





#### **CWMBRAN CELTIC**

#### **Home Squad**

Iwan Hooper (GK) **Andrew Larcombe ©** 

Joshua Rippon **Harrison Lewis Callum Hodges** 

Lewis Iles **Tyler Broom** Kian Bodenham **Lewis McCauley** Joshua Hinwood **Dominic Connor Charlie Taylor Shaun Moss Alex Bonthron Thomas Meechan** Alex McDowell

Cole Doolan

**Adrian Maguire** 

Callum Wakeham

**Lewis Watkins (GK)** 

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

#### **ABERGAVENNY TOWN**

#### **Away Squad**

Josh Winstone (GK)

Logan Bowkett

**Jack Sage** 

Joseph Cashman Aaryn Campbell **Cameron Mackie** Alex Holmes

Zak Mitchell (C) **Rhys Schwank Lewis Ellaway** Dillan Campbell

Kai Wint

**Mckenzie Thompson** 

Zach Duke **Jamie Summers** 

**Keane Flage-Donovan** 

**Jack Brunnock Henry Young** William Jones **Jackson Thomas Oliver Evans** Jack Williams Nicky Potts (GK) Ethan Ross (GK)

Manager: Darren Brown **Assistant:** Jamie Summer **Coach:** Thomas Bradley Kit Manager: Chris Wildy First Aider: Sian Rees **Colours:** Blue Blue Blue

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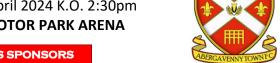






#### CWMBRAN CELTIC v ABERGAVENNY TOWN

Saturday 13th April 2024 K.O. 2:30pm **AVONDALE MOTOR PARK ARENA** 



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#### **LEAGUE TABLE 2023/24**

	JD CYMRU SOUTH	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	Pts
1	Briton Ferry Llansawel	29	22	2	5	82	37	45	68
2	Llanelli Town	29	20	4	5	78	35	43	64
3	Ammanford	28	15	6	7	50	41	9	51
4	Carmarthen Town	29	12	11	6	50	36	14	47
5	Cambrian and Clydach	28	13	7	8	57	37	20	46
6	Afan Lido	29	13	4	12	63	54	9	43
7	Goytre United	28	12	6	10	55	54	1	42
8	Baglan Dragons	29	11	8	10	45	39	6	41
9	Caerau Ely	27	12	4	11	61	55	6	40
10	Trefelin BGC	28	10	7	11	46	59	-13	37
11	Cwmbran Celtic	27	9	6	12	56	62	-6	33
12	Taffs Well	29	8	8	13	43	46	-3	32
13	Llantwit Major	28	8	7	13	39	52	-13	31
14	Pontardawe Town	27	7	8	12	49	63	-14	29
15	Abertillery Bluebirds	27	3	6	18	29	77	-48	15
16	Abergavenny Town	28	2	2	24	19	75	-56	8

F	RESERVE (SOUTH EAST)	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	Pts
1	Undy	20	12	0	8	46	33	13	36
2	Risca United	15	11	1	3	48	27	21	34
3	Lliswerry	18	10	3	5	52	39	13	33
4	Cwmbran Celtic	18	10	1	7	51	42	9	31
5	Caldicot Town	17	9	1	7	52	44	8	28
6	Tredegar Town	15	9	1	5	38	30	8	28
7	Blaenavon Blues	14	7	3	4	34	28	6	24
8	Abercarn United	17	6	4	7	36	40	-4	22
9	Abertillery Bluebirds	18	6	1	11	38	43	-5	19
11	Abergavenny Town	16	5	3	8	33	39	-6	18
12	Chepstow Town	14	3	3	8	23	34	-11	12
13	Goytre	16	3	2	11	20	43	-23	11
14	Treowen Stars	10	1	1	8	12	41	-29	4

CWMBRAN CELTIC HOME/AWAY	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	+/-	Pts
НОМЕ	12	5	3	4	24	22	2	18
AWAY	15	4	3	8	32	40	-8	15
TOTAL	27	9	6	12	56	62	-6	33

#### **WELCOME TO CELTIC PARK**

We welcome our Gwent neighbours Abergavenny Town to Celtic Park this afternoon. The club was formed in 2014 when Govilon FC changed its name to Abergavenny Town. This followed the sad demise of Abergavenny Thursday, formerly 4 times champions of the Welsh National League who had sunk to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Division of the Gwent County League. There was immediate success for the newly formed club, winning the Gwent County 1<sup>st</sup> Division to gain entry into the Welsh League whereupon they gained promotion the following season to Welsh League Division 2, and, as 2021-22 champions of the new Ardal League South-East, they joined the Cymru South last season finishing one place above the drop zone in 13<sup>th</sup> place.

