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Season 2023/24

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CWMBRAN CELTIC

Home Squad

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

LLANELLI TOWN

Away Squad

1 Scott Coughlin (GK)
 2 Miles John
 3 James Parry
 4 Sean Cronin
 5 Jamie Baker
 6 Owen Bancroft
 7 Matthew Delaney
 8 Kurtis Rees
 9 Ethan Cann
 10 Josef Hopkins (C)
 11 Thomas Hillman
 12 Dylan Austin
 13 Henri Phillips (GK)
 14 Joshua Allen
 15 Danny Birch
 16 Shivo Hinds
 17 Joe Hunt
 18 Curtis Hutson
 19 Danny Williams

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

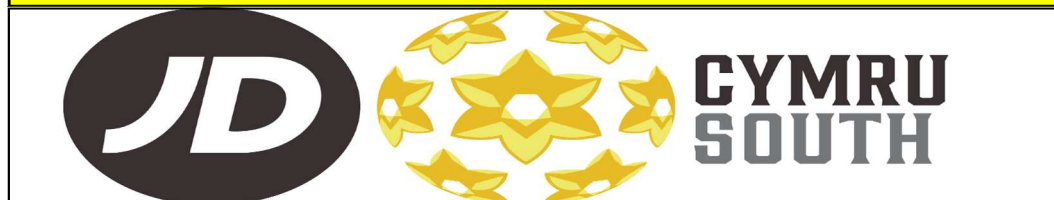
Manager: Lee John
Assistant: Dr Dylan Blain
Coach: Matthew Rees
GK Coach: David Redfern
First Aider: Gareth Jones
Colours: Green/White Green Green

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Kris Hames (Aberdare)

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CWMBRAN CELTIC v LLANELLI TOWN

Wednesday 13th March 2024 K.O. 7:30pm

PEN-Y-POUND STADIUM

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LEAGUE TABLE 2023/24

JD CYMRU SOUTH		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Llanelli Town	24	17	4	3	67	29	38	55
2	Briton Ferry Llansawel	23	16	2	5	66	33	33	50
3	Ammanford	24	15	5	4	46	29	17	50
4	Carmarthen Town	25	11	9	5	44	32	12	42
5	Cambrian and Clydach	25	11	6	8	48	33	15	39
6	Afan Lido	24	11	4	9	49	43	6	37
7	Baglan Dragons	26	10	6	10	41	37	4	36
8	Caerau Ely	22	10	2	10	51	43	8	32
9	Goytre United	23	9	5	9	43	46	-3	32
10	Trefelin BGC	24	8	6	10	38	52	-14	30
11	Cwmbran Celtic	22	8	4	10	47	50	-3	28
12	Taffs Well	24	6	8	10	35	39	-4	26
13	Pontardawe Town	22	7	5	10	45	53	-8	26
14	Llantwit Major	23	7	4	12	34	50	-16	25
15	Abertillery Bluebirds	24	3	6	15	24	65	-41	15
16	Abergavenny Town	25	2	2	21	19	63	-44	8

RESERVE (SOUTH EAST)		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Risca United	13	10	1	2	42	22	20	31
2	Cwmbran Celtic	16	10	0	6	47	35	12	30
3	Undy	17	9	0	8	35	30	5	27
4	Lliswerry	13	8	1	4	36	25	11	25
5	Caldicot Town	12	7	1	4	37	30	7	22
6	Blaenavon Blues	11	6	2	3	25	21	4	20
7	Tredegar Town	12	6	1	5	28	26	2	19
8	Abercarn United	14	5	3	6	31	36	-5	18
9	Abertillery Bluebirds	14	5	0	9	29	32	-3	15
11	Chepstow Town	11	3	2	6	21	27	-6	11
12	Goytre	14	3	1	10	20	41	-21	10
13	Abergavenny Town	10	3	0	7	21	26	-5	9
14	Treowen Stars	7	1	0	6	10	31	-21	3

