

**GWENT COUNTY FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION  
YOUTH LEAGUE SEASON 2008/2009**

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## **GWENT COUNTY YOUTH LEAGUE RULES**

### **1. TITLE.**

The amalgamation of Clubs affiliated to the Gwent County Football Association admitting its rules and regulations shall be called the Gwent County Football Association Youth League and is for all purposes of interpretation hereinafter referred to as 'The League'.

### **2. CONSTITUTION.**

The League shall receive into membership a number not exceeding 42 clubs. Divisions at under 18 years of age, under 16 years of age and under 14 years of age. No clubs shall obtain membership whose registered ground is the same as any other member club.

Clubs shall not withdraw from membership without due notice of such intention being given in writing before April 30<sup>th</sup> prior to the end of the season in May at which time they will terminate membership. Clubs ignoring this requirement will forfeit their guarantee and, in addition, be liable to a fine not exceeding £50.00

Applications for membership from new clubs must reach the League Secretary on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> May each year.

In the event of a club withdrawing from the League or if a vacancy occurs for any reason, the League Management Committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy.

All players in the League must be licensed by the Gwent County Football Association in accordance with their constitution No.42, any player not licensed will be deemed ineligible. Players' licences MUST be available at all venues, to allow scrutiny by opponents and League Officials. Failure to produce these licences could lead to a fine not exceeding £25.00

No registration will be accepted unless accompanied by a valid licence.

All players must be under 18 years of age, under 16 years of age or under 14 years of age respectively on the 31<sup>st</sup> August on the year in which the season commenced.

Birth certificates or such proof of birth as may be required must be produced to the Club Secretary on registration and whenever else required.

### **3. MANAGEMENT.**

The affairs of the League shall be controlled by a Management Committee consisting of the Officers of the Gwent County Football Association and eight Councillors, four of whom shall be appointed by the Gwent County Football Association and four elected by the member Clubs at the special general meeting of all Clubs prior to the commencement of the season. The Secretary of the League shall be appointed by the Gwent County Football Association.

### **4. JURISDICTION.**

The Management Committee shall have jurisdiction over all matters, whether specially provided for in these Rules or not. They shall be empowered to appoint such Sub-Committees as deemed necessary. The Management Committee will meet every month. No resolution shall be rescinded at the meeting at which it is passed. No motion to alter or rescind any resolution passed within the preceding six months, and no motion or amendment to the same effect as one which has been rejected within the preceding six months, shall be proposed. When any such motion of amendment has been disposed of by the Council, it shall not be open to any member to propose a similar motion within a further period of six months'

The expenses of each member of the Management Committee attending shall be paid from League funds.

Officials and Members of the Management Committee shall have free access to any part of the ground during the progress of a League match.

### **5. RULES, INFRINGEMENTS REVISIONS.**

No alterations of or additions to existing Rules shall be made except at the Annual Rules Revision Meeting convened for that purpose. Notices of alterations and additions must reach the League Secretary by 10<sup>th</sup> February in each year, and shall be printed and forwarded to the Clubs as least seven days before the Rules Revision Meeting.

### **6. LEAGUE FUNDS.**

The League Funds shall be banked in the name of and as part of the funds of the Gwent County F.A., and all cheques shall be signed in accordance with the regulations of this Association.

### **7. ANNUAL MEETING.**

The Annual Meeting shall be held in conjunction with the annual general meeting of the Gwent County F.A. Each Club in Membership may be represented and shall be entitled to one vote.

### **8. REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET.**

The Annual Report and a copy of the Accounts and Balance Sheet of the Gwent County F.A. (which shall incorporate the accounts of the League), duly certified, shall be forwarded to each Club at least seven days before the date of the Annual Meeting.

**9. OBJECTIONABLE CONDUCT.**

At the Annual General Meeting, or any Extraordinary General Meeting called for that purpose, it shall be competent for a majority of the delegates present and voting thereat, to exclude from membership any Club whose conduct has, in their opinion, been objectionable.

**10. HIRE OF GROUNDS.**

Any Club playing under the auspices of this League shall be compelled (subject to any existing tenancy agreement) to let their ground (properly marked and with nets and other equipment) and usual dressing accommodation to the League for any inter-league championship or cup matches on such terms as shall be agreed by the League Management Committee.

**11. APPROACHING PLAYERS.**

Any Club found guilty of inducing or attempting to induce, directly or indirectly, a player or players of another League Club to join it' shall be guilty of misconduct, and liable to expulsion or such penalty as the Management Committee may decide.

