



# Mods life

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## Bodington Park

### Exciting new 4g training facilities move ever closer

Leeds Modernians is proud to be one of the grassroots partner clubs of the new Leeds University Bodington Playing Fields development and we simply we can't wait to move training and regular matches onto these incredible new facilities, which are just 2.9m miles from the club.

When the site is completed in early August, the Bodington Park Hub will be a very impressive sports facility including three full size LED floodlit 3G Football Turf Pitches (FTPs), a four-team changing pavilion with community café, executive standard meeting space and a car park.

We've been working with Leeds University from the start of the project and we're just waiting to confirm new training slots for all our teams. We'll also be hosting regular home games for both seniors and juniors at the hub.



The site will include four 4G new pitches



Ariel view of Bodington Playing Fields



## UFCA & RTS

We recently got together with the team from Ultimate Football Coaching Academy (UFCA) to discuss plans to establish new pathways for talented young players into open age football. We're really looking forward to working with the UFCA sixth form scholars studying at Ralph Thorseby School (RTS) and will be getting them involved in our new u19's as the 1st step of the this exciting new partnership.

## Need a physio?

Did you know that the club has a partnership with a local sports therapist?

If you ever need a professional opinion on a sports injury, get in touch with them by emailing [info@thetreadmill.co.uk](mailto:info@thetreadmill.co.uk).

Mention MODS in your email and we'll refund the cost of your 1st appointment.



## Junior Mods

The growing Junior section at Mods continues to go from strength to strength and we'll be adding a new Under 8's team for next season. If you know any children in school year 2 this year who might want to get involved please get in touch.

The new team will be joining our U10, U11, U12 and U15 teams.

## Thank you

It's a very big thank you to Graham Howden for his recent donation to the club.

It's really appreciated and will be put towards improving facilities for all our players.

Thank you to our fantastic sponsors for their ongoing support. Check out the sponsorship area of the website to get involved

ADAM MACKENZIE  
Financial Adviser



Difference  
Group

# MODS NEWS



## NEW KIT SPONSOR

THOMAS & FORREST MAINTENANCE ARE PROUD TO SPONSOR THE NEW MODS AWAY AND UNDER 19'S KITS FOR THE COMING SEASON.



### GET IN TOUCH

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## Coming soon... UNDER 19's TEAM

We have now submitted our application to the West Riding County FA to enter a team into the U19/21 floodlit league for the coming season. This new team will be a great bridge between the talented juniors in the area and open age football for Mods and we've got big plans for their development with a new kit, key sponsor and manager already in place. As well as the UFCA link and the ongoing conversations with Leeds University, we're in advanced talks with Lawnswood FC to see if their current U17 and U18's teams would like to get involved. We're also inviting all local u19 players get in touch - We'll be holding Trial games at the club in late April and May.



## Welcoming New MODS Heroes

We've seen lots of new faces at training in the past 2 months, so let's officially welcome some of our new Mods...Joseph Robin; Mark Hughes; Gabriel Platt (pictured); Charlie Stoker; Bardia Ahmadi; Liam Barton; Kieran Spencer; Andrew Campbell (sorry if we've missed you) - We're looking forward to hearing you sing at the next MODS DO!



## Mods arra's 2022

**Saturday 12 March sees the start of the MODS DARTS Championship 2022.**

It's really simple, it's just £2 to play, and the player with the highest score with 6 darts wins 3/4 of the pot! All scores must be witnessed and the score-board will be kept behind the bar.

To enter just put your Dart name in the UTM Whatsap group.

## New sponsors

It's an exciting time to be involved with the greatest klerb in the world, a fact recognised by a number of new sponsors that have come on board with us recently. New kit sponsors include The Difference Group, Adam Mackenzie and Thomas and Forrest we have a number of new pitch side boards in production and we've also welcomed a lot of new player sponsors. Welcome to the MODS family.



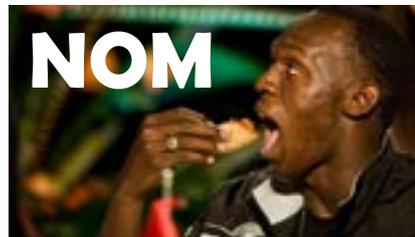
## How your company can support the club...

