

Footballcv.com – News Update

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.

Last year member Tom Bird attended and has subsequently signed for Chelsea!!

If you would like to apply to come to camp, please visit www.letmeplay.co.uk to download an application form, email info@letmeplay.co.uk or call 0845 009 0933 for more information.

Trial Days - 2007

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

Wed, March 14th (6–9pm)	at Rushden & Diamonds F.C (Midlands)	<i>(Over 18's through to Under 18's)</i>
Sunday, April 1st	at Dagenham & Redbridge F.C (London)	<i>(Over 18's through to Under 12's)</i>
Wed, April 18th (6–9pm)	at Rushden & Diamonds F.C (Midlands)	<i>(Over 18's through to Under 18's)</i>
Sun, April 29th	at Northwich Victoria F.C (North West)	<i>(Over 18's through to Under 12's)</i>
Saturday, May 12th	at Charlton Athletic F.C. (London)	<i>(Over 18's through to Under 16's)</i>
Thurs, May 17th (5–10 pm)	at West Ham United F.C (London)	<i>(Over 18's through to Under 16's)</i>

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.

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 to 18 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.

Clubs are starting to show their support of the academy saying:

"The footballcv Academy is a great idea, using fantastic football facilities, highly qualified staff and a recognised sports college. It is a 'once-in-a-lifetime' opportunity for players to join an Academy. I will always be happy to attend regularly to help the players and monitor their development"

Dave Hobson – scout for Manchester United F.C.

"I've been to many footballcv Trial Days in the past and all the scouts take it very seriously. It has grown rapidly and it is fantastic they have set up a partnership with Rushden & Diamonds for this new Academy."

Barry Fry - Director of Football, Peterborough United F.C.

Other News

footballcv hits the headlines!

footballcv.com has just returned from Norway following the first Trials Day outside the UK.

The trials had a major impact with NRK News, the equivalent to the BBC, featuring the trials on last night's main news bulletin. Sports channel TV2 also filmed the day and joining them were national newspapers Aftenposten and Dagbladet.

Over forty players from the UK made the trip and one member has already been offered a trial at Fourth Division side Baekke-lagets F.C. Apart from the Norwegian clubs that attended Liverpool, Bolton Wanderers and Leeds United also sent scouts.

footballcv.com Managing Director, Graham Starmer, commented "The trials were a great success and the media attention it generated has raised the profile of our members even further a field. The commitment from the players who travelled over was excellent and I sincerely hope more are offered a chance in Norway. The venue at Manglerud Idrettspark was superb and we were all looked after very well. I think the concept of football trials was new to them and hope in the future to return to establish footballcv"

Villa support footballcv.com

Steve Hajduk, an Aston Villa Academy scout, said "I have attended numerous Football CV.com trial days and have always found them to be very well organised with great care taken to make sure that everyone has a chance to show what they can do. Scouts like myself are always given all the information we need if we wish to contact any player."