CWMBRAN CELTIC		P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
HOME/AWAY									
HOME		10	4	3	3	19	17	2	15
AWAY		12	4	1	7	28	33	-5	13
TOTAL		22	8	4	10	47	50	-3	28

WELCOME TO PEN-Y-POUND

Tonight we welcome league leaders Llanelli Town to Pen y Pound, Abergavenny for this floodlit midweek game. We have been obliged to transfer this fixture to our Gwent neighbours because we do not have any more Saturday dates to fulfil the fixture before the closing date for the league. It is not the first time we have played a "home" game at Pen y Pound. In December 2014 we lost 3-1 to Goytre in the 2nd round of the Gwent Cup. Tonight will be a tough game, Town are on the back of a 10 match run of 8 wins & 2 draws.

Llanelli Town, rose from the ashes of the Welsh Premier club which disbanded at the end of 2012/13. The brand new club joined the Welsh League & In 2014/15 the teams met in both cup competitions. In the Welsh Cup at Celtic Park 3rd Division Town arrived on the back of a 100% 6 match winning streak but 2nd Division Celtic won 2-1 with goals from Andrew Larcombe & Sean Feeley. The teams then met in the League Cup. Celtic were drawn at home but reversed the fixture. Llanelli won 3-2, Celtic's goals by Lewis Grant & a penalty by Rakesh Patel.

Llanelli gained promotion to the 2nd Division in 2015/16 & Celtic did the double. In September Llanelli again arrived at Celtic Park with a 100% 6 match winning record but Celtic dispatched them 2-0 with goals from Owen Cook & Owen Llewellyn to set themselves on an 8 match winning run of their own. Celtic went into the return game the following April on the back of a mini-crisis having lost 2 successive games which had stalled their promotion bid & their woes continued as they were 1-0 down at half time. However they fought back to win 3-1 thanks to a Chris Ham hat-trick including 2 successful spot kicks. This victory sparked a 10 game 40 goals winning streak which secured 2nd place & promotion for Celtic back into the 1st Division.

Llanelli were promoted the following season & in 2017/18 the teams met 4 times. In the 2nd round of the Welsh Cup at Celtic Park we came from behind to win 2-1 with goals from Lloyd Kinsella & a last minute penalty by Chris Ham. In the league at Stebonheath Park we were 2-0 down in the first half with 3 players off the field seriously injured but we fought back to 2-2 through goals by Ham and Callum Wakeham. Despite a third goal by Owen Cook Llanelli won 5-3. The following month at Afan Lido in the semi-final of the League Cup, Town were easy 3-0 winners, 41 year old ex-Swansea City pro Lee Trundle scoring twice. In May at Celtic Park Llanelli, who had gained promotion to the Welsh Premier, won 3-1, Luke Jones scoring Celtic's goal.

In 2018/19 Llanelli were back in the Welsh Premier but they were relegated after only one season. In 2019/20, in the new Cymru South League, Town beat Celtic at Stebonheath 1-0. The return at Celtic Park in January 2020 was a 9-goal thriller. Celtic were 4-2 up through goals from Jordan Meaney, Tom Meechan, Louis Feeley & Tom Neville but Town rallied to snatch the win with three more 2nd half goals. In 2021/22 Llanelli did the double. They won 4-2 at Celtic Park, Tom Meechan & Lewis Iles scoring for Celtic, & they won at home 2-0. Llanelli have won the last 8 games between the sides. Last season Llanelli won 1-0 at Stebonheath but the teams drew 3-3 at Celtic Park, Celtic thereby ending a run of 8 successive defeats against the Reds, Meechan 2 & Iles scored for Celtic. Last month Llanelli beat Celtic 3-2 at Stebonheath. Meechan & Alex Bonthron (penalty) scored 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 Penrhwi-ceiber 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 LLANELLI TOWN

The game of Association Football was introduced to the town's people of Llanelli when workers from the Staffordshire area of England migrated to the town to work in the 'newest' of the town industries - the Pottery works from 1892 to 1920.

