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Home Squad

Lewis Watkins (GK)
 Andrew Larcombe ©
 Joshua Rippon
 Harrison Lewis
 Callum Hodges
 Lewis Iles
 Tyler Broom
 Kian Bodenham
 Joshua Hinwood
 Dominic Connor
 Charlie Taylor
 Isaac Powell
 Shaun Moss
 Alex Bonthron
 Thomas Meechan
 Alex McDowell
 Elliot Jones
 Samuel Powell
 Cole Doolan
 Giles Basson
 Adrian Maguire
 Lewis McCauley
 Iwan Hooper (GK)

Manager: James Kinsella
Assistant: Conor James
Coach: Matthew Williams
GK Coach: Sam Lewis
Physio: Conor James
Colours: Yellow Blue Yellow

AMMANFORD

Away Squad

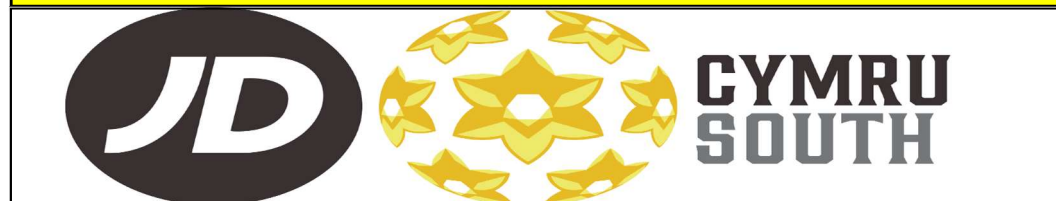
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 Nicholas Arnold
 Rhys Fisher
 Lewis Rocke
 Morgan Clarke
 Wyn Thomas
 Mark Jones
 Owain Taylor
 Callum Thomas
 Rhys Ibbitson
 Josh Hutchings (GK)
 Jack Lansdown (GK)

Manager: Gruffydd Harrison
Assistant: David Thomas
Coach: Sean Cresser
Coach: Jack long
Physio: Charlotte Coombes
Colours: Black/White Black Black

MATCH OFFICIALS

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CWMBRAN CELTIC v AMMANFORD

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LEAGUE TABLE 2023/24

JD CYMRU SOUTH		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Briton Ferry Llansawel	15	12	1	2	47	19	28	37
2	Llanelli Town	15	10	2	3	45	18	27	32
3	Afan Lido	16	9	4	3	37	25	12	31
4	Carmarthen Town	16	8	6	2	35	21	14	30
5	Ammanford	14	8	4	2	28	20	8	28
6	Cambrian and Clydach	16	6	4	6	27	24	3	22
7	Goytre United	14	7	1	6	24	26	-2	22
8	Cwmbran Celtic	15	6	3	6	35	33	2	21
9	Taffs Well	15	5	6	4	24	23	1	21
10	Baglan Dragons	15	5	4	6	27	25	2	19
11	Caerau Ely	14	6	0	8	33	28	5	18
12	Pontardawe Town	14	5	3	6	29	32	-3	18
13	Trefelin BGC	16	5	3	8	26	41	-15	18
14	Llantwit Major	15	2	3	10	18	39	-21	9
15	Abergavenny Town	17	2	1	14	18	44	-26	7
16	Abertillery Bluebirds	15	1	3	11	14	49	-35	6

RESERVE (SOUTH EAST)		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Risca United	11	9	1	1	39	20	19	28
2	Cwmbran Celtic	12	7	0	5	39	28	11	21
3	Lliswerry	10	6	0	4	28	21	7	18
4	Blaenavon Blues	8	5	2	1	22	15	7	17
5	Caldicot Town	9	5	1	3	26	23	3	16
6	Abertillery Bluebirds	11	5	0	6	24	23	1	15
7	Undy	13	5	0	8	25	28	-3	15
8	Tredegar Town	7	4	1	2	19	15	4	13
9	Abercarn United	9	3	2	4	21	26	-5	11
11	Chepstow Town	9	3	1	5	17	21	-4	10
12	Abergavenny Town	7	2	0	5	16	18	-2	6
13	Goytre	9	2	0	7	13	30	-17	6
14	Treowen Stars	7	1	0	6	10	31	-21	3

CWMBRAN CELTIC HOME/AWAY	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
HOME	6	2	2	2	13	13	0	8
AWAY	9	4	1	4	22	20	2	13
TOTAL	15	6	3	6	35	33	2	21

WELCOME TO CELTIC PARK

Celtic and Ammanford have met 20 times in league and cups, the first 6 during the Mickey Copeman era in Welsh League Division 2. In 2007/8 we won 1-0 at home, Shane Williamson scoring but we went down away 0-2. In 2008/9 goals by Williamson and Sayed secured a 2-0 win at Celtic Park but we were well beaten 1-4 away, Williamson again scoring. In our promotion season, 2009/10, we lost away 1-2 in a game in which Celtic's goalscorer Scott Lanyon was red carded after the final whistle for allegedly head butting the referee. He was subsequently banned for 18 months, reduced on appeal to 4 months, and when Celtic filed arbitration papers, the FAW, the club and the player agreed a settlement. Celtic won the return at Celtic Park 4-0, the scorers Luke Sallis, Kesh Patel, Sean Matthews and Lloyd Davies.

In 2013/14 both teams finished 4th from bottom in their respective divisions, Celtic in the 1st division, Ammanford in Division 2, which under the existing rules should have meant they retained their status but both were relegated to allow Afan Lido to drop down from the Welsh Premier League. Celtic appealed and eventually lost in farcical jurisdictional circumstances in arbitration. Justice was done as in the following season, 2014/15, Ammanford came straight back up to Division 2, and in 2015/16 Celtic were promoted back to Division 1.

In Celtic's promotion season 2015/16 we won at home 3-0 through goals by Bull, Dominic Connor and Ham. The away game was played in atrocious conditions on a rain-soaked pitch in a barn-storming game. Celtic won 4-3, the goals from Bull 2, Andrew Larcombe and Connor in Celtic's 10th successive Welsh League away win. In 2016/17 Celtic won 3-0 at Ammanford in the 1st round of the League Cup, the scorers Rhys Williams, Bull and Lee Penry. After steadying the ship in 2016/17 the West Walians young manager Gruf Harrison guided his team to promotion to the top tier the following season after an absence of 16 years.

In 2018/19 5-3 Celtic won 5-3 at home, Celtic's goal scorers Josh Bull, Chris Ham, Owen Cook, Louis Feeley and an own goal. The teams met again at Celtic Park in the Welsh Cup round 1, Celtic coming out on top 3-0 through goals by Ham, Bull and Isaac Powell, who, at age 17 became Celtic's first scorer born in the Millennium. Ammanford took revenge in the away fixture, smashing Celtic 5-0.

