

## Sgorio to host #askWPL Q&A session



An opportunity for Dafabet Welsh Premier League football fans to submit their questions to players from their favourite football clubs ahead of the new season.

On Thursday August 6th , Sgorio will meet with players and representatives of each Dafabet Welsh Premier League side as part of the build-up to the 2015/16 season.

Sgorio will host a question and answer session where fans can submit questions and messages to each club via Twitter.

The names that have been confirmed for the session include:

Aberystwyth's star-man and the WPL Player of the Season for the past two seasons, Chris Venables  
The New Saints' Polish winger, Adrian Cieslewicz  
MBi Llandudno's new signing, Marc Williams  
Newtown's influential captain and defensive lynchpin, Shane Sutton (pictured below)

To submit your questions, tweet @Sgorio using the hashtag #askWPL along with the club name e.g. #Newtown.

A full list of the players that will represent all the clubs will be confirmed in the coming days.



### League getting better every year

Newtown Left Back Stef Edwards is anticipating a tough upcoming campaign.

STEF Edwards believes the Welsh Premier League is getting better and is anticipating a tough upcoming campaign.

Edwards signed for the Robins from Bala Town last summer and has enjoying a successful first season with the club. And going into the new season he believes the league will be as tough as ever.

He said: "This will be my seventh season in the WPL and over the years I have realised that every campaign is tough with no easy games. I think this season will be as competitive as ever with lots of teams strength over the summer.

"But after the couple of months we have had we are full of confidence and believe that on our day we can beat anyone so there is no reason why European qualification shouldn't be the target again.

"Yes we have only had a short break but that may work to our advantage as we can take our momentum from the European fixtures into the domestic season."

Edwards played ever minute of every game in the European campaign and has been reflected on what has happened in the last month.

And the left back believes the Robins campaign is better than the one he experienced with Bala Town.

He said: "I would say the last couple of months have been the best I've had in football. From the Welsh Cup Final onwards every game has been huge for the club and I have enjoyed playing in every single one of them.

"The Euro fixtures have of course been the highlight from the semi-final at Port Talbot to the Copenhagen game last Thursday.

"It is always great to be involved in Europe and I have great memories of the European fixtures from my time at Bala, but there is no doubt this run was a little more special.

"To beat Valletta over the two legs and qualify for the second round was amazing."

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# NEWS

## ABERYSTWYTH TOWN

**Friendly:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Aug Caersws FC v Aberystwyth Town 1-1**

Aberystwyth Town are delighted to confirm that Goalkeeper Phil Draper has signed forms to remain at the Club for 2015/6.

Draper, currently recovering from a knee injury, has been a popular Member of the Squad since he joined the Club last summer. Last season he was called on a number of times to stand in for Keeper Mike Lewis, notably in both UEFA Europa League ties against Derry City, where Draper earned high praise for his performance in the first leg after Lewis' sending off. The 24 year old also helped the Club to wins over Cefn Druids in November, at Carmarthen in January, and saved a penalty against Port Talbot seconds after coming on in December. In total he made 2+2 WPL Appearances last season.

Draper originally hails from Llandrindod Wells, and his former clubs include Penrhyncoch, Aberaeron, Aberystwyth University and the Welsh Universities Squad. Draper also once memorably scored a penalty to earn promotion for Builth Wells, whilst playing up front!

The acquisition of Draper brings Ian Hughes' squad up to sixteen players, as the Black and Greens' Manager prepares his Squad for the WPL Kick off on August 22nd.

Black and Greens Manager Ian Hughes has been reflecting on Saturday's 1-1 draw at Caersws with atfc.org.uk:

"It was great to take a mixed team to Caersws yesterday. We as a Club have a responsibility to give the best local Players a platform to perform. The game, performance and result have shown how close some of those Players are to challenging for the First Team Squad."

Town ended the game with seven teenagers on the field. Jack Rimmer, Ryan Edwards and Tom Jones started the game, with Liam Lewis, Gwion Pugh Jones, Sion Evans, Gwion Evans and Alex Davies appearing off the bench to show that Aber Town's Academy, ran by Gari Lewis and Russell Hughes Pickering, has been doing a great job producing a conveyer belt of young talent.