**12. CUSTODY OF LEAGUE TROPHIES.**

When winning Clubs have been ascertained the League Management Committee shall deliver the trophy to representatives of such Club upon receiving a document to the following effect, subscribed by three persons whose names shall be previously submitted and approved by the Committee:

'We, A.B., C.D., and E.F., members of and representing the ..... Club, which has now been declared to have won the Gwent County Football Association Sunday Youth League Cup, and the same having been delivered to us by ..... Secretary of the Gwent County F.A. do hereby on behalf of the said Club, individually and collectively undertake to return the same to the Secretary of the Association for the time being before March 1<sup>st</sup> next season, in good order and condition, and in accordance with the annexed rules, to which also we have subscribed our respective names, and provided the said Cup is destroyed or damaged by fire whilst under our care or custody, we agree to refund the Association the amount of its original value, or the cost of thorough repair, and should the Cup be lost or destroyed from any other cause whilst under our care and custody, we hereby, individually and collectively, undertake to pay to the Association, a sum of £50.00 as and for liquidated damages, and also to refund to the Association the amount of the original value of the Cup .

**13. MEMENTOES -- WINNERS/RUNNERS-UP.**

A set of sixteen awards will be presented to the Club adjudged Winners and Runners-up in each division. Additional awards to the set of sixteen can be obtained by consent of the League Management Committee at the expense of the Club.

**14. AFFILIATION SUBSCRIPTION AND DEPOSIT.**

All Clubs must be directly affiliated to the Gwent County Football Association by 1st July. Annual subscription to be paid by the 1<sup>st</sup> September in each year.

Each team will be required to make a deposit with application form. After applications have been received these shall be granted at the discretion of the Management Committee.

The deposit will be used as a guarantee that the team will complete its League fixtures during the season, and shall be returned to the Club at the end of the season unless forfeited by failure to complete such fixtures. Any Club failing to complete its futures shall be liable to be expelled from the League and fined as the Management Committee decides.

The deposit shall be placed in a special account with the bank and the Management Committee will have the power to return whole or part of such fee providing any Club failing to retain membership has met all obligations covered by rule. All fees to be remitted to the League Secretary by 1<sup>st</sup> September. All fees to be decided annually by Management Committee.

**15. GROUNDS AND DRESSING ROOMS.**

All Clubs in membership with the League shall provide Grounds to the satisfaction of the Management Committee and also ensure the facilities thereon for visiting teams and match officials are the required standard. The League will not be held responsible for the safe keeping of the property of Clubs, players or officials while in a any dressing accommodation whether hired to a Club or to the League.

**16. TEAM COLOURS.**

Each team in the League shall register its ground and colours with the Secretary. In the event of any two teams having similar playing colours, the home team shall make a change, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon. Goalkeepers shall play in colours distinct from other members of both teams. The players of each team must wear shirts numbered differently 1-16. Offending clubs will be dealt with as the Management Committee decides.

**17. FIXTURES.**

All League fixtures shall be arranged by the League Secretary and reported to the Management Committee before the commencement of the season.

**18. CANCELLATION OF FIXTURES.**

If cancellation of any League fixture is required, application must be made in writing only to the League Secretary at least seven days before the match is to be played, who will then notify both teams of the cancellation if agreed to. Opponents must be informed that application is being made and same must be in their hands at least seven days before the match is to be played.

If any fixture is postponed due to inclement weather, the Home club is responsible for notifying the League Secretary. Any games postponed on the day of the game, the Home club must telephone the Secretary of the away club and the referee. Both Club Secretaries must telephone the League Secretary confirming the postponement of the game. Failure to do so will result in a fine of £10.00 any further fines to be doubled.

**19. BREAKING OF FIXTURES.**

Clubs found guilty of wilfully breaking a League Fixture, shall be fined, as directed by the Management Committee, and the game shall be awarded to the innocent club with a score of 5-0.

Clubs committing a third offence shall be liable to expulsion.

**20. NOTIFYING OF HOME GROUNDS.**

Each home Club will notify the visitors and Referee (if appointed) BY FIRST CLASS POST, same to be in hands of opponents and Referee at least 72 hours preceding the match, with details of Headquarters, Ground, time of kick-off, etc. Clubs failing to notify their opponents and Referee will be fined £10.00 for the first offence. Any subsequent offence to be dealt with at the discretion of the Management Committee.

