



TEMPLEOGUE UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

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Templeogue United FC

Coaches Pack 2019

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Hi and Happy New Year from all at Templeogue United Football Development Team

We just want to give you an update on progress at the Club and to share with you our plans for 2019 and beyond.

Facilities Development:

The new grass pitch is making significant growth progress and we hope it will be ready for games after the summer break. We have applied, in conjunction with our neighbours, St Jude's, for a Capital Sports Grant to upgrade the all-weather surface and surrounds. We will keep you informed of progress. The club also has plans for continued development of the changing rooms and the area around the club shop.

Coaching Structure:

The coaching set up for 2019 is very close to be finalised. As always, there are requirements for change in some age groups as the teams move through the age group formats and the size of squad's changes and the number of teams in some age groups is altered. It is inevitable, that some players don't get to continue with the same coach. We understand that this is sometimes a challenge for young players but it is part of progression through their football development and it is our job to ensure that we have quality coaches throughout the age groups, at all levels. All of our coaches are actively supported to participate in the FAI coaching pathways and accreditation process. We also provide Child Welfare, player development and 3rd party coaching seminars as well as our regular internal coaching meetings / sessions.

Teams / Grading

This is always a difficult time of the year for young players as teams are picked, restructured etc to meet the standards of the Leagues the teams are entered in. It is impossible to keep every player / parent and coach happy within this process. The FDC have been assessing and will continue to monitor and support this process across all age groups and levels and we are confident that there is transparency and fairness at the centre of all decisions made. It is critical for the development of a young footballer that they play at the appropriate level to continue their progression. Coaches and the Football Development team will observe the progress of players and teams on a regular basis and there will be lots of opportunities for players to be re-graded at future dates. We all, as parents and coaches, become attached to groups of players / parents and there is an inevitable feel of "our team" to some groups. We have encouraged coaches and parents over the last few years to see the bigger picture of "Club" and to support all decisions made by the coaching teams.

Girls Section

The Club is very keen to expand and develop our girls section we intend to have an open day in February and we plan to invest in attracting new players to the club and to encourage young girls to take up and stay involved in football.



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Ethos

TUFC is very conscious of our role in the development of our players, both on and off the field. We are a Community Club and we are committed to provide a safe, fun and well structured environment for our players of ALL abilities. Players and parents are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner that represents our club. Our coaches are encouraged to play football that develops the players and that players should be allowed to play in a positive environment with the freedom to express themselves and learn from mistakes without fear. We encourage self-discipline, particularly in the younger age groups, and players should be encouraged to.....

- Arrive on time for all sessions and games
- Wear TUFC kit to all training sessions and games as depicted by coaches.
- Respect coaches, opposition players and referees at all times while always competing with pride for their team and club
- Bring water, shin pads, kit for training etc

For the older children (under 13+), we intend to introduce a healthy choices program in 2019. This is designed to promote a healthy eating and lifestyle approach and to enable them, through sport, to say NO when / if they are approached outside of football by potential negative influences.

For parents: please adhere to Club policy and remain behind roped off areas at games and do not enter the all-weather facility... this is the players "space" and is not for parents. Also, when available, please help the coaches with setting up goals, collecting refs fees, washing kit etc. This is very much appreciated by the coaches and the Club as it helps to share the workload in keeping the club running.

New Coaches

TUFC is always looking for new coaches to participate at all age groups and levels. If you feel that you have the skillset, time and patience to volunteer and give something back to the game, please let us know. Garda vetting and completion of a Child Welfare course are compulsory.

We look forward to another enjoyable season ahead with your help and support and the fantastic and selfless commitment from our coaching teams. The most important thing, always, is that the players continue to develop and enjoy playing football, at whatever level and the game becomes part of who they are and stays with them through to their adult years.

We hope the club can provide a sense of identity and that we can encourage a positive sporting environment for them to develop as young men and women.

Yours in Sport

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HISTORY

Templeogue United Football Club, Dublin was established in 1977 and comprised of one team which was entered in the South Dublin Boys Football League. It was originally called St. Jude's Football & Athletic Club (as it was based in the Parish of St. Jude's), and the team played in the park opposite Osprey Drive (before houses were built there) and sometimes on Orwell Park Green.

The club's founder members included: Séamus O'Connor (Orwell Park); Eugene Hayes (Orwell Park); Séamus McHugh (Glendown); Willie Power (Glendown); and Andy Clerkin (Glendown). Although there are no minuted records from the early years, it appears that Séamus O'Connor was Chairman from the start until 1981; Andy Clerkin was Honorary Secretary in the first year with Willie Power taking over for the next two years; and Eugene Hayes was Honorary Treasurer for the first two years, before Tony Taaffe took over the role from 1979 until 1985.



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The earliest photographs available of Templeogue Utd. teams – then called St. Jude's Football & Athletic Club.