In last season's games Celtic won all 6 points in the Christmas double header. At Peny-pound Celtic were convincing 3-0 winners in a game played in awful rain sodden conditions. Celtic scorers were Alex Bonthron, Tom Meechan and Dominic Connor. In the return at Celtic Park, Town took the lead on 50 minutes but Celtic equalised in the 64<sup>th</sup> minute through a Lewis Iles header and they snatched the points in time added o in time added on through Lewis McCauley after a frantic goalmouth scramble.

This season at Pen-y-Pound it was Town's turn to score a last gasp winner after being behind at the interval. Celtic took an early lead through Lewis Iles but Paolo Marenghi equalised and Rhys Schwank scored the winner in time added on from the penalty spot. This was Town's first points of the season ending a run of 5 successive defeats. It is one of only 2 wins bottom-placed Town have achieved this season. Ironically have again lost their last 5 league games — is this an omen for this afternoon?

In goal for Town is a familiar face, Josh Winstone, former Celtic Academy player who made 7 appearances for Celtic last season and who joined Town in January from Merthyr Academy.

#### CWMBRAN CELTIC v ABERGAVENNY TOWN IN CYMRU SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	F	A
At Celtic Park	1	1	0	0	2	1
At Pen-y-Pound	2	1	0	1	4	2
Total	3	2	0	1	6	3

#### ABERGAVENNY TOWN LEAGUE RECORD IN LAST SIX SEASONS

Season	League	P	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts	Pos
2016-17	WELSH-2	30	9	5	16	45	57	32	11/16
2017-18	WELSH-2	30	11	6	13	43	48	39	10/16
2018-19	WELSH-2	30	16	4	10	61	38	52	5/16
2019-20	WELSH-1	20	5	3	12	25	42	18	13/16
2021-22	ARDAL-SE	30	21	3	6	66	31	66	1/16
2022-23	CYMRU-S	30	9	5	16	35	60	32	13/16

#### A BRIEF HISTORY OF CWMBRAN CELTIC 1925-2023

1925. In the early years the club was known as Copeman, the club were runners-up to Clydach CYMS (Catholic Young Men's Society). After the Wasps who applied for membership of the immediate success of winning the Newport & Welsh Football League but their ground was District Division 2 Section A title in 1925/6 there adjudged to be not of the required standard. was then a 25 year gap before the next trophy. Celtic applied instead. Their ground was also the Premier Division title in 1950/1. The club not up to standard but they were able to share disbanded in the late 1950's largely as a Cwmbran Stadium with Cwmbran Town and the consequence of national service call-ups but a Welsh League accepted the club's application. large influx of junior and youth players brought. In their first season in the WFL, 2005/6, Celtic about the reforming of the club in 1964 under struggled near the bottom of the 3rd division all the new name of Cwmbran Catholics. In 1970/1 season. In April Celtic travelled to Chepstow Celtic won the Gwent Senior Cup. In 1972/3 Town needing a win to stay in the league. They with playing membership open to all went 1-0 down. With minutes of normal time denominations the club dropped the catholic remaining substitute Jason Price equalised but title and re-named as Cwmbran Celtic winning a draw was not enough. In the 9th minute of the Gwent Amateur Cup and finishing runners- time added on player manager Mickey up in the Gwent Premier League.