In the covid curtailed season 2019-20 the teams met once, at Ammanford, and again the hosts went on the rampage winning 5-2. Celtic's scorers Zac Osborne and Leo Ross. In 2021-22, at Ammanford, the home side were 2-1 ahead mid-way through the 2nd half but Celtic made a superb comeback, clinching a 3-2 win with goals from Tyler Broom, Tom Meechan and Jordan Meaney. Celtic won the tightly fought return 1-0 at Celtic Park to complete a league double, Alex Bonthron scoring on his first Celtic start. Last season Celtic beat Ammanford 1-0 in the 1st round of the Welsh Cup at Celtic Park thanks to a Dominic Connor goal. This was Celtic's 8th successive win at home against the Swansea valley side. In the league Ammanford were the victors at home, winning 3-2, Lewis Iles scoring Celtic's 2 goals. In the return at Celtic Park Ammanford at last managed to avoid defeat with a 1-1 draw, Josh Rippon scoring for Celtic. This season Ammanford won an exciting match 4-3 at their ground, Alex Bonthron (2) & Lewis Iles scoring for Celtic.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF CWMBRAN CELTIC 1925-2023

Cwmbran Celtic football club was formed in 1925. In the early years the club was known as CYMS (Catholic Young Men's Society). After the immediate success of winning the Newport & District Division 2 Section A title in 1925/6 there was then a 25 year gap before the next trophy, the Premier Division title in 1950/1. The club disbanded in the late 1950's largely as a consequence of national service call-ups but a large influx of junior and youth players brought about the reforming of the club in 1964 under the new name of Cwmbran Catholics. In 1970/1 Celtic won the Gwent Senior Cup. In 1972/3 with playing membership open to all denominations the club dropped the catholic title and re-named as Cwmbran Celtic winning the Gwent Amateur Cup and finishing runners-up in the Gwent Premier League.

In 1979 the club bought its own premises at Oak Street, Old Cwmbran, the club's present headquarters. The club's ground was in Cwmbran Park but around 1995 they moved to the grounds outside Cwmbran Stadium which were shared with Cwmbran Cricket club. The cricket club later moved to Caerleon and Celtic obtained the lease from Torfaen Council.

Celtic played in the Gwent County League in the 1980s and 1990s and after gaining promotion as champions of Division 2 in 1986/7 remained in the 1st division for the next 10 seasons. However a disastrous slide found the club languishing in the 3rd division when Paul "Dishy" Richardson became manager in 1999. He transformed the side bringing in experienced ex-Cwmbran Town stalwarts Mickey Copeman and Kevin Payne alongside teenage striker Shane Williamson who for a dozen seasons was top scorer. The side was later bolstered by the return of ex-professionals Ben Graham and Mark Parfitt who had started their careers with Celtic as juniors. There were successive promotions from the 3rd to 1st division between 1999 and 2001 and in 1999/2000 Celtic won the Gwent County league cup.

In 2004/5 under new player-manager Mickey Copeman, the club were runners-up to Clydach Wasps who applied for membership of the Welsh Football League but their ground was adjudged to be not of the required standard. Celtic applied instead. Their ground was also not up to standard but they were able to share Cwmbran Stadium with Cwmbran Town and the Welsh League accepted the club's application.

In their first season in the WFL, 2005/6, Celtic struggled near the bottom of the 3rd division all season. In April Celtic travelled to Chepstow Town needing a win to stay in the league. They went 1-0 down. With minutes of normal time remaining substitute Jason Price equalised but a draw was not enough. In the 9th minute of time added on player manager Mickey Copeman went up for a corner. The ball was cleared off the goal-line by a Chepstow defender, it hit Copeman on the back and rebounded into the net. Celtic had achieved a last gasp win and, by winning their final match against Seven Sisters, Celtic escaped relegation on goal difference.

The following season, 2006/7, Celtic now back at their upgraded and newly named ground, Celtic Park, were transformed. They only lost 2 games and enjoyed a 24 match unbeaten run. They went to Risca for their last match already promoted but needed to win to secure the Championship ahead of Llanwern. With 3 minutes left Celtic were 1-0 down playing with 10 men after a red card for Kevin Payne. Then Sammy Winter equalised with a speculative long range shot and in the last minute a Risca clearance found full back Ben Graham outside the box.

He hit a perfect looping volley over the goalkeeper's head and into the net. Celtic were champions.

In Division 2 Celtic consolidated their position in 2007/8 and 2008/9 during which they introduced a number of players from their new partnership with Fairwater High School Football Academy in Cwmbran managed by Celtic coach Della Cheedy.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF CWMBRAN CELTIC 1925-2023 (continued)

In 2009/10 Celtic were front runners destined to win the Championship. However they lost two key defenders at a crucial time and vital points were dropped. Nevertheless Celtic finished their games in 1st place and would win the title if Penrhiwceiber failed to win at Newcastle Emlyn. The home side was 2-0 up at one stage but Ceiber clawed their way back to win 3-2 and deny Celtic the championship. At the end of the season Mickey Copeman stood down after 7 years during which he secured 3 promotions which took the club from Gwent County League to the top division of the Welsh League.

In their first season in the 1st division, 2010/11 under new manager Ben Graham, Celtic struggled for much of the season and were firmly planted in the relegation zone but a superb run-in during which they won 7 and drew 3 of 14 games earned them 12th place out of 16. In 2011/12 a good start was made under Alan Dibble who stepped down in September with the team in 5th place, to be replaced by Gareth Morgan. Either side of Christmas, Celtic were 2nd but they had a dismal end of season run and again finished 12th.

In 2012/13 with head coach Della Cheedy at the helm, Celtic started brightly with some fine performances including a 4-2 win versus reigning champions Cambrian & Clydach but they lost their way in the New year and at one stage were in last place. However, with characteristic determination they dragged themselves up the table and sealed another season in the top division with a resounding 5 -1 win against Haverfordwest County. Under Steve Morgan in 2013/14 Celtic underperformed finishing 4th from bottom and with Afan Lido relegated from the Welsh Premier League, Celtic were relegated despite appealing to an FAW arbitration. With Della Cheedy back as manager in 2014/15 Celtic finished 7th in Division 2.

In 2015/16 Nicky Church started as manager but he resigned mid-season. Ex Ton Pentre boss Dean Morris took over, won two manager of the month awards, and guided Celtic to the

runners-up position and promotion on the back of 10 straight wins. The club also reached the quarter finals of the Welsh Cup, going down 2-1 after a brave fight at home to WPL side Port Talbot. Josh Bull was the Welsh League's top scorer with 32 league goals.

In 2016/17, back in the 1st Division, Celtic went top of the league early in the season. Dean Morris resigned in March 2017 and first teamer Lee Challenger took over, winning his first 5 games in charge as the team ended in 6th place, their best position in 5 seasons in the top tier.

In 2017/18 Celtic finished 8th in the league and enjoyed their best ever league cup run, reaching the semi-final before losing to Llanelli Town 3-0. Chris Ham was Welsh Division 1 player of the season and top scorer with 28 league goals.

In 2018/19 Celtic finished a disappointing 10th in the League with Lee Challenger resigning in March 2019.

In 2019/20, for the inaugural season of the Cymru League South, Celtic installed Nicky Morgan and Simon Truman as the management team. With 9 new signings there was a lot of optimism for a successful season but the team never got going and after a 6-1 drubbing at Pontypridd in January the club regretfully dismissed the management duo.

Development team manager James Kinsella took over with Matthew Williams as assistant, the team finishing 13th in a curtailed season due to the pandemic.

In 2020/21 only one game was played, in December 2020/21, a 2-0 defeat at Pontypridd Town in the Nathaniel MG League cup.