The club initially played in the Swansea & District League playing their first matches at Cae Blake, Furnace, then the People's Park before moving to Tunnel Road and then at Penyfan Fields.

In 1912-13 the club decided to become fully professional and applied for membership of both the Southern and Welsh League. They also moved to a new ground, Halfway Park, a former Cycle Stadium, which was situated two miles from the town centre. Their first season 1912-13 was an immediate success finishing in sixth position in the Southern League and third in the Welsh League. The following season they entered into the Welsh Cup and reached the final at their first attempt before losing to Wrexham in a replay at Oswestry after the team had initially drawn 0-0 at Swansea Town Vetch Field.

After the First World War the club continued to participate in the Southern League and in the Welsh League with moderate success. They had ambitions of reaching the Football League and as a first step they moved to a new ground in Stebonheath in 1922 Tottenham Hotspur were the FA Cup winners of the previous season were invited to make the occasion of opening the new ground by playing the local team and the Londoners were given a rude awakening when they lost 2-1 on the day. For the next three years Llanelli built up a reputation of being one of the leading non-league clubs in the country, and in 1925 become the only club to contest every round in the FA Cup from Preliminary to Qualifying rounds and on to the equivalent Third Round of today when they met Fulham at Craven Cottage before losing by the odd goal in a highly emotional game.

At the end of World War II with league football returning back to normality, Llanelli AFC in common with other Welsh clubs returned to the Welsh League fold and again gained a place in the Southern League succeeding Colchester United who had gained a place in the Football League. This was another venture into a league blessed with ex-Football League players coming to the end of their careers. The manager of the time long servant Jack Goldsborough who had been a fixture in Stebo circles since 1923 as a player, trainer, coach, groundsman and secretary/manager assembled a team blessed in the main by ex-Scottish League players including one John (Jock) Stein who was to find fame with Glasgow Celtic and Scotland in a managerial capacity after his playing days were over, but had made history in the FA Cup with the Reds in 50-51, before the club lost to Bristol Rovers after a 2nd replay at Ninian Park.

Even he and a succession of worthy managers could not prevent the indifferent seasons the club suffered which meant a lack of people through the turnstiles and by 1958 they had to seek re-election to both Southern and Welsh Leagues. They were granted a stay in the Southern League whilst had to be relegated in the Welsh League Division II (West). But worse was to follow when the Welsh FA refused to sanction their stay in the Southern League. Llanelli were left in limbo with an all time low for their future for the 1958-59 season But under the astute managership of Wilf Grant an England B International, promotion was gained to Division One of the Welsh League. But when Wilf Grant went on to other climes Doug Wallace and Des Palmer became managers in succession without gaining honours. For the 1967-68 season brought Gwyn Grant (who had been a backroom boy for years after a playing career) to the hot seat and his achievements were noteworthy. Three Welsh League Championship titles in 1970-71, 1976-77 and 1977-78 inspired by Gilbert Lloyd followed, but the club's ambitions of a higher grade of football were always denied.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF LLANELLI TOWN *(continued)*

With the advent of the League of Wales in 1992-93 season when they became founder members. After an initial successful season the club fell away once more, and again due to financial constraints they were relegated in season 1995-96. However, the advent of Robert Jones to the club as owner and Chairman saw the club take on a new lease of life. First Dudley Lewis as player/manager set the seeds in motion and Robbie James took over in consecutive years but in February 1988 Robbie James tragically died at Stebonheath playing against Porthcawl.

His place was taken over by Leighton James who gained promotion for the club once more to the League of Wales by virtue of their ending as runners-up to Champions Ton Pentre who had declined promotion. After one season when the club ended in a creditable fifth position he suddenly resigned and it all turned sour by 2002-03 when the club was relegated to the Welsh Division 1 once more. In season 2003-04 saw the club regain their rightful place in the Welsh Premier League under the management of ex-players of yester year Neil O'Brien and Lee Randall. Season 2004-05 saw firstly Eddie May followed by Nick Tucker took over the helm and he managed to stave off relegation at the end of the season.

