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# Prestatyn making waves in Wales - UEFA



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Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January

#### From www.uefa.com by Trevor Haylett

While traditional powerhouses The New Saints FC and Bangor City FC exhibit no signs of decline, an intriguing new narrative in Welsh football is the growing prominence of Prestatyn Town FC and their fledgling player-manager Neil

The Seasiders have little history to speak about – at least for now. After gaining Welsh Premier League status as recently as 2008, the strides they have made in five years are a source of inspiration for similar-sized clubs where finances and the ability to attract players represent a perpetual challenge.

Prestatyn have been at the head of the 12 elite teams at different stages of the season and remain handily placed to qualify for Europe. That would be another first for the progressive north Wales outfit. "The club had never played at this level until five years ago so we never imagined competing in Europe," said Gibson. "Whoever you are, wherever you play, European football is a massive achievement and we are desperate to seize our chance."

The side's struggles in last term's Championship Conference – the Welsh Premier League splits in two after 22 games with the top six playing each other home and away – delivered the impetus to bring about the changes that have led to their current success. Defeat in all ten second phase fixtures was perversely helpful to the manager because "it made clear to the club and supporters that we needed to generate the funds to be more competitive. It enabled me to have conversations with a few former team-mates to see if we could get them on board." Continued on page 2

RECENT RESULTS	
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	
Airbus UK Broughton v Afan Lido FC	P-P
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	
Afan Lido v Llanelli AFC	0-1
Bala Town v GAP Connah's Quay	P-P
Bangor City v Port Talbot Town	P-P
Carmarthen Town v Newtown AFC	P-P
Prestatyn Town v Airbus UK Broughton	1-6
The New Saints v Aberystwyth Town	P-P



#### **COMING UP...**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January Airbus UK Bro'ton v Afan Lido FC now 02/0 Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January FAW WELSH CUP Fourth Round 14:30 **Barry Town v Pontardawe Town Chepstow Town v Haverfordwest County** Flint Town United v Caerau Elv Gap Connah's Quay v Bangor City

Carmarthen Town v Bala Town LIVE ON S4/

Newtown AFC v Airbus UK Broughton

The New Saints FC v Rhyl FC

Prestatvn Town v West End FC

#### WOMENS WELSH PREMIER LEAGUE

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Aberystwyth Town Ladies v Wrexham Ladies	P-P	
Caernarfon Town Women's FC v Swansea City Ladies	P-P	
Caerphilly Castle Ladies & Girls v Newcastle Emlyn Ladie	es P-P	
Cardiff City FC Ladies v Northop Hall Girls	P-P	
Cardiff Metropolitan Ladies v Port Tabot Town Ladies	P-P	
Llandudno Junction Ladies v Llanidloes Ladies	P-P	

15:00

Caernarfon Town Women's FC v Aberystwyth Town Ladies Newcastle Emlyn Ladies v Llandudno Junction Ladies Northop Hall Girls v Caerphilly Castle Ladies & Girls Port Talbot Town Ladies v Cardiff City FC Ladies Swansea City Ladies v Llanidloes Ladies

Wrexham Ladies v Cardiff Metropolitan Ladies

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## THIS WEEK'S FIXTURES

#### **FAW WELSH CUP**

## Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January

All kick-offs 14:30

Barry Town	V	Pontardawe Town	

Referee: D J Boyle Assistants: J Bryant L R Edwards

Carmarthen Town v Bala Town

Referee: B J James Assistants: E J King D Morgan 4<sup>th</sup> Official: TBC

Chepstow Town v Haverfordwest County

Referee: R J Stewart Assistants: A Said J Williams

Flint Town United v Caerau Ely was scheduled for 19/01/13 but postponed due to snow

Referee: I A Griffith Assistants: S A Hughes J Jones

Gap Connah's Quay v Bangor City

Referee: R Harrington Assistants: A G Boore P Thomas 4<sup>th</sup> Official: A P Harms

Newtown AFC v Airbus UK Broughton

Referee: K J Parry Assistants: G W Jones M W Roberts 4<sup>th</sup> Official: R I Jenkins

Prestatyn Town v West End FC

Referee: N Pratt Assistants: A Jones T Williams 4<sup>th</sup> Official: J F Spender

The New Saints FC v Rhyl FC LIVE ON \$4/C kick-off 15:00

Referee: M Petch Assistants: I Griffith (Conwy) P Roszkowski 4<sup>th</sup> Official: D Fawkes

#### Prestatyn make waves.... From page 1

It enabled me to have conversations with a few former team-mates to see if we could get them on board."