Hughes continued: "With the twelve team format (in the Dafabet Welsh Premier League) there are very rarely any dead games to blood young Players, so we as a Club need to utilise games such as today's Friendly to do this."

"Aber Town's Values and Beliefs are to play as many locals as possible, whilst maintaining a challenge at the Top End of the Welsh Premier League. It was good to see TNS giving a number of young players a chance at Caernarfon at the weekend, and we have done the same this afternoon."

Some of those Players are likely to feature in Aber's next Friendly at Porthmadog, so Black and Greens fans wanting to get a further glimpse of some stars of the future should make their way Northwards to Y Traeth next Saturday for the 2.30pm kick off.

## AIRBUS UK BROUGHTON

**Friendly:**

**21<sup>st</sup> July Airbus UK Broughton v Cammell Laird 8-1**

DIRECTOR of football Andy Preece has paid a glowing tribute to his former assistant Andy Morrison, who parted company with Airbus UK Broughton by mutual consent last week.

"I can only say that without Jock the club would not be in the position it finds itself in now," Preece said.

"He should be coaching at the highest level. It's a sad reflection of football that jobs are not handed out on ability.

"We had a telepathy built up over 10 years that you cannot replace. I'd like to thank him for everything he's done for the club, players and myself.

"He will be irreplaceable as a coach and a person."

This article is courtesy of [www.airbusfc.com](http://www.airbusfc.com) the Airbus UK Broughton FC website.

## BALA TOWN

**Friendly:**

**28<sup>th</sup> July Denbigh Town v Bala Town 0-7**

**31<sup>st</sup> July Guilsfield v Bala Town 0-0**

Forward Mark Connolly and partner Tiff got married on Saturday!

On Saturday (August 1st), Bala Town centre forward Mark Connolly and his long-term fiancée Tiff got married in Bromborough on the Wirral.

Everyone at the Club would like to wish them the best of luck for the future.

Ex Lakesider Iwan Roberts got married on Friday!

On Friday (July 31st) ex Lakesider Iwan Roberts and his fiancée Lois Prysor Jones got married. The couple have been together for years even when Iwan represented Bala in the Cymru Alliance! The wedding took place in Llidiardau at 11.00a.m. in the morning and the evening do was in Chester. Everyone at the club would like to wish them the best of luck the future.

### Lacklustre performance by Lakesiders



Town weren't at their best tonight, huffing and puffing and not creating many opportunities against a well-organised Guilsfield outfit.

Chances were few and far between throughout the match for both sides with neither keeper having much to do all evening.

Kieran Smith fired over the crossbar in Town's first proper chance of the night after 5 minutes on the clock.

Bundled over 30 yards out was Mark Jones for a freekick to be awarded which Kristian Platt forced the Guils goalkeeper to parry the strike away.

We faced a lengthy stoppage when the home sides Rhydian Morris fell awkwardly on his arm and was taken to hospital with a suspected dislocated shoulder.

Town's best chance of the match fell on the half hour mark when

Jonah's backheel in the area set up Ian Sheridan who forced a superb save with his feet by the shotstopper.

Bala were having plenty of possession but were lacking firepower upfront with Platt and Jones blasting over the bar and an overhit cross missing Smith who was breaking into the box.

Guilsfield went close with a couple of minutes left to play, narrowly pulling a chance wide before they had the ball in the net on the halftime whistle but it was deemed offside the linesman.

The second half followed the same pattern with plenty of possession but not clinical enough with their chances. Valentine's cross finding Hayes at the backpost but he slotted the chance wide of the upright with only a few minutes played.

Smith fired well over before the home side had a good spell of pressure forcing Davies to clear off the line and Stuart Jones clearing the ball from danger before Guilsfield half-volleyed over.

Bala broke forward late on in the game but were flagged offside with only the goalkeeper to beat before Williams saw Town's final shot of the game saved.

