

COVENTRY UNITED AT THE BUTTS PARK ARENA

On Saturday 5th August, the Earlsdon area was the centre of an important sporting occasion, as Coventry United F.C. kicked off its first game at the Butts Park Arena. Although they lost the F.A. Cup game against local rivals Rugby Town, the large crowd knew they were watching the start of something special.

Coventry United were formed in 2013 by four lifelong friends - Jason Kay, Jason Timms, Marcus Green and Pete Schofield – following the news that Coventry City were to play in Northampton. The friends were very committed to the principal of ‘football for all’, and had the ambition to bring together the communities of Coventry into one family that is strong, supportive and together. Hence, they choose the name ‘United’. They also made the important decision to play in Coventry’s official civic colours of red and green.

After three very successful seasons playing firstly at the Alan Higgs Centre and then ground sharing with Coventry Sphinx, which saw United promoted in three successive seasons, and reaching the Midland Football League Premier Division, the decision was made to move to The Butts Park Arena.

In 2015, the team took over Coventry City Ladies Football Club, re-branding the F.A. Women's Premier League side as Coventry United. Coventry United Ladies will join the men’s team playing at the home of Coventry Rugby Club.

Peter Reynolds, Chairman of Coventry United, said: “When we established Coventry United our aim was to create a true community club, offering opportunities for all, and our teams now span all age ranges from junior boys and girls to Men’s and Women’s. We are very excited about the move to the Butts Park Arena, and are now able to provide even more facilities and opportunities for our growing number of supporters.”

For more details on Coventry United F.C., the club website is www.coventryunited.co.uk

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