In 1979 the club bought its own premises at cleared off the goal-line by a Chepstow Oak Street, Old Cwmbran, the club's present defender, it hit Copeman on the back and headquarters. The club's ground was in rebounded into the net. Celtic had achieved a Cwmbran Park but around 1995 they moved to last gasp win and, by winning their final match the grounds outside Cwmbran Stadium which against Seven Sisters, Celtic escaped relegation were shared with Cwmbran Cricket club. The on goal difference. cricket club later moved to Caerleon and Celtic The following season, 2006/7, Celtic now back obtained the lease from Torfaen Council.

Celtic played in the Gwent County League in the Celtic Park, were transformed. They only lost 2 1980s and 1990s and after gaining promotion as games and enjoyed a 24 match unbeaten run. champions of Division 2 in 1986/7 remained in They went to Risca for their last match already the 1st division for the next 10 seasons. promoted but needed to win to secure the However a disastrous slide found the club Championship ahead of Llanwern. With 3 languishing in the 3rd division when Paul minutes left Celtic were 1-0 down playing with "Dishy" Richardson became manager in 1999. 10 men after a red card for Kevin Payne. Then He transformed the side bringing in Sammy Winter equalised with a speculative experienced ex-Cwmbran Town stalwarts long range shot and in the last minute a Risca Mickey Copeman and Kevin Payne alongside clearance found full back Ben Graham outside teenage striker Shane Williamson who for a the box. dozen seasons was top scorer. The side was He hit a perfect looping volley over the later bolstered by the return of ex-professionals goalkeeper's head and into the net. Celtic were Ben Graham and Mark Parfitt who had started champions. their careers with Celtic as juniors. There were In Division 2 Celtic consolidated their position in cup.

Cwmbran Celtic football club was formed in In 2004/5 under new player-manager Mickey

Copeman went up for a corner. The ball was

at their upgraded and newly named ground,

successive promotions from the 3rd to 1st 2007/8 and 2008/9 during which they division between 1999 and 2001 and in introduced a number of players from their new 1999/2000 Celtic won the Gwent County league 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 runners-up position and promotion on the back to win the Championship. However they lost of 10 straight wins. The club also reached the two key defenders at a crucial time and vital quarter finals of the Welsh Cup, going down 2-1 points were dropped. Nevertheless Celtic after a brave fight at home to WPL side Port finished their games in 1st place and would win Talbot. Josh Bull was the Welsh League's top the title if Penrhiwceiber failed to win at scorer with 32 league goals. Newcastle Emlyn. The home side was 2-0 up at In 2016/17, back in the 1st Division, Celtic went one stage but Ceiber clawed their way back to top of the league early in the season. Dean win 3-2 and deny Celtic the championship. At Morris resigned in March 2017 and first teamer the end of the season Mickey Copeman stood Lee Challenger took over, winning his first 5 down after 7 years during which he secured 3 games in charge as the team ended in 6th promotions which took the club from Gwent place, their best position in 5 seasons in the top County League to the top division of the Welsh tier. League.

In their first season in the 1st division, 2010/11 enjoyed their best ever league cup run, under new manager Ben Graham, Celtic reaching the semi-final before losing to Llanelli struggled for much of the season and were Town3-0. Chris Ham was Welsh Division1 player firmly planted in the relegation zone but a of the season and top scorer with 28 league superb run-in during which they won 7 and goals. drew 3 of 14 games earned them 12th place out In 2018/19 Celtic finished a disappointing 10th of 16. In 2011/12 a good start was made under in the League with Lee Challenger resigning in Alan Dibble who stepped down in September March 2019. with the team in 5th place, to be replaced by In 2019/20, for the inaugural season of the Gareth Morgan. Either side of Christmas, Celtic Cymru League South, Celtic installed Nicky run and again finished 12th.

reigning champions Cambrian & Clydach but dismissed the management duo. they lost their way in the New year and at one Development team manager James Kinsella 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 in 2013/14 Steve Morgan 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 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 8th in the table. the month awards, and guided Celtic to the

In 2017/18 Celtic finished 8th in the league and

were 2nd but they had a dismal end of season Morgan and Simon Truman as the management team. With 9 new signings there was a lot of In 2012/13 with head coach Della Cheedy at the optimism for a successful season but the team helm, Celtic started brightly with some fine never got going and after a 6-1 drubbing at performances including a 4-2 win versus Pontypridd in January the club regretfully

