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**Training for the season continues at 6.40 pm SHARP each Tuesday in the VEC Sportsgrounds in Terenure and on Thursdays in Astro Tallaght from 8.00 pm to 9.00 pm (€5).**

**Games are normally played on Saturdays.**

**Season 2017-2018: VEC have 3 teams in the UCFL: Premier Division, Division 1 & Division 3A**

❖ **Players sign for VEC Football Club and not for any particular team. It is the policy of the club that the most talented players should play for the first team. However, when squad numbers are diminished for any particular game, then players can be called up from the second team as required. Conversely, players from the first team squad may be required to play for the second team from time to time. The same principle applies where there is a third team. Integration is encouraged between the squads and is facilitated through joint training and coaching sessions throughout the year. It is essential therefore to have total co-operation between managers and players at all times. To re-iterate, players don't sign for a team in VEC – they sign for the Club! They have never decided which team they want to play for – the Club decides! Ideally all players should be aspiring to better themselves and challenging for a first-team place. So going forward, players must understand and accept this Club policy when signing for VEC FC.**

❖ Subscriptions for VEC Fc members for the season 2017-2018 are €100, with €50 payable on registration and €50 by the end of September 2017.

*(€40 in total for students, unemployed and social members).*

*Anyone with difficulty paying the full amount by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017 should speak confidentially with the Hon. Treasurer Séamus Doherty, or with Chairman David Spring.*

❖ Match day subs for 1<sup>st</sup> team players is €6 once a player starts a game and €3 for a substitute who plays. 2<sup>nd</sup> team (and 3<sup>rd</sup> team) players pay €5 and €3.

❖ Players must wear their own sky blue socks on match days. These are available from team managers for €5/pair

❖ **The costs of using the VEC Sportsgrounds in Terenure are significant. This places a serious burden on VEC Football Club, as the costs will be charged based on the number of teams and number of home games. It is vitally important that VEC members encourage more friends, relations, work colleagues etc. to take part in our various fund-raising schemes – FAI National Draw and Pick-a-Winner [www.pickawinner.ie](http://www.pickawinner.ie)**

❖ Some fundraisers may be held this season. Some of the monies raised go towards the Club's injured players' fund. These are also social occasions and all members will be expected to bring friends and support these functions.

❖ While there has been a great social outlet in the club in the past, this has diminished somewhat in recent times. We need to resurrect those meetings after matches (in Brady's) and create talking points, exchange experiences and news from the VEC teams and most importantly keep everyone constantly thinking about the Club and their next game. We also receive some sponsorship from Brady's in Terenure – for which we are grateful – on the basis that we visit that establishment frequently! It would be nice if players from all VEC teams would make an effort to drop in after their games on Saturdays, whenever possible – even if only for a recovery sports drink! As a start, perhaps we could plan this for the first Saturday of each month.

❖ Managers for the season are:

1 <sup>st</sup> Team:	Kevin O'Hanlon; David Spring (Assistant).
2 <sup>nd</sup> Team:	Fergal Nolan; Russell White (Assistant).
3 <sup>rd</sup> Team:	Richie Donnelly; Paul Burke/Shane McNamara (Assistants).

❖ Trainers for the season are: Kevin O'Hanlon / Sean O'Shea / Joey Byrne / Pat Meghen + others periodically.