Not the best of evenings for the Lakesiders but plenty to think about ahead of next week's fixtures v Droylsden and Warrington.

Thank you to Guilsfield for hosting us and best wishes to Rhydian after he was taken to hospital.

## BANGOR CITY

### Friendly

28<sup>th</sup> July

**Bangor City v Wrexham FC**

**1-3**

1<sup>st</sup> August

**Bangor City v CPD Porthmadog**

**2-3**

In an entertaining first half, Wrexham broke the deadlock after 14 minutes via James Gray's opportunistic header.

The scores were level on 26 minutes, when Chris Jones got in at the front post and finished smartly.

A frantic passage of play then ensued, as Wrexham went close on a number of occasions, before at the other end, Sion Edwards had a shot saved by keeper Cameron Belford from a one-on-one situation.

With just seconds until half time, the Dragons restored their lead through Javan Vidal, who netted on the rebound after Connor Roberts' initial save from Connor Jennings.

Wrexham stepped up the tempo after the break and netted their third on 61 minutes through Gray, who converted Wes York's low pass from close range. Ryan Edwards hit the crossbar for City in the closing stages with a sharp turn and shot from 20 yards, but they could not pull another back before the full time whistle.

## CARMARTHEN TOWN

### Friendlies:

31<sup>st</sup> July

**Carmarthen Town v Walkington**

**10-0**

After a delayed start due to M4 congestion, The Old Gold strolled to a comfortable 10 - 0 win against Humberside Premier League side AFC Walkington - The hosts' goals came from Jones(3), Bassett(2), L.Thomas, White, Rh Morgan(2) and Harling

Carmarthen next travel away to Goytre and Cardiff Met before entertaining fellow South Wales WPL side Port Talbot at Richmond Park a week before the new dafabet WPL season starts on 22nd August.



## gap CONNAH'S QUAY

**Friendly:**

**1<sup>st</sup> August                      Stockport County v gap Connah's Quay                      1-0**

The Nomads are pleased to announce that specialist logistics staffing agency, Driving Force are the new first team kit sponsors for the forthcoming Dafabet Welsh Premier League season.

Driving Force are a division of the gap personnel group, specialising in the supply of driving staff across the UK, including HGV Class 1 and 2 drivers, 7.5 Tonne drivers as well as multi drop drivers.

Based locally in Ellesmere Port, Driving Force have been involved with The Nomads over the past few season with a sponsor board at Deeside Stadium, as well as more recently seeing the son of one of their employees, Cameron Rowley, run out as mascot for the day against Prestatyn Town at the end of the 2014-15 season.

Driving Force Operations Director, John Sutcliffe, a proud Yorkshireman and Bradford City season ticket holder, lives in North Wales and is anticipating a strong season for The Nomads;

"Managing a local junior side in Mynydd Isa, I'm well aware of the fantastic community work of The Nomads, and of course The Nomads Academy. When the opportunity came to sponsor the first team, we closed the deal within 24 hours, as the exposure will help promote our brand throughout north and south Wales, and the North West in general. Having recently met some of the players and the management, I'm more than aware of their European ambitions and my staff look forward to following their progress!"

You can find out more about Driving Force by visiting their website at [www.driving-force.co.uk](http://www.driving-force.co.uk)



The new kit is manufactured by Macron Store Wrexham, who have been fantastic in recently providing us with over 200 new kit sets for our first team and full academy, and while the kit features Driving Force as the primary sponsor on the front of the shirt, we are also pleased to feature Coleg Cambria on the right sleeve, and Lifestyle Fitness on the rear of the shirts thanks to our growing partnerships with the setup at Coleg Cambria.

The new kit will be used for the first time this Saturday as we take on Stockport County at Edgeley Park.

## NEWTOWN AFC

**Friendly:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Aug                      Newtown AFC v Cardiff City XI                      7-2**

JASON Oswell bagged a hat-trick as the Robins avoided a Europa League hangover in a convincing win over a Cardiff City XI.