> 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 Celtic 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 Cheedy back as manager in 2014/15 Celtic 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

#### A BRIEF HISTORY OF ABERGAVENNY TOWN

Without doubt the most famous Football Club in Abergavenny was Abergavenny Thursdays whose history can be traced back to the early days of the 20<sup>th</sup>C. Thursday was early closing day for shop workers in Abergavenny and that was when they were able to play football, competing in the Hereford & District Thursday League. Games in the early days were played on the sports fields to the rear of St Michaels RC Church (where St Michaels Rd is now), players changed in the Butcher's Arms Public House (now demolished), this probably is where one of the Clubs' nicknames "The Butchers" comes from.

Post WW2, Thursdays played in Bailey Park to large crowds, and joined the Welsh Football League. The need for a permanent Football Stadium was recognized and the Clubs Directors set about developing Pen-y-Pound Stadium, opening in 1953, the playing surface was one of the largest in Wales. Often referred to as the "Welsh Wembley". Abergavenny Thursdays were Welsh League champions in 1958/59, 1959/60, 1990/91 and 1991/92.

1992 saw them become founder members of the Konica League of Wales (now JD Cymru Premier League). However, this was only short lived and they were relegated back to the Welsh League after just one season, unfortunately the good times never returned to Pen-y-Pound and after falling into the Gwent County League (Div3), Thursdays withdrew in August 2013, citing a lack of players as the reason, and subsequently folded, although Abergavenny Thursdays Trust still remains administering Pen-y-Pound Stadium.

Most village communities around Abergavenny also host local football teams and Govilon AFC began over 100yrs ago. Playing mainly at District level throughout that time, they won the Gwent Central League gaining admittance to the Gwent County League in 2007/08. They climbed rapidly through the divisions to Div1 winning both the Gwent Amateur Cup and Gwent County Challenge Cup on the way. Difficulties with the local Community Council and unable to progress further up the Welsh Pyramid system at their village ground, Govilon took the decision to move into Pen-y-Pound for 2013/14 following the Thursdays demise. Finishing that season in a creditable 5<sup>th</sup> place. For 2014/15 the club changed its name to Abergavenny Town FC, quickly building an excellent fan base by producing an outstanding standard of football winning the Gwent County League Div1 after dropping only two league points all season and reaching the Semi-final stage of the FAW Trophy. Gaining entrance to the Nathaniel Cars Welsh League for 2015/16 season, Town continued to

progress and after a hard fought promotion battle between Pontypridd Town (winners), Abergavenny Town and Bridgend Street FC which went right down to the final week of the season, Town ended in 2<sup>nd</sup> place, gaining further promotion to Div2 for 2016/17. Town also went one better and after defeating Sully Sports 1-0 in the final played at Dragon Park Newport, won the FAW Trophy to complete another memorable season.

In conjunction with the Thursdays Trust, "Town" continues to improve and revitalize Pen-y-Pound Stadium bringing the Old Lady" as some affectionately call the ground, back to the standards of old. In recent years we have made major improvements to the changing rooms, installed 280 seats, carried out refurbishments to the club house and are looking to reinstate the spectator toilet facilities. Plans are in place to bring the iconic grandstand back up to standard in the near future. Having achieved FAW Tier3 status, "Town" were proud to be founder members of the new Ardal Leagues and looked to continue to progress within the FAW Pyramid system. Following the temporary cessation of organized football due to Covid 19 shutdown, "Town" finished season 2021/22 as Ardal Southeast League Champions and with the awarding of an FAW Tier2 grading to Pen-y-Pound Stadium, were promoted to the JD Cymru South League for 2022/23 season.

The Club presently field sides in JD Cymru, FAW Reserve, FAW Youth and also an Under 16's team. Plans are to introduce junior teams from U6 up to U16's. It is hoped that a youth Academy will be formed in the near future.

