

CUB FOOTBALL SEASONS REPORT  
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The start for arranging cub football in pre-season was really an on-off affair, not knowing if the cub-scout movement in London Colney would carry on. Fortunately it did so, only to be told unfortunately that Tony Rideout, resigned as Cub Football League Secretary. Tony over the years, we think we are right in saying 20 years as Manager and League Secretary. We can only wish Tony well and thank him for the commitment and devotion he has shown to many boys over the years. To keep the cub league intact the managers and assistants from all cub groups in St. Albans area arranged a meeting and to form a three man committee, Ray Blake taking over as League Secretary, Kevin Hamer as Treasurer and our own Keith Stuart for results and fixtures. London Colney itself had such a good response from the boys, that a decision was taken to run two cub teams for the first time. Teams division 1 London Colney 'A' and division 2 London Colney 'B' which was agreed by the committee previously plus at general cub football meeting.

We purchased a new kit for the 'A' team for a cost of £148. London Colney Youth supplied the kit for the 'B' team which we thank them very much for their continued support. 'A' team managed by Dave Hicks and Phil Osborne 'B' team managed by Keith Stuart Jim Ledger and Ivan West.

The season got off to an indifferent start with the teams playing well but not getting the results. Fortunes did change for the 'A' team. In the league they finished a very credible runners up to Park Street. They also reached the semi-final of the Salway Cup only to go out 4 - 3 in extra time to Sandridge. They have also reached the League Cup Final as yet to be played on Friday May 19th against Park Street.

The 'B' team it was more of a learning season with so many younger boys, they still played some marvellous football and with more luck would have finished higher up.

In between the football on October 30th the boys took part in a sponsored run with some 28 boys taking part. The run raised just over £300. We would like to express our thanks to the sponsors especially Lee Harraway, the Ypey family and Jimmy Toomey.

On April 22nd Dave Hicks and Keith Stuart took a team of eight boys to represent the St. Albans District, to a six-a-side tournament at Stevenage Leisure Centre. The teams they played came from different cities and towns throughout Hertfordshire. The boys from different packs in St. Albans area did very well and reached the final unlucky to lose 2 - 1 to Hemel Hempstead.