**21. LEAGUE WINNERS AND RELEGATION.**

At the end of each season's competition the Club scoring the largest number of points shall be declared the Champion Club, 3 points being counted for each game won and one point for each game drawn. Should two or more Clubs be equal on points the Club having the best goal difference shall be declared Champion: In the event of goal difference being equal the Club having scored the most goals shall be adjudged the winners, and should the goals for be equal, the Clubs shall play off on a neutral ground, the gate money to be equally divided between the competing Clubs. The two lowest Clubs must apply for re-election together with any new Clubs making application to become members of the League.

**22. REGULATIONS RE MATCHES.**

All matches must be played under the rules of the Football Association of Wales Limited, and shall be of 90 minutes duration for under 18 years of age, 80 minutes for under 16 and under 14 years of age. Clubs shall not mutually agree to play a match in lieu of a League match. Any match not completed may be ordered to stand as a completed match, or to be replayed for the full duration as the Management Committee may direct. A Club may name five substitutes from which all five can be used (except in the Under 18 League where any three from five can be used) at any time other than to replace a player that has been suspended from the game by the Referee. The substitution can only be made whilst the game is stopped for any reason and the Referee has given permission. The substitutes shall be nominated prior to the commencement of the game and introduced to the Referee. No substitutes will be allowed unless these rules are adhered to.

**23. LATE STARTS.**

Clubs responsible for a late start, whether the match is completed or not, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £5.00.

**24. CONTRACT PLAYERS NOT ELIGIBLE.**

No contract players shall be allowed to play in the League.

**25. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS.**

Each team must register its players on the appropriate forms obtainable from the League Secretary. An annual registration fee will be charged to each team. Teams may then register as many players as they wish. Such fee to be decided by the Management Committee and shall be payable by the 1<sup>st</sup> September each year.

A player may only register for one Club.

All players must be licensed with the Gwent County Football Association. Current Licence Number must be entered on a player's registration form. No registration form will be accepted unless accompanied by a current Licence. Clubs are advised to deal with applications and renewals of licences in good time, as no allowance can be made for licences still being processed at Gwent County F.A.

A player is eligible to play in a match organised by the League providing the appropriate form is received and found to be in order by the League Secretary. The deadline for a Club to register a player with the League is **5.00pm** on the last working day prior to the match in which the Club wish the player to participate. The closing date for registration and

transfers is the 1<sup>st</sup> March each season.

## **26. INELIGIBLE PLAYERS.**

In the event of a player signing two or more forms for two or more Clubs, priority of registration shall decide to which Club the player belongs. A player wilfully signing more than one registration form, or a Club knowingly inducing a player to sign more than one form shall be dealt with as the Management Committee shall deem fit. Any player found guilty will be dealt with by the Gwent County Football Association.

**Any Club playing an Ineligible player's shall be:**

- a) **When the Winning Club plays an ineligible player:**  
The match shall be awarded to the non-offending club.  
The result will be recorded as 5-0.
- b) **When the losing side plays an ineligible player:**
  1. The result of the game will stand.
  2. The goals scored by the losers shall be disallowed.
- c) **In drawn matches where one club plays an ineligible player:**
  1. The match shall be awarded to the non-offending club.
  2. The result will be recorded as 5-0.
- d) **When both teams play an ineligible player.**
  1. The match shall be declared void and no points awarded.
  2. The match shall be replayed.
- e) In all cases clubs will be liable to fines and expenses as the Executive direct.
- f) Any player taking part in a match in which he is not eligible, shall be reported to the Gwent County Football Association. He is also liable to have his registration cancelled at the discretion of the Executive.

## **27. TRANSFER OF PLAYERS**

Players wishing to transfer shall complete a transfer form. Transfer forms for the transfer of players between clubs in the Under 18 League will be available from the League Secretary. Players wishing to transfer to a Club in another League must obtain a transfer form from the Secretary of the Gwent County football Association. Transfer forms for the transfer of players between clubs in the Under 16 League will only be available from the Secretary of the Gwent County Football Association. This form to be signed by the secretary and team manager of the new team, the player, secretary and manager of the old team. No transfer applications will be considered by the Gwent County Football Association after the 1st March. The cost of a transfer is £15.00.