#### **ABERGAVENNY TOWN PEN PICTURES 2023/24**



Jamie Summer (Assistant Manager)



Josh Winstone (Goal Keeper)



Rhys Schwank (Player)



Zac Duke (Player)



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#### MATCH REPORT: CWMBRAN CELTIC 2 - 4 BRITON FERRY LLANSAWEL (23-Mar)

Celtic went into this game at Celtic Park with high hopes of reproducing a shock result against 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Ferry to match their recent triumph against leaders Llanelli Town & they were on course at half-time having taken the lead on 45 minutes when Alex Bonthron was on the end of a Iwan Hooper clearance to lob Celtic into a half-time lead. This after Callum Hodges had to withdraw having collapsed with a nasty leg injury when making a clearance.

Ferry equalised in the 63<sup>rd</sup> minute when a cross from the right a headed across goal for defender Kris Evans to score. And then, on 74 minutes, Ferry took the lead in controversial circumstances. Andrew Larcombe & a Ferry attacker both went down in a clash on the edge of the penalty box – a clear 50/50 but the referee gave a penalty which Luke Bowen converted. Celtic pressed for the equaliser and were rewarded on 90+1 when Lewis lles forced the ball home at the near post from Josh Hinwood's first time cross from the left. Ferry were not going to surrender however and they scored twice in the closing minutes through Walters and Demery to keep their challenge for the title on course.



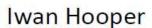
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Adrian Maguire	M	1				15	16							
Alex Bonthron	F	24	1	1		2	28	22		22	1	7	-	0
Alex McDowell	M	16	1	1	1	7	26	3		3	2			
Alfie Foster	M					3	3							
Andrew Hewitt	D	3				1	4		1	1		1	-	0
Andrew Larcombe	M	21	1	1	1	3	27	1		1	2	6	್ತ	0
Callum Hodges	D	8					8	1		1	1	1	-	0
Callum Wakeham	F					8	8							
Charlie Taylor	M	3				7	10	(C)		.e3				
Cole Doolan	M	2		6 8		6	8							
Dominic Connor	D	24	1	1	1	3	30	1		1	2			
Elliot Jones	M	2			1	7	10			100		2	-	0
Gabriel Howells	M					1	1		1	1				
George Jenkins	M				1	1	2							
Giles Basson	M					3	3			8		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	17		1	1		19	46			4	1	-	0
Josh Hinwood	D	20	1	1		8	30	3		3	1	6	62	0
Josh Rippon	D	11	1			4	16	1		1		2	175	0
Kian Bodenham	D	14	1	1		8	24				2	4	-	0
Lewis Iles	F	22	1	1	1	2	27	7	1	8	1	5	000	0
Lewis McCauley	M	6				3	9			40				
Lewis Watkins	GK	9	1			1	11				1	2	-	0
Rory Coleman	D					1	1			80 20				
Sam Powell	D	3	1			10	14	1		1		4	-	1
Shaun Moss	M	17		1	1	2	21	1		1		6	-21	0
Thomas Meechan	F	24		1	1	2	28	12		12	5	3	-	0
Tyler Broom	D	14		1	1	8	24	06		60	2	8	-	0



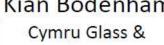
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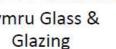
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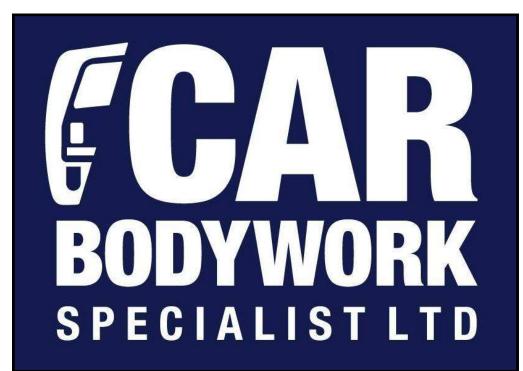
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#### **CWMBRAN CELTIC PEN PICTURES 2023/2024**

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

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

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







Tyler Broom



Joshua Rippon



**Dominic Connor** 



Andrew Larcombe





Kian Bodenham



Callum Hodges



Josh Hinwood



Harrison Lewis





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17-Apr Wed Trefelin BGC 20-Apr Sat Goytre United