There are lots of ways to get your brand and services in front of a large local audience, whatever your budget. Check out the sponsorship page on the club website for info. <https://oldmods.hitsfootball.com/>



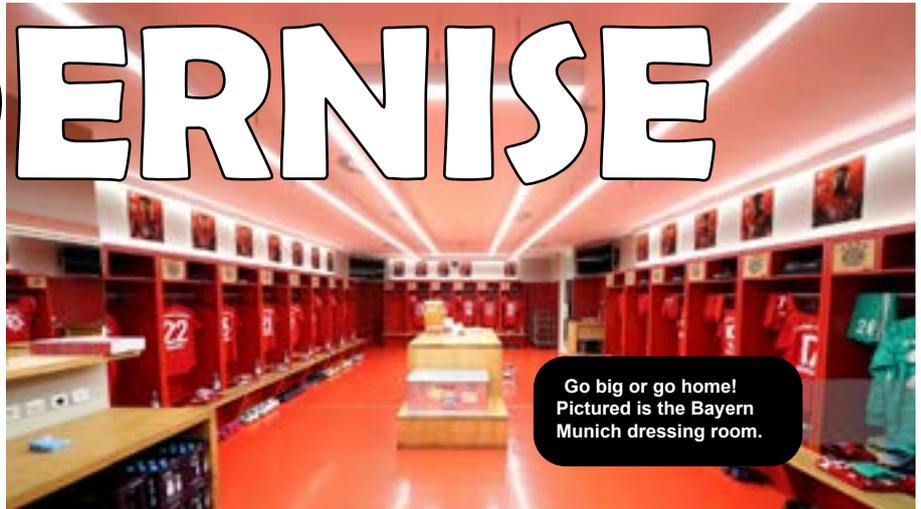
## #onceamod

Over the years 1000's of players have represented the wonderful Mods. Everyone of them can still support their club by liking our tweets, supporting our sponsors and by using the hash tag #onceamod on your social media posts.



# MODERNISE

**It's important that we are always moving the club forwards, so here's a round up of everything that is currently happening to improve your facilities.**



## Dug outs

Despite a few minor bumps in the road (namely the global pandemic and international seat shortage) we are still very much planning to install home and away dug outs at the club pitch at Cookridge Lane.

The funding is in place and the dug outs are in production, so we now are aiming for a May /June installation.

If your company would like to sponsor either the home or away dug just out get in touch!

## FUNDING NEWS Football Foundation - grants awarded!



We love receiving funding help from outside sources to help us improve the facilities, so we were delighted to receive various grants from the Football Foundation recently which have helped fund the fantastic new goal nets with their fold away system; junior goal posts, and the new storage container!



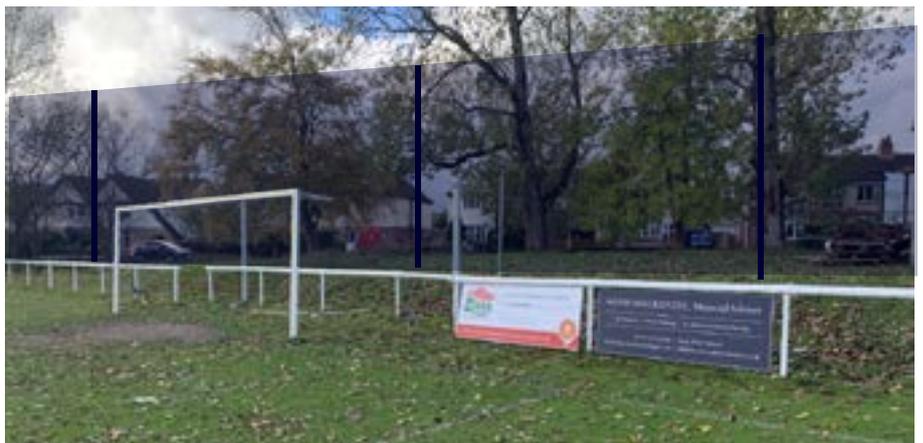
## MODification planned for the home changing rooms

They say that it's important to have a good dressing room, especially at home, so plans are currently being drawn up with the MODS sporting association for a major revamp of the building at Cookridge Lane. We are looking at the possibility of making the home dressing room bigger, to add lockers and generally make it more comfortable for a squad of 16 adults.