Just nine years later - 1986 - nine teams were registered in the South Dublin Boys League and three teams in the Dublin and District Schoolboy League with players from the immediate catchment area, ranging in ages from under-10 to under-18 playing for the club. There were now 20 managers in total. In June 1987, there were fourteen managers at the Club's A.G.M. when Eamonn Murray, Honorary Secretary stated that as practically all of the associations and clubs in the area were named St. Jude's, that the Club should consider changing its name. A general discussion followed, which resulted in a proposal from Martin O'Hanlon, seconded by Pat Kilmartin, that a change of name be made, with no connection to the St. Jude's name. The proposal was carried unanimously and the name of **Templeogue United Football Club** emerged. By this stage, Templeogue Utd. had been allocated two soccer pitches in Tymon Park by Dublin County Council, which became its home.

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"Turning the Sod" - Friday, 31st January 1992

Watching as Councillor Stanley Laing (Cathaoirleach - Dublin County Council) turns the first sod for the club's new clubhouse are (from left):
Michael Flaherty (Treasurer S.F. U.I.); Martin O'Hanlon (Chairman S.D.B.L. and former Vice-Chairman of Templeogue Utd.); Ray Rothery, (Secretary S.D.B.L.);
Fran Ray (Secretary D.B.S.L.); Eamonn Murray (Club Hon. Secretary); Michael Lynch (Park Superintendent, Dublin County Council);
David Spring (Club Chairman); Joe Corcoran (Chairman D.B.S.L.); Don O'Sullivan (Principal Officer Dublin County Council); Pat Cooney (Assistant Club Secretary);
Peter Nolan (Club Vice-Chairman); Fran Byrne (Assistant Club Treasurer).

In January 1992, the first sod was turned for the development of our own Pavilion in the shape of changing rooms, showers, toilets, shop etc. and in 1998, the second storey was completed, providing us with a proper Clubhouse, incorporating a function room and a meeting room. A club certificate was sought and granted in March 2002, enabling us to enhance the social aspect of the Club by holding functions, parties and events etc. Work on a new extension to provide changing rooms for our hugely successful girl's and women's section commenced in February 2003. Work was held up as finances ran out but hopefully it can be completed during the summer of 2004.

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In February 1998, with the encouragement of South Dublin County Council both Templeogue Utd. Football Club and our neighbours St. Jude's G.A.A. Club committed ourselves to work together towards the development of a high specification all-weather pitch (measuring 95m x 60m) in Tymon Park suitable for soccer, gaelic football, hurling and camogie. A limited company, Willington Community Holdings Ltd., was formed and financial support was sought under the Sports Capital Programme, by way of a joint application to the Department of Arts, Sport and Tourism, for a National Lottery grant. We received €300,000 and the clubs raised the remaining finance of €450,000. The superb facility, which was named 'Tymon Turf', was formally opened in November 2002 by An Taoiseach Mr. Bertie Ahern T.D. in the presence of the Mayor of South Dublin County Council, Councillor Jim Daly, and is in full use ever since.



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*Chairman: Pat Cooney; An Taoiseach: Bertie Ahern T.D.;
Treasurer: Gerry Hughes; Secretary: Declan Dunne; and
Vice-Chairman: David Spring*

On the representative side, four former Templeogue Utd. players were signed by top English clubs: Barry Quinn by Coventry City; Colm Daly by Ipswich Town; Andrew Cousins by Leeds Utd. and most recently, Clive Delaney by West Ham Utd. Barry has represented his country on four occasions at senior international level, as well as playing and captaining the Irish team on numerous occasions at under-age level. We should not forget, of course, Richard Dunne, of Manchester City (and formerly of Everton), who is a son of our friend and first Clubhouse Manager, Dick, who has represented his country on seventeen occasions up to May 2003 and is still part of the senior international squad. Richard also played numerous games for Ireland at under-age level and achieved the marvelous distinction of being voted by the F.A.I. Under-16 player-of-the-year for 1996.



*Left to Right: Barry Quinn in his early days at Coventry City;
Tony Cousins coaching three Templeogue Utd. players,
including his brother Andrew in the centre; Clive Delaney
(then with UCD) in the Club in 1999 with Niall Dunne; and
Richard Dunne with Neil and Shane Spring in the Club in
April 2000, following his debut as a full international against
Greece in Lansdowne Road.*

Many other players over the years have participated in trials at various ages, and some were selected on representative teams, e.g. Fintan Kenna for the Leinster Football Association's under-18 tour of Westfalia, Germany in 1993; Brian O'Brien for South Dublin Boys under-13 team against Moscow schoolboys in Belfield in 1994; Colm Daly and Padraig Cooney for the DDSL's under-14 and under-15 teams respectively against Belfast schoolboys in Santry in 1996. In addition, Colm Daly was invited to trials with Glasgow Celtic in 1996, while Pat Burke guested for Nottingham Forest in the Foyle Cup in 1998. Since then, Pat has gone on to play with U.C.D. in the Eircom League, as did Clive Delaney - whom we mentioned earlier. Former players Colm Foley (St. Patrick's Ath.), Darragh Kavanagh (Shamrock Rovers) and Mark Leech (U.C.D.) have also played in the Eircom League.