The result was the arrival of experienced duo Andy Parkinson and Jason Price, whose goalscoring contributions have proved crucial. "We aren't the biggest when it comes to budgets so we have to try and sell ourselves in a different way," explained the former Sheffield Wednesday FC and Tranmere Rovers FC midfielder. "Fortunately the new signings have bought into what we are trying to do."

If such progress can be maintained there is no doubt the 33-year-old will be talked about in connection with bigger jobs, in England as well as in Wales. Not that he would sever ties with his home-town club lightly.

"When I dropped out of the [English] Football League I lost a little love for the game, but joining Prestatyn reignited that. I saw the potential in the club and, although I was only 27 when I was asked to take charge, I felt I had to do it. It's a family club, a community club and anything you achieve seems more worthwhile because the people are so grateful for it."

#### **REARRANGED FIXTURES**

Following the postponement of four matches due to weather on Saturday they have been rearranged as follows

#### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

Bala Town v GAP Connah's Quay

**Bangor City v Port Talbot Town** 

Carmarthen Town v Newtown AFC

The New Saints v Aberystwyth Town

and

**Airbus UK Broughton** v **Afan Lido FC** moved from Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January

Kick-offs are likely to be 14:30 as S4/C are unable to televise a live game on that day. The date was scheduled blank prior to the start of Phase 2 on the 9<sup>th</sup> February

SUSPENSIONS			
Danny Forde	Gap Connah's Quay	3 matches	from 12/01/13
Bari Morgan	Aberystwyth Town	2 matches	from 26/01/13

## **New Signings**

Airbus UK Broughton striker **Mike Hayes** has returned to **Gap Connah's Quay**, the club where he started his Welsh Premier career, on-loan until the end of the season.

Meanwhile **Airbus** themselves have completed the signing of former Wrexham and Chester midfielder Christian Smith and subject to International clearance, Smith will make his debut against Prestatyn Town on Saturday. The 25-year-old joins the Wingmakers from Nantwich Town after spending last season at Chester, making 31 appearances and scoring six goals. A former Port Vale youth team player, Smith made his Football League debut with the Potteries outfit before spending time on-loan at Cambridge United and Northwich Victoria. He then spent a season in Scotland with League Two Clyde, before signing for Wrexham in August 2008.

After rejecting a new contract with the Dragons, he signed for York City on a short-term contract until the end of the 2008/9 season, scoring on his debut against Lewes.

Released at the end of that campaign, Smith's next move was back to Wrexham and made 36 appearances which yielded six goals, also playing once during a loan spell with Conference rivals Newport County.

Further loan spells followed at Barrow and Tamworth where he scored in his final appearance, a 2–1 victory over Forest Green Rovers that ensured the Lambs' survival from relegation.

Released by Wrexham, he joined Chester as a member of the squad that stormed to the league title in 2011/12.

**Afan Lido** have bolstered their defensive ranks with the capture of defender **Kyle Graves** from Carmarthen Town. The versatile defender, who can play anywhere across the back-four, rejoined Carmarthen Town in August 2012 after a spell out of the game injured, but he made just one sub appearance this term.

Heading out of the Marstons Stadium though is **Gavin Jeffries** who made just 2 (+3) League appearances, as well two starts in the Word Cup, scoring once. The defender has moved to Welsh League side Tata Steel.

**Bangor City** boss Neville Powell is gearing up for the second half of the Corbett Sports Welsh Premier League season with two more additions to his squad.

Forward Gary O'Toole and midfielder Levi Mackin are the latest to sign up, hot on the heels of Robbie Booth, Chris Thomas and Jamie McDaid who have also put pen to paper over the last week.

O'Toole (25) is best known for his associations with Connah's Quay for whom he has been top scorer for the past two seasons in the Cymru Alliance. Gary initially played for Connah's Quay during the 2005-06 season after playing youth team football for Coventry City and Wolves. However he did not settle with the then Welsh Premier side and moved to play for Caernarfon Town and more recently Eastham before rejoining The Nomads during the summer of 2010. He went on to top score in both seasons in the Cymru Alliance and led the club to promotion back to the Welsh Premier. Gary started the 2012-13 season with The Nomads scoring four goals in a handful of appearances but left the club by mutual consent in November 2012.