During the close season the club which had been 'up for sale' was taken over by the Jesco Group, who decided that the club needed to turn fully professional once again after half a century of lack lustre competition except for the Welsh League Championships of 1970-71, 76-77, 77-78 seasons. Spaniard Luca Cazorla become Director of Football and six Spanish players arrived at Stebonheath Park. But by Christmas something was adrift and Luca Cazorla left by mutual agreement with Peter Nicholas assuming control, achieving for the club for the first time in their history a position in the UEFA Cup after gaining 2nd spot. The following season 2007-08 was one of success becoming League Champions and winning the League Cup. In season 2008-09 their Championship hopes were high but they ended in the runners up spot the biggest shock was to come before the season's end when the tenure of Peter Nicholas was ended after five years at the helm, his contract was not renewed and Andy Legg was appointed to the 'hot seat'. Season 2010-11 Legg saw his Reds side lift the coveted Welsh Cup with an emphatic 4-1 win against League Champions Bangor City at Parc y Scarlets and won the play-offs in 2011-12 beating Bala 2-1 in the final. This proved the last game for prolific striker Rhys Griffiths, who had scored 280 goals in 281 games. The club has also enjoyed extraordinary success on the European front beating Gefle, FK Vetra, Ventspils, Motherwell and Dinamo Tbilisi, although only the win against Gefle saw the club progress over two legs.

Season 2012-13, started with the club coming agonisingly close to reaching the second round of the Europa Cup, losing 3-2 to Kups. Financial trouble then hit, with Andy Legg leaving in October 2012 and Bob Jeffrey taking over in a vast cost cutting exercise. However the club was unable to stave off HMRC and were sadly liquidated in the High Court in London on 22nd April 2013, before reforming as Llanelli Town AFC this summer and joining Welsh League Division Three for season 2013-14.

In the 2013-14 season, Llanelli Town finished 6th in Welsh League Div. 3, the following season they finished as Champions being promoted to Division 2 for season 2015-16 which they finished 7th.

For the 2016-17 season Andy Hill returned to the club as Manager and they won the double Div 2 and League Cup winners. 2017-18 they won the Div. 1 Championship which saw them promoted to the Welsh Premier League for the 2018-19 which unfortunately they finished bottom of the league and were relegated back to the new Cymru South League for the 2019-20 season.



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	1				12	13							
Alex Bonthron	F	20	1	1		2	24	19		19	1	6	0	
Alex McDowell	M	12	1	1	1	7	22	3		3	2			
Alfie Foster	M					3	3							
Andrew Hewitt	D	3				1	4		1	1		1	0	
Andrew Larcombe	M	17	1	1	1	3	23	1		1	1	4	0	
Callum Hodges	D	5					5	1		1	1	1	0	
Callum Wakeham	F					6	6							
Charlie Taylor	M	1				4	5							
Cole Doolan	M	1				4	5							
Dominic Connor	D	20	1	1	1	2	25	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	19			1	2	22	2		2	4	3	0	
Isaac Powell	M	17	1			2	20	1		1	2	5	0	
Iwan Hooper	GK	12		1	1		14				3	1	0	
Josh Hinwood	D	18	1	1		5	25	2		2		5	0	
Josh Rippon	D	6	1			4	11	1		1		1	0	
Kian Bodenham	D	12	1	1		6	20				1	3	0	
Lewis Iles	F	18	1	1	1	2	23	5	1	6	1	4	0	
Lewis McCauley	M	1				3	4							
Lewis Watkins	GK	9	1			1	11				1	2	0	
Sam Powell	D	3	1			9	13	1		1		4	1	
Shaun Moss	M	16		1	1		18	1		1		5	0	
Thomas Meechan	F	20		1	1	2	24	9		9	4	2	0	
Tyler Broom	D	9		1	1	8	19				2	7	0	