After 31 December each year transfers of players in the Under 16 League will only be approved where:-

1. The player is moving to a new permanent address.
2. Players fail to obtain regular football at existing club.

### **27.1 Transfers between two clubs in the same league**

The completed transfer form, the Gwent County Football Association Players License and the appropriate transfer fee (£15.00) must be presented to the League Secretary, or designated league registration officer, for approval. Transfer requests to be approved or rejected at the next meeting of the League Management Committee and reported to the Gwent County Football Association within seven (7) days. Transfer requests to be submitted 7 (seven) days prior to the League Management Committee Meeting.

### **27.2 Transfers between two clubs in two different leagues**

An application for a Gwent County Football Association transfer form must be made to the Secretary of the Gwent County Football Association. The transfer form duly completed, Players License and appropriate transfer fee to be returned to the Secretary of the Association. The following will then apply:-  
The Association will consider the transfer at the next available Council Meeting but may approve or reject it. Immediately after the Meeting that considered the transfer, the Association Secretary will forward the form to:-

- a) If the transfer is accepted to the receiving League Secretary.

- b) If the transfer is decline the transfer form will be sent back to the club making the application.

Note: Where a player holds kit belonging to, or owes monies to, or is in any way in dispute with, the existing club then such details must be entered on the transfer form by the club secretary of the existing club. The League and Gwent County Football Association will take such comments into account when determining whether the transfer is to be allowed or refused.

**28. RESULT FORMS.**

The home club must complete a match report form which the players of both teams must sign inserting their licence number. The form must be sent to the League Secretary to arrive by Wednesday following the game. Any club failing to comply will be dealt with as directed by the Management Committee.

Clubs must telephone result of match to the League Secretary by 6.00pm. on the day of the match. Failure to do so will result in a £10.00 fine. Subsequent offences will be dealt with as directed by the Management Committee.

**29. PROTESTS, CLAIMS AND COMPLAINTS.**

All protests, claims and complaints shall be heard and determined by the Management Committee. The Clubs protesting or claiming must send two copies of such protest or claim to the League Secretary not later than seven days after any match (Sundays excepted) by first- class mail, and deposit a fee of £25.00 (twenty five pounds), such deposit to be forfeited in the event of the protest or claim not being upheld. Any appeal against the decision of the Management Committee shall be to the Gwent County Football Association and any final appeal to the Football Association of Wales.

**30. REGULATIONS AFFECTING REFEREES AND/OR ASSISTANTS.**

All appointments of match officials shall be made by the League Secretary of the Gwent Country Football Association Youth League.

- (a) **Fees and Expenses:** the Home Club pay the Referee his fee on the day of the match, such fee being £12.00 together with service bus fare or 30p per mile car allowance. This to be paid prior to the game. Assistant Referees (if appointed) shall be paid a fee of £6.00 together with travelling expenses as laid down for the Referee.
- (b) **Fitness of Ground:** The referee shall have the power to decide as to the fitness of grounds in all matches except those under the control of groundsmen and each Club must take every precaution to keep its ground in a playing condition and, if necessary, the Home Club may request the Referee to visit the ground two hours before the advertised time of kick-off.
- (c) **Late starts and reports:** Referees must report late starts, provide details of postponed or abandoned matches and, in addition, should inform the League Secretary of the late arrival on the field of play of any player or Referee/Linesmen. Failure to do so will lead to disciplinary action against the Referee. Any Referee/Assistant causing a late start may be fined a sum not exceeding £2.00 (two pounds).

In the event of misconduct the officiating Referee must render his report to the Gwent County Football Association. This report should be rendered in duplicate.

- (d) **Postponed Matches:** In the event of a match being unavoidable Postponed the officials if any have attended the ground, shall receive half fee and travelling expenses.
- (e) **Appointments:** Referees/Assistants must accept or reject appointments within 48 hours. If no reply is received it will be assumed that appointment is accepted.
- (f) **Emergency Officials:** In the event of Referee or Assistant appointed not attending the match, and the two clubs agreeing to one on the ground such Referee/Assistant shall be considered to be a League Official for the time being.
- (g) **Absence:** Referees/Assistants failing to give a satisfactory reason for absence shall be dealt with by the Referees' Committee of the Gwent County Football Association.
- (h) **Club Linesmen:**
  - (1) Both Club Linesmen should report to the referee before the start of the game to receive his instructions. They must be informed that no matter what their personal opinion may be, the decision of the Referee is final and must not be questioned.
  - (2) The work allocated to them as Club Linesmen is to signal when the ball is entirely over the touchline and to indicate which side is entitled to the throw in, subject always to the decision of the Referee.

