



# STEVIE GRIEVE

## EXPERIENCED FOOTBALL COACH

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- A progressive and ambitious young football manager and coach with a proven track record in leading teams to sustainable success gained through coaching across multiple cultural and football environments, focusing on development both on and off the pitch to facilitate long term club progression

*“Stevie is a truly outstanding football coach, well organised and innovative with his ideas on the way the game should be played. He can work with players of all ages and no matter what the ability of the player, he manages to engage them, keep them focused and develop them to be the best they can possibly be. He ensures that every session is well planned and the players are constantly working with the ball. On a personal level, he coached my son Jamie for a while at Dundee and developed him to play the game at a very high level. Jamie still plays at a good level and a lot of this is down to the work that Stevie put in him with him, working on his technical skills and tactical awareness. I could talk about Stevie all day, as he is such a talented young football coach that I know will go very far in the game.”*

**Malcolm Fyfe, Former Dundee FC Scout**

### COACHING QUALIFICATIONS

UEFA	B Licence Candidate (Ongoing)	2014
SFA	Advanced Children's Licence Youth Pathway Levels 1-4	2012
FIFA	Advanced Futsal Diploma	2007
Coerver	Coaching Modules 1 & 2	



### COACHING EXPERIENCE & KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

**Garhwal FC; Indian I-League 2**                      **Assistant Manager / Head of Youth Development**                      **June 2013 - Present**

- The team had a season win percentage of less than 50% before arrival, but went on to record 5 wins and 1 loss to finish 2nd in the Delhi Senior League (Indian 3rd tier) following appointment, qualifying for the 2015 I-League 2nd Division
- Secured qualification to the 2015 I-League 2nd Division by winning 3 of 5 games to come 3rd in Group A of the Indian I-League 2nd Division, defying media and public perception of the team
- Has worked extensively to improve the club's youth system and pathway into the 1st team, resulting in the professional debut of a 16 year old talent who became of the youngest ever players to compete in Indian professional football

**Bhaichung Bhutia Football Schools**                      **Head of Coach Education**                      **June 2013 - Present**

- Transformed the entire coaching structure by changing the coaching style utilised throughout from autocratic based teaching to guided, discovery based learning, prioritising technique and game intelligence for all players under the age of 14
- The standard of play throughout the Delhi region has improved dramatically since the football schools' teams have implemented this style of play, benefiting not only the players but every team involved
- Implemented a 3 stage internal coach education program and educated several full time staff to mentor young coaches

**FC Gland; Swiss ACVF**                      **Head Coach**                      **Aug 2012 - June 2013**

- Turned around the team after 10 games of the season with team having lost 9 of these games; went on to lose only 3 of the next 10 matches and collect more points in the second half of the season than in the previous 18 months by playing a more attractive and progressive style of football

**United Soccer Academy; NJ, USA**                      **Technical Coach**                      **Feb 2012 - Dec 2012**

**East Fife FC**                      **U14 Head Coach / Youth Academy Talent Scout**                      **Sep 2011 - Feb 2012**

## RECENT EXPERIENCE

### Perth Youth Futsal

Player / Coach

2002 - 2011

- Won the Scottish Futsal League and qualified for the UEFA Futsal Cup with a team produced entirely from the academy

### Letham FC

Head Youth Coach / Tangerines (1997s) Coach

2006 - 2012 / 2002 - 2004

- Won a league and cup treble in 2010, as well as a cup title in 2011
- Multiple players moved on to pro youth teams between 2008 and 2013, with several having trials at major Scottish clubs including Rangers FC, Dundee United FC, Dundee FC and Dunfermline FC

### Dundee FC

U11/U13/U17 Technical Coach

Jan 2009 - Oct 2010

- Worked extensively with young striker Leighton McIntosh, who scored 5 goals in the Dundee FC 1st team before his 18th birthday to secure the club's status in the 2010/11 Scottish First Division

*"Stevie is the most enthusiastic and hardworking football coach I have ever come across. He has worked with lots of children in the Perth area from ages 4 plus and the boys he has coached stick out like a sore thumb; the majority of which are now playing pro youth. I am taking the team that Stevie left and what the boys can do with the ball is just incredible. This is down to Stevie and his fantastic coaching methods, everything being down with a football. I think it's a real shame that he is such a talented coach, but yet he has to travel the world to find opportunities when there should be clubs in Scotland desperate to have such a coach working at their club. I know that Stevie will have a very successful career in coaching, because his knowledge, dedication and methods will make sure of that."*

**Dave Houston, Assistant Coach at Letham FC Tangerines**

## OVERVIEW OF ROLES

### Head Coach

- Design and implement progressive coaching sessions which provide players the tools they need to develop and compete
- Lead the team on match day, providing a strong impetus and focal point for the team's performance, and making all decisions regarding team selection, substitutions, tactics, etc.
- Prepare for coming games by analysing the opposition and adapting training sessions accordingly
- Oversee the scouting and recruitment process, identifying areas in need of improvement and cost effective transfer targets
- Remain aware of youth team players with the potential to succeed in the 1st team and provide the necessary opportunities
- Liaise with other coaching, backroom and senior club staff to foster a united vision behind the team's development
- Present a professional presence on behalf of the club in all off field activities with national media and local community