Red Card Yellow Card

Subs Not Used

Man of the Match \*

### FIXTURES, RESULTS & TEAM INFORMATION 2023/2024



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	7	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	lles 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	2	20	Basson	Foster	McCauley	Maguire	25
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	8	
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	lles 1	Powell.S	N	Bodenham	Rippon	Maguire	Larcombe	20
15-Dec Fri Briton Ferry Llansawel	2 - 3	Watlins	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	Watlins	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	Watlins	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	Watlins	Bodenham	Connor	Hodges	Lewis.H 1	Hinwood	Iles	Moss	Bonthron	Meechan 1	*Powell.I	Powell.S	Hooper	Taylor	Rippon	Maguire	Larcombe	32
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	Watlins	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	Watlins	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	Watlins	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	3 - 1	Hooper	Broom	Connor	Hodges	Rippon	Larcombe	McCauley	McDowell	Bonthron 1	*Meechan 2	Iles	Powell.S	Evans	Doolan	Hinwood	Taylor	Maguire	
16-Mar Sat Llantwit Major	1 - 1	*Hooper	Broom	Connor	Hodges	Rippon	Larcombe	McCauley	McDowell	Bonthron	Iles 1	Doolan	Powell.S	Evans	Wakeham	Hinwood	Taylor	Moss	Bodenham
23-Mar Sat Briton Ferry Llansawel	2 - 4	Hooper	Broom	Connor	Hodges	Rippon	*Larcombe	McCauley	McDowell	Bonthron 1	Meechan	lles 1	Bodenham	Lewis.S	Doolan	Hinwood	Taylor	Moss	
29-Mar Fri Carmarthen Town	0-3	Hooper	Broom	Hinwood	Moss	*Bodenham	Rippon	McCauley	Taylor	Iles	Meechan	Connor			Wakeham	Coleman	Maguire		
01-Apr Mon Pontardawe Town	3 - 3	Hooper	Broom	*Hinwood 1	Larcombe	Bodenham	Rippon	McCauley	Taylor	Bonthron 1	Meechan 1	McDowell	Moss	Lewis.S	Maguire			Connor	
13-Apr Sat Abergavenny Town																			

#### **CWMBRAN CELTIC PEN PICTURES 2023/2024 (continued)**



Adrian Maguire



Lewis McCauley



**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: midfield, 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.

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

Shaun Moss: midfield, 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 1<sup>st</sup> team. Debut Undy Jan 20. **Sponsor:** RWR Recuritment.

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.

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

#### **CWMBRAN CELTIC PLAYER SPONSORS**

Player Name	Sponsor Name	Player Name	Sponsor Name
Adrian Maguire	Tredegar Torpedoes	Jack Martin	SRK Scaffolding
Alex Bonthron	MIPA Carpentry	Josh Hinwood	NU Staff
Alex McDowell	Construction Law Consutant 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
Iwan Hooper	Central Group Roofing		













#### **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	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	3 - 1	Meechan 2 Bonthron
16-Mar	Llantwit Major	Away	1 - 1	Iles
23-Mar	Briton Ferry Llansawel	Home	2 - 4	Bonthron Iles
29-Mar	Carmarthen Town	Away	0 - 3	
01-Apr	Pontardawe Town	Away	3 - 3	Meechan Hinwood Bonthron
13-Apr	Abergavenny Town	Home		
17-Apr	Trefelin BGC	Home		
20-Apr	Goytre United	Home		



TEACHING AGENCY

#### **CWMBRAN CELTIC REVIEW EASTER WEEK ENDING 01-Apr**

The 1st team played 2 away games over the Easter weekend. On Good Friday we were well beaten 3-0 at Carmarthen Town. Celtic were missing captain Larcombe & top scorer Bonthron, both suspended for 5 bookings & we failed to score ending a run of 23 successive games in which we had scored in the league. Ironically the last team to prevent us scoring in the league was Carmarthen at Celtic Park last August. Rory Coleman made his debut from the bench.