(3) Club Linesmen for the duration of the game are acting as Football Association or League Officials and are therefore subject to the Referee at all times.

**31. CLUB OFFICIALS.**

Each Club shall within fourteen days of election forward to the League Secretary the names and addresses of the Club Officials, colours and the locality of its ground and headquarters. Failure to render such information will result in a fine of £10.00 to Clubs.

**32. SEARCH OF REGISTER.**

Should doubt arise as to the eligibility of any player, the League Secretary will give such registered information as necessary or required on payment of a fee of £15.00 for each player concerned. All applications will be made in writing and MUST be accompanied by a fee. This will not constitute a protest which should be made in the usual way.

**33. DISBANDED CLUBS.**

The players of any disbanded Club which has discharged its liabilities to the League shall be eligible to register for any other Club in the League immediately withdrawal of such team is accepted by the Management Committee. Results of matches of disbanded Clubs to be completely eliminated from the League records.

**34. CORNER FLAGS, NETS AND BALLS.**

These must be supplied by the Home Club or in default be fined a sum as decided by the Management Committee. The height of the corner flags to be as per the Laws of the Game.

**35. TIMES OF KICK-OFF.**

The times of kick-off shall be 2.15pm. This is to be adhered to, unless prior permission has been obtained from the League.

**36. TEAM LEAVING THE FIELD.**

Any team leaving the field of play before the expiration of the game without the consent of the Referee shall be dealt with as directed by the Management Committee

**37. EXTRA COMPETITION.**

When necessary the Management Committee will have the power to arrange further competition to complete a full season.

**38. MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR.**

Any matter arising which is not provided for in these rules shall be dealt with at the discretion of the Management Committee.

**39. FINES.**

All fines to be paid within ten days.,

**40. CORRESPONDENCE.**

All correspondence must be answered within ten days.

**41. MISCONDUCT.**

The executive shall have the power to deal with offending club(s) as they deem fit, any named players or officials will be reported to the Gwent County Football Association.

**42. DISORDERLY CONDUCT.**

In order that the League Competitions can be carried out in a fair and sportsmanlike manner, the referees are empowered in all matches to put down the slightest attempt at rough play or intimidation. They also have the power to close the game at any time from the same cause or where interference of the spectators incites to any display of feeling or rough play, in which case the spectators at any match stopped on this account cannot claim return of money paid for admission.

**LEAGUE AND CUP FEES**

League Fees - £60.00 to include Registrations

Deposit Fee - £10.00

Cup Fee - £15.00

## **GUIDELINES FOR CHARITY MATCHES INVOLVING YOUTH PLAYERS**

1. Matches shall be played within the Area Association from which the Charity Teams are drawn. Teams drawn from more than one Area Association's jurisdiction shall apply for special sanction to the F.A. of Wales.
2. Application for sanction for match shall be made at least one calendar month before the date of match, unless there are specific circumstances of an immediate nature, i.e., natural disaster.
3. The accounts for the Charity Match shall be forwarded to both the Football Association of Wales and the Area Association within 14 days of the match.
4. Where players of school age are involved, notice of the intended fixture must also be issued to the Welsh Schools FA. together with a list of players from which team will be selected.
5. Any charity match shall specify clearly the Charity involved and the specific branch or institution to which payment will be made.

**GWENT COUNTY FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION  
YOUTH LEAGUE CUP RULES**

**1. NAME.**

The name of the Cups to be called the Gwent County Football Association Youth League (Under-18, Under-16, Under-14) Challenge Cups.

**2. PARTICIPANTS.**

All teams in the League MUST enter the Cup Competition.

**3. ENTRANCE FEE.**

The entrance fee for all teams to be decided by Management Committee.

**4. CONDITIONS.**

The Competition shall be conducted on a knock-out Cup-tie system, the opponents in each round being drawn for; the draw to be made by the Chairman of the Management Committee, in the presence of the other Members of the Committee.

**5. DATE OF ROUNDS.**

Rounds shall be played on dates decided upon by the Management Committee. The Management Committee shall have the power to arrange such Qualifying Rounds as they may deem advisable. All Byes shall be given in the first round played in the Competition, whether qualifying -round or otherwise.

**6. CHOICE OF GROUND.**

The rounds to be played on the ground of the first team drawn. If the game is reversed then the club becoming the home team must pay for ground and referee. If, for any reason not available, the tie to be played on the opponent's ground (decision on the ground must be made at 10.00am). The Semi-Final and Final to be played on neutral grounds.

