# Hellingly Hounds Dogs YAFC Inside the Pound

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#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY'S**

## U16's & U19's

Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of January – Returning to training @Eastbourne Sports Park 6:30PM till 8:30PM

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> of January – Joint Training @ Maidstone 10AM till 1PM

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> of February – Joint training @ Maidstone 10AM till 1PM

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> of March – Training camp @ Hellingly 8:30AM till 4PM

### Flag

Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of February – Returning to training @Eastbourne Sports Park 6:30PM till 7:30PM



"You FAIL all of the time. But you aren't a FAILURE until you start blaming someone else"- Bum Phillips, Houston Texans

## Chairman's Report

It's the end of another year and the end of another fantastic year for the club. We continue to develop relationship and build on the foundations that were laid from previous years.

Firstly, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and wish you all a very happy New Year. We have had a good year in 2019 with us being part of the SE Legion, along with some great football from our Flag Teams and the U17's. The Dog Bowl was a fantastic success, which saw some great football from the Flag teams and then the U17's took on Kent Exiles where they held their own against the 2019 Brit Ball champions. We have also had some very disappointing events happen. We have had to move from our home ground due to flooding, but the Committee worked on securing a good price for Eastbourne Sports Park and we have managed to reduce the costs by teaming up with Hellingly Rugby Club. This, as earlier this year, has been worked well for the two club and brought the two sections closer together. It's amazing to be able to call on help from the experienced Rugby section. We were also very fortunate to have a fantastic Parish Council who heard our plea for help with the cost of having to move. They granted us of £300 to help cover the costs. It truly is a pleasure to have a parish council who want to work with us, rather than just turn their backs.

We return to training on the 8<sup>th</sup> of January (for both contact teams) and 5th of February for the Flag teams, and we will again be at the Sports Park, sharing with the Rugby Section. We will revert to our traditional start time of 6:30 rather than the 7PM we have recently been doing.

Plans for the 2020 season are well under way. We are again joining in with the SE Legion at U19's level and 2020 will see our U16's join Kent Phoenix as we enter a combined team into the leagues. As soon as the fixtures have been released, I will make sure you are all aware of them straight away.

We have also recently been awarded a grant of £500 from the Parish council to help cover the costs of hiring mini-buses for games. With both U16's and U19's game this year, we want to try and make as many players get the chance to play. We will still be asking parents to contribute to the costs, but this means we can keep the costs as low as possible.

2020 will also see us hold a training camp style joint training. This is for both the U16's and U19's. Full details will be sent out in due time, but anyone playing contact football is more than welcome to attend. It cost just  $\pounds 45$  per player, and this includes two days of training, food and accommodation at the local Travelodge. If your child wished to attend, I need to know asap.

I am also very excited for U19 Wide Receiver, Riley Davis. Riley recently attended the U19's GB recruitment day and was officially informed that he will be part of the GB squad for the up coming games. Riley has been with the club since day 1 and was at another club with me prior to coming to the HoundDogs. Congratulations Riley, keep up the hard work.

Luke Boorer

Chairman



#### Club Shop

Our team shop has just been updated by Football America. So pop over to our club shop and get your HoundDogs merchandise including T-shirts, hats, hoodies and so much more

http://www.mycustomteamwear.co.uk/295-hellingly-hound-dogs

#### **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/hellinglyhounddogs/ 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.





































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## MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR



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## AGM details

The club's helds it's 2<sup>nd</sup> ever AGM in July July. The following were elected:

**Chairman – Luke Boorer** 

Vice Chairman - Aarron Jones

**Treasurer - Michael Williams** 

**Secretary – Claire Boorer** 

**Commercial Manager – Luke Boorer** 

Welfare Officer - Emma Walsh & Heidi Baker-Sells

Additional Committee members – Peter Drake, Dom Townsend, Rachel Jones and Sean Trimby

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