Our second signing of the day was midfielder Levi Mackin. The 26 year old Chester born Welshman began his career with Blacon Youth and Chester City but signed for Wrexham as a schoolboy and played youth and reserve football for The Robins. He made his Football League debut as an 18 year old against Wycombe Wanderers in May 2004. and went on to make 45 Football League appearances for Wrexham and a further sixteen after their relegation to the Conference. Loan periods followed with Droylsden and York City with The Ministermen taking up the option of signing the Welsh U21 International on a permanent basis. After a total of 61 Conference starts for York Levi joined newly promoted Alfreton Town in July 2011 then signing for Chester in January 2012. Levi is a tough tackling, experienced central midfielder who should have plenty to offer as the second phase of fixtures get underway, and of course be eligible to play in the Welsh Cup.

#### Lido's Ashton Memorial Match on January 30th

This is for a great cause, sadly a young boy aged six named Ashton passed away on New Year's Eve. We are holding a fund raising football match where we will be selling raffle tickets to raise money for you all to win fantastic prizes. The money is being raised for Tywyn Primary School which is the school Ashton attended and loved. It's being held on the 30-01-13 at Afan Lido ground (Port Talbot, Aberavon)

Also to let you know reason they are running this for the school is because Tywyn School provides mainstream education for pupils from its local community and a specialist teaching provision for pupils with special educational needs.

The match will be between Afan lido 3rds v Caerau Sports. It would be great if as many people as possible could attend and help raise as much money for a wonderful cause. There will also be face-painting available for the kids. There will be a guest at the game for the children - the infamous Captain Beany! We will be arranging a half time penalty shootout on the pitch and we're hoping to arrange more activities for the kids....

Entry fee: £3 per adult. £2 per child to see the match 7pm Kick off gates open at 6pm

Ed.: If any of our readers would like to contribute to this worthwhile cause, contact Alan Howells on 07968820951

#### Parekh stands down at Stebo



Llanelli Football Club last week announced the appointment of a new Chairman. The statement released on the club's website read;

"Llanelli Football Club are delighted to announce an important appointment at the Club. Ken Francis, a local Llanelli businessman, has accepted the position of Chairman of Llanelli and takes over from Nitin Parekh (pictured left), who has stepped down due to work and family commitments, having been chairman since 2005.

"Ken has had a long association with the Club and Nitin Parekh commented that the Club is in strong hands.

"It has always been the Club's policy to put the Club back into the Community, and Ken is very closely associated with both the Club and the Town. I have had a terrific time with the Club and am extremely proud of what the Club has achieved. We are now laying the foundations for the next stage of the Club's progress."

"The club has a clear structure with Ken aiming to raise the Club's profile in the Community, Bob Jeffrey, supported by Gary Lloyd, responsible for all football related matters, and Liza Lloyd continuing to run the Social Club.

"The club is really thankful that so many people continue to work as volunteers, driving the club forward. Over the next few months, the club intends to launch a number of further Community schemes as well as events at the club."

Ken is looking forward to his new role with the club saying;

"I feel privileged to be in a position to take this opportunity of becoming Chairman of Llanelli Football Club. I have had an interest in the Reds in some capacity for over 30 years, including a spell as President of the club when the late John James was Chairman. I have been in the licensed trade for over 40 years and will be looking at incorporating my knowledge and experience to the benefit of the football club. My sincere gratitude goes to Nitin for making his tenure as Chairman the most successful period in the clubs long and distinguished history."

Bob Jeffrey current First Team Manager recognises the role that Nitin has played at the club and is looking forward to working with Ken in achieving further success and establishing the club within the Llanelli Community saying;

"The Welsh Premier League title, the League Cup, the Welsh Cup and seven European campaigns speak for themselves. What Nitin has achieved in his seven and a half years as Chairman is a remarkable story. I am looking forward to working under Ken as Chairman though as we look to move the club forward and onto further success."