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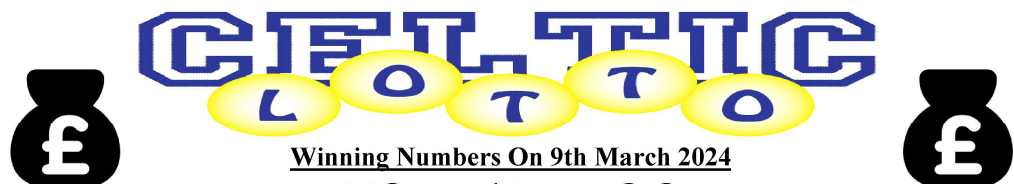
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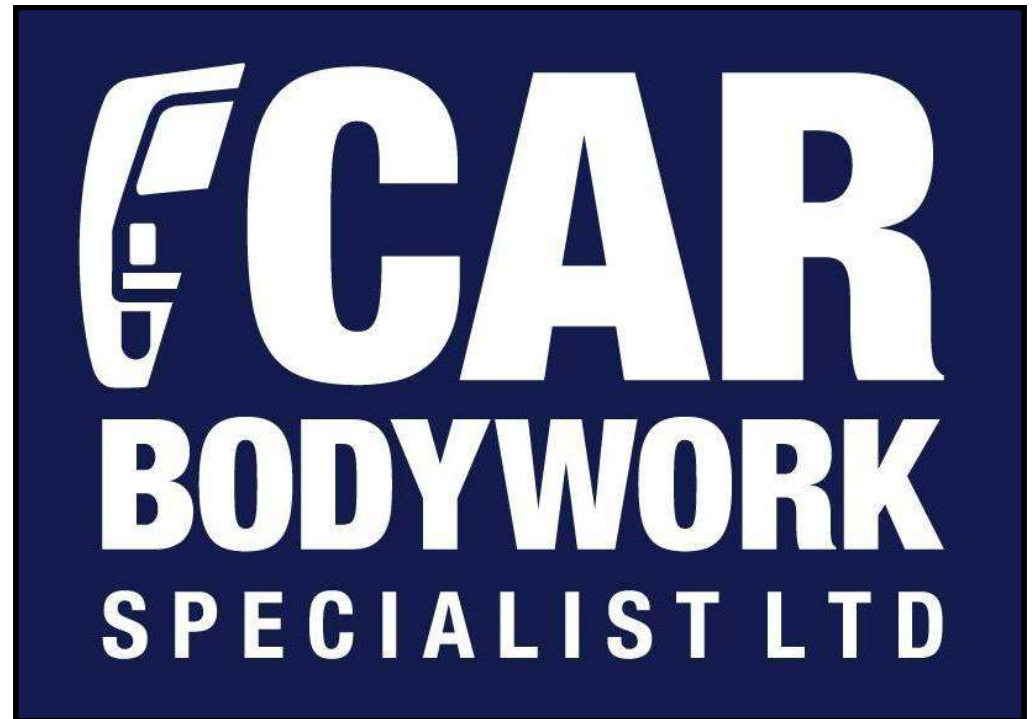
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Ages are at 21-Jul-23

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.

