



*Season 2025-26*

**WE ARE EALING UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB**



# WELCOME TO EALING UNITED FC

Based in the heart of Ealing, we provide high-quality coaching and competitive football for boys and girls from U7 to U16. As an England Football Accredited Club affiliated to the Middlesex FA, we compete proudly in the Harrow Youth Football League.

We're incredibly proud of what our players achieved in the 2024/25 season. Across 10 teams, our enthusiastic, respectful and ambitious footballers lifted several trophies, shone in local and regional tournaments and represented the club with distinction. Highlights included our U14 and U15 squads travelling to Belgium to compete in the prestigious Hageland Cup.

With 2025/26 about to get underway, we can't wait to see what this season brings – and we're delighted to have you with us on the journey!

*Mike O'Brien*

Chair / Welfare Officer

*Toby Wolf*

Secretary / Treasurer

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# ABOUT US

Ealing United Football Club was founded in 2016 to give young players a safe, supportive place to learn, grow and fall in love with football. We're proud to be an independent, not-for-profit grassroots club, providing high-quality coaching for enthusiastic, respectful and ambitious footballers across age groups from U7 to U16.

Our teams train and play at several venues across Ealing, competing in league and tournament football while representing the club with pride. All training sessions are led by DBS checked coaches with FA/UEFA coaching qualifications, FA Child Protection and First Aid certificates.

We're more than just a football club – we're a community. Whether you're a parent, player, coach or supporter, there are many ways to get involved. If you'd like to help us continue growing and inspiring young players, we'd love to hear from you.

## CLUB CONSTITUTION

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# CLUB ACHIEVEMENTS

<b>2024/25</b> Harrow Youth League Runners-Up: U13 Red (Div 4), U14 Red (Div 2) & U15 Red (Div 2) Middlesex Youth League Runners-Up: U14 White (Div 1) Wealdstone Youth Tournament: U15 Cup Winners Wealdstone Youth Cup: U13 Trophy Winners Middlesex Youth League: U10 Fair Play Winners Gunnersbury Cup: U16 Red & U14 Red Cup Runners-Up	
<b>2023/24</b> Harrow Youth League Division 6: U12 Winners Wealdstone Youth Tournament: U14 Plate Winners Gunnersbury Cup: U13 Trophy Winners Osterley Rangers Tournament: U11 Runners-Up Middlesex Youth League: U8 Fair Play Winners	<b>2022/23</b> Middlesex Youth League Division 1: U12 Winners Middlesex Youth League Division 1: U14 Runners-Up Parkfield Summer Sixes: U14 Cup Winners West Drayton Youth Tournament: U14 Plate Winners
<b>2021/22</b> London Tigers Xmas Cup: U12 Winners London Tigers Xmas Cup: U13 Winners CB Hounslow Tournament: U12 Winners	<b>2020/21</b> Middlesex Youth League Premier League: U13 Runners-Up Harrow Youth League Premier Division: U12 Winners Middlesex Youth League Cup: U11 Winners Gunnersbury Cup: U11 Plate Winners
<b>2019/20</b> Middlesex Youth League Premier Division: U12 Winners Middlesex Premier League: U13 Runners-up	<b>2018/19</b> Middlesex Youth League: U11 Shield Runners-Up West Drayton Youth Tournament: U11 Runners-up Middlesex Youth League Cup: U10 Winners
<b>2017/18</b> Middlesex Youth League: U10 Cup Winners	<b>2016/17</b> Sandgate Tournament: U9 Winners

# MEET THE COACHES



## Mike O'Brien (Head Coach)

As a coach, I value a mastery of technical skills to develop confident and inventive players comfortable in possession. I think it's important to create a challenging and engaging environment for players, encouraging their problem solving skills that most importantly for me, helps to develop players who are effective decision makers with and without the ball.

- MSc Performance in Football Coaching
- UEFA B Licence
- Youth Award Level 3

**Favourite team: AFC Wimbledon / Favourite player: Robbie Earle**



## Dan Bada

Through coaching, my aim is to facilitate the development of: confident, intelligent and technical players in a fun environment - independent thinkers that are solution focused both on and off the pitch.