### Wingmakers sign experienced defender



Airbus UK Broughton have signed experienced centre-back Phil Bolland from Halifax and are just awaiting International clearance before he completes the move to the Airfield.

The 36 year old from Liverpool, is an experienced centre-back, who played 18 times for Wrexham in the Football League in the 2007/08 season before their relegation to the Conference.

Having started his non-League career with Altrincham, Salford City, Trafford and Knowsley United, he then enjoyed a four-year spell with Southport making over 100 appearances for the club. He then moved to Oxford United for a season, before a four year first-spell with Chester City, making 139 starts.

A short stint at Peterborough United followed, before a second spell at Chester City. He struggled to stake a place in the first-team side at Chester under new manager Bobby Williamson in 2007-08, making just three appearances. He then spent time on trial with Wrexham and it was announced in December 2007 he was no longer part of Chester's plans.

He was then released by Chester in the New Year and quickly agreed terms with Wrexham. He was released by Wrexham in May 2008 following the club's relegation to the Conference and signed for Cambridge United in July, where he would be reunited with former teammates Gary Brabin and Paul Carden, manager and assistant manager of the Conference side. He spent one season at Cambridge, before signing for Barrow AFC, also of the Conference National.

Bolland won the FA Trophy with Barrow in the 2009-10 season and in May 2011, he was offered a new contract by Barrow and became the club captain. He had a further season at Barrow, but was released at the end of the 2011-12 season, having played over 100 league matches for the club. He then joined Droylsden before his short spell with Halifax. Bolland will wear the number 12 shirt

#### Steelman out on loan

Port Talbot Town midfielder Dwayne Saunders has completed a loan switch to Welsh League side Bridgend Town, confirmed the club's Media Officer Matthew Burgess. The 26-year-old moves to the Brewery Field on loan but can be recalled at any point.

Saunders has struggled with injury since joining Port Talbot and will be hoping to regain match fitness and get an extended run of games under his belt. Saunders becomes the second exit within a week at the GenQuip stadium.

Craig Jones completed his departure from the club, returning to Afan Lido. Craig has been unlucky with injuries since joining the club from Llanelli in May 2010 and having returned to fitness this season, he found his first-team opportunities limited, making five substitute appearances.



Chad Bond has been the club's only addition of the transfer window so far but with another two weeks remaining, Scott Young said he is hopeful of adding further names to his squad.

"We're looking to bring one or two in and we're getting close. I don't think we'll have anything done before the Bangor game but maybe after that – we'll just have to wait and see."

### Secretary attends Betting and Match Fixing conference

Welsh Premier League Secretary Gwyn Derfel, along with two colleagues at the FAW, is attending a Betting and Match Fixing Conference today.

This INTERPOL conference has been established in partnership with the Italian Department of Public Security, UEFA and FIFA with the following objectives;

- Improve knowledge and understanding of the global threat from match-fixing and irregular/illegal betting and its impact at national level: what are the current tactics used by criminals to initiate match-fixing in football, and likely trends in the future;
- Identify current good practice and innovative ways to prevent match-fixing and corruption in football and more effectively protect the future of the 'beautiful game'; and
- Further encourage global, regional and national bodies associated with football to work together more effectively in partnerships, regularly sharing information and taking action to prevent match fixing.

INTERPOL will be conducting a series of participatory conferences at Football Confederation level which will bring together representatives of the football world, from the government, betting industry and law enforcement to improve individuals' awareness and understanding of corruption in football, and of the strategies used by its perpetrators and of the methods to recognize, resist and report them.

Full report in Issue 28

#### Veteran retires.... Again

SATURDAY'S Word Cup final at Newtown's Latham Park marked the end of a distinguished career for Carmarthen Town striker Julian Alsop. The 39-year-old was named on the bench for the clash against The New Saints and hung up his boots for good after the final whistle.

An England 'C' international, Alsop has made 786 appearances for some 20 clubs, scoring 327 goals in a career stretching back over 22 years. He came out of retirement last year to help out Carmarthen manager Mark Aizlewood.

Alsop first came to prominence with Bristol Rovers before joining Swansea City in 1998 for £30,000.

He signed for Cheltenham Town from and his partnership with Tony Naylor led to Alsop scoring 26 goals, including the second goal in the Division Three play-off final as Cheltenham beat Rushden and Diamonds 3–1.