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Lewis Watkins



Iwan Hooper



Sam Powell



Tyler Broom



Joshua Rippon



Dominic Connor



Andrew Larcombe



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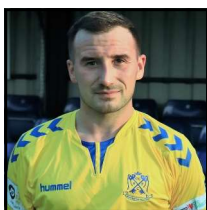
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Fixtures 2023/24		Result	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
22-Jul	Sat	Taffs Well (MG Cup R1)	2-2 (Pen 0-3)	*Hooper	Broom	Connor	Larcombe	Bodenham	Hinwood	McDowell	Moss	Iles	Meechan	Bonthron	Howells 1	Powell.I	Foster	Maguire	Hewitt 1		
27-Jul	Thu	Goytre United	3-2	Hooper	Bodenham	Connor	Hewitt	Lewis.H	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.H	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.H	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.H 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.H	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.H	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.H	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.H	Hinwood	Powell.I	McDowell 2	Bonthron	Meechan	Iles		Basson	Foster	McCauley	Maguire		
30-Sep	Sat	Taffs Well	1-1	Hooper	Broom	Connor	Larcombe	Lewis.H	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.H	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.H	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.H	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.H	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.H	Maguire	
23-Dec	Sat	Cambrian & Clydach	3-4	Watkins	Broom	Hinwood	Moss	*Lewis.H	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.H	Hinwood	Iles	Moss 1	Bonthron 1	*Meechan 1	Powell.I	Broom	Hooper	Wakeham	Rippon	Maguire		
06-Jan	Sat	Ammanford	2-1	Watkins	Bodenham	Connor	Hodges	Lewis.H 1	Hinwood	Iles	Moss	Bonthron	Meechan 1	*Powell.I	Powell.S	Hooper	Taylor	Rippon	Maguire	Larcombe	
12-Jan	Fri	Caerau Ely	2-4	*Hooper	Bodenham	Connor	Hodges	Lewis.H	Hinwood	Iles	Taylor	Bonthron 1	Meechan	Powell.I 1	Powell.S	Watkins	Doolan	Rippon	Maguire	McDowell	Larcombe
20-Jan	Sat	Abertillery Bluebirds	1-2	Hooper	Bodenham	Connor	Larcombe	*Lewis.H	Rippon	Maguire	Moss	Iles	Meechan 1	McDowell	Powell.S	Watkins	Doolan	Hinwood	Broom	Taylor	
03-Feb	Sat	Taffs Well	2-6	Watkins	Powell.S	Connor	Larcombe	Rippon	Hinwood	Powell.I	Moss	Bonthron 1	*Meechan 1	McDowell	Bodenham	Lewis.S	Broom	Lewis.H	Taylor	Maguire	
17-Feb	Sat	Afan Lido	2-0	Watkins	Broom	Connor	Hodges	Lewis.H	Hinwood	Moss	*Larcombe	Bonthron 1	Meechan 1	Iles	Bodenham	Hooper	Doolan	Rippon	Maguire	McDowell	
23-Feb	Fri	Llanelli Town	2-3	Watkins	Bodenham	Connor	Hodges	*Lewis.H	Hinwood	Moss	Larcombe	Bonthron 1	Meechan 1	Iles	Powell.S	Doolan	Rippon	Maguire	McDowell		
09-Mar	Sat	Baglan Dragons	1-1	Larcombe	Broom	Connor	*Hodges 1	Rippon	McDowell	McCauley	Doolan	Bonthron	Meechan	Iles	Bodenham	Lewis.S	Taylor	Hinwood		Maguire	
13-Mar	Wed	Llanelli Town	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> </div>																		
16-Mar	Sat	Llantwit Major																			
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Adrian Maguire



Lewis McCauley



Jack Martin



Charlie Taylor



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.

Charlie Taylor: midfielder, age 20: Joined in the transfer window from Llantwit Major; previously with Penybont Development.

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.

Management Team Sponsor: Avondale Storage.

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.

CYMRU LEAGUE SOUTH FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023/2024