In 2021/22 having lost key players, Celtic were involved in a basement battle to avoid relegation. Four successive wins late on took them out of the bottom 3 and in the final analysis an equaliser in time added on by Andrew Hewitt saved Celtic and took opponents Risca United down into the Ardal League. Last season Celtic finished a creditable 8th in the table.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF AMMANFORD

Ammanford AFC was formed in the early 20th century, plying its trade in the Ammanford and District League at Rice Road. The first recorded fixture to date was in 1908/09, when Ammanford Town played a friendly against a Rhondda touring team. In the 1920's, Ammanford Thursdays played at Caemawr, Betws, before the first Betws soccer club called Betws Blackbirds played on Rice Road with their dressing rooms and headquarters at The Coopers Hotel, Betws during the 1930's. The committee at that time had the foresight to purchase the playing field and for land to build a club house for £750. It wasn't until 1949 when Ammanford entered the Welsh Football League, then under the name of Betws. In 1957/58, we finished runners up to Llanelli, before being crowned champions of Division 2 (West) and promoted to Division 1 in 1958/59. We also won the Division 2 cup, beating Division 2 (East) champions Tredomen. On Saturday 22nd August 1959 the club played its opening First Division Welsh League fixture at home against Cardiff City Reserves and won 2 -1. At the request of the Welsh Football League, we changed our name to Ammanford Town in 1960. It didn't take long to stamp our authority on the Welsh League circuit, employing former Liverpool player Roy Saunders to take over the helm in the early 1960's. This was followed with the clubhouse being built at Rice Road in 1963. In 1964, at a cost of £4,000, a 450 seater stand and new changing rooms were built at Rice Road. From 1966/67 to 67/68 we finished Runners-up to Cardiff City Reserves in consecutive seasons. Our main cup achievement came in 1983/84, where we reached the Final of Welsh Football League Cup, losing to Lake United in the final. In 1992, we amalgamated with Ammanford Athletic to become Ammanford AFC. Unfortunately, in April 2003, a fire destroyed the stand and changing rooms at Rice Road, the start of the demise of the Rice Road ground. Therefore, in 2006 we moved to our new ground 'The Rec'. Dimensions of the new pitch were 101 x 63 metres. Despite being relegated in 2013/14 due to a Welsh Pyramid restructure, we went on a 15 match win streak to gain promotion back to Welsh League Division Two in 2014/15. We remained in this division for three years before gaining promotion to Welsh League Division One for the 2018/19 season. The club reached the fourth round of the Welsh Cup in 1991 and made it to the quarter-finals in February 1999.

CELTIC v AMMANFORD IN LEAGUE AND CUP

	P	W	D	L	F	A
At Celtic Park	9	8	1	0	21	4
At Ammanford	11	4	0	7	22	32
Total	20	12	1	7	43	36

AMMANFORD'S LAST 6 SEASONS IN THE WELSH/CYMRU LEAGUES

Season	League	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos
2016-17	WELSH-2	30	15	5	10	66	47	50	6/16
2017-18	WELSH-2	30	20	3	7	74	37	63	3/16
2018-19	WELSH-1	30	10	6	14	51	57	36	9/16
2019-20	CYMRU-S	25	12	1	12	44	47	37	7/16
2021-22	CYMRU-S	30	10	4	16	34	58	56	12/16
2022-23	CYMRU-S	30	8	9	13	40	57	33	10/16

AMMANFORD PEN PICTURES 2023/24

Rhys Fisher: Age 32. Left-back. Came through Ammanford Juniors. Yet to fail to score in a single season since his debut, and even managed 7 goals in 2017-18. Played 13 Cymru South games last season.

Euros Griffiths: Age 31. Defender. Versatile player, who can play centre back, centre midfield or right-back. Voted Supporters 'Player of the Year' for 2019-20. Played 27 Cymru South Games last season scoring 4 goals. One of the most consistent players at this level of Welsh Football.

Nick Arnold: Age 24. Right Back or Centre Back. Local product. 100% commitment every game. Played 5 Cymru South games last season. Made his Welsh league debut for Ammanford against Dinas Powys aged just 17.

Tom Pratt: Age 30. Centre Midfield. Joined the club from Risca United last season. Good clubman and has slotted into the centre back when needed too. Made 12 Cymru South appearances last season.

Liam Samuel: Age 29. Midfield. Voted player of the year in 2018-19. Started his career at Trallwm before joining Llanelli Town in 2013-14. In his second spell with Ammanford after returning from Llanelli. Played 25 Cymru South games last season. Scored the winner in last Saturdays MG Cup game against Swansea Uni. Broke his leg playing for Llanelli against Caerau in 2014, but has become a well-respected performer at this level after reforming his game from a flying winger.

Callum Silcox: Age 26. Forward. Attacker who joined from Pontardawe Town this summer after winning the Ardal Southern. Pontardawe top goalscorer last season with 13 goals in just 17 Ardal Southern games. Started his career with Barnet before joining Llanelli Town. Has also played for Garden Village. A top match winner on his day.

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CWMBRAN CELTIC 2023/24 PLAYERS STATISTICS

Player	Pos	Appearances						Goals			MOTM	Cards		
		JD	WC	MG	LC	SUB	Total	JD	Cup	Total		Y	R	
Adrian Maguire	M					8	8							
Alex Bonthron	F	14	1	1		2	18	15		15	1	6	0	
Alex McDowell	M	9	1	1	1	4	16	3		3	2			
Alfie Foster	M					3	3							
Andrew Hewitt	D	3				1	4		1	1		1	0	
Andrew Larcombe	M	12	1	1	1	2	17	1		1		3	0	
Callum Wakeham	F					6	6							
Cole Doolan	M					1	1							
Dominic Connor	D	13	1	1	1	2	18	1		1	2			
Elliot Jones	M	2			1	7	10					2	0	
Gabriel Howells	M					1	1		1	1				
George Jenkins	M				1	1	2							
Giles Basson	M					3	3					1	0	
Harrison Lewis	D	14			1	1	16	1		1	2	2	0	
Isaac Powell	M	14	1			2	17				1	4	0	
Iwan Hooper	GK	10		1	1		12				2	1	0	
Josh Hinwood	D	13	1	1		2	17	2		2		4	0	
Josh Rippon	D	3	1			2	6	1		1		1	0	
Kian Bodenham	D	8	1	1		3	13				1	2	0	
Lewis Iles	F	12	1	1	1	2	17	5	1	6	1	2	0	
Lewis McCauley	M					3	3							
Lewis Watkins	GK	5	1			1	7				1	2	0	
Sam Powell	D	2	1			6	9	1		1		2	0	
Shaun Moss	M	11		1	1		13	1		1		3	0	
Thomas Meechan	F	13		1	1	2	17	4		4	3	2	0	
Tyler Broom	D	7		1	1	6	15				2	5	0	