The hosts took the lead before first half goals from Gareth Partridge and Craig Williams gave the Robins a half time lead.

In the second half the Robins took the game away from Jarred Harvey's men with three goals from Oswell, a header from Gavin Cadwallader and a late Neil Mitchell goal.

The Robins threatened first as a ball over the top was flicked out by Mitchell and Partridge took the ball down and saw his volley well saved by the Bluebirds stopper.

However on 15 minutes the hosts were caught in possession and Cardiff broke to open the deadlock.

A sweeping move saw the ball pulled back and the visiting striker lashed the ball beyond Dave Jones.

Jones was called upon on numerous occasions in the first period but was equal to a host of long range strikes from the Cardiff frontmen.

But the Robins were also looking good going forward, with Kieran Mills-Evans heading straight at the Bluebirds goalkeeper from a dangerous Jamie Price corner, and on 25 minutes the Robins capitalised on a defensive mix up at the back to square the game.

Partridge reacted quickest and rolled the ball underneath the dive of the goalkeeper to level the score. And the Robins nearly took the lead as Sean Evans saw the keeper off his line and went to lift it over him, but the ball flew inches wide.

Evans was again in the thick of the action as he headed wide from a Price corner before Newtown took the lead in fantastic fashion on the half time mark. Williams was back to his best as he curled a free kick into the top corner leaving the Cardiff keeper grasping at air to give his side a half time lead.

Cardiff fired out of the traps with the number 7 firing the ball inches wide of the post.

However the Robins increased their lead shortly after the break, and Evans was involved in the move again. He looped the ball to the back post and Harris took a touch, his shot cannoned off the woodwork however Oswell was jolly on the spot to tap it home.

Oswell was close soon after as he nearly chipped the goalkeeper, but with 25 minutes left Cadwallader got in on the act to make it 4-1. Price whipped in another inch perfect corner and Cadwallader rose the highest in a packed penalty area to nod into the corner.

Midfielder Price came close soon as he hit the post before a Harris shot was parried by the goalkeeper and Boundford fired wide from yards out.

Cardiff came back into the game though, striking the bar before a free kick beat Jack Perry to pull one back.

However the Robins continued to be dominant going forward and Oswell fired home twice to give his side a comfortable lead. Partridge hung up a long cross for Oswell to nod back across goal and in, and Partridge again supplied for the striker to bullet a header home with moments to go.

The Robins were dominant and they added another, as Boundford cut it back for Mitchell to sweep in the seventh.

It was a perfect way to come back after the European adventure and next up it is Guilsfield on Tuesday evening.

Newtown – Jones, Williams, Cadwallader, Mills-Evans, Hughes, Cook, Price, Evans, Harris, Mitchell, Partridge Subs – Boundford, Oswell, Perry, Harsey, Edwards, Goodwin

NEWTOWN Football Club have confirmed that Max Penk has left the club to join Huws Gray Alliance side Cefn Druids.

The left back is a former Wales Under 16 and Under 19 international and joined the Robins on loan from Wrexham in August 2011, before making the move permanent in July 2012.

He battled it out at left back with Iain Edmunds in his early seasons at the club, making 55 starts in three campaigns. However last season due to work commitments Penk was unable to continue getting as much game time as he had previously.

In total Penk made 59 starts, 10 substitute appearances and scored twice in his four seasons at Latham Park.

Speaking about Penk's departure manager Chris Hughes said: "I would like to thank Max for what he has done for Newtown Football Club. Obviously last season he found games hard to come by due to work commitments but we would like to wish him all the best in the future."

#### **From Page 1                      Steff Edwards comments**

"And the trip to Copenhagen and getting the chance to play in such a great stadium was the icing on the cake.

"Valletta was probably the best night of my footballing career."

No Europe is gone the left back believes it is important the Robins now hit the ground running.

He added: "It is always important to get off to a good start with the league structured as it is.

"A top six finish will be our main objective again this season so it is important to get the points on the board early doors.

"But like I said there are no easy games in this league so we will need to focus on one game at a time but we will approach every game looking for the three points."..

