

## **Footballcv.com – News Update**

### **New academy launched!**

September 2007 will see the opening of the first Footballcv.com Academy.

The Academy will be based at Rushden & Diamonds F.C. using their fantastic facilities. The entrance criteria will be for boys 16 years of age who will have just left school.

The Academy will cater for educational and football development, using fantastic facilities based at one of the UK's most-developed football clubs.

### **Why is this unique?**

The Academy will be like no other in the country in that up to 30 hours a week will be spent on intense football training and playing. We hope this will lead you into becoming a professional footballer. And you will also have the opportunity to come out with some qualifications as well.

### **What the course will entail**

With the Academy being of a residential nature, on-site accommodation, meals, student security/welfare and transportation issues are all included and highly supervised to a professional football club/University standard.

The facilities will include use of a number of top-quality training pitches, dedicated study centre for educational needs with all top end technology installed, highly qualified tutors and coaching staff, welfare officers and all physiotherapy needs.

Successful candidates will be selected on their football ability. We will be holding football trials to decide on the successful 40 applicants. It will be necessary to provide details of your final school exam results later in the year but won't affect your acceptance onto the course.

The football course will be provided by former professional players and coaches.

It is intended the Academy will run its own team playing in a National League. The Academy will also be playing a number of friendly games against Football League and Premier League opposition.

The sole intention of the Academy is to help boys progress in the football industry, hopefully as players at the top level. For those who fail to make it, then we hope the course will lead students to remain in the industry, and enjoy making a living in a sporting environment.

The course will be for two years, and while it will be predominantly a football course, the boys will, in addition, undergo a nationally recognised qualification, which will open up options for a number of careers including physiotherapy, sports coaching, sports development, the fitness profession or sports teaching.

Further information on the Academy can be viewed at the new website – **[www. footballcvacademy.com](http://www.footballcvacademy.com)**

Please note if you are under 16 years of age you can still register your interest for future places.

### **Trial Days - 2007**

A list of trials and the first camp of 2007 are all listed below and can be booked with immediate effect on the website or by printing off forms from the website.

## Trials Days

The following are already available to book with more to be confirmed soon:

**Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at Stalybridge Celtic F.C (North West)** (Over 18's through to Under 16's)  
**Wed, February 21<sup>st</sup> (5–10 pm) at Rushden & Diamonds F.C (Midlands)** (Over 18's through to Under 16's)  
**Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at M S Oslo F.C. (Norway)** (Aged 17 years +)  
**Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at Livingston F.C (Scotland)** (Over 18's through to Under 16's)  
**Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at Dagenham & Redbridge F.C (London)** (Over 18's through to Under 12's)  
**Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at Charlton Athletic F.C. (London)** (Over 18's through to Under 16's)

- *N.B All trials are attended by Premiership, League and Non-league clubs and are run on the same principal.*
- *More Trials Days will be announced on the website shortly. During May 2007 it is expected we will be holding trials at many Premiership and Football League grounds.*

## footballcv trials camp

**Sun, April 1st – Fri, April 6th** Residential Camp - Ascot, Berks. (12– 19 year olds).

The camp is run in association with camp specialists Let Me Play.

If you would like to apply to come to camp, please visit [www.letmeplay.co.uk](http://www.letmeplay.co.uk) to download an application form, email [info@letmeplay.co.uk](mailto:info@letmeplay.co.uk) or call 0845 009 0933 for more information.

## Other News

### Stalybridge Celtic Trials Day

The Trials Day at Stalybridge Celtic Trials Day will feature scouts from Manchester United, Liverpool and Leeds United on the 'Players Panel' with a number of other Football League and non-league scouts expected to be in attendance throughout the day.

### TV coverage for footballcv

footballcv.com has been receiving coverage on various television programmes recently.

The company was featured on NRK news in Norway regarding the Oslo trials. The station is the biggest in the country and featured the forthcoming trials in February. It is the first time the footballcv.com Trials Days will be held outside the UK.

The new footballcv academy being launched in September has generated a great deal of media attention and ITV featured the Academy on Anglia's 'Midweek Soccer Special' last week.

And several of footballcv's youngest members have attended trials to appear in a national TV advertising campaign for Clarke's shoes. The nine year olds attended Arsenal's Training Ground where they were put through their paces in front of the camera's. If successful they, or their feet, will appear on screens in future adverts.