



Bristol Baseball Club

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NEW LOCATION for Training this Sunday in Patchway

Last Sunday was great! Thanks to Chris and Dan who ran a very organized training. It was good to see some new faces.

This Sunday we are training in Patchway Community Sports Club:

**Patchway High School
Hempton Lane, Almondsbury
South Gloucestershire
BS32 4AJ**

As most of you are aware, we are looking for a new field. There is no great rush, but it is important to keep you up to date.

Amongst many fields we are talking to, Patchway Community Sports Club is one of them. There is a lot of space, it is easily accessible from in and outside of Bristol, has links with schools and they are open to clubs joining. **Our training will be at the back of the field, behind the football pitches at the usual Sunday time of 1pm.**

This Sunday we have the opportunity to train there and have a look for ourselves. Please come to training and help the club with your views. We fully understand that it is Mother's Day this Sunday, so we will stop training at 3pm.

We are talking to many fields but the decision is far from made. The next field to call our home will have a long term future as we have a strong club now. Please help us with your feedback if you like the field this Sunday, or if you have any other suggestions, contact remmertschouten@gmail.com

Directions for this Sunday's training are written below: (Directions and maps on the website at www.bristolbaseball.co.uk/directions_sunday_14_03_2010.html)

Buses 54A, 75, 73 + a train station (Patchway) very nearby with irregular stops.

Directions to Patchway Community Sports Club

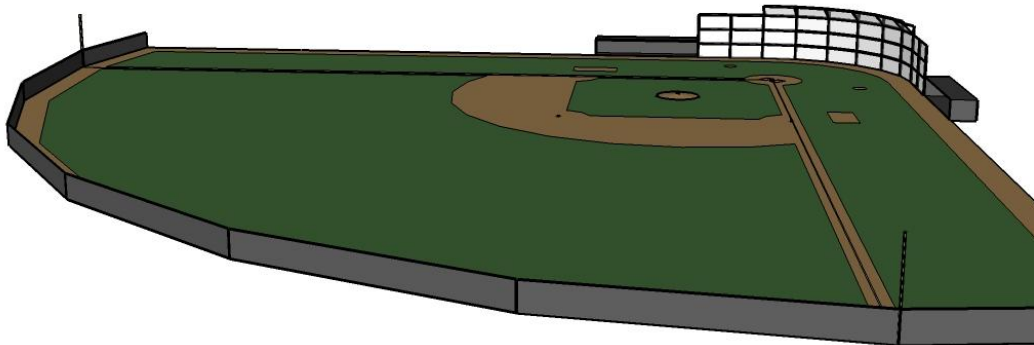
From Filton

Travel along the A38 towards Aztec West Business Park - junction 16 of the M5.

Just before the Aztec West Business West roundabout, enter the bus lane on the left hand side and turn left into Hempton Lane. Turn left into the high school premises and then continue along the driveway with the high school buildings on your left. The sports centre's car park is by the caged tennis courts and the building closest to these courts is the sports centre.

From the M5/Bradley Stoke

Head towards Bristol on the A38 and veer off towards Patchway, cross under the fly-over and rejoin the A38 dual carriageway back up towards the Aztec West roundabout. You will be on the other side of the dual carriageway. Turn off into Hempton Lane and then turn left into the high school premises. Continue along the driveway with the high school buildings on your left - the sports centre's car park is by the caged tennis courts and the building closest to these courts is the sports centre.



Could our field one day look like this? We are very much keeping in mind that our club has all the potential to grow. We have plans for a back-stop fence like the one above. In terms of field searching, it is important we find the right space but also a club that is willing to have us long term.

Friends, members and other baseballers

This is a very good time to show your support. Please become a member of our club. Wherever our new home will be – we need your help. To support our long-

term goals of building a high-standard diamond, we have finalised a grant-application to Sport England. This is to support our club in the shape of facilities, equipment and so prepare for a long-term future.

We welcome anyone who likes baseball becoming a member of the club. Follow the membership instruction online at the 'downloads' section of our web site:

<http://www.bristolbaseball.co.uk/downloads.html>

Otherwise there is the opportunity to follow the instructions below:

Fees payment options

Online Payment

If you have not completed the membership application please do it at: http://www.bristolbaseball.co.uk/membership_form.html, once the application has been submitted you will be given the option to pay directly using your credit/debit card or paypal account.

If you already have completed the membership application then go to this link: <http://www.bristolbaseball.co.uk/payment.html> to pay online using your credit/debit card or paypal account.

Electronic transfer

Name of the Account: Bristol Baseball Club

Account: 60855898

Sort code: 20 13 34 (Barclays bank)

Please state your full name in the reference

Cheque

Payment can also made by cheque made out to the 'Bristol Baseball Club'
Send cheque to: Bristol Baseball Club, 6 Keswick walk, BS10 6 DD, Bristol.
Or, please bring the cheque to the first training.

Cash

Please bring the cash to the training.

Please do not delay this – we need this money to run the club (British Baseball Federation fees, field rental, baseballs, etc).

Minimal first payment is £50 but if you are a playing member of the Badgers or Bats it would help if you can pay upfront please. For friends and youth, discounted fees apply of course.

Contacts:

Questions, suggestions and feedback can be directed to your chairman and Secretary Ron & Pat Blakeney and/or Vice-chairman Remmert.

We are open to your ideas and suggestions – contributions of any ideas for the newsletter are welcome. If you would like to be involved in the club, coaching, umpiring, etc, please let us know!

Many thanks, and we look forward to seeing you this Sunday!

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