**Photo: Steff Edwards in action against København**



## PORT TALBOT TOWN

### **Friendlies:**

**30<sup>th</sup> July** Briton Ferry Llansawel v Port Talbot Town 0-2  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Aug** Port Talbot Town v Hull City XI 2-4

Thursday night saw Port Talbot Town continue their pre-season build-up with a trip to neighbours Briton Ferry to contest the Malcolm Judd Memorial Cup. Goals in each half from David Brooks and Joe Clarke saw the Cup return to the GenQuip following a 2-1 win

A healthy crowd turned up for the game and for the home side there was a guest appearance from Lee Trundle but in the early exchanges Chris Jones looked to get on the ball and soon created a chance for Joe Jones who fired wide. Minutes later Jones took a quick free-kick and played it square for namesake Craig Jones to send a good effort just wide.

The home side looked to play and were soon in the game with some neat play forcing a corner and soon created a chance for a lively Lee Trundle who sent an effort across the goal but `keeper` Stephen Cann dealt with it comfortably.

The game settled down with both teams looking to be positive going forward but unable to create too many clear cut chances. Both teams tried shots from target without troubling either goalkeeper but in the 28th minute new signing Dave Vincent was forced off the field with a dislocated finger following a collision with Trundle.

The opening goal however came in the 33rd minute when a through ball from Leigh De Vulgt found Brooks who forced a corner. The resultant kick from Chris Jones was headed down by Cortez Belle for DAVID BROOKS to rifle a left foot shot into the net from ten yards out

The second half started brightly with Hood making an early impression with a run down the right, which resulted in a smart save from the home custodian at the near post. Moments later Leon Jeanne made his way past the home defence and produced a cross from the left for JOE CLARKE to volley home from ten yards

Lee Trundle was enjoying his run out for the Ferry and entertained the crowd with some trademark touches and produced a moment of brilliance in the 57th minute to earn the home side a corner but after it was cleared the ball was played just too far ahead of him to tap in. Soon afterwards `Trunds` work was done - and he was replaced to loud applause from both sets of fans.

As both teams looked to attack each other in the second half Paul Fowler and Liam McCreesh both had efforts cleared with a lively Leon Jeanne looking threatening on the left hand side and again created a chance for the impressive Joe Clarke to fire just over in the 72nd minute.

The visitors almost increased their lead and five minutes from time Joe Clarke rattled a shot against the bar and then Hood and Fowler both saw efforts blocked.

Two minutes from time the home side pulled a goal back when former Port Talbot fans favourite LEE JOHN produced a great free-kick to end the scoring.

Overall it was a good run out for the squad and a good occasion as both clubs remember the achievements of Malcolm Judd for football in the area.

As a club we would like to thank Briton Ferry for their hospitality and wish them every success for the coming season in Welsh League Division One.

PORT TALBOT TOWN Stephen Cann, Joe Jones, Leigh De Vulgt, Craig Jones, Dave Vincent, Cortez Belle, Chris Jones (Jonathan Hood), Jamie Latham (Leon Jeanne), David Brooks (Joe Clarke), Jordan Langley, Liam McCreesh

## RHYL FC

### **Friendly:**

**22<sup>nd</sup> July** Rhyl FC v Manchester City XI 0-1  
**31<sup>st</sup> July** Rhyl FC v AFC Telford United 1-1  
**1<sup>st</sup> Aug** Rhyl FC v Hednesford Town 0-3

Rhyl FC are calling on the club's loyal and faithful supporters to help lead a campaign to push the club into a European Spot for the 2016/17 season. The club will be using a unique method to help fund our European push through the growing phenomenon of crowdfunding.

Crowdfunding allows fans of the club to pledge any money they wish towards our funding goal, while also granting you a reward for doing so. The club will also be providing updates as to where your support is being put to use as we maintain our connection to our backers.