He left the Robins for Oxford United at the end of 2002-03and then signed for Conference National side Forest Green Rovers and Tamworth, before signing for Newport County in July 2006.

During his time with the Exiles, they twice narrowly missed out on the promotion play-offs and twice appeared in the FAW Premier Cup final, winning in 2008.

Since then, Alsop has appeared for Cirencester Town, Bishops Cleeve before returning to Cheltenham.

Alsop is also known for the quickest hat trick in history which occurred in 1995 for Tamworth while playing against Armitage - his three goals were timed at just over a minute.

Since joining the Old Gold, Alsop has made just 12 appearances and scored one important winning in the Word Cup semi-final against Llanelli.

But, after Carmarthen's WPL win at Newtown this season, Aizlewood paid a glowing tribute to the veteran striker. "We had a 39-year-old centre forward pressed into emergency service with an hour of the game left who had not kicked a ball for eight months who was an unbelievable influence on the game," he said.

"We practically had to carry Jules up the steps at the end of the game and to his car as he could hardly walk, but what an example to young players he is with his attitude and enthusiasm for the game."

#### Robins announce new backroom staff

Newtown are pleased to announce the arrival of two new faces to the Latham Park back room team. Matt Turner, 20, and Jonny Drury 18, have been brought in to the club to work off the field in two different areas.

Matt is in his final year of a degree in Sports and Exersice Science and is currently focusing on Sports Analysis, something that the club will be looking to use for the rest of the season. Previously Matt has worked with youth teams at The New Saints as part of his course, as well as working with the Welsh Football Association.

Jonny is currently studying a one year NCTJ Journalism course at Wrexham, and has been brought in as a media operator, which is something he has been focusing a lot on during his time at university. He will be conducting matchday highlights, interviews, match reports and a number of other things around the club. Before arriving at the club, he had been working with the Border Counties Advertizer newspaper as part of his university course, which is something he still does.

The pair, from Morda, Oswestry are both delighted to be on board at the club. "So far we have both worked with Morda United across the border in England, but for Newtown to ask us along is a great honour with Newtown being such a big club."

The students will begin their work at Latham Park a week on Saturday at the Welsh Cup tie against Airbus UK.

#### **Coleman chooses Goal of the Month**

Wales team Manager Chris Coleman has chosen Danny Thomas' strike for Port Talbot Town against Prestatyn Town as the December Goal of the Month.

"I've chosen Danny Thomas' goal for Port Talbot Town against Prestatyn at the GenQuip. The goal showed fantastic individual skill, but it was a difficult choice as the whole shortlist was excellent.

The match, played on the first day of December, was Scott Young's first game in charge and it proved to be an excellent day for the hosts as Thomas' excellent strike was the solitary goal of the game. The win was even more impressive given the fact that Port Talbot only had ten players on the pitch with Carl Payne having been sent-off.

You can view the goal on Sgorio's website <a href="http://s4c.co.uk/sgorio/gem/6336/">http://s4c.co.uk/sgorio/gem/6336/</a>

Coleman made his choice at Latham Park Newtown before last Saturday's Word Cup Final.



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- Main features in this issue include:
- Welsh Premier League comment including an Assembly Member's view on the league's future
- Spotlight on DENBIGH TOWN a full club history feature by Stuart Townsend
- Feature on LLISWERRY AFC the Lizards
- The plight of BARRY TOWN
- 25 Years Ago Looking back to the Welsh League title race of 1987-88
- 50 years ago Looking back to the 1962-63 season
- News on forthcoming groundhop events in Wales
- Supplement packed with cup results and league tables from the Welsh pyramid

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#### **SCORECARD**

### Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January

Airbus UK Broughton P **Ground unfit** 

Afan Lido FC P

#### Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Afan Lido FC 0

Llanelli AFC 1 Luke Bowen 51'

Afan Lido FC

1. Kristian Rogers, 2. Dean Hudson, 5. Kristian James, 6. Lee Hartshorn, 15. Kyle Graves (28. Callan Bowden 74'), 12. Gareth Phillips, 8. Matthew Thompson (3. Remi Whitelock 62'), 14. Luke Borrelli, 11. Kieran Howard, 16. Damon Thomas, 19. Joshua Doyle (9. Craig Jones 62')