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Abergavenny Town	X	02-Jan 3 1	11-Aug 1 2	08-Mar	18-Aug 2 3	02-Feb	13-Apr	23-Feb	15-Dec 0 2	08-Sep 2 1	12-Jan	22-Sep 1 5	08-Aug 0 1	17-Nov 1 2	27-Oct 2 4	06-Oct 0 2
Abertillery Bluebirds	26-Dec 1 1	X	13-Apr	01-Apr	03-Feb	19-Aug 0 3	17-Feb	12-Aug 0 2	24-Feb	07-Oct 1 4	09-Mar	13-Jan	23-Sep 1 0	09-Sep 2 2	06-Jan	23-Mar
Afan Lido	29-Mar	28-Jul 3 0	X	18-Aug 4 2	12-Jan	08-Sep 3 2	08-Aug 3 1	08-Mar	02-Feb	27-Oct 2 1	23-Feb	17-Nov 0 3	06-Oct 4 1	22-Sep 2 3	15-Dec 2 2	30-Dec 5 2
Ammanford	28-Aug 3 1	08-Aug 3 2	15-Mar	X	08-Dec 2 2	24-Feb	29-Mar	09-Sep 3 1	06-Oct 2 2	17-Nov 4 3	22-Sep 0 1	tba	13-Jan	02-Feb	29-Jul 1 0	15-Dec 1 1
Baglan Dragons	16-Mar	30-Sep 1 1	21-Oct 0 1	17-Feb	X	26-Dec 1 2	20-Jan	06-Jan	01-Apr	28-Aug 3 3	27-Jan	02-Mar	29-Mar	13-Apr	10-Feb	25-Nov 4 1
Briton Ferry Llansawel	29-Sep 3 0	15-Mar	01-Mar	12-Mar	03-Jan	X	28-Aug 5 3	09-Feb	27-Oct 3 1	15-Dec 3 2	06-Oct 3 2	28-Jul 2 0	17-Nov 5 0	12-Jan	28-Mar	08-Aug 5 0
Caerau Ely	29-Jul 4 0	15-Dec 6 1	01-Apr	12-Aug 1 2	06-Oct 3 0	08-Mar	X	18-Aug 1 3	22-Sep 2 4	12-Jan	08-Sep 3 0	27-Oct 1 2	02-Feb	23-Feb	tba	17-Nov 2 0
Cambrian & Clydach	17-Feb	29-Mar	28-Aug 1 1	02-Mar	17-Nov 2 0	22-Sep 3 2	16-Mar	X	12-Jan	29-Dec 2 3	02-Feb	15-Dec 1 1	28-Oct 1 2	07-Oct 0 2	08-Aug 1 1	13-Apr
Carmarthen Town	01-Dec 4 1	27-Jan	30-Sep 3 3	20-Jan	08-Aug 0 0	04-Nov 2 2	10-Feb	21-Oct 2 0	X	29-Mar	06-Jan	16-Mar	13-Apr	26-Dec 1 1	02-Mar	28-Aug 6 1
Cwmbrian Celtic	02-Mar	20-Jan	17-Feb	06-Jan	09-Mar	23-Mar	21-Oct 3 2	23-Dec 3 4	12-Aug 0 1	X	13-Apr	06-Apr	19-Aug 2 1	16-Sep 4 4	30-Sep 1 1	10-Feb
Goytre United	10-Nov 3 2	28-Aug 4 2	08-Dec 1 1	10-Feb	15-Dec 3 2	19-Jan	02-Mar	30-Sep 1 0	17-Nov 0 1	27-Jul 2 3	X	01-Apr	tba	28-Nov 4 1	16-Mar	11-Aug 0 3
Llanelli Town	09-Feb	20-Oct 9 0	05-Jan	26-Dec 1 2	08-Sep 2 1	13-Apr	03-Nov 4 0	tba	18-Aug 4 3	23-Feb	08-Aug 4 1	X	08-Mar	29-Mar	19-Jan	29-Sep 1 2
Llantwit Major	01-Apr	10-Feb	20-Jan	21-Oct 0 0	12-Aug 1 4	06-Jan	30-Sep 1 4	04-Nov 2 2	29-Jul 1 2	16-Mar	tba	28-Aug 2 5	X	23-Mar	25-Nov 1 3	02-Mar
Pontardawe Town	06-Jan	02-Mar	10-Feb	30-Sep 1 3	29-Jul 1 2	21-Oct 2 4	27-Jan	20-Jan	tba	01-Apr	17-Feb	12-Aug 1 3	16-Dec 3 2	X	28-Aug 1 3	16-Mar
Taffs Well	03-Nov 3 1	17-Nov 2 1	13-Feb	13-Apr	22-Sep 1 4	11-Aug 0 3	tba	01-Apr	08-Sep 1 1	02-Feb	18-Aug 1 2	06-Oct 1 1	23-Feb	08-Mar	X	12-Jan
Trefelin	20-Jan	04-Nov 6 1	26-Dec 2 1	23-Jan	24-Feb	01-Apr	06-Jan	28-Jul 0 4	09-Mar	23-Sep 1 2	29-Mar	03-Feb	09-Sep 3 3	19-Aug 1 5	21-Oct 1 1	X

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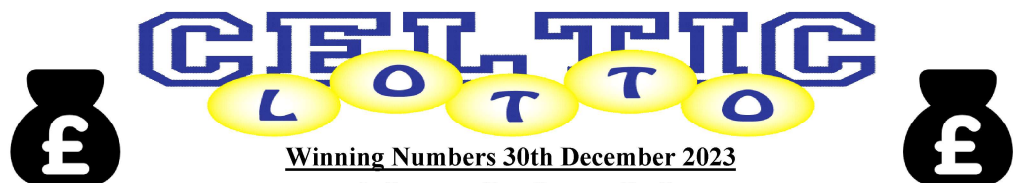
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Abertillery Bluebirds	v	Taffs Well
Baglan Dragons	v	Cambrian & Clydach
Carmarthen Town	v	Goytre United
Cwmbran Celtic	v	Ammanford
Llanelli Town	v	Afan Lido
Llantwit Major	v	Briton Ferry Llansawel
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CWMBRAN CELTIC PEN PICTURES 2023/2024

Ages are at 21-Jul-23

Goalkeepers

Lewis Watkins: goalkeeper, age 31. Celtic's longest serving player. Joined from Newport County youth.. No 2 keeper during his early years but has shown great dedication & continuous improvement to see off all previous incumbents between the sticks. Captain in 2021/22. Debut: Caldicot Town Aug 10. **Sponsor:** Crossfords (Mark Hurford).

Iwan Hooper: goalkeeper, age 21. Joined this season from Westfields. Previously with Hereford FC, Cheltenham Town, Chippenham Town. **Sponsor:** Central Group Roofing.

Defenders

Sam Powell: right back, age 26. Came through Celtic juniors. Son of former Cwmbran Town player & Celtic youth coach John Powell, elder brother of midfielder Isaac. Joint club vice captain. Debut: Cwmmaman U Aug 19. **Sponsor:** M2 Flooring.

Tyler Broom: right back, age 25. Product of Torfaen Academy. Played for Fairfield juniors & seniors, Cwmffrwdoer seniors, Monmouth & Risca Academies. Gwent County U16 cap 2014. Son of U19 Development manager, Mark Broom. Debut Ammanford Aug 21. **Sponsor:** Total Body Defence.

Joshua Rippon: defender, age 19. Former Celtic junior, Cardiff City Academy/U23s. Debut Taffs Well Jul 22.

Dominic Connor: left wing back, age 36. Signed from Caldicot Town in 2011/12. Formerly with Garden City juniors, Chepstow Town. Top scorer in 2014/15 with 14 goals. Debut AFC Porth Oct 11 scoring the only goal. **Sponsor:** Ziko Chan.