As stated each pledge is granted with a reward for your support and the higher the pledge will grant a much higher reward and these are listed below:

Elite Matchday Package prize draw entry (Any pledge)

Your name on rhylfc.co.uk as a backer

Signed matchday programme



Official player sponsorship

Signed matchball and two matchday tickets

More information on the perks is listed on our crowdfunding page at

<http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/rhylfc>.

Rhyl FC are looking for a number of matchday volunteers to fulfil our high standard matchday experience.

We are looking for people to fill a number of roles at the club and details are provided below.

### **Matchday Steward:**

Matchday stewards are required to help maintain the safety and wellbeing of all players, officials and supporters who attend our matches. We require our stewards to be approachable and friendly towards supporters while being able to deal with any issues which may arise. Stewards must be 18+ and available for matchdays.

### **Ball Boys/Girls:**

Ball boys/girls are required to help keep the matches going by making sure the match balls are back in play as soon as possible. They will be working from pitch-side and will be very close to the action. Ball boys/girls can be any ages.

For further information and how to apply contact Rhyl FC on 01745 338327 or email

[mathewthomas716@hotmail.com](mailto:mathewthomas716@hotmail.com)

## **THE NEW SAINTS**

### **Friendly:**

**31<sup>st</sup> July**                      **Caernarfon Town v The New Saints FC**                      **2-3**

**1<sup>st</sup> Aug**                              **The New Saints FC v Cliftonville FC**                              **0-0**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Aug**                              **The New Saints FC v Everton FC XI**                              **P-P**

The New Saints and Cliftonville played out a goalless draw at Park Hall Stadium.

In what was an uneventful first half, both Chris Seargeant and Jamie Reed shot wide from the edge of the box.

The Saints had the majority of the possession in the first half without ever threatening the Northern Irish side.

The second half began in a similar fashion and ten minutes into the half, The Saints created the best chance of the game. A great ball from Seargeant found Phil Baker who headed just wide from four yards out.

The visitors then nearly opened the scoring when Jamie McDaid first hit the cross bar before then taking a touch and shooting against the inside of the post with Paul Harrison beaten.

Ten minutes later, Greg Draper volleyed over from just inside the box as the game began to open up.

Donnelly then broke clear but his powerful effort was palmed out by the TNS captain.

Moments later, Draper smashed over from six yards out after some neat build up play down the left and that proved to be the last bit of action of the game.

Full time: TNS 0-0 Cliftonville.

TNS: Harrison (C), Spender, Marriott, Baker, K.Edwards, R.Edwards, Seargeant, Draper, Reed, Mullan and Trialist.

The New Saints will travel to Denbigh on Friday the 7th of August to take on Denbigh Town in a friendly, kicking off at 19:30pm and will be played at Central Park.

Last season Denbigh finished in 7th position in the Cymru Alliance after winning 14, drawing 6 and losing 10 of the matches that were played.

The club was founded in 1880, and in 1924 won both the Welsh Amateur Cup and the North Wales Coast Amateur Cup.

## **LLANDUDNO FC**

### **Friendly:**

**28<sup>th</sup> July**                              **MBi Llandudno FC v Colwyn Bay**                              **0-2**

**1<sup>st</sup> Aug**                                      **MBi Llandudno FC v Tranmere Rovers XI**                                      **2-1**

Llandudno's first team coach Craig Hogg spoke to the LLFC Official Website immediately after the match against Colwyn Bay

"The game was a really good test for us at this stage of preseason and again it gave me another good opportunity to assess the squad against a very good Colwyn Bay side.

"I learnt one or two more things about players in our squad, but saying that, it has also reinforced my view on others and that's what game 4 allows you in pre-season.

"Our players are showing a terrific understanding of what we want and an understanding of each other in terms of play, which is exactly what we want.

"I felt we did very well in the first half, we looked a real threat going forward and I felt we could of gone in ahead.

"The lads probably deserved a goal because of how well they did in that period and some of our play was really enjoyable to watch.

"Generally speaking though I thought the positives out-weighed the negatives and I was pleased with our performance on the night.

"We now look forward to hosting Tranmere this Saturday (01/08/15) and again working hard and improving further."