Subs not used: 17. Alex Gammond, 21. Adam Llewellyn

**Red Cards:** None

**Red Cards:** Yellow Cards: Borrelli 67' Phillips 90' Yellow Cards: Evans 39'

Attendance: 197 Referee: Mark Whitby

#### **Bala Town** P Postponed due to snow: now Saturday February 2nd P Gap Connah's Quay **Bangor City** P Postponed due to travel problems: now Saturday February 2nd **Port Talbot Town** P **Carmarthen Town** P Postponed due to travel problems: now Saturday February 2nd **Newtown AFC** P 1 **Prestatyn Town** Michael Parker 15'

Llanelli AFC

Lloyd, 25. Adam Davies

Airbus UK Broughton

1. Craig Morris, 3. Lloyd Grist, 8. Antonio Corbisiero, 9. Martin

Rose, 10. Luke Bowen, 11. Geoff Kellaway, 12. Craig Moses, 5.

Ashley Evans (14. James Secker 50'), 18. Ryan Batley, 21. Steffan

1. Jamie Stephens, 26. Lee Owens, 15. Sam Hart, 12. Phil Bolland,

5. Ian Kearney, 4. Michael Roddy (29. Steve Abbott 76'), 7. Glenn

Rule, 6. Tom Field, 14. Wayne Riley (11. Luke McCarthy 83'), 9.

Chris Budrys, 10. Ryan Wade (18. Jordan Johnson 78')

Subs not used: 3. Jack Lewis, 16. Tommy Holmes

None

None

Subs not used: 4. Chris Venables, 16. Craig Williams

None

**Airbus UK Broughton** Ryan Wade 10' Glenn Rule 37' Chris Budrys 56' 71' 6 Phil Bolland 79' Wayne Riley 83'

Prestatyn Town

25. Jonathan Hill-Dunt, 2. Chris Davies (17. Carl Murray 67'), 22. Anthony Stephens, 4. Dave Hayes, 5. Paul O'Neill, 23. Greg Stones, 7. Michael Parker, 8. Neil Gibson, 9. Andy Parkinson, 10. Jason Price, 11. Ross Stephens (12. Dan Evans 90')

Subs not used: 20. Rhys Owen, 16. Tom Kemp, 14. Adam France,

21. Rhys Lewis **Red Cards:** 

None **Red Cards:** Stones 38' Davies 53' Yellow Cards: Yellow Cards:

**Attendance:** 216 Referee: **Kevin Parry** 

The New Saints FC P Postponed due to frozen pitch: now Saturday February 2nd Aberystwyth Town P

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The New Saints FC	21	7	1	2	21	7	6	3	2	24	10	43	28	
<b>Airbus UK Broughton</b>	21	6	2	2	26	11	5	1	5	<b>30</b>	19	<b>36</b>	<b>26</b>	
Prestatyn Town	22	7	2	2	30	20	3	4	4	22	28	36	4	
<b>Bangor City</b>	21	6	2	2	29	11	4	3	4	20	21	35	17	
Port Talbot Town	21	6	2	3	27	18	3	2	5	11	17	31	3	
Gap Connah's Quay	21	5	2	4	25	23	3	1	6	20	28	27	<u>-6</u>	
<b>Carmarthen Town</b>	21	4	4	2	12	10	3	2	6	15	24	27	-7	
Llanelli AFC	22	2	3	6	15	<b>32</b>	5	3	3	13	12	27	-16	
Bala Town	21	5	2	3	21	<b>17</b>	2	3	6	9	15	<b>26</b>	-2	
Newtown AFC	21	2	4	5	15	<b>25</b>	5	1	4	20	16	<b>26</b>	-6	
Aberystwyth Town	21	5	2	4	15	<b>17</b>	2	3	5	13	25	<b>26</b>	-14	
Afan Lido FC	21	3	1	7	13	24	1	1	8	18	34	14	-27	

