# Seymour Villa F.C.



## Official Handbook 2019/2020

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#### INFORMATION

Seymour Villa was founded in 2001 in memory of a promising young footballer called Danny Wandangu who was murdered on South Penge Park estate in 2000. Two weeks after his death Danny was due to go to Aston Villa for trials. His coach, Martin King decided to start a football club in his memory.

In the summer of 2001 we advertised around Penge and Anerley and our first trials were held in Betts Park and people volunteered to help us.

In our 1st season Seymour villa had 4 teams - we now have 8 teams; U7's, U8's, U9's, U10's, U11's, U12's, U13's, U14's, U15's and the U17 Colts competing in the Tandridge League.

Seymour Villa is affiliated to the London FA. A manager runs each team with the help of a coach and some teams have parents helping run training and match days. All teams train once a week on Saturday's, and play our games on Sunday's between 10am and 3pm.

We rely completely on volunteers; most of these are from the families of children and youths who play for us, these volunteers form our committee; they are also our managers, coachers and general helpers. Without these volunteers the club could not function.

All our managers, coaches, committee and volunteers have been CRB checked by the London FA. Our managers and coaches either have or will be completing the Level One coaching course.

As a voluntary youth organization our aim is to facilitate youth development. Our intention is to provide recreational and competitive football to children and youths of varying abilities in an enjoyable and structured environment.

As a principle, teams will be selected on merit rather than a rotation system. This does mean that all players will get a regular game. Selection remains entirely at the discretion of each team manager.

Every year we hold trials in June or July. When recruiting new players we try to keep the nucleus of the existing sides to give continuity and a sense of belonging to the club. Some of our players have been with us right from the start.

We are always on the lookout for new players. (Enthusiasm required.)

## SUBSCRIPTIONS

We charge an annual subscription fee of £160.

The club must receive the yearly subscription by the 31<sup>st</sup> August. Payment can be by cash, cheque or BACS. If paying by cheque they should be made out to Seymour Villa FC with the child's name on the back. Please give your payment to Harrison Modeste, or Trish Williams.

If anyone has difficulty paying their yearly subscription, please let the Chairman know so that the matter can be treated in the strictest confidence.

Subscriptions are subject to change every to season.

We welcome any assistance you feel you could offer the club, however great or small.

We look forward to many more successful seasons.

## TRAINING AND MATCHES

- Parents should stay at training and matches if their child is under 13 years of age.
- Lateness will not be tolerated for training or matches.
- Please always wear your shin pads during matches and training.
- If unable to attend training or matches, you must phone your manager beforehand.
- During matches, no spectators are to be stood behind a goal.
- No jewellery to be worn at any time.
- No fizzy drinks or chewing gum at training or matches.
- All kit remains the property of Seymour Villa FC and should only be worn at matches and functions. These must be returned when your player leaves the club.

## "WHAT DOES A MANAGER EXPECT FROM ME?"

- Players are to respect all staff. Constant backchat will result in suspension and if continued, expulsion from the club
- You should be proud to be a part of Seymour Villa FC and respect all boys
  or girls lucky enough to wear the shirt. Wear it with pride and conduct
  yourself in a way so as not to bring shame on the club
- All players are expected to come to their weekly training session.
- We cannot improve you as a player or the team if you do not turn up. If you are unable to attend, you must inform your manager by 9pm the day before training. Failure to do so may affect your selection in the team for Sunday's match.
- If you find that on a Sunday morning you are unable to attend, you must let your manager know ASAP. Remember, you will not be in trouble for not coming, but you will be in trouble if you fail to let your manager know.
- All players are expected to be on time for your match, to give you enough time to warm up properly. This is normally between 30-45 minutes before kick-off, depending on your respective manager.
- When playing matches, we encourage parents/carers to help with transport to and from the match. It is unfair to rely on another parent to take your child to nearly every game, as this has been a problem in the past. We do expect to see parents at most matches to support your child.

#### SEYMOUR VILLA FC CODES OF CONDUCT

#### PLAYERS CODE:

- Play for the fun of it, not just to please your parents/carers or coach.
- Play by the laws of the game, and play to the whistle.
- Never argue with the referee or linesman's decision.
- Control your temper. Use your energy for playing better football.
- Play well for yourself and the team. Your team's performance will benefit from this and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Recognise all good play, whether it's by your own team or by your opponents.
- Treat all players as you wished to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of any player.
- Remember that the rules of the game are to have fun, meet friends, improve your skills and feel good. No one likes a show off.
- Co-operate with your team members.
- Learn the laws of the game. It will make you a better footballer.

## PARENTS/SPECTATORS CODE:

- Do not force an unwilling child to participate in any sporting activity.
- Remember children play for their own enjoyment, not yours.
- Teach your child that being honest is most important than victory.
- Children learn by example. Applaud good play by both teams.
- Do not argue with a referee's final decision. He is only human and can make mistakes.
- Recognise the importance of all coaches as they give up their free time, unpaid, to provide football for your child.
- Get a better understanding of the game to know what you are watching and commentating on.
- Be on your best behavior. Do not use profane language or harass, physically or verbally, players, manager, coaches, or officials.
- Never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake during the game.

THIS IS A ZERO TOLERANCE CLUB ANY PARENT OR SPECTATOR ABUSING THIS WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE CLUB!

#### CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

- The child's welfare is and must always be of paramount.
- To promote ethics and high standards throughout our club.
- All children and young people have a right to be protected from any sort of abuse, regardless of their age, gender, disability, culture, language, racial origin, or religious beliefs,
- Every child who plays football should be able to participate in an enjoyable and safe environment and be protected from any sort of abuse. This is the responsibility of every adult involved with our club.
- Any allegation of abuse will be taken seriously and a meeting called between our Child Protection officers and those involved.

All of our managers, coaches and some of our committee and parents have attended the FA Child Protection course.

## SEYMOUR VILLA ANTI-BULLYING CODE

- Every player at Seymour Villa FC has the right to learn and enjoy their time with the club.
- The aim of Seymour Villa is to learn mutual respect and understanding. We will not tolerate any actions or remarks even if they were not intended to hurt.
- Any intentional action or comment, which is hurtful, threatening or frightening, will be defined as bullying.
- Bullying at Seymour Villa FC will be dealt with very seriously.
- Bullying is far too serious for you not to report it. Every player at Seymour Villa has the responsibility to report bullying if they know it is going on.

## **Committee Members**

## Lifetime President

Martin King

## Chairman

Gary Johnson 07553 930618

## **Assistant Chair Person**

Julian Modeste 07561 486884

## **Club Secretary**

Tracey Johnson 07734 136734

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