The Management Committee to have the power to make financial arrangements regarding the Semi-Finals and Finals. In the Semi-Finals each team must supply two balls in match condition.

**7. DURATION OF GAME.**

(a) The duration of all cup rounds shall be 45 minutes each way at under-18 years of age, 40 minutes each way at under 16 and under 14 years of age.

Matches must commence at the appointed time, such time to be fixed by the Management Committee. Any club guilty of delaying the start shall be reported by the Referee (who shall be fined £1.00 if he fails to do so). The Management Committee shall have the power to fine the offending Club or Clubs a sum as directed, and for a second offence shall be liable to be struck out of the Competition.

(b) Any Club found guilty of breaking a Cup fixture will be liable to be struck out of the Competition for the Season and the round awarded to their opponents, and in addition may be fined at the discretion of the Management Committee, a sum not exceeding £25.00.

(c) If the scores are level at the end of normal time, a further fifteen minutes each way shall be played. If the scores are still level after this extra time, round to be decided on penalties procedure as laid down by the Football Association of Wales.

**8. REGISTRATIONS.**

All players in the Cup will be covered by normal League Registrations, apart from the following;

a) A player transferred from another Club, who has played for his former Club in the Challenge Cup Competition, shall be cup-tied and, therefore, ineligible to play for his new Club in the competition.

b) All players must hold a current League registration with the same Club, subject of course to paragraph (a) of this rule, and he shall have been registered at least 14 days prior to each round.

Offending players shall be reported to the Gwent County Football Association for misconduct.

**9. SEARCH OF REGISTERS.**

As per League Rules.

**10. PROTESTS, CLAIMS AND COMPLAINTS.**

Protest as per League Rule.

No protest relative to the playing ground, goal posts or bars, or other appurtenances of the game, shall be entertained by the Management Committee unless it is laid with the referee before the commencement of the match, nor shall any protest relative to the interpretation of the rules or laws of the game be entertained unless laid with the referee on or before the conclusion of the match. Protests may be made verbally, but must be handed to the referee in writing before he has left the ground or dressing room. All protests

**11. INELIGIBLE PLAYERS.**

Any Club proved guilty of playing an ineligible player, shall be struck out of the competition and fined as the management deem fit. The match shall be awarded to the opposing side, who shall enter the next round, and the player reported to the Gwent County Football Association.

**12. RESULTS.**

As per League Rule.

**13. REFEREES AND ASSISTANTS FEES.**

<b>Rounds</b>	<b>Semi Final</b>	<b>Final</b>
<b>£12.00</b>	<b>£12.00</b>	<b>Memento</b>

Assistant referees, where appointed, to receive fifty per cent of the referee's rate.

In addition, officials will be paid second-class train, bus fare or 30p per mile car travelling allowance. Fees and expenses will be paid by home Club in rounds, except the Finals, when they will be paid by the Association.

**14. TEAM LEAVING FIELD.**

Any team leaving the field before the expiration of the game without the consent of the Referee shall be adjudged to have lost the match and will be dealt with as the management deem fit.

**15. APPEAL.**

Any club dissatisfied with the ruling of the Management Committee may appeal to the Gwent County Football Association, on payment of appropriate fee. Further appeal can be made to the Football Association of Wales on payment of necessary fee, providing conditions of those bodies are observed.

**16. MEMENTOES.**

Winners and Finalists will receive sixteen mementoes. Extras may be purchased through the League, but payment for such must be made before order can be placed.

**17. SUBSTITUTES.**

As per League Rule.

**18. MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR.**

(a) League Rules will apply if not covered by Cup Competition Rules.

(b) Any matter arising which is not provided for in these Rules shall be dealt with at the discretion of the Management Committee.

# REFEREES WANTED



Throughout the Country local football depends on the service of keen, dedicated people who make a vast contribution to the national game as referees, enabling players to more easily enjoy their matches.

## **CAN YOU HELP?**

Every year more clubs registered with the Gwent County Football Association. There are more and more matches to which referees must be appointed.

## **CAN YOU HELP?**

If you have played the game at any level you will know how important it is to have a qualified referee present.

## **CAN YOU HELP?**

If you are physically fit, with good eyesight and are at least fourteen years of age and willing to attend a local course of instruction, in preparation for a straight forward examination.

## **WILL YOU HELP?**

If are interested in accepting the challenge of refereeing local football matches:

## **PLEASE CONTACT:**

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