- FA Level 1
- QPR Advanced Development & Girls Development Programme Coach

**Favourite team: Manchester United / Favourite player: Luka Modric**



## Rory Knibbs

My aim when coaching is to create a fun and engaging environment that all players feel comfortable in. I focus on game-based activities that allow players to problem solve in realistic environments and to create opportunities for players to express themselves.

- FA Level 1
- Brentford FCCST Coach

**Favourite team: Newcastle United / Favourite player: Bruno Guimaraes**





### Jaydon Randamy

My journey began in 2021 when I started coaching school football. This led to successes for all involved and gave me a greater interest in this pathway into football. Ealing United have provided me with the opportunity to develop my coaching further, across multiple age groups. I currently study Sports Performance Analysis & Talent ID at St Mary's University. My aim is to take the coaching skills I'm developing at Ealing United and university and use them to help improve the players and teams I coach, while always giving 100%.

**Favourite team: Tottenham Hotspur / Favourite player: Gareth Bale**

## CLUB BOARD & VOLUNTEERS

We are an independent, not for profit, community amateur sports club, with our continued success only possible thanks to the team of volunteers who keep the club going.

### CLUB BOARD

<b>CHAIR</b>	Mike O'Brien
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Toby Wolf
<b>TREASURER</b>	Toby Wolf
<b>WELFARE OFFICER</b>	Mike O'Brien
<b>FIXTURES SECRETARY</b>	David Gruenstein
<b>WEB &amp; MEDIA</b>	Toby Wolf
<b>EVENTS</b>	<i>Vacancy</i>
<b>FOUNDATION REP</b>	<i>Vacancy</i>
<b>DEVELOPMENT REP</b>	<i>Vacancy</i>



If you would like to support the club further by becoming a member of the board or offering to help as a volunteer on match days, please contact the club or liaise directly with your team manager.

## TEAM MANAGERS

TEAM	MANAGER	TEAM	MANAGER
U7 Red	<i>TBC</i>	U13 Red	Jaydon / Ewa
U8 Red	Duncan / Jon	U14 Red	James
U9 Red	<i>TBC</i>	U15 Red	Liam / Rich
U10 Red	<i>TBC</i>	U15 White	Ashley
U11 Red	Rory	U16 Red	Toby / Steve
U12 Red	David / Paul		

Team managers act as the point of contact for all fixture and team information. If you'd like to take on the role of team manager, or a support role for your child's team, please let us know.

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# OUR TEAMS & LEAGUE AFFILIATION

Our teams are coached throughout the week by our team of coaches, with support from our parent volunteer team managers. On match days our team managers lead and manage their teams.

All league and cup fixtures are played on Sundays, with kick-off times varying between 9.30am - 2pm. Most matches are played in the morning, with the occasional match an afternoon kick-off.

AGE GROUP	TEAMS	LEAGUE
<b>U7 (5-a-side)</b>	*1 team	Harrow Soccer Combination
<b>U8 (5-a-side)</b>	*1 team	Harrow Soccer Combination
<b>U9 (7-a-side)</b>	1 team	Harrow Soccer Combination
<b>U10 (7-a-side)</b>	*1 team	Harrow Soccer Combination
<b>U11 (9-a-side)</b>	1 team	Harrow Soccer Combination
<b>U12 (9-a-side)</b>	1 team	Harrow Youth Football League
<b>U13 (11-a-side)</b>	1 team	Harrow Youth Football League
<b>U14 (11-a-side)</b>	1 team	Harrow Youth Football League
<b>U15 (11-a-side)</b>	2 teams	Harrow Youth Football League
<b>U16 (11-a-side)</b>	1 team	Harrow Youth Football League

*\*1 team due to enter the league in January 2026*

## League Affiliation

Our U7-11 teams all play in the Harrow Soccer Combination (HSC), while our U13-16 teams compete in the Harrow Youth Football League (HYFL).

Decisions on league entry (divisions/groups) are made based on the most appropriate level of challenge for our teams. Both leagues are affiliated with Middlesex FA.





Our older age groups (U12-U16) are also involved in Middlesex FA Youth Cup competitions. These are knockout competitions played on Sunday mornings.