Andrew Larcombe: centre back, age 35. Joined 2014/15. Can also play midfield & striker. Stand-in goalkeeper. Previously with Eveswell juniors, Newport YM youth, Liswerry Gwent County, Welsh League for Llanwern (2010-13) & Undy Athletic (2013-14). Supporter's Player of Season 2021/22. Club Captain. Debut: Blaenavon Blues Sep 14. **Sponsor:** Crossfords (Kenny Hurford).

Kian Bodenham: right back, age 18. Joined this season from Barry Town United. Formerly with Goytre. Brother Jack plays professional for South Shields. Father Paul played for Celtic Juniors & 1st team Gwent County. Debut Cambrian & Clydach Aug 22. **Sponsor:** Hornbeam Workplace Wellbeing & Cymru Glass.

Callum Hodges: centre back, age 25. Recently back from playing in a title winning season in Australia. Previous clubs in Wales include Risca, Croesyceiliog, Panteg and Monmouth.

Josh Hinwood: left wing back, age 25. Product of Celtic juniors. Debut: Briton Ferry Apr 2018. Also played for Cwmbran Town & youth football at Lucas Girling, Croesyceiliog, Panteg. **Sponsor:** NU Staff.

Harrison Lewis: centre back, age 19. Recently joined from Pontypridd Town. **Sponsor:** Magdek Ltd.

Midfielders

Elliot Jones: midfield, age 22. Product of Torfaen Academy. Played for Griffithstown juniors, Panteg seniors Debut Pontypridd Town Dec 20. **Sponsor:** MIPA Carpentry.

Alex McDowell: midfield, age 26. Product of Celtic juniors & Academy Graduated from Leeds Beckett University where he was captain in final year. Futsal for Cardiff University & Wales. Debut Caerau (Ely) Mar 14 age 17. **Sponsor:** Construction Law Consultant - J.W. Stockwell.

CWMBRAN CELTIC PEN PICTURES 2023/2024 (continued)



Lewis Watkins



Iwan Hooper



Sam Powell



Tyler Broom



Joshua Rippon



Dominic Connor



Andrew Larcombe



Kian Bodenham



Callum Hodges



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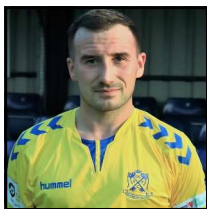


Fixtures 2023/24		Result	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
22-Jul	Sat	Taffs Well (MG Cup R1)	2-2 (Pen 0-3)	*Hooper	Broom	Connor	Larcombe	Bodenham	Hinwood	McDowell	Moss	Iles	Meechan	Bonthron	Howells 1		Powell.I	Foster	Maguire	Hewitt 1	
27-Jul	Thu	Goytre United	3-2	Hooper	Bodenham	Connor	Hewitt	Lewis	Hinwood	Powell.I	Larcombe	*Iles 2	Meechan	Bonthron 1	Moss		Jones	Broom	Basson	McDowell	Maguire
12-Aug	Sat	Carmarthen Town	0-1	*Hooper	Bodenham	Connor	Hewitt	Lewis	Hinwood	Jones	Moss	Iles	Meechan	Bonthron	Powell.S	Oakley	Broom	Foster	Doolan	McDowell	Larcombe
19-Aug	Sat	Llantwit Major	2-1	Hooper	Broom	Connor	Bodenham	Lewis	Hinwood	Powell.I	Moss	Iles	Larcombe	*Bonthron 2	Powell.S		Jones	Jenkins	Doolan	McDowell	
28-Aug	Mon	Baglan Dragons	3-3	Hooper	Broom	Connor	Hewitt	*Lewis 1	Hinwood 1	Powell.I	Moss	Iles	Larcombe	Bonthron 1	Powell.S	Evans	Jones	Jenkins	Meechan	McDowell	Maguire
02-Sep	Sat	Carmarthen Town (WBS Cup R1)	1-3	Hooper	Broom	*Connor	Larcombe	Lewis	Jenkins	Jones	Moss	Iles 1	Meechan	McDowell	Powell.I	Watkins	Maguire	Hinwood		Bonthron	
08-Sep	Fri	Abergavenny Town	1-2	Hooper	Bodenham	Broom	Larcombe	Lewis	Hinwood	*Powell.I	Moss	Iles 1	Meechan	Connor	Powell.S		Bonthron	Jenkins	Jones	McDowell	Maguire
16-Sep	Sat	Pontardawe Town	4-4	Hooper	Powell.S 1	McDowell	Larcombe	Lewis	Hinwood	Powell.I	jones	Iles	*Meechan 1	Bonthron 2	Broom		Basson	Foster	Pugh	Connor	
23-Sep	Sat	Trefelin BGC	2-1	Hooper	*Broom	Connor	Larcombe	Lewis	Hinwood	Powell.I	McDowell 2	Bonthron	Meechan	Iles			Basson	Foster	McCauley	Maguire	
30-Sep	Sat	Taffs Well	1-1	Hooper	Broom	Connor	Larcombe	Lewis	Hinwood 1	Powell.I	*McDowell	Bonthron	Meechan	Iles	Bodenham	Watkins	Basson	Foster	McCauley	Maguire	
07-Oct	Sat	Abertillery Bluebirds	4-1	Watkins	Powell.S	Connor 1	Moss	Lewis	Hinwood	Powell.I	Larcombe	Bonthron 1	*Meechan 2	McDowell	Broom	Hooper	Wakeham	Bodenham	Jones	Iles	
14-Oct	Sat	Penybont (Welsh Cup R2)	0-3	Watkins	Powell.S	Connor	*Bodenham	Rippon	Hinwood	Powell.I	Larcombe	Iles	Bonthron	McDowell	Broom	Hooper	Wakeham	Jones	Meechan		
21-Oct	Sat	Caerau Ely	3-2	Hooper	Bodenham	*Connor	Moss	Lewis	Rippon	Powell.I	Larcombe 1	Bonthron 1	Meechan	McDowell 1	Powell.S	Watkins	Iles	Jones	Broom		
27-Oct	Sat	Afan Lido	1-2	*Watkins	Bodenham	Connor	Moss	Lewis	Rippon	Powell.I	Larcombe	Bonthron 1	Meechan	McDowell	Powell.S	Hooper	Wakeham	Hinwood	McCauley	Maguire	
17-Nov	Fri	Ammanford	3-4	Hooper	*Broom	Connor	Moss	Lewis	Hinwood	Powell.I	McDowell	Bonthron 2	Meechan	Iles 1	Powell.S		Bodenham	Rippon	Maguire	Larcombe	
15-Dec	Fri	Briton Ferry Llansawel	2-3	Watkins	Bodenham	Connor	Moss	Larcombe	Hinwood	Powell.I	*McDowell	Bonthron 1	Meechan	Iles	Broom	Hooper	Wakeham	Rippon 1	Lewis	Maguire	
23-Dec	Sat	Cambrian & Clydach	3-4	Watkins	Broom	Hinwood	Moss	*Lewis	Rippon	Iles	Powell.I	Bonthron 2	Meechan	McDowell	Powell.S	Hooper	Wakeham	Connor	Maguire	Larcombe	
29-Dec	Fri	Cambrian & Clydach	3-2	Watkins	Bodenham	Connor	Larcombe	Lewis	Hinwood	Iles	Moss 1	Bonthron 1	*Meechan 1	Powell.I	Broom	Hooper	Wakeham	Rippon	Maguire		

06-Jan	Sat	Ammanford
12-Jan	Fri	Caerau Ely
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02-Feb	Fri	Taffs Well
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Adrian Maguire



Lewis McCauley



Jack Martin



Isaac Powell



Shaun Moss



Tom Meechan



Lewis Iles



Alex Bonthron



James Kinsella



Matthew Williams



Conor James



Sam Lewis



CWMBRAN CELTIC PEN PICTURES 2023/2024 (continued)

Adrian Maguire, forward, age 31. Back in 1st team squad after 4 seasons absence. Previous club Panteg Debut Risca United Aug 12. **Sponsor:** Tredegar Torpedoes.