### **MBi Llandudno overcame a strong Tranmere XI by 2 goals to 1**

A well-earned victory on Saturday against a strong Tranmere XI made it 3 wins in 5 as MBI Llandudno continue their fine pre-season form.

Tranmere got play underway, but it was Town who started the better. The Seasiders managed to find the net in just 45 seconds, with Alan Bull scoring his 7th goal in just 4 games with a cool finish in the bottom right corner after a delightful through ball from playmaker Danny Hughes.

MBi Llandudno enjoyed a large amount of possession, and played some attractive football, with Danny Hughes seeing his shot well saved on 10 minutes after dribbling past 3 or 4 players, which would have all been very pleasing for manager Alan Morgan.

Tranmere earned themselves a free-kick just outside the penalty area on 12 minutes and were looking to get back into the game, but their effort was blocked and the danger was cleared swiftly, with the Tranmere players becoming frustrated.

Just seven minutes later Town were awarded a free-kick on the edge of the Tranmere penalty area, and James Joyce saw a fine effort tipped just over the bar. Marc Williams then headed over from the resulting corner.

Town continued frustrate their opponents with more prolonged spells of possession, bringing a rash challenge on defender Michael Johnston, who was taken off shortly after in the 28th minute over an injury concern and replaced by Danny Shaw. There were no real threatening chances in the remainder of the first half, with MBI Llandudno looking good for their 1-0 lead as they headed in for half-time.

Tranmere looked better in the second half, having made a few changes, and were given a penalty in the 59th minute, with no complaints from the home side. The Super Whites equalized with a cool finish from the spot, and the Seasiders were now ruing their missed opportunities in the first half.

Town began to play more attacking football, and on 66 minutes Ste Lewis latched on to a fine lobbed pass over the defence from Lewis Buckley, but saw his shot blocked. The Tranmere goalkeeper then made saves from consecutive corners, nevertheless it was encouraging play from Town as they eased back into the game.

In the 75th minute, James Joyce made an excellent run down the right hand side, and cut in onto his favoured left foot as he entered the penalty area, and would have put the Seasiders back in front with his well-struck effort but for a fine save from the Tranmere 'keeper.

On 78 minutes Town were awarded another free-kick, this time Ste Lewis trying his luck, but his shot was well over the bar. It seemed only a matter of time before MBI Llandudno would score another goal.

Only three minutes later forward Lee Thomas managed to do just that, with Dean Seager capitalizing on a Tranmere mistake, and finding Thomas with a pass straight through the defence, who then calmly finished under the onrushing 'keeper, and capping off a great performance from the home side, who are looking stronger each week.

### **The MBI Llandudno FC Supporters Loyalty Card 2015/16.**

MBi Llandudno FC are pleased to announce the prices for the new supporters loyalty card 2015/16.

Adults: £25-00

Seniors: £15-00

Youths: £5-00

The loyalty card gives holders a variety of discounts on items at the club including;

£1 off match day entry

50p off a pint in The Crossbar

Percentage savings on items in the club shop including the brand new Llandudno FC home shirt 15/16

£1 off away travel

Entry into free prize draws

PLUS lots more!

Vice chairman and one of the main realisers of the supporters loyalty card, Neil Sheldon, spoke to the official LLFC website about the new scheme, "We believe this to be a fanatastic opportunity for our loyal supporters and better yet the cost of the card will be re-couped many times over just by attending matches.

"We hope during the course of the season to bring more offers and extras to loyalty card holders.

"This season promises to be an exciting one for our club, and although we made history last year we don't want to stop there. We hope that together with our supporters we can continue to make history year on year."

As well as the above junior loyalty card holders will receive a free pin badge and a champions 2015 poster.



The **general admission prices** for the Dafabet Welsh Premier League season 2015/16 (prices also apply to cup games): Adults: £8-00 Seniors: £6-00 Youths: £1-00

All the above give supporters the chance to watch the top tier of Welsh football for under ten pounds, compared to entry prices for this seasons Barclays Premier League, where entry to watch Manchester City for an adult is £39-00, we have tried to keep our prices affordable for supporters wanting to watch the Seasiders and at £8-00 for an adult we believe that price to be superb value for money.