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

CWMBRAN CELTIC PLAYER SPONSORS

Player Name	Sponsor Name	Player Name	Sponsor Name
Adrian Maguire	Tredegarr Torpedoes	Jack Martin	SRK Scaffolding
Alex Bonthron	MIPA Carpentry	Josh Hinwood	NU Staff
Alex McDowell	Construction Law Consultant John Stockwell	Kian Bodenham	Hornbeam Workplace Wellbeing
Andrew Larcombe	Crossfords Kenny Hurford	Kian Bodenham	Cymru Glass
Callum Wakeham	Plush Flooring Soluitons	Lewis Iles	CLIC
Cole Doolan	CS Flooring Solutions	Lewis McCauley	LM Carpentry
Charlie Taylor	Fen Trade Aluminium	Lewis Watkins	Crossfords Mark Hurford
Dom Connor	Ziko Chan	Management Team	Avondale Storage
Elliot Jones	MIPA Carpentry	Sam Powell	M2 Flooring
Callum Hodges	Coffiology	Shaun Moss	Cian Willis
Harrison Lewis	Magdek LTD	Tom Meechan	RWR Recuritment
Joshua Rippon	Cian Willis	Tyler Broom	Total Body Defence
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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	2 - 1	Meechan Lewis
12-Jan	Caerau Ely	Away	2 - 4	Powell.I Bonthron
20-Jan	Abertillery Bluebirds	Home	1 - 2	Meechan
03-Feb	Taffs Well	Away	2 - 6	Meechan Bonthron (PK)
17-Feb	Afan Lido	Home	2 - 0	Bonthron Meechan
23-Feb	Llanelli Town	Away	2 - 3	Meechan Bonthron (PK)
09-Mar	Baglan Dragons	Home	1 - 1	Hodges
13-Mar	Llanelli Town	Home		
16-Mar	Llantwit Major	Away		
23-Mar	Briton Ferry Llansawel	Home		
29-Mar	Carmarthen Town	Away		
01-Apr	Pontardawe Town	Away		
06-Apr	Trefelin BGC	Home		
10-Apr	Abergavenny Town	Home		
13-Apr	Goytre United	Home		



CWMBRAN CELTIC REVIEW FOR WEEK ENDING 10-Mar

With the weather at last relenting, most of Celtic's teams were in action last weekend. The **1st team** looked as though they were heading for another defeat at Celtic Park when Baglan Dragons took an interval lead and then held Celtic at bay until 90+3 minutes when Callum Hodges rescued Celtic – his 1st goal for the club. Celtic remain in 11th place only 3 points ahead of the drop. They have two critical games this week – against league leaders Llanelli at Abergavenny on Wednesday and a 6-pointer at Llantwit Major who, after a shocking early season run of 2 points from 10 games have pulled themselves up the table with 16 points from their last 8 games.

In midweek the **Reserves** won 1-0 at Goytre, Oscar Balkwill scoring the winner in the 87th minute. It was good to see George Jenkins back after a 6 month injury lay-off. On Saturday we lost 3-1 at Undy, ending our run of 6 successive wins. Jack Prosser scored to reduce the arrears to 2-1 and then Celtic missed a penalty which would have put them level before Undy settled the match with their 3rd goal late on. Celtic remain in 2nd place in the table.

The **3rd team** went down 4-1 at 100% league leaders Croesyceiliog Reserves. Jacob Pritchard scored Celtic's goal from the penalty spot. Celtic are 6th in the table.

On Sunday the **Womens 1st team** were given a tough game at bottom team Pontardawe Town who have only won one game this season. They were again indebted to striker Jade Crofts who scored her 3rd hat-trick of the season in a 3-2 win. Teenage goalkeeper Teagen Ely is a late convert to playing between the sticks. Normally a striker with 11 goals this season for the Development team she played 2 games in goal for the Development and so impressed that she was promoted to the 1st team for the last 2 games.

The **Womens Development** team lost 3-1 at Pontarddulais Town – a creditable performance against a team placed 2nd in the higher Combined league especially as we took the lead after 3 minutes through Nataile Rostron. Another recruit from Coed Duon, Sarah Ollosson, made her Celtic debut.

Celtic **Girls Under 12s** just lost out 1-0 at home to Tredegar Town at Celtic Park.

Celtic **Vets 45s** lost 0-8 at home to Briton Ferry Llansawel.

