

Valley Parade Memorial Tournament

Saturday 23rd April &
Sunday 24th April 2011

Under 12's
& Under 14's

Football Competitions

at Marley Activities &
Coaching Centre, Keighley

Free admission for spectators
and ample car parking available

Organised by Bradford Council
Sport & Leisure Service.
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Prison Officer's Association.



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Sport and Leisure Service



I would like to take this opportunity to first of all welcome everyone involved with the Valley Parade Memorial Tournament.

2011 will see a significant milestone reached in the history of this event, this being the 25th Anniversary of the Tournament, hosted by Bradford Councils, Sport & Leisure Service.

Of course we need to acknowledge the partnership we have with the tournaments main sponsor, the Prison Officers Association, who have also dedicated 25 years of continued support, and without whom the event would not be possible.

I would like to pay tribute to the involvement of both Bradford City Football Club and Lincoln City Football Club, who were so deeply affected by the tragedy which unfolded on that fateful day back in May of 1985, both teams have participated in the tournament for its duration and will once again field sides for this years competition.

A special welcome to our European friends, who will be travelling from Hamm in Germany and Galway in Ireland, this shows the reach and significance the tournament has to our International neighbours.

Can I also highlight the involvement of all the local clubs and associations, players, officials, parents and supporters who year on year enter into the spirit of the competition with unswerving commitment, dedication and enthusiasm.

The event brings people together from wide and diverse sections of the community, sharing in a positive commemorative experience which is of huge benefit to all, and clearly demonstrates the influence sport can play in people's lives.

In closing I would like to wish everyone success for this years tournament, and remind you that it is not always of greatest importance to win, it is the joy of participation that can bring reward.

Phil Barker, Assistant Director, Sport and Leisure Service



Bradford City Football Club



I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone attending the 2011 Valley Parade Memorial Tournament. Bradford City Football Club is once again delighted that so many people have got themselves involved in such a good cause.

The Valley Parade Memorial Tournament is held in honour of the 56 loyal football fans that lost their lives in the catastrophic fire of May 1985, and also the hundreds of others who were either injured or touched by the disaster. The shocking events of 11 May 1985 still hold emotional memories for everyone who is connected with the club, both past and present.

We welcome back our captain from 1985, Peter Jackson, who has managed both Bradford City and Lincoln City, who were our opponents on the day. I also feel I need to mention the hard work and commitment of Bradford Council's 'Sport & Leisure Service', and the Prison Officers Association, who organise the event year on year.

All the staff, players and management of Bradford City Football Club would like to wish each and everyone the best of luck, and we hope the tournament is as great a success as it has been in previous years.

Enjoy the day!

Mark Lawn, Bradford City Football Club



I would like to welcome everyone to the 2011 Valley Parade Tournament, which is the 26th to be held since the first tournament took place over the Easter period in 1986. As such, we have reached a significant landmark as it marks the 25th anniversary of the long association between the Prison Officers' Association and the City of Bradford, who have played host to the Tournament since it was set up at our Annual Conference in 1985.

On the 31st March 2010, in order to celebrate what the tournament had achieved over the years, we hosted a Commemorative Dinner at the Ramada Hotel Bradford which was attended by many distinguished guests with connections to the tournament including the Lord Mayor of Bradford, Civic Dignitaries, representatives from the Emergency Services and the Hospital "Burns Unit", the Bishop of Bradford, representatives from Bradford City FC, the then Minister for Sport Gerry Sutcliffe MP and many more.

Whilst the purpose of the evening was to commemorate the 25 years of the tournament, and in particular what it had achieved in that time, it was also a time for those present to reflect on the tragedy that brought it about and to remember the grief, sadness and pain experienced by those who lost loved ones at the time. Anyone who witnessed, either first hand or through media coverage, could not have failed to have been affected by the sheer horror of the scenes at the Valley Parade Football Ground on the 11th May 1985. The terrifying ferocity of the fire at the ground was vividly captured by television for the world to witness.

