

WIMBLEDON FOOTBALL YELLOW AND BLUE HERITAGE PLAQUE TRAIL

After a long time in planning, and working with the council heritage departments across Merton, Kingston and Wandsworth, WiSH are finally able to commence the installation of 30 Yellow and Blue Plaques commemorating the Club's history out in the community.

Each of the installations will signify and celebrate a major development in the Club's history, one being Wimbledon Old Centrals on Wimbledon Common, and going through all the significant events in the Club's history. This will lead to the last plaque at the Cherry Red Records Stadium, our fabulous new home back in the borough.



Along the trail are a number of pubs and other establishments that played a vital part in the Club moving forward over 130+ years. This means watering holes and refreshments points for anybody who wants to



complete the whole walking trail, which may be a tall order in one day (we expect Dave Chan to take up the challenge).

The trail will be further identified via a physical and virtual map currently under development with our partner Ben Adams from the Bark Group.

These points and the installations at the stadium will be incorporated into local tour guide schedules that cover different areas. This in turn will bring new tourists and historians in contact with the Club and stadium itself. Thus making our local communities aware of the part their borough and ward played and contributed to "The Greatest Story in Football".

WiSH is grateful, as always, for the time and research freely given and completed by our club historians Bert Dale, Ray Armfield and Stephen Crabtree. Their input in identifying their locations and history behind them has

been invaluable, as has the work of Vicki Lowndes for the proofreading, and of course, Ben who turns our ideas into reality.

The trail and map should all go live before the last match of the season, something for people to consider doing during the summer football break.

This project has been sponsored and made possible by club VP Eamon Razvi and his family to whom we are indebted for their support.

If you would like to make a small donation to WiSH that will help fund future projects, then please do so using the QR code here.



Invitation to unveiling of Mick the Miller mosaic

Friday March 15th at 1.30pm

**Cherry Red Records Stadium
Plough Lane
London, SW17 0NR**

Mick the Miller is one of the most famous dogs in greyhound racing history and raced at Wimbledon Stadium from 1928 until 1931. An historic mosaic of Mick the Miller was preserved when Wimbledon Greyhound Stadium was demolished in 2018.

We are very pleased to announce that as part of a project funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund to explore and record the history of greyhound racing in Wimbledon, the mosaic has been repaired and placed prominently at the AFC Wimbledon ground. Wimbledon in Sporting History (WiSH) is inviting you to attend the unveiling.



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