On Monday Celtic's **1**<sup>st</sup> **team** drew 3-3 at Pontardawe Town. Celtic were twice behind but came back to lead 3-2 through goals by Tom Meechan, Josh Hinwood & Alex Bonthron. Alex had a chance to seal the win in the 85th minute but he screwed his penalty wide & Town snatched the equaliser 2 minutes later. Celtic need 3 points from their last 3 home games to avoid the drop.

On Saturday the **Reserves** drew 4-4 at home to Liswerry. Jack Prosser scored a hat-trick for Celtic to put them 3-2 ahead. The visitors scored 2 goals to lead going into time added on but Tom Barrett scored the equaliser. Celtic slip to 4<sup>th</sup> in the table. The **3<sup>rd</sup> team** won 4-0 at home to Ponthir. Scorers: Damien Brean, Ryan Nicklin, Peter Arnott, David Smallman.

On Sunday **Celtic Youth** lost 4-3 at league leaders Risca United. The hosts went 2 up but Jesse Jenkins scored twice to level the scores. Gabriel Howells put Celtic in front & a shock result was on the cards but Risca fought back to equalise and it looked odds on a draw until Risca scored the winner deep into time added on. Celtic remain 3<sup>rd</sup> in the table.

The **Women's 1**<sup>st</sup> **team** ended their season against champions Briton Ferry Llansawel who arrived at Celtic Park with a 100% record. Celtic gave the visitors a run for their money and when Eloise Meaney equalised from the penalty spot on 61 minutes Celtic's tails were up as they strove for the winner. However, the league's top scorer Alison Witts scored the winner on 87 minutes. Celtic finish the season a creditable 3<sup>rd</sup> in the table.

The **Women's Development team** won an exciting top of the table clash 2-1 at home to league leaders Tranch Ladies. Celtic went ahead with a Teagan Eley penalty, Tranch equalised but Dominque Laida scored the winner on 88 minutes to lift Celtic to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the league. There are still 7 games to go but Celtic are only 3 points behind Tranch with 3 games in hand and a much superior goal difference. It was good to see former 1<sup>st</sup> team keeper Megan Davies in goal during her vacation & Georgina Cridland on the side helping out as she recovers from her serious injury.

The **Vets 40s** were 2-1 up in the Shield going into stoppage time through goals by Rob Surtees and Symon Bailey but Pentyrch Rangers scored in time added on to snatch a 2-2 draw.

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#### **CWMBRAN CELTIC 1st TEAM STATISTICS**

League	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	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)	27	9	6	12	56	62	33	11th (16)
Total	545	227	102	216	973	908	783	

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#### MATCH REPORT: CARMARTHEN TOWN 3 – 0 CWMBRAN CELTIC (29-Mar)

Celtic were without captain Andrew Larcombe and top striker Alex Bonthron for this Good Friday clash at Carmarthen, both being suspended having picked up 5 yellow cards and they were swept aside by a 3-goal spell in 21 minutes either side of half-time. Earlier in the 1<sup>st</sup> half Iwan Hooper saved a penalty from Rickard after Hooper had brought an attacker down in the penalty area. However Town went ahead on 40 minutes when Gavin Jones fastened on to a ball down the left by Parsons to slot the ball home. Town increased their lead on 54 minutes when Tobias Jones scored and Gibbins wrapped up the points in the 61<sup>st</sup> minute from a ball down the middle of the box.

Celtic's failure to score ended a run of scoring in 23 successive games since August when, coincidentally, Carmarthen were the last team to deny them a goal. Rory Coleman came off the bench to make his Celtic debut.

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#### MATCH REPORT: PONTARDAWE 3 - 3 CWMBRAN CELTIC (01-Apr)

Both teams were badly in need of points from this Easter Monday fixture at Pontardawe and it was the hosts who drew first blood on 9 minutes when a clearance from the keeper bounced over the heads of Celtic's static back three & allowed Morris to score. Celtic equalised in the 38<sup>th</sup> minute with a superb piece of opportunism by Alex Bonthron. He dispossessed a Town defender and then rode the crude sliding challenge of the same player before homing in on goal & placing the ball into the path of Tom Meechan to score.