As with so many tragedies, something positive so often emerges and the events of the 11th May 1985 bears testament to that fact, in particular the setting up of the "Burns Unit" at Bradford Royal Infirmary. The personal foundations set up by families of the victims and the POA would hope in some small way the Valley Parade Memorial Tournament is a lasting memorial to those 56 people who lost their lives. A tournament which is jointly organised each year by the Prison Officers' Association and the Bradford Council's Sport & Leisure Service. A tournament that over the years had brought together over 10,000 youngsters from across local, national, international and cultural boundaries to play football and take part in social activities. The spirit of the competition being to promote "friendship through football" the important criteria not of winning or losing but of taking part and forging links with others.

In 1985 we gave an undertaking that as long as the tournament continued we would provide an element of funding and we will continue to honour that commitment, however we are indebted to the City of Bradford who joined with us at the time and who, through their Sport & Leisure Service, continue to host the event each Easter as without their continued commitment it would not be possible for it to take place.

My final message is to all those attending, "have an enjoyable tournament" and in particular to the youngsters taking part, "play fair at all times and above all take away lasting memories of your day"

Colin Moses
National Chairman Prison Officers Association

Under 12's Tournament



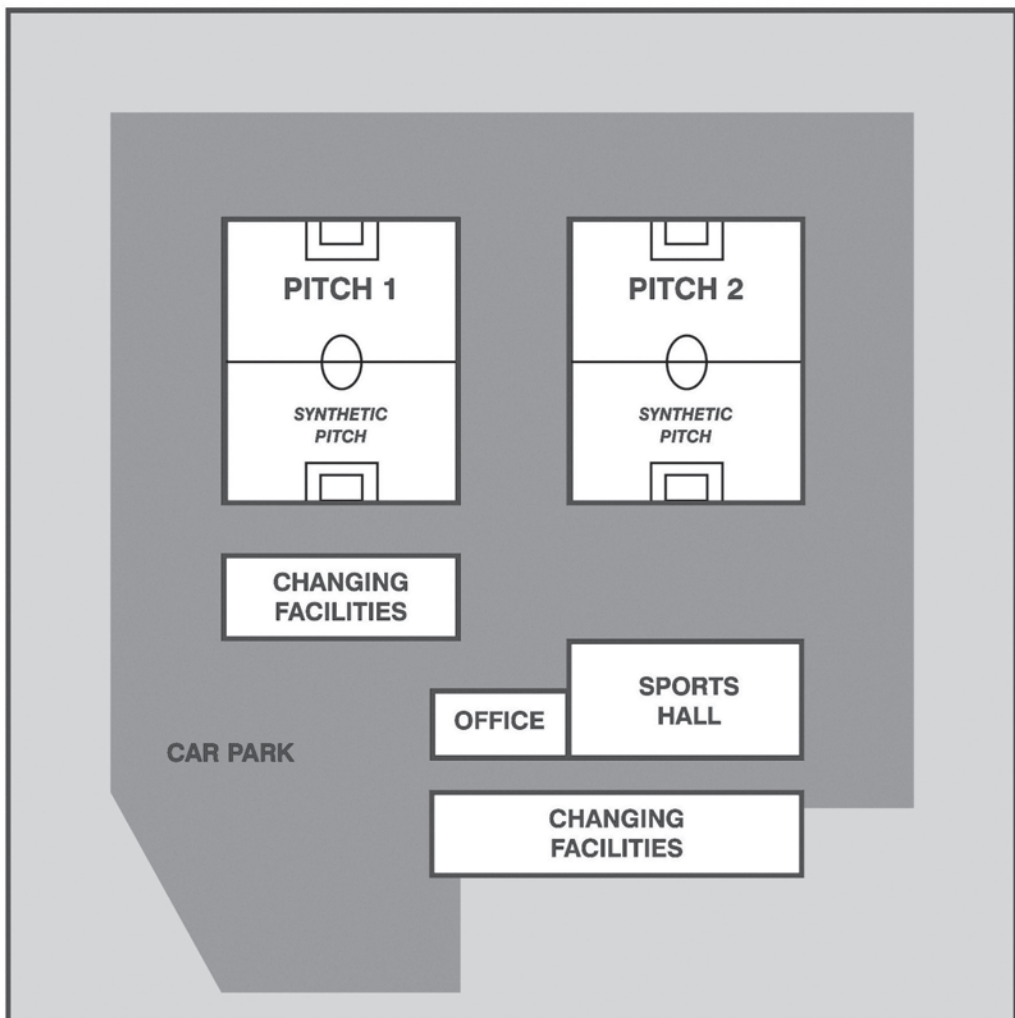
Saturday 23rd April 2011

All league matches will be of 15 minutes duration (7.5 minutes each half).

