

## Up and Coming

# Heidi Hiscock-In a League of Her Own

Heidi Hiscock is in a league of her own – a dedicated footballer from a very early age. She cannot remember exactly when she started, but as her Dad and brother played football she saw no reason why she should not join in too!



Heidi and her Mum

### Football Coach

Born and brought up in Milton and educated at Wychwood and Burford Schools, Heidi has a dream of one day becoming a full-time football coach in the USA. She is working hard to attain that dream and has already completed the FA coaching badge, Levels 1 & 2. To work in the States she needs to attain the Level 4 badge. Heidi has to fund herself through these courses and buy all her own sports gear, an expensive business, with a pair of football boots costing £120 (thanks to a generous uncle for buying them for her Christmas present!). Perhaps one of our readers might consider sponsoring her?

### Playing Away

Heidi started playing for Wychwood Girls FC, moving on to Chipping Norton Girls. She now plays Left Back for Oxford City Ladies, based at the OXRADS sports ground, Marston. They have recently won the County Cup, beating Launton 6-1. She played for the

Under 16s at County level and had a trial for the England team (but the scouts were only watching the Arsenal players!). Heidi left Burford School at 16 and took a National Diploma in Sports Science at Oxpens College in Oxford.

### Soccer Academy

In 2003 Heidi had the trip of a lifetime when she went to the USA for three months to coach at a Soccer

Academy. She was training boys and girls between 5 and 16 years old, but it is not all glamour. Heidi helped out with football training for youngsters in the Wychwoods and also ran the Brazilian Soccer course at Chipping Norton Leisure Centre. She has white and a blue sash in Kung Fu.

Her scariest moment was when she leapt from a plane to do a tandem parachute drop in aid of Comic Relief, Sports Aid. She will not be repeating that experience, as she hates heights.

### The Day Job

Heidi is currently working as a Fitness Instructor in the gym at Kidlington Leisure Centre. When she is on the early shift she has to leave home at 5am to be on duty at 6am – now that is dedication! Good luck Heidi; with such determination you are bound to succeed.

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