

Sir Alex Ferguson opens Mottram pitch

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THERE was no sign or the hairdryer as a relaxed and chatty Sir Alex Ferguson kicked off the new FA standard football pitch at Mottram Hall, Cheshire. The new pitch will be open for local teams and national clubs from the beginning of this month.

Ferguson whose departure from United saw them have their worst season in over a decade, took time off from a busy book and lecture tour to open the pitch at the luxury hotel. The De Vere Group, which owns the hotel, say the pitch will be a great investment for young people in Cheshire and Manchester who will be able to train on it.



Mottram Hall has previously played host to the German national squad, England Under 19's, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Malaga, Bologna, AC Milan and FC Bruges.

Sir Alex is the honorary captain of the golf club at the hotel and of course was first in line to kick off the first ball on the pitch.

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