all the club's equipment, which means all our training equipment can be kept on site and doesn't have to be transported to training each week. This will make sure that the coaches have the equipment they need at the time they need it.

AMERICAN FLAG FOOTBALL

Come and try something new

Training every Wednesday

@ Horsebridge Rec, BN27 4DL

18:30 till 19:30

Just £4 per week

1st session free

- **New players welcome**
- **No experience necessary**
- **Ages 8 to 14**
- **Open to both boys and girls**
- **Qualified coaches**



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