On 47 minutes Town re-took the lead when Celtic again failed to deal with the bounce from a long clearance from which a Town attacker hit the post. The ball sped across the goal for Morris to score at the far post. Celtic equalised on 73 minutes when Josh Hinwood timed his run perfectly to head in from a corner by Meechan. Celtic then took the lead on 82 minutes when another Meechan corner was half cleared into the air where Alex Bonthron reacted quickest to nod the ball into the net. Alex had a chance to seal the points in the 85<sup>th</sup> minute from a penalty awarded for a trip on Meechan but he screwed his shot past the post. Celtic were made to pay two minutes later when Dorward skipped into the box to poke the ball past the keeper for the equaliser.

This hard-earned point puts Celtic in a good place to avoid the bottom three in the run-in. We have 3 home games from which we need one win to reach 36 points to ensure safety. As things stand Taffs Well look to be favourites for the drop as their maximum points are 35 although Pontardawe are still very much in the mix one point behind the Wellmen but with 2 games in hand.

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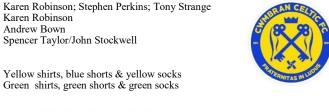
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#### **CWMBRAN CELTIC HONOURS**

Welsh League:

Division 2 Runners-up (2) 2009/10, 2015/16

Division 3 Winners 2006/7

Winners (3) 2009/10, 2010/11, 2016/17, 2018/19; Runners up 2012/13, 2017/2018 Reserve Division (East)

**Gwent County:** 

Division 1 Runners-up 2004/5

Division 2 Winners 1986/7; Runners-up 2000/1

Runners-up 1999/2000 Division 3 Runners-up 1972/3 Premier League

Winners 1970/1; Runners-up (2) 2007/8, 2008/9 Senior Cup

Amateur Ĉup 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

Winners 1969/70; Runners-up (2) 1972/3, 1979/80 Division 2B 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

Winners 1967/8 **Under 18 Division** 

**Gwent County:** 

Under 14 Cup Winners 2011/12; Runners up 2012/13, Winners 2023/24 Under 16 Division Winners (3) 1990/1, 1994/5, 1998/9; Runners-up 2000/1 Winners (4) 1993/4\*, 1994/5, 1998/9, 2000/1 (\*U15 team) Under 16 Cup

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:

Runners-up 1973/4 Under 12 Division

Under 13 Division Winners (2) 1967/8, 1968/9; Runners-up 1966/7

Winners (3) 1966/7, 1967/8, 1968/9 Under 13 Cup Winners (2) 1968/9, 1970/1 Under 15 Cup

**Torfaen Junior & Youth League:** 

Under 10 Division Winners (4) 1984/5, 1988/9, 1989/90, 1990/1; Runners-up (2) 1987/8, 1992/3

Winners (4) 1984/5, 1988/9, 1989/90, 1990/1 Under 10 Cup

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

Runners-up (4) 1990/1\*, 2000/2, 2009/10, 2010/11 (\*U11 team)

Winners (9) 1986/7, 1989/90, 1991/2, 1992/3, 1994/5, 1996/7, 2001/2, 2008/9, 2015/16 Under 12 Cup

Runners-up (6) 1987/8, 1990/1, 2000/1, 2003/4, 2004/5, 2010/11, 2021/22

Winners (2) 2021/22, 2022/23 Under 13 Division

Under 14 Division Winners (10) 1976/7, 1988/9, 1992/3, 1996/7, 2003/4, 2005/6, 2009/10, 2010/11,

2011/12, 2012/13

Runners-up (3) 1989/90, 2004/5, 2006/7

Under 14 Cup Winners (9) 1976/7, 1983/4, 1992/3, 1996/7, 1998/9, 2006/7, 2010/11, 2012/13, 2022/23

Runners-up (1) 2004/5

Under 15 Division Runners-up (1) 2021/22

Under 16 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

Runners-up 2010/11

Winners (10) 1979/80, 1985/6, 1990/1, 1993/4, 1998/9, 2000/1, 2001/2, 2007/8, 2008/9, 2022/3 Under 16 Cup

Runners-up (7) 1994/5, 2000/1\*, 2002/3, 2006/7\*, 2007/8\* (\*U15 team), 2013/14, 2014/15

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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