### **Season Dates**

The league season commences in September (September 21st for HYFL and September 28th for HSC) with matches played through until April/May. Both the HSC and HYFL have breaks during the Christmas holidays and at Easter. There are sometimes additional breaks during half-term holidays.

### **Team Selection**

Balancing the number of players and teams is always a challenging process. Our aim is to have players playing in match day squads appropriate to their ability. Some age groups have large squads, meaning squad rotation is used with players sometimes being asked to miss matches to accommodate others.

We also have players involved on a 'training-only' basis. These players remain an important part of our club, being fully involved in training throughout the season. There may be an opportunity for 'training-only' players in the younger age groups (U7-11) to get involved in matches during the season. Parents will be contacted by the team manager if this is the case.

### **Additional Teams**

There is potential during the season to increase the number of teams within the younger age groups (U7-11) and add teams to leagues where currently there aren't enough registered players to put out a team. This is dependent on new players joining the club. We will keep players and parents updated throughout the season.

### **End of Season Tournaments**

Our teams enter numerous local and regional tournaments at the end of each season (April - July). Team Managers will inform parents and players of the tournament opportunities available to them. Tournaments are separate to the league system and attract an additional payment.



# WEEKLY TRAINING SESSIONS

Training takes place throughout the school year, during term time. Sessions will take place during rain or adverse weather, unless pitches or conditions become unsafe. We train on 3G astroturf pitches. Our training schedule for the 2025/26 season is listed below.

## 2025/26 TRAINING SESSIONS

Training is open to registered players only, while we offer free one-off trial sessions for those looking to join the club. Training must be booked online via the [club website](#).

DAY	AGE GROUP	SESSION TIMES	VENUE
MONDAY	U12 (Year 7)	4.30pm - 6pm	Park Sports Lammas Park, W13 9NJ
	U16 (Year 11)	6pm - 7.30pm	Wasps FC, W3 9QA
TUESDAY	U11 (Year 6)	4pm - 5.30pm	Park Sports Lammas Park, W13 9NJ
	U15 (Year 10)	6pm - 7.30pm	Wasps FC, W3 9QA
WEDNESDAY	U7 (Year 2) & U8 (Year 3)	4pm - 5.30pm	Park Sports Lammas Park, W13 9NJ
	U9 (Year 4) & U10 (Year 5)	4pm - 5.30pm	Park Sports Lammas Park, W13 9NJ
	U14 (Year 9)	5.30pm - 7pm	Park Sports Lammas Park, W13 9NJ
THURSDAY	U13 (Year 8)	4.30pm - 6pm	Park Sports Lammas Park, W13 9NJ

## 2025/26 TRAINING DATES

TRAINING SESSIONS	NON-TRAINING DATES
Mon 8th September - Thur 18th December (14 weeks)	27th-30th October (half-term)
Mon 5th January - Thur 26th March (12 weeks)	16th-20th February (half-term)
Mon 13th April - Thur 16th July (12 weeks)	4th & 25th May (Bank holiday) 25th-29th May (half-term)

- There is no training across the Easter, Christmas or Summer school holidays
  - All players must wear shin pads and appropriate footwear (studs or astroturf boots)
  - Players are advised to bring a bottle of water and wear appropriate clothing for the conditions
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# MATCH DETAILS & LOCATIONS

## MATCH INFORMATION

AGE GROUP	FORMAT	MATCH LENGTH	BALL SIZE
U7	5v5	20 mins e/w	3
U8	5v5	20 mins e/w	3
U9	7v7	25 mins e/w	3
U10	7v7	25 mins e/w	4
U11	9v9	30 mins e/w	4
U12	9v9	30 mins e/w	4
U13	11v11	35 mins e/w	4
U14	11v11	35 mins e/w	4
U15	11v11	40 mins e/w	5
U16	11v11	40 mins e/w	5

## HOME GROUND

U7 - U12	U13 - U16
The Brentham Club, 38a Meadvale Rd, Ealing, W5 1NP *Grass pitches	Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School, Greenford Rd, Greenford, UB6 9AW *3G pitch

### Fixture Information & Parental Responsibility

We will inform parents and players of upcoming match information (venue, kick-off time etc) during the week in the lead up to the match. We ask parents to inform their team manager of their child's availability - via the Spond app - at their earliest convenience and ideally by Tuesday. Team Managers will be in regular contact with parents, particularly if there are any late or unforeseen fixture changes.