Semi-Finals and Final pairings will be of 20 minutes duration (10 minutes each half).

The Final will be of 20 minutes duration (10 minutes each half).

All matches may have 10 minutes extra time and penalty decider if necessary.



NB. Under 12's matches will be played on synthetic pitches only.

Under 12's Tournament



Saturday 23rd April 2011

League A

1. Hamm
2. Sandy Lane
3. Bradford United
4. Silsden
5. Bradford City

League B

1. Campion
2. BD3 United
3. Bradford Park Avenue
4. Bingley
5. Lincoln City

League Matches



League A	Time Pitch	League B	Time Pitch
Hamm v Bradford City	9.00am P1	Bingley v Campion	9.20am P1
BFD United v Silsden	9.00am P2	Bradford P.A. v BD3 United	9.20am P2
Bradford City v Silsden	9.40am P1	Campion v Lincoln City	10.00am P1
Hamm v Sandy Lane	9.40am P2	Bradford P.A. v Bingley	10.00am P2
Sandy Lane v Bradford City	10.20am P1	BD3 United v Campion	10.40am P1
Hamm v BFD United	10.20am P2	Bingley v Lincoln City	10.40am P2
BFD United v Sandy Lane	11.00am P1	Bingley v BD3 United	11.20am P1
Hamm v Silsden	11.00am P2	Bradford P.A. v Lincoln City	11.20am P2
BFD United v Bradford City	11.40am P1	Bradford P.A. v Campion	12.00pm P1
Sandy Lane v Silsden	11.40am P2	BD3 United v Lincoln City	12.00pm P2

Lunch: 12.15pm - 1pm



Semi Finals



Game	Kick off		Pitch
1	1.15pm	Winners of League A v Runners up League B	P1
2	1.15pm	Winners of League B v Runners up League A	P2

Final Pairings



Game	Kick off		Pitch
3	1.45 pm	5th place League A v 5th place League B (9th & 10th Positions)	P1
4	1.45 pm	4th place League A v 4th place League B (7th & 8th Positions)	P2
5	2.15 pm	3rd place League A v 3rd place League B (5th & 6th Positions)	P1
6	2.15 pm	Loser game 1 v Loser game 2 (3rd & 4th Positions)	P2

Final



Game	Kick off		Pitch
7	2.45 pm	Winner game 1 v Winner game 2 (Winners & Runners Up)	P1