Well-known people from Irish football have been involved in the Club or in the running of teams, such as Mick Leech (ex International), Tony Cousins (Shamrock Rovers and ex Liverpool), Paul Newe (league winner with Dundalk and Shelbourne), Sean Core and Dick Dunne (ex Shamrock Rovers), Sean Ryan (ex U.C.D. and Pegasus), and Thomas Dunne (Derry City), to name just a few. In addition, most of our managers over the years have brought a wealth of experience to their running of teams, from their vast experiences as coaches or players.

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There may not have been huge successes by teams in terms of winning trophies in the domestic leagues, but there have been some, particularly in the early years when Templeogue Utd. teams dominated the South Dublin Boys League. Teams that stand out who achieved League and Cup doubles or consecutive League titles at various times were those managed by Tony Taaffe, Paddy Ashmore, Martin O'Hanlon, Peter Nolan, Derek Brady, David Spring and more recently Mick Simpson. Of course, in the past six years or so, the ladies section has achieved phenomenal success. In 1999 for example, we assumed the mantle of the premier underage club in women's soccer in Dublin. The three teams at under-10, 12 and 14 each won their leagues with 100% records, while two of them won their cup competitions. In 2001, each of the under-age girls teams won their league, cup and/or shield, with the under-14 team winning the first All-Ireland Trophy for the Club - what a marvellous achievement. The efforts of their managers, commencing with Brenda Brosnan and her husband Aidan, and continuing with many others including Paul O'Keeffe, Ronnie Cooke, Eilis Broderick, Fran Murphy, Brenda Lee, and of course Gerry Hughes are indeed commended.



Tony Taaffe's & Paddy Ashmore's successful team and One of the girl's successful teams

In 1983, the Templeogue Utd. under-12 team, representing the Parish of St. Jude and managed by Tony Taaffe and Paddy Ashmore, won the Community Games All-Ireland soccer competition. In the Summer of 1999, Templeogue Utd. players from David Spring's team and once again representing St. Jude's Community Games, won nine consecutive games to reach the National Finals in Mosney where they unfortunately lost the All-Ireland final after a penalty shoot-out (see team below left). But, two years later, players from Noel Synnott's and Des Buckley's team (see team below right) went all the way – winning the Community Games All-Ireland 5-a-side indoor under-13 soccer competition in Mosney.



Back Row (L to R): Gavin Jones, Anthony Dunne, Evan McMillan, Richard Hannidy, Declan Donnelly, David Greene, Kevin McManamon, Peter Doody.
Front Row (L to R): David Dunne, Stephen O'Brien, David McMillan, Shane Spring, Mark Eyre, Barry Quigley and Oisín Aherne.

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In between and since, many teams have ventured beyond these shores to participate in various tournaments. In the early years, teams traveled over to the U.K., but in 1994, Templeogue United's under-13 team (photo on next page), managed by David Spring and Pat Cooney became the first team from the Club to compete in an international tournament. It was in The Hague in Holland and although playing in the under-14 competition, and although giving a year away, the boys finished 4th overall, losing a penalty shoot-out in their final game.

Nearly every year since, teams from the Club have competed in other international tournaments - mainly in Holland - and acquitted themselves very well, with many of the aforementioned team - now playing under-16 and now managed by David Spring and Declan Dunne - bringing home the Trophy from Den Bosch in Holland in 1997. Three years later, Noel Synnott's and Des Buckley's under-12 team (third photo down), won the Trophy without conceding a goal, having travelled to Arnhem in Holland in Easter 2000. Andy Ferrari's under-12's won went to Barcelona at Easter 2004 and duly won that tournament.



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Our Under-16 team, who brought home the Trophy from Den Bosch in Holland in 1997.



Our Under-12 team, who brought home the Trophy from Arnhem in Holland in 2000.

Many other activities have taken place in the past 25 years or so. For example, coaching courses have been organized by the Club; managers have attended other F.A.I. courses; Ray Hall, of Premiership Club Everton F.C. spent a weekend in

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1995 with Templeogue Utd. managers and three of our teams; Middlesbrough's chief youth coach, Stan Nicholson visited the Club over another weekend in 1999; renowned Dutch coach Ruel Timmer also spent time with our managers and teams in 2001; while Packie Bonner (below with some players) Fran Rooney and Brian Kerr have visited the Club in recent times.



Ruel Timmer with some of the under-14 team



We have run our own Summer Coaching Courses with Theo Dunne overseeing them. Then in January 1999, we reached agreement with University College Dublin Football Club for a comprehensive link-up between the two clubs involving a wide variety of activities, including access to the U.C.D. Soccer Scholarship Programme for Templeogue Utd. players who meet certain criteria. Alan Kinsella became our Physiotherapist as well as our Chief Coach, through our link-up with U.C.D.

On the social side, Maurice Nicholson was the prime motivator in getting our Golf Society underway in May 1996, while Peter Nolan and Fran Byrne were responsible for organising virtually all the functions (cabarets, race nights, parties, fashion shows and other fund-raisers) that were held since they became involved some 15 years ago.

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