Lewis McCauley: midfielder, age 18. Product of Celtic juniors & Celtic Academy, formerly with Cwmbran Town juniors. Celtic's youngest ever outfield player age 16 years 99 days. Debut: Afan Lido Jul 22. Young player of Season 2021/22. **Sponsor:** LM Carpentry.

Jack Martin: midfielder. age 21. Signed last season from Goytre. Played youth football for Albion Rovers. Debut Penydarren Aug 21. **Sponsor:** SRK Scaffolding.

Isaac Powell: midfielder, age 22. Formerly with Griffithstown juniors, Albion Rovers youth, Cwmbran Town seniors. Younger brother of Sam Powell. Debut Cwmaman Feb 18 age 17. **Sponsor:** Cian Willis.

Shaun Moss: midfielder, age 30. signed this season from Pontyclun. Debut Taffs Well Jul 22 **Sponsor:** Cian Willis.

Forwards

Tom Meechan: striker, age 32. Joined Jan 20 from Merthyr Town. Prolific scorer in Eastern Counties football scoring 106 goals in 4 seasons before moving at age 25 from St Neots Town to Newport County on professional contract where he made 3 appearances for 1st team. Debut Undy Jan 20. **Sponsor:** RWR Recruitment.

Lewis Iles: striker, age 27. Can also play central defence. Missed 2019/20 season with serious ligament injury, Formerly with Celtic juniors & Panteg. Left club last season in transfer window for Pontypridd Town but returned this season. Debut Cambrian & Clydach Mar 18. Played half a season 2021/22 at Pontypridd Town. Returned last season and was top scorer with 22 goals. **Sponsor:** CLIC.

Alex Bonthron: striker, age 28. Joined last season from Gwent County Wattsville for whom he scored over 200 goals with a best season of 55 goals in 2014/15. Ex- Newport County juniors & Cardiff City Academy. Also played for Abergavenny Town & Croesyceiliog. Debut: Afan Lido Feb 2022. Played at Merthyr Town 2022/23 but returns to Celtic this season. **Sponsor:** MIPA Carpentry.

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James Kinsella: Manager, age 29. Stepped up from Development team manager in Jan 2020 age 26 for 5 matches before pandemic halted season. Product of Celtic juniors. Former youth manager at Lucas Cwmbran & Croesyceiliog, goalkeeper coach at Celtic. Had spell coaching in USA. Won Welsh League Reserve East title 2017/18 in first season as manager. Debut Ton Pentre Apr 18 in goal.

Matthew Williams: Assistant manager. Club vice chairman. Joined club from Girlings 1999/2000 playing centre back in promoted teams in Gwent County Divisions 3 & 2. Assistant manager of Newport & District sides which won 3 league titles & the Senior Cup in 6 seasons. This is his 3rd spell as 1st team assistant having previously worked with Della Cheedy & Dean Morris.

Conor James: Physio, age 22. Ex Celtic junior & youth. USW student. Celtic Academy coach.

Sam (The Trucker) Lewis: GK Coach, age 29. Product of Newport & District football. Debut Goytre U Aug 22.

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CWMBRAN CELTIC FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023/2024

Date	Team	Venue	F - A	Scorers
22-Jul	Taffs Well (MG Cup R1)	Home	2 - 2 (Pen 3-0)	Howells Hewitt
27-Jul	Goytre United	Away	3 - 2	Bonthron Iles 2
12-Aug	Carmarthen Town	Home	0 - 1	
19-Aug	Llantwit Major	Home	2 - 1	Bonthron 2
28-Aug	Baglan Dragons	Away	3 - 3	Hinwood Lewis Bonthron (PK)
02-Sep	Carmarthen Town (WBS Cup R1)	Home	1 - 3	Iles
08-Sep	Abergavenny Town	Away	1 - 2	Iles
16-Sep	Pontardawe Town	Home	4 - 4	Meechan Powell.S Bonthron 2 (PK)
23-Sep	Trefelin BGC	Away	2 - 1	McDowell 2
30-Sep	Taffs Well	Home	1 - 1	Hinwood
07-Oct	Abertillery Bluebirds	Away	4 - 1	Meechan 2 Bonthron Connor
14-Oct	Penybont (Welsh Cup R2)	Home	0 - 3	
21-Oct	Caerau Ely	Home	3 - 2	Larcombe Bonthron McDowell
27-Oct	Afan Lido	Away	1 - 2	Bonthron
17-Nov	Ammanford	Away	3 - 4	Iles Bonthron 2
15-Dec	Briton Ferry Llansawel	Away	2 - 3	Bonthron Rippon
23-Dec	Cambrian & Clydach	Home	3 - 4	Bonthron 2 (PK) Iles
29-Dec	Cambrian & Clydach	Away	3 - 2	Moss Meechan Bonthron
06-Jan	Ammanford	Home		
12-Jan	Caerau Ely	Away		
20-Jan	Abertillery Bluebirds	Home		
02-Feb	Taffs Well	Away		
10-Feb	Trefelin BGC	Home		
17-Feb	Afan Lido	Home		
23-Feb	Llanelli Town	Away		
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MATCH REPORT: CWMBRAN CELTIC 3 - 4 CAMBRIAN & CLYDACH (23-Dec)

Celtic went down 4-3 at home to Cambrian & Clydach in a humdinger of a game. Cambrian took the lead on 10 minutes through a David Vincent header from Keetch's corner. Celtic equalised on 28 minutes when Alex Bonthron trapped a superb long ball from Tom Meechan and cut inside to coolly slot the ball home. Cam were back in front on 42 minutes, Keetch scoring from Liam Reed's assist. However Celtic were level on the stroke of half-time when Lewis Iles took advantage of a Cam mistake in defence to steer the ball into the net. Cam went 3-2 up in the 73rd minute when Lewis Watkins was adjudged to have fouled the attacker on the edge of the box when it was clearly a 50-50 challenge. Woodford scored the penalty goal. Deep into time added on Celtic were awarded what looked like a soft penalty for a foul on Dominic Connor. Alex Bonthron scored from the spot. However, Cam were not finished and on 90+8 Vincent pooped up for his 2nd headed goal to clinch the points for his team. This was Celtic's 4th successive defeat and keeps them in 11th place. However there are just 4 points separating them from 6th place. Our home form this season has not been good. Played 8 Won 1 Drawn 3 Lost 4. One of the drawn games v Taffs Well in the MG cup was lost on penalties.