Presentation



For 10th - 1st Place at 3.15 pm

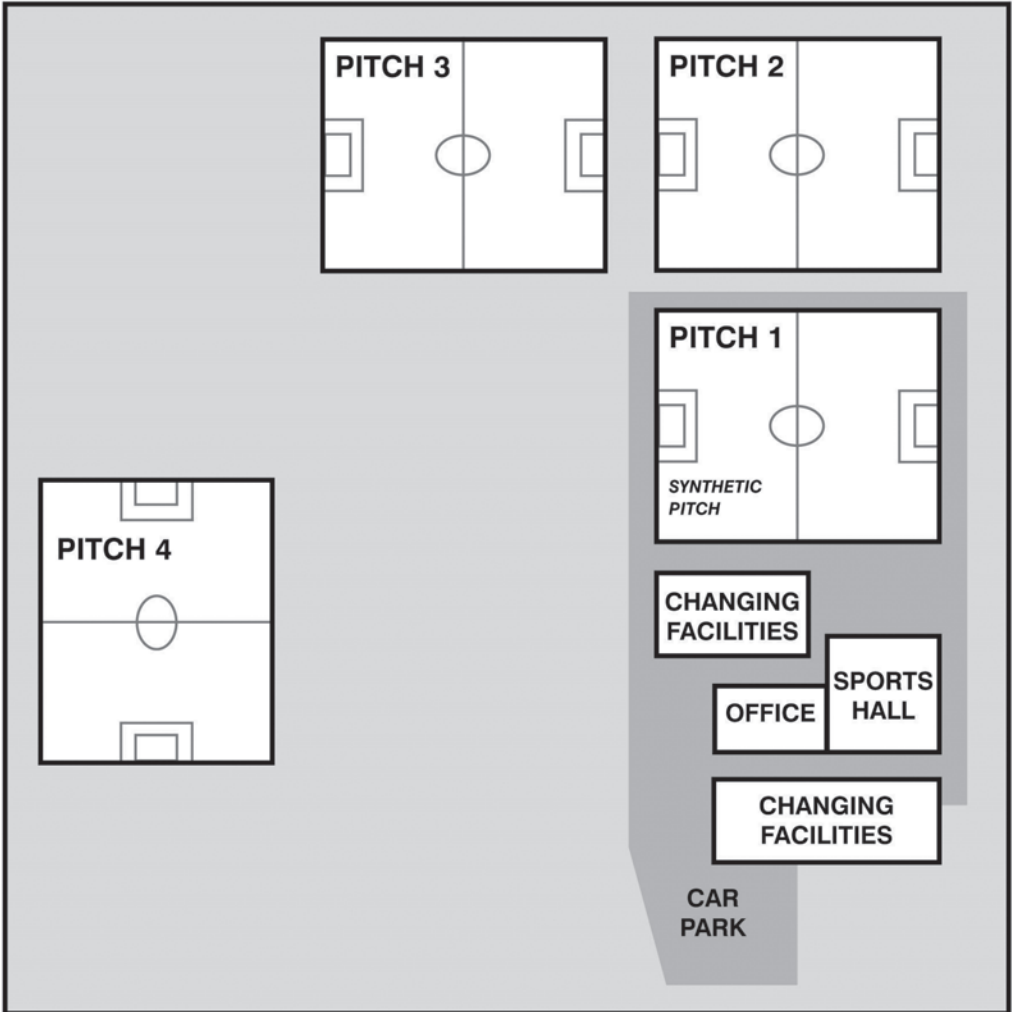
Under 14's Tournament



Sunday 24th April 2011

All matches will be of 20 minutes duration (10 minutes each half) except the final, which will be of 30 minutes duration (15 minutes each half).

All matches may have 10 minutes of extra time and penalty decider if necessary.



N.B. Matches will be played on grass and synthetic pitches.

Under 14's Tournament



Sunday 24th April 2011

League A

1. Hamm
2. Sandy Lane
3. BD3 United
4. Silsden
5. Bradford City

League B

1. Campion
2. Bingley
3. Bradford Park Avenue
4. Galway
5. Lincoln City

League Matches



League A	Time Pitch	League B	Time Pitch
Hamm v Bradford City	9.00am P1	Galway v Campion	9.00am P2
BD3 United v Silsden	9.00am P3	Bradford P.A. v Bingley	9.00am P4
Bradford City v Silsden	9.40am P4	Campion v Lincoln City	9.40am P1
Hamm v Sandy Lane	9.40am P2	Galway v Bradford P.A.	9.40am P3
Sandy Lane v Bradford City	10.20am P3	Bingley v Campion	10.20am P4
Hamm v BD3 United	10.20am P1	Galway v Lincoln City	10.20am P2
BD3 United v Sandy Lane	11.00am P2	Galway v Bingley	11.00am P1
Hamm v Silsden	11.00am P4	Bradford P.A. v Lincoln City	11.00am P3
BD3 United v Bradford City	11.40am P2	Bradford P.A. v Campion	11.40pm P3
Sandy Lane v Silsden	11.40am P1	Bingley v Lincoln City	11.40pm P4

Lunch: 12 noon - 1pm



Semi Finals



Game	Kick off		Pitch
1	1.15pm	Winners of League A v Runners up League B	P1
2	1.15pm	Winners of League B v Runners up League A	P2