### Assistant Manager

- Act as an effective intermediary between the manager and players to maintain a productive working environment
- Lead training sessions and design tactical strategies tailored to the opposition and conducive to the team's playing style
- Scout opposition teams and produce reports based on their strengths, weaknesses and specific players

### Head of Youth Development

- Designed a playing and development philosophy for Garhwal FC with the aim of producing the best players in India within the next 10 years using progressive, tailored and periodized pathways for players from U9 to U19 level
- Work with the club's youth coaches to ensure they implement a specific curriculum focused on progressive technical development within a holistic tactical structure

### Head of Coach Education

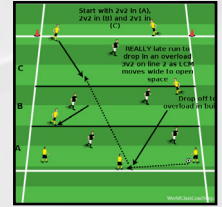
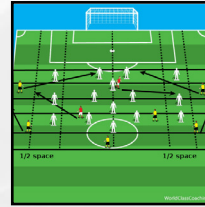
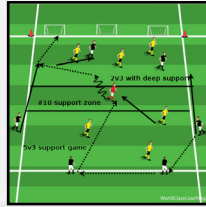
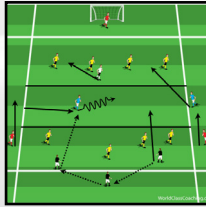
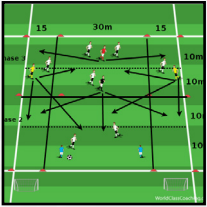
- Design and deliver coach education workshops with a particular focus on technical development tailored to specific ages
- Perform football theory sessions on a variety of topics including session organisation, touch targets and video analysis
- Mentor the coaches during and after sessions, offering constructive criticism based evaluations to support development

### Youth Coach

- Lead coaching sessions tailored to each age group encompassing tactical, physical and mental improvement
- Maintain the utmost levels of professionalism at all times when working with young children

## FOOTBALL PHILOSOPHY

- Prioritises a possession based team that dominates attack through a typically 4-2-3-1/4-3-3 formation
- Players are encouraged to play through the thirds of a pitch by using set lines of play; 5 vertical and 6 horizontal
- Seeks to develop talent and promote youth players rather than spending money unnecessarily in order to build a sustainable club and establish an identity on the pitch that supporters can get behind
- Believes in tactical innovation in order to stay ahead of current footballing trends and in turn the opposition, and is currently developing a playing style that uses no set formation but rather a team of players who can continuously move and fulfil each traditional position



## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Current TV pundit and tactical analyst for Asian TV channels Ten Sports and Ten Action, providing analysis on a range of domestic and international games including UEFA Champions League coverage which is broadcast to over 500 million people across the continent
- Author of 10 books and ebooks, including the best sellers *Coaching the 4-2-3-1* and *Coaching the 4-2-3-1 Advanced Tactics*
- Current Head Tactical Writer for the World Class Coaching website and magazine; [click here to read some of this work](#)



*“Stevie has been a contributor to World Class Coaching for over two years, and during this time we have published dozens of his tactical analysis articles on our web sites and digital magazine. Stevie’s tactical analysis articles are always well received by our 40,000+ coaches/subscribers. Stevie has also been our best-selling author in 2012 with his ‘Coaching the 4-2-3-1’ book.*

*We have been so pleased with Stevie’s work (as have our customers), that we have recently agreed to a 12 month period of Stevie contributing regular articles to our <http://coachingsoccertactics.com/> site.”*

**Mike Saif, [www.worldclasscoaching.com](http://www.worldclasscoaching.com)**

## KEY SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

**Communication:** A clear and efficient communicator who has built exceptional interpersonal skills through working within different cultural environments. Comfortable liaising from youth to senior management levels, and always presents a professional presence on behalf of a club. Stevie also learned to speak good level French while in Switzerland.

**Man Management:** Able to draw the best performances from people both on and off the pitch, treating every individual equally and leading by example. Adapts to different personalities by tailoring the approach to the individual, and establishes a working environment based on respect, honesty and integrity.

**Tactics & Analysis:** A skilled analyst as demonstrated by media and written work, able to quickly assess opponents and design suitable tactical strategies that can exploit their weaknesses while hiding the team’s. Understands the importance that tactics play in the modern game, and ensures that players and other coaching staff are suitably prepared for all matches.

**Talent Identification:** Uses abilities as a coach and analyst to identify young talent with the potential to succeed at a higher level, recognising their strengths, weaknesses and how they can be improved. Takes pride in working with players who have been undervalued or underused and shaping them into top level professionals.

**Innovation:** A progressive and forward thinking coach committed to improving both self and others through continuous research and application of innovative coaching techniques and tactical strategies. Seeks to remain one step ahead of not only the opposition, but the entire footballing environment in order give the team a strong competitive edge.

**Player Development:** Focused on providing both young and senior players the support they need to develop their capabilities on the pitch while simultaneously building their off field work ethic and attitude. Tailors coaching programmes to the age/ability levels of the players in order to provide them set targets and a challenge to improve.