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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)	22	8	4	10	47	50	28	11th (16)
Total	540	226	100	214	964	896	778	

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MATCH REPORT: CWMBRAN CELTIC 1 - 1 BAGLAN DRAGONS (09-Mar)

Celtic welcomed Baglan Dragons to the Avondale Motor Park Arena last Saturday for their first ever visit to the ground, having been promoted to the Cymru (South) Division this season.

Celtic Team Manager, James Kinsella, who has notified the club of his intention to step down from his role at the end of the season, was taking charge in his 100th game for the club.

Celtic were without a few key players for the game. Both first choice goalkeepers were unavailable so utility player Andrew Larcombe deputised between the sticks. Cole Doolan deputised in Andrew's usual midfield slot. Captain Sean Moss was suspended so youngster Lewis McCauley stepped into his midfield role. In defence Harrison Lewis was injured with Josh Rippon taking his place.

With so many changes, Celtic found it difficult to get into their stride and create any meaningful chances, but Baglan didn't really take advantage of this and Larcombe wasn't really troubled in the first half hour which passed without any real incident. However, in the 38th minute he was forced into a save from Davies and could only parry the shot into the path of striker Marengi who side-footed it into the net from close range. The game continued to ebb and flow until half time but neither side really threatened to add to the score.

Celtic stepped up the pace a little in the second half and began to make some real chances. Stanton in the visitor's goal was called upon to make a few excellent saves from Alex Bonthron in particular who was unlucky not to add to the nineteen goals he's scored already this season. Larcombe was also called upon to make an excellent diving save late in the game.

It looked very much like Baglan were going home with the three points but Celtic kept battling until the end and, in the 93rd minute, they got their reward. Substitute Charlie Taylor won a ball in the air and his towering header unluckily hit the far post with Stanton well beaten. The ball rebounded back into the six yard area where centre back Callum Hodges was on hand to guide it into the net for what, in the end, was a well-deserved equaliser.

The game ended 1-1 was probably a fair result on the day. MALCOLM JARRETT

CWMBRAN CELTIC v LLANELLI TOWN IN LEAGUE & CUPS

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Celtic Park	6	3	0	3	16	17
Stebonheath Park	7	1	0	6	10	16
Afan Lido	1	0	0	1	0	3
Total	14	4	0	10	26	36

LLANELLI TOWN LEAGUE RECORD IN LAST SIX SEASONS

Season	League	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos
2016-17	WELSH-2	30	23	7	0	108	29	76	1/16
2017-18	WELSH-1	30	24	3	3	87	33	75	1/16
2018-19	WELSH PREM	32	4	4	24	31	101	16	12/12
2019-20	CYMRU-S	26	12	4	10	47	51	40	6/16
2021-22	CYMRU-S	30	11	7	12	43	54	40	9/16
2022-23	CYMRU-S	30	19	5	6	63	34	62	2/16

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Match Day Gateman	Andrew Bown
Match Reporter	Spencer Taylor/John Stockwell



Club Kit Information

Colours
Alternative Colours

Yellow shirts, blue shorts & yellow socks
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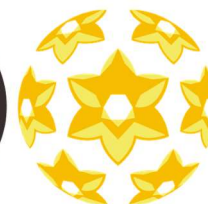


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CWMBRAN CELTIC HONOURS

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 14 Cup	Winners (2) 2021/22, 2022/23
Under 15 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 Division	Runners-up (3) 1989/90, 2004/5, 2006/7
Under 16 Cup	Winners (9) 1976/7, 1983/4, 1992/3, 1996/7, 1998/9, 2006/7, 2010/11, 2012/13, 2022/23
Under 17 Division	Runners-up (1) 2004/5
Under 18 Division	Runners-up (1) 2021/22
Under 19 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 20 Division	Runners-up 2010/11
Under 21 Division	Winners (10) 1979/80, 1985/6, 1990/1, 1993/4, 1998/9, 2000/1, 2001/2, 2007/8, 2008/9, 2022/3
Under 22 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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