Final Pairings



Game	Kick off		Pitch
3	2.00 pm	5th place League A v 5th place League B (9th & 10th Positions)	P4
4	2.00 pm	4th place League A v 4th place League B (7th & 8th Positions)	P3
5	2.00 pm	3rd place League A v 3rd place League B (5th & 6th Positions)	P2
6	2.00 pm	Loser game 1 v Loser game 2 (3rd & 4th Positions)	P1

Final



Game	Kick off		Pitch
7	2.30 pm	Winner game 1 v Winner game 2 (Winners & Runners Up)	P1

Presentation



For 10th - 1st Place at 3.15 pm



Marley Activities & Coaching Centre



The facility boasts a full size floodlit third generation, 'fieldturf' artificial pitch; a total of 25 changing rooms, 18 fully fitted and self-contained; a fully equipped meeting room; an outdoor floodlit tarmac area; an indoor sportshall; as well as 8 full size grass pitches, one junior, one mini and one rugby pitch.

If you are interested in booking a facility, or in our 'Coach Education programme', contact the centre on (01535) 609910.

Football Partnership



Bradford City Football Club's Community Foundation and Bradford Council's Sport and Leisure Service are working together.

The partnership between the Football Club and the Council's Sport and Leisure Service provides football activities for boys and girls aged 6 to 14 years at a variety of indoor and outdoor venues around the district, including;

3 Day Soccer Coaching and 1 Day Goalkeeping Camps

At February Half Term, Easter, Spring Bank and October Half Term.

Striker 9

A fun based football 10 week awards programme available for boys and girls aged 5-15 years. Striker 9 includes shooting, turning, dribbling, passing and keep-ups.

To access a course please contact: Richard Dunn Sports Centre 01274 307822.

Marley A.C.C. Keighley 01535 609910. Nab Wood Sports Centre 01274 567285.

Thornton Recreation 01274 883874. Manningham Sports centre 01274 494927.

Specialist Coaching

Is available for Junior Clubs for goalkeepers, and also technical sessions for outfield players including passing, shooting, heading and attacking and defending, in small sided games.

The Billy Bantam Penalty Shoot-out

A successful schools initiative, is now available for Junior Clubs. A shoot-out involves children being sponsored by family and friends to take 4 penalties at Billy Bantam - the Bradford City Club Mascot. Proceeds are split 50/50 between Junior Clubs and the Community Foundation, which puts all money back into future projects.

For information on Coaching Camps, Penalty Shoot-outs, Saturday Clubs and Junior Club coaching sessions, please contact Bradford City Community Foundation on 01274 307564.

For information on Funweeks, Girls' and Women's Football, and Coach Education Courses, contact Community Sports Development on 01274 522750.

Photography and Filming



In order to protect the young people taking part in the Valley Parade Memorial Tournament we would like individuals wishing to take photographs, whether professionals or spectators, to please register their details and collect an identification label at the registration desk (located in the main indoor sports hall), before taking any footage. Professionals will be asked to produce relevant identification.

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The Valley Parade Memorial Tournament Code of Conduct

The Valley Parade Memorial Tournament is organised in commemoration of those people who tragically lost their lives on the 11th May 1985 at Valley Parade, home of Bradford City Football Club.

The spirit of the competition is to promote 'friendship through football', both locally and internationally. Winning and losing are therefore, not of major importance, and it only matters that teams take part and forge links with others, through the medium of football.

It is therefore important that these values are kept in focus.

Would everybody therefore ensure that:

1. Players, parents and associated spectators are aware of the spirit of the competition and act accordingly.
2. Players and parents accept decisions by the referee and assistant referees without question.
3. Games are to be played in the spirit of the competition's inception, i.e; "friendship through football".
4. Players are expected to maintain high standards of behaviour and attitude, both on and off the pitch.

"Winning matches at all costs is not the test of true achievement. There is nothing wrong with trying to win as long as you don't set the garland and the prize above the game. There is no dishonour in defeat as long as you play the game to the limit of your strength and skill.

What matters above all things is that the game should be played in the right spirit, with the utmost resource of skill and courage, with fair play and no favour, with everyone playing as a member of their team and the result accepted without bitterness and conceit".

Sir Matt Busby



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