Teams are most successful with a group of happy and committed players. It is for this reason we ask our players to be available for matches every week. We understand players will have other commitments from time to time, so if this is the case please let your team manager know in advance.

### **Match Day Information**

We ask our players to be at their match at least 30 minutes before kick-off (this can vary for different age groups). Arriving in good time allows players to be properly prepared, while giving team managers the opportunity to speak with their team and pass on key information and tactics. If you are running late for a match, we ask you to please contact your team manager.

Team Managers appreciate extra support on match days. From helping to lead a team warm-up, to acting as an assistant referee (running the line), if you feel able to help out even if on an ad-hoc basis, please let your team manager know.

Our teams play against other grassroots teams throughout west and north-west London. Away matches are usually a maximum 45 minute drive from Ealing, but please do plan ahead and check the location and travel time in advance.

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# PLAYER REGISTRATION

You are receiving this welcome pack as you have already registered for the 2025/26 season.

Registration for Ealing United FC is essential for all players involved in matches. Players need to be registered for the club and league, with the club ensuring all players are insured and affiliated.

- Club registration - completed online via our Team FeePay system
- League registration - parents and players need to be signed up to the FA's registration system, which will provide parent/guardian & player with a *FAN* number and ensure you can be linked to our club.
- You may be sent a link requesting 'consent' for your child to represent Ealing United. This needs to be agreed before they can be registered with the league.

**Registering for EUFC does not guarantee a place in a particular team.**

As a club we consider each individual player's ability and playing experience, plus specific team requirements, before our coaches and team managers decide on the most suitable team for them or, as may be the case, that they take part in training-only. There may be occasions where we have too many, or not enough players for an age group. This is something that can't be helped. We always do our best to ensure every registered player has the opportunity to be involved in matches, however this is not always possible.

***The club's decision on any of the above matters is final.***

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# FEES

## Registration Fees

Our registration fees contribute towards the cost of running our club, including insurance and affiliation, while allowing the club to pay for other essentials, including the lease of our pitches at The Brentham Club, hire of match day pitches for older age groups and the purchase of new equipment. Our player registration fees for the 2025/26 season are listed below.

### Registration Fees - paid when registering via Spond

£66 - for all players, U7-U16

£33 - Families receiving income support (Universal Credit)

## Training & Match Fees

Fees are payable on a monthly basis, from September - May. These are payable by all players involved in matches. Fees are collected on the *1st of the month*, via our online registration platform, Spond. These fees help to cover the cost of coaching, pitch hire and referees.

**U7 - U12** = £50 per month, September 2025 - May 2026

**U13 - U16** = £60 per month, September 2025 - May 2026

## Training-only Fees

Players involved on a training-only basis pay reduced costs. These fees cover coaching, pitch hire and floodlight costs. Booking must be completed in advance of the first training session.

**Registration:** £22

**U7 - U16** = £33 per month, September 2025 - May 2026

## Match-only Fees

We always request players to attend training if they are due to be involved in matches, however we do understand this may not always be possible. If a player is unable to train, we request you speak to your team manager or the club secretary to arrange 'match-only' payments.



## **Families receiving Income Support**

Registration, match and training fees are reduced by 50% for families receiving Universal Credit. The club requires evidence to be provided when registering, via PART 2 of our registration form.

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# COMMUNICATION

## Spond App

This season we are requesting that all parents download and make use of the [Spond](#) app. Once signed in, the app is associated with your child's team, meaning it is linked directly to our club and will incorporate match information. Your team manager will manage all match information and team selection via the app. To download the Spond app, head to your app store and search 'Spond'.



## WhatsApp Groups & Club Community

Teams will continue to make use of parent WhatsApp groups, allowing team managers and parents to communicate non-match related information to others within the team. Parents will be added to the relevant WhatsApp group by their team manager.

We are also introducing a WhatsApp Club Community. The community will include all parent WhatsApp groups and will be used as a way to share important club updates.