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Surname	Firstname:		League	League Cup	Total
PARKINSON	Andy	Prestatyn Town	16	0	16
SIMM	Chris	Bangor City	15	0	15
JONES	Mark	Aberystwyth Town	13	4	17
8 League & 4 theWord	-				
THOMAS	Liam	Carmarthen Town	13	4	17
HEALEY	Rhys	Gap Connahs Quay	12	2	14
BROOKS	David	Port Talbot Town	11	0	11
PETRIE	Jamie	Gap Connahs Quay	11	0	11
PRICE	Jason	Prestatyn Town	11	0	11
ROSE	Martin	Llanelli AFC	11	1	12
WILDE	Michael	The New Saints FC	11	1	12
ABBOTT	Steve	Airbus UK Broughton	9	1	10
FOLLOWS	Jordan	Aberystwyth Town	9	0	9
PARKER	Mike	Prestatyn Town	9	0	9
RILEY	Wayne	Airbus UK Broughton	9	0	9
BUDRYS	Chris	Airbus UK Broughton	8	1	9
DARLINGTON	Alex	The New Saints FC	8	1	9
HUNT	Lee	Bala Town	8	2	10
EDWARDS	Sion	Bangor City	7	0	7
HARTLAND	Chris	Afan Lido FC	7	0	7
JONES	Chris	Bangor City	7	0	7
STEPHENS	Ross	Prestatyn Town	7	0	7
WHITE	Jeff	Port Talbot Town	7	0	7
BOUNDFORD	Luke	Newtown AFC	6	0	6
BOWEN	Luke	Llanelli AFC	6	1	7
JOHNSON	Jordan	Airbus UK Broughton	6	0	6
JONES	Andy	Newtown AFC	6	0	6

## WOMENS WELSH PREMIER LEAGUE

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January

**ALL MATCHES POSTPONED** 

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Cardiff City	8	5	0	0	<b>26</b>	2	3	0	0	15	0	24	39	
<b>Cardiff Metropolitan</b>	9	4	0	0	25	1	4	0	1	13	3	24	34	
Wrexham Ladies FC	8	5	0	0	23	4	2	0	1	17	1	21	35	
Swansea City Ladies FC	10	3	1	2	18	12	2	0	2	11	5	16	12	
<b>Newcastle Emlyn Ladies</b>	10	2	0	3	43	10	3	0	2	11	13	15	31	
<b>Port Talbot Town Ladies</b>	10	2	0	1	<b>26</b>	5	2	1	4	14	20	13	15	
Llandudno Junction	9	1	0	2	29	10	3	0	3	9	23	12	5	
Llanidloes Ladies FC	7	3	0	2	8	9	1	0	1	4	5	12	-2	
<b>Aberystwyth Town</b>	8	1	0	3	4	11	1	0	3	7	14	6	-14	
Northop Hall Girls FC	9	1	0	5	9	23	1	0	2	7	11	6	-18	
Caernarfon Town	6	0	0	2	0	12	0	0	4	6	18	0	-24	
Caerphilly Castle	6	0	0	2	0	15	0	0	4	0	98	0	-113	

## **The Last Word**

## from Gwyn Derfel

As we all know, the snow has caused a number of issues over the past few days - and has landed at a crucial time of the Corbett Sports WPL season. The mid-season split was building up to a fascinating crescendo over the weekend before the elements kicked in.

However we must take heart from the fact that the no-one gained an advantage in the race for the final sixth position due to any postponements - and as the WPL announced on Saturday night - all games will be re-arranged for Saturday February 2nd.

I appreciate that the fact that the second phase of the season starts the following weekend causes a few headaches for club secretaries and in the search for specific sponsors, but weather permitting, the exciting race for sixth place will be dramatically concluded on the 2nd.

Two games beat the weather on Saturday with Airbus UK securing their biggest ever away win in the WPL at Prestatyn while Llanelli won away at the Lido.

While I obviously congratulate the Broughton outfit on their emphatic victory, I'd also like to pay tribute to the Llanelli players for showing professional integrity during a difficult time at the club.

I understand that the victory at the Martson's could be the last time that we see a number of players representing Llanelli – I wish the individuals who decide to leave, the best of luck in pastures new and wish everyone who's associated with Llanelli AFC a prosperous and successful 2013.

### Y Gair Olaf

## gan Gwyn Derfel

Do daeth yr eira mawr ar adeg allweddol o'n tymor. 'Roedd y frwydr i gipio'r chweched safle allweddol ar fin cael ei phenderfynu b'nawn Sadwrn cyn i'r flanced wen orchuddio'r rhan fwyaf o Gymru.