MATCH REPORT: CAMBRIAN & CLYDACH 2 - 3 CWMBRAN CELTIC (29-Dec)

Celtic travelled to the M & G 3g in Clydach Vale to try to avenge the 4-3 defeat inflicted on them by Cambrian & Clydach the previous Saturday. Celtic started the game very slowly and seemed to be struggling to come to terms with the 3g surface. A lot of passes were going astray and the hosts were dominating the game to the extent that we hardly got out of our own half for the first 15/20 minutes. However, against the run of play, we took the lead in the 23rd minute when Tom Meechan returned a cross from the left back into the six yard box from just outside the right hand post and Shaun Moss was on hand to steer the ball past Morgan Davies. This goal didn't really improve things for Celtic who seemed rather lethargic, continued to misplace passes and won hardly any second balls. Cambrian continued to dominate most of the play, particularly in the midfield area and it was no surprise when Liam Reed equalised in the 39th minute after a good move down the right hand side. It was a bonus when on the stroke of half time, Tom Meechan chested down a long kick from 'keeper Lewis Watkins, turned and hit a stunning 30 yard volley that flew past Morgan Davies to give Celtic the lead going into the break. It was certainly a contender for Goal of the Season!!

Half-time: Cambrian & Clydach 1 Celtic 2

The second half started in much the same vein with Celtic struggling to get a real foothold in the game and, again, it was little surprise when Liam Reed scored his second goal after a bit of a scramble in the six yard box following a cleverly placed free kick from Jay Woodford. This goal did, however, seem to spark Celtic into life and they started to play the football they are capable of and put some good moves together, particularly down the left hand side. It now looked that, if either side was going to get a winner, it was Celtic and it duly arrived in the 87th minute. Tom Meechan played a pinpoint cross from the right and Alex Bonthron was on hand to head it low to Davies' right and, although he managed to get a hand to the ball, he could only help it into the net. This was Alex's 15th goal of the season and it put him joint top of the Cymru (South) Scorers list with Luke Bowen of Briton Ferry Llansawel. Tom's assist also extended his lead at the top of the League's Assists table!

This was not one of Celtic's best performances but it was a very welcome 3 points and, as they say, it's a good sign if you can win when not playing particularly well.

Full-time: Cambrian & Clydach 2 Celtic 3

MOM: Tom Meechan



CWMBRAN CELTIC 1st TEAM STATISTICS

League	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Position
2005/06 Div 3	34	11	3	20	43	60	36	15th (18)
2006/07 Div 3	32	20	10	2	68	35	70	1st (17) Champions
2007/08 Div 2	34	12	8	14	52	60	44	9th (18)
2008/09 Div 2	34	17	7	10	69	51	58	6th (18)
2009/10 Div 2	34	21	6	7	75	33	69	2nd (18) Promoted
2010/11 Div 1	30	10	7	13	45	50	37	12th (16)
2011/12 Div 1	30	12	2	16	32	54	38	12th (16)
2012/13 Div 1	28	9	5	14	41	52	32	12th (15)
2013/14 Div 1	30	7	5	18	40	58	26	13th (16) Relegated
2014/15 Div 2	30	11	14	5	53	31	47	7th (16)
2015/16 Div 2	30	24	0	6	89	33	72	2nd (16) Promoted
2016/17 Div 1	30	14	3	13	60	50	45	6th (16)
2017/18 Div 1	30	14	4	12	67	51	46	8th (16)
2018/19 Div 1	30	10	6	14	49	57	36	10th (16)
2019/20 Cymru (S)	22	6	4	12	29	44	22	13th (16)
2021/22 Cymru (S)	30	10	4	16	43	74	34	13th (16)
2022/23 Cymru (S)	30	10	8	12	62	53	38	8th (16)
2023/24 Cymru (S)	15	6	3	6	35	33	21	8th (16)
Total	533	224	99	210	952	879	771	

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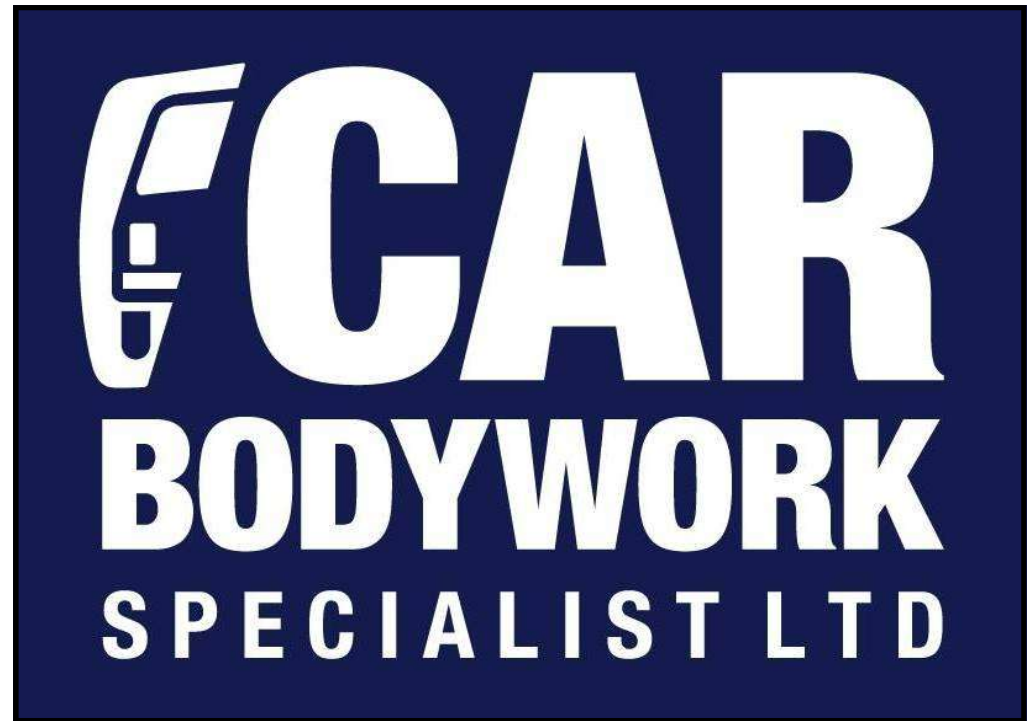
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CWMBRAN CELTIC REVIEW FOR 2023

2023 has been one of the best years from Cwmbrian Celtic during their 11 seasons in FAW tier 2. They finished season 2022/3 in 8th place and have maintained that position at the half-way stage of the current season.

This season in the league, the games have been incredibly tight, apart from the 3 draws only one goal separating the teams in the other 12 games.

There has been a big contrast in our home and away league form during 2023:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Home	15	4	7	4	27	25	19
Away	15	7	1	7	35	29	22
Total	30	11	8	11	62	54	41

We have had no problem finding the net, scoring in 31 out of 35 league & cup games, but we have only had 2 clean sheets out of 35 - none at all in 18 games this season. In this regard we have not been helped by the loss of central defenders Andrew Hewitt (with his job in New Zealand) and Jordan Meaney (retired). New recruits to the squad in 2023 were central defender Harrison Lewis and goalkeeper Iwan Hooper. We lost Josh Rippon at the end of last season to the USA but he returned to the fold in October. Josh Hinwood has returned from a brief stint at Croesyceiliog and has secured a regular place in the squad. Also back with us is Alex Bonthron after his spell at Southern League Merthyr Town.