## Spond Invite Codes

To access the correct team on Spond, use the following link, followed by the code listed below: <https://group.spond.com/'CODE'>

TEAM	CODE	TEAM	CODE
U7		U13	BVYVR
U8	WTMFX	U14	YCAVI
U9	AOTEW	U15 Red	EWNBL
U10	XOLRY	U15 White	BKVEH
U11	CGQUU	U16	DARYR
U12	AMZXS		

# PLAYING & TRAINING KIT

We have updated our club kit for the 2025/26 season.

Playing and training kit is available to purchase via our [club shop](#) on the Direct Soccer website. Playing kit is obviously an essential item, while training items are optional extras.

Stock for some sizes of kit can be limited or unavailable at times, however Direct Soccer regularly restock items. Our suggestion is to order kit that you require immediately, even if it is listed as unavailable. Orders will then be posted as soon as items become available.

## Kit Numbers

Numbers must be added to the rear of our playing kit. You must speak to your team manager before ordering to confirm which numbers are available.



## EALING UNITED FC CLUB SHOP

# CLUB SPONSORS & SUPPORTERS

Sponsorship is vital to keeping Ealing United a thriving, accessible community club — and right now, we don't have any sponsors for this season. Without support, it's much harder to provide our young players with the high-quality coaching and facilities they deserve.

Sponsor branding is featured on our players' kits and across our club materials — while most importantly helping our community club continue to thrive.

If you know of a company that can step up to support us, we'd love to hear from you.



# WELFARE & SAFEGUARDING

All Ealing United coaches are members of the FA's Licensed Coaches Club. This ensures that all have up to date enhanced FA DBS checks, FA Emergency Aid and FA Safeguarding certification.

EUFC acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children at risk. The club is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice and FA requirements.

The club's safeguarding policy recognises the welfare and interests of children at risk are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, ability or disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation, socio-economic background, all children:

- have a positive and enjoyable experience of football at Ealing United Football Club in a safe inclusive environment
- are protected from abuse whilst participating in football.

Ealing United acknowledges that some children, including disabled children and young persons or those from ethnic minority communities, can be particularly vulnerable to abuse and we accept the responsibility to take reasonable and appropriate steps to ensure their welfare.

The club's current Welfare Officer is Michael O'Brien.

Please contact Michael on 07731972864 or [ealingunited.coaching@gmail.com](mailto:ealingunited.coaching@gmail.com)

The club's policy and procedures will be widely promoted and are mandatory for everybody involved at Ealing United. Failure to comply with the policy and procedures will be addressed and may result in dismissal/exclusion from the club.

Anybody who does not feel comfortable with raising a concern with the club Welfare Officer should contact the Safeguarding Officer at the Middlesex FA:

Kayleigh Saunders (Senior Safeguarding Lead)

02085151919 (Option 2)

[safeguarding@middlesexfa.com](mailto:safeguarding@middlesexfa.com)



# EUFC RESPECT & CONDUCT CODES

As a club we follow **England Football's** 'Grassroots Code for Youth Football'. Our Respect codes are in place to ensure that everyone involved with the club is playing their part to give players a positive experience.

The Grassroots Code includes *Standards of Behaviour* which all of football have got behind. They're very clear, so everyone can understand and remember them:

- Enjoy The Game We're here to enjoy ourselves...win, lose or draw.
- Give Respect We always treat others as we'd like to be treated.
- Be Inclusive We embrace our differences...football is a game for everyone.
- Work Together We're a team, on and off the pitch.
- Play Safe We all have a role in safeguarding children.

Find out how you can embrace and live the code [here](#)

To download the club's individual **Respect** codes, please see the [club website](#).



# ANNUAL EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	TIME	VENUE / DETAILS
TEAM MANAGER MEETING	Friday 5th September 2025	7pm - 8pm	Online (details to follow)
AWARDS DAY	Sunday 31st May 2026	12pm - 2pm	The Brentham Club, W5 1NP
AGM (Open to all EUFC families)	Monday 30th July 2026	6pm - 7pm	Online (details to follow closer to the time)

*\*Additional events will be added throughout the season*

Thanks for your continued support!

EALING UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