Diolch i'r drefn, chafodd neb fantais o'r sefyllfa ac fel y cyhoeddodd Uwch Gynghrair Cymru nos Sadwrn – bydd y gemau ohiriwyd y penwythnos hwn yn cael eu chwarae ar yr 2il o Chwefror.

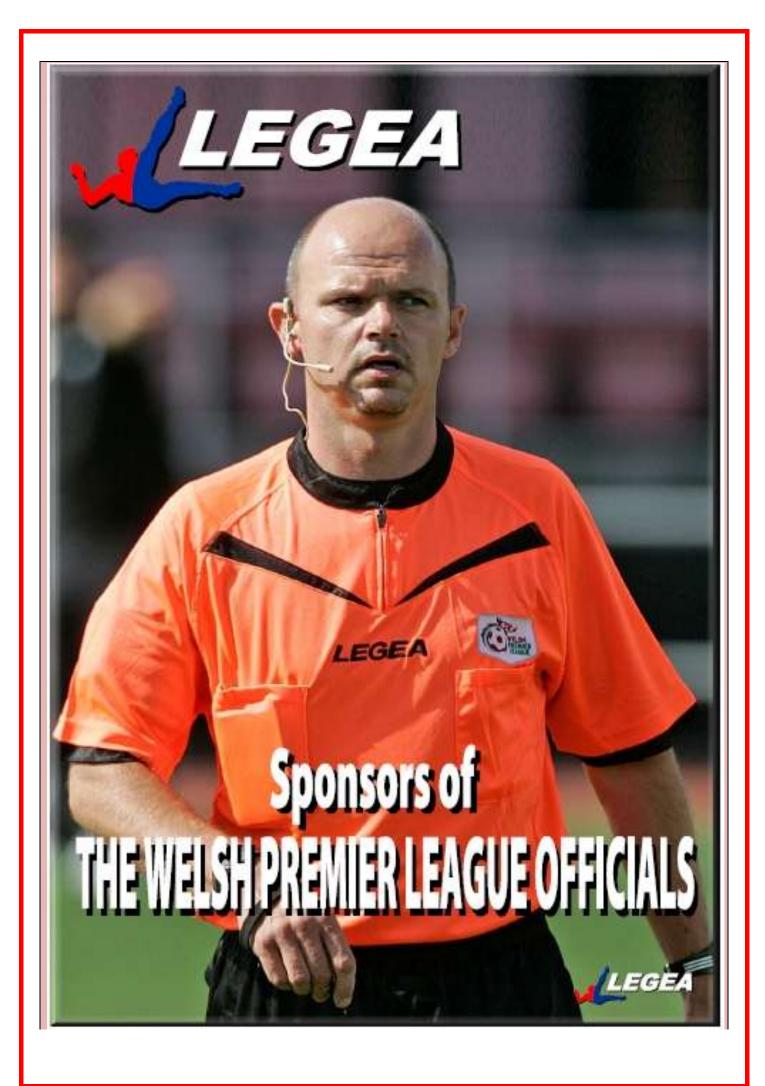
'Rwy'n derbyn bod gemau ail ran y tymor yn dechrau wythnos yn ddiweddarach (Chwefror 9fed) – a bod hynny'n creu cur pen i swyddogion clybiau wrth wneud trefniadau a chwilio am noddwyr i gemau penodol. Serch hynny bydd y cyffro am y rậs am y chweched safle yna'n werth chweil.

Llwyddodd dwy gêm i oroesi'r tywydd y Sadwrn diwethaf wrth i Airbus hawlio eu buddugoliaeth oddicartref fwyaf swmpus erioed yn y Cynghrair ac wrth i Llanelli ennill yn Lido Afan.

Tra bod llwyddiant ysgubol Airbus ym Mhrestatyn yn amlwg i'w ganmol, hoffwn dalu teyrnged bach i chwaraewyr Llanelli hefyd.

Mae'n bosib y bydd nifer o chwaraewyr tîm tre'r sosban yn symud i glybiau newydd yr wythnos hon – ond cyn iddyn nhw aros neu adael, hoffwn ddiolch iddyn nhw am eu proffesiynoldeb yn ystod y cyfnod chwithyg diweddar yn hanes clwb balch Llanelli.

Yn syml – diolch.





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