We have achieved some memorable away wins. 2-1 at Briton Ferry, their only home league defeat of the season. 5-1 at Taffs Well where Lewis Iles scored 4 goals, and two successive wins at Cambrian & Clydach, always a tough place to get a result.

Earlier in the year we reached the quarter finals of the Welsh Cup for the 2nd time in our history before going out to the eventual winners. In January we knocked out perennial giant killers Penydarren BGC away from home. This season was not so good – we were knocked out of all 3 cup competitions at the first attempt.

Some stats:

Most appearances in 2023 (league & cup)

33 Andrew Larcombe, Tom Meechan & Lewis Iles

Most goals in 2023 (league & cup)

19 Lewis Iles; 15 Alex Bonthron

Alex has scored 9 goals in the last 7 successive league games of the year, and he finished the year equal top of the Cymru South goalscorers chart with 15 along with Luke Bowen of Briton Ferry. Tom Meachen is way out front in the Cymru South assists this season with 12 making an incredible total of 19 for the year.

Finally, a big thankyou to our management duo James Kinsella and Matthew Williams. Along with Paul Evans at Afan Lido and Gruff Harrison at Ammanford, they are the longest serving management team in the Cymru South stretching back 94 league & cup games over 4 seasons to January 2020.

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Club Kit Information

Colours
Alternative Colours

Yellow shirts, blue shorts & yellow socks
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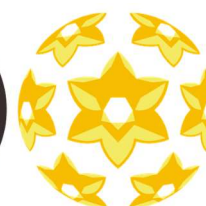


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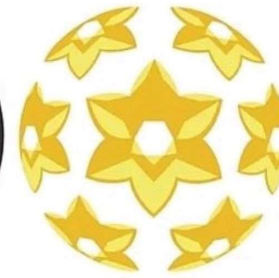


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CWMBRAN CELTIC HONOURS

Welsh League:	
Division 2	Runners-up (2) 2009/10, 2015/16
Division 3	Winners 2006/7
Reserve Division (East)	Winners (3) 2009/10, 2010/11, 2016/17, 2018/19; Runners up 2012/13, 2017/2018
Gwent County:	
Division 1	Runners-up 2004/5
Division 2	Winners 1986/7; Runners-up 2000/1
Division 3	Runners-up 1999/2000
Premier League	Runners-up 1972/3
Senior Cup	Winners 1970/1; Runners-up (2) 2007/8, 2008/9
Amateur Cup	Winners 1972/3
Challenge Cup	Winners 2000/1
Newport & District League:	
Premier Division	Winners (6) Premier 1950/1, Premier A 1969/70, Premier Y 2000/1, 2006/7, 2009/10, 2010/11 2022/23; Runners-up (3) Premier 1956/7, Premier Y 2005/6, 2016/17
Premier B	Winners 1968/9; Runners-up (2) 1972/3, 1979/80
Division 1R & 3	Winners 2000/1
Division 2	Winners Section A 1925/6
Division 2B	Winners 1969/70; Runners-up (2) 1972/3, 1979/80
Senior Bowl	Winners 2005/6; Runners-up (2) 1968/9, 2010/11, 2021/22
Junior Bowl	Winners 1950/1; Runners-up 2005/6 3rd Division Cup Winners 1956/7
Welsh Youth League:	
Youth Division (East) U19	Winners (4): 2007/8, 2008/9, 2009/10, 2010/11; Runners up (2) 2012/13, 2013/14
Youth League Cup:	Runners up 2014/15
Newport Youth League:	
Under 16 Division	Winners 1970/1, Cup Winners 1970/1; Runners-up 1966/7
Under 18 Division	Winners 1967/8
Gwent County:	
Under 14 Cup	Winners 2011/12; Runners up 2012/13
Under 16 Division	Winners (3) 1990/1, 1994/5, 1998/9; Runners-up 2000/1
Under 16 Cup	Winners (4) 1993/4*, 1994/5, 1998/9, 2000/1 (*U15 team)
Under 18 Division	Winners 2013/14, 2014/15; Runners-up (6) 1999/2000, 2000/1, 2004/5, 2007/8 (Div 2), 2009/10, 2010/11
Under 18 Cup	Winners (2) 1967/8 (Mon Youth cup) 1990/1, Runners-up 1991/2
Under 19 Cup	Runners-up 1973/4 (Mon Youth Cup) 1989/90
Cwmbran Junior League:	
Under 12 Division	Runners-up 1973/4
Under 13 Division	Winners (2) 1967/8, 1968/9; Runners-up 1966/7
Under 13 Cup	Winners (3) 1966/7, 1967/8, 1968/9
Under 15 Cup	Winners (2) 1968/9, 1970/1
Torfaen Junior & Youth League:	
Under 10 Division	Winners (4) 1984/5, 1988/9, 1989/90, 1990/1; Runners-up (2) 1987/8, 1992/3
Under 10 Cup	Winners (4) 1984/5, 1988/9, 1989/90, 1990/1
Under 12 Division	Winners (12) 1986/7, 1987/8, 1989/90, 1990/1, 1991/2, 1992/3, 1994/5, 2003/4, 2004/5, 2005/6, 2007/8, 2008/9
Under 12 Cup	Runners-up (4) 1990/1*, 2000/2, 2009/10, 2010/11 (*U11 team)
Under 13 Division	Winners (9) 1986/7, 1989/90, 1991/2, 1992/3, 1994/5, 1996/7, 2001/2, 2008/9, 2015/16
Under 14 Division	Runners-up (6) 1987/8, 1990/1, 2000/1, 2003/4, 2004/5, 2010/11, 2021/22
Under 15 Division	Winners (2) 2021/22, 2022/23
Under 16 Division	Winners (10) 1976/7, 1988/9, 1992/3, 1996/7, 2003/4, 2005/6, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13
Under 16 Cup	Runners-up (3) 1989/90, 2004/5, 2006/7
Under 17 Division	Winners (9) 1976/7, 1983/4, 1992/3, 1996/7, 1998/9, 2006/7, 2010/11, 2012/13, 2022/23
Under 18 Division	Runners-up (1) 2004/5
Under 19 Division	Runners-up (1) 2021/22
Under 20 Division	Winners (14) 1976/7, 1978/9, 1990/1, 1993/4, 1998/9, 2000/1, 2001/2, 2007/8, 2008/9, 2009/10, 2011/12, 2012/13 2014/15, 2022/23
Under 21 Division	Runners-up 2010/11
Under 22 Division	Winners (10) 1979/80, 1985/6, 1990/1, 1993/4, 1998/9, 2000/1, 2001/2, 2007/8, 2008/9, 2022/3
Under 23 Division	Runners-up (7) 1994/5, 2000/1*, 2002/3, 2006/7*, 2007/8* (*U15 team), 2013/14, 2014/15
Womens	South Wales Women's League Winners 2013/14; Runners up (2) 2012/13, 2016/17, 2022/23
	South Wale FA Cup Runners-up 2022/23
	League Cup winners 2012/13, 2021/22; League Plate Winners 2016/17, 2022/23

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