Don't forget the MBI Llandudno FC Supporters Loyalty Card 2015/16 gives holders £1 off entry prices.

General manager Dorothy Langley spoke to the LLFC Official website regarding the prices, "The prices above are made to bring us in line with other Welsh premier league clubs. Obviously we are a VAT registered organisation now so 20% of the entry prices have to be declared so there is virtually nothing in it for the club in terms of increasing the price on last season.

"However, with the supporters loyalty card that we have introduced, which gives the fans £1 off entry, we hope that fans can see we have tried to reduce the cost through other means. The loyalty card also gives money off in the crossbar, club shop and on season ticket prices."

**Season ticket prices are as follows (please note prices are for league games only):**

**Loyalty Card Holders**

Adult: £95-00

Senior: £70-00

Youths: £10-00

**Non-Loyalty Card Holders**

Adult: £100-00

Senior: £75-00

Youths: £15-00

Tickets are available to purchase on match days or from the Llandudno Football in the Community office. Loyalty cards can also be purchased via the above methods also, we now accept card payments.

## HAVERFORDWEST COUNTY

**Friendly:**

**30<sup>th</sup> July Haverfordwest County v Cardiff Met University 1-1**

**1<sup>st</sup> Aug Haverfordwest County v Barry Town United 0-2**

The Bluebirds' game on Thursday night with **Cardiff Met** was a fast and competitive encounter, with a fair amount of skill on display by both sides. The Met probably felt they had a point to prove after their promotion disappointment last season and the game had a really competitive edge. The Blues had an experimental formation up front, with Sean Pemberton at centre forward and Youth international Lloyd Hughes playing wide on the left. Although Hughes had a promising game, the new pattern did not click immediately and it was the Met who shaded the early play, with front runner Elliot Evans roaming dangerously. But then came two fine moves, just before half-time. In the 29th minute, Declan Carroll played a lovely ball through to Hughes, whose shot was just beaten out by the keeper. Seven minutes later Steffan Williams seized on to another Carroll pass and darted past two defenders, wide on the right, before driving in from an oblique angle.

The second half was just as keenly contested, with the Blues' nearest effort coming after a brilliant run on the right by-line by Williams who saw his cross just evading the two attackers in the box.

So neither side gained a clear ascendancy and the match was levelled when John Littlemore's 75th minute equalizer left us with a scoreline which well reflected a keen, poised and exciting game.

Report by Robert Nisbet

A 2-0 defeat at the hands of Welsh League First Division side **Barry Town United** was a big blow to the Bluebirds' morale but the crop of injuries sustained during the game may be of even more concern.

Injuries to Ricky Watts and Dale Griffiths early on unsettled the Blues' formation and they always lacked cohesion in a first half in which Barry had three clear chances, two of them very well saved by Craig Morris, the other converted by ex-Bluebird James Dixon to give the Dragons a deserved 1-0 lead at half-time.

By the 60-minute mark, when Declan Carroll joined Watts, Griffiths and Kieran Howard in limping off, it looked as if a Blues side which was having to be regularly re-shuffled would get a real beating. But for 25 minutes they managed several quite brisk attacks and threatened the visitors' goal. The best chance came when Luke Borrelli cut inside and the keeper could only parry his shot into the path of Gwion Howell whose reaction effort cannoned into the keeper as he fell. A good move involving Jordan Follows, Howell and Steffan Williams saw Williams' effort just blocked, and Sam Rodon headed the subsequent corner just over.

The Blues' management will take some comfort from the fact that Youth players Howell and Joe Brill, thrown into the second half action, offered an element of real vigour. Brill's final pass occasionally went astray and Howell's chance at an equaliser was squeezed out but both played with real credit.

Just before the end another ex-Bluebird Mike Hartley beat Morris with a second-attempt header and the game ended with a deserved Barry win.

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