



# **The Link Between The First Team And The Academy**

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**Academy Managers Refresher Course**

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- 6 Years At Manchester City - Player-Coach, Manager
- Establish Contact Point Between Academy & First Team
- Elderly Pros v Young Pros - Keegan v Pearce
- First Act As Manager - Sack Reserve Team Manager & Appoint Steve Wigley
- Coaching Path Progression
  - Frank Bunn - Reserve Team
  - John Webb - Conditioning
- Academy Players Filtered To First Team - February Time
- Split Sites (Good or Bad?)
- Release Of Players By Academy
- Under 23 Development Squad (Development Coach)
- Exchange Of Coaches (First, Reserve & Academy)
- Reserve Team Football (Limited First Team Involvement)
- Manchester City Academy: Best In The Country?
  1. Recruitment
  2. Coaching



**Performance Record Of Manchester City Football Club Academy Graduates**  
**1999-2008**

| <u>Player</u>                  | <u>Manchester City First<br/>Team Appearances</u> | <u>U21 International<br/>Appearances</u> | <u>Senior International<br/>Appearances</u> |
|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Shaun Wright-Phillips          | 209   | 6  | 23  |
| Joey Barton                    | 153   | 2  | 1   |
| Stephen Ireland                | 114   | 0  | 6   |
| Nedum Onuoha                   | 70  | 16                                       | 0   |
| <b>Micah Richards</b>          | <b>99</b>   | <b>5</b>                                 | <b>12</b>                                   |
| Stephen Jordan                 | 64  | 0  | 0   |
| <b>Bradley Wright-Phillips</b> | <b>40</b>   | <b>0</b>                                 | <b>0</b>                                    |
| <b>Lee Croft</b>               | <b>32</b>   | <b>0</b>                                 | <b>0</b>                                    |
| <b>Michael Johnson</b>         | <b>39</b>   | <b>2</b>                                 | <b>0</b>                                    |
| Willo Flood                    | 18  | 17                                       | 0   |
| <b>Ishmael Miller</b>          | <b>17</b>   | <b>0</b>                                 | <b>0</b>                                    |
| Dickson Etuhu                  | 13  | 0  | 0   |
| Kelvin Etuhu                   | 10  | 0  | 0   |
| Chris Shuker                   | 6   | 0  | 0   |
| <b>Kasper Schmeichel</b>       | <b>7</b>  | <b>16</b>                                | <b>0</b>                                    |
| <b>Daniel Sturridge</b>        | <b>13</b>   | <b>0</b>                                 | <b>0</b>                                    |
| Chris Killen                   | 3   | 0  | 0   |
| Stephen Elliot                 | 2   | 0  | 0   |
| Leon Mike                      | 2   | 0  | 0   |
| Glen Whelan                    | 1   | 19                                       | 0   |
| Chedwyn Evans                  | 18  | 8  | 8   |
| Shaleum Logan                  | 1   | 0  | 0   |
| Tyrone Mears                   | 1   | 0  | 0   |
| Terry Dunfield                 | 1   | 0  | 0   |
| Johnathan DOLarea              | 1   | 0  | 0   |