At the moment we are inviting ideas from players and coaches and we're also looking for offers of support with the work this summer. If there is anything you would like to see in there for pre and post match, or if you have a skill you could lend, (think building, joinery, painting, av, signage) we'd love to hear from you.

## Fencing on 3 sides of the club pitch & new parking

If you have ever been a substitute at home games on the club pitch you'll know all about dodging the cars on Cookridge Lane and fighting your way through badger sets and thorn bushes in the surrounding fields to recover match balls. You'll be especially pleased to hear that we are currently getting quotes for ball defence fencing for 3 sides of the pitch which we are hoping to install this once the new car parking spaces have been finished behind the top goal.





**GET INVOLVED - SCAN THE QR CODE TO GO STRIGHT TO THE MODS WEBSITE AND REGISTER AS A PLAYER**

**Follow MODS results and find out where to watch our teams**



The best way to find out about fixtures and results is to check out the FA's FULLTIME Website - you'll find up to date league tables, results and fixture information for all our teams. Click on search Clubs and enter Leeds Modernians. <https://fulltime.thefa.com>

# Want to join the MODS?

SATURDAY GAMES ✓

GREAT SOCIAL CLUB ✓

FANTASTIC FACILITIES ✓

AMBITIOUS PLANS ✓

FOOTBALL FOR ALL ✓

We are an ambitious and friendly local football club based in Cookridge, Leeds, - our club is just 2.4 miles from Headingley. We have opportunities **NOW** for people to play competitive football at a range of levels.

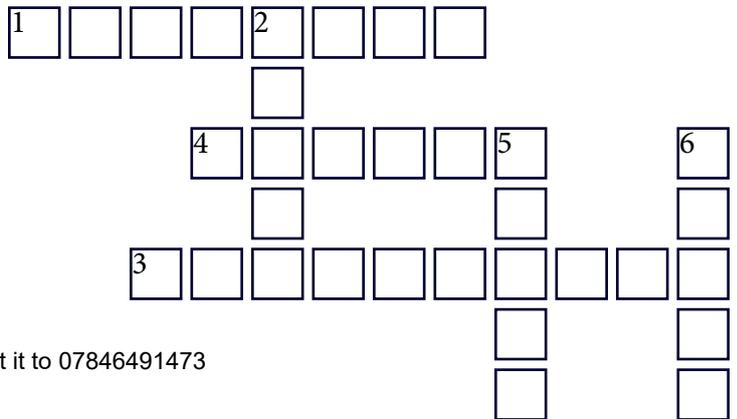
**If you would like to know more then get in touch and get involved.**

## CROSSWORD

**win £20 to spend on MODS merch**

1. Tell me a story about Mods and bankrupt FC
2. On loan at Southampton from Chelsea (not cryptic)
3. Windas senior's legal old home for cherries
4. Animals in old gold
5. Baden looks for new players
6. Priest removes before heading, the ball.

**HOW TO ENTER:** Complete the crossword, take a photo and text it to 07846491473



**@LeedsMods**

## Key contacts

Anyone interested in joining us as a player or volunteer is invited to contact Chris Roy by email on [croy352@gmail.com](mailto:croy352@gmail.com)

### Club officers:

Chairperson - Chris Roy  
 Club Secretary - Gary Lovelace  
 Sponsorship - Jack Sewell  
 Player rep - Dan Kluska  
 Social Secretary - Corey Shields  
 Treasurer - James France  
 Social & Press - Adam Hamilton  
 Safeguarding - Tony Mullin

### Mens Team Coaches:

1st team - Nick Powell  
 2nd team - Josh Smith  
 3rd team - Olly Bauser  
 4th team - Dan Grieg  
 U19s - Ben Whittaker

### Junior teams:

U8 - Chris Roy  
 U9 & U11 - Danny Forrest  
 U10 - Dan Harland  
 U14 - Darren Currie  
 U14 - Richard Hoole

### Safeguarding:

Jill Harland

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