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FAW & Prosiect Cymru and what it all means, Lee Trundle at 48, Merthyr and the £6m, Fifa step in to resolve deal and much much more.

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**A magazine dedicated to the
JD Cymru Premier, North &
South leagues bringing you
news, views and stats.**

Data is a bit boring isn't it?

Far from it. You learn a lot about football looking at the data and from the limited data I have from the leagues, it paints a picture of how the teams and players play and makes for some interesting reading and hopefully this magazine will show that but in an interesting and design led format.

A big thanks to all those who have listened, supported and given me the push to do something I enjoy. To you, the readers and the contributors of this magazine, thanks.

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Thanks for coming on this journey with me

JD Cymru Leagues

In focus

No to Prosiect Cymru

The Football Association has rejected a plan for Wales' four English Football League clubs to qualify for Europe through a revamped Welsh cup competition.

Cardiff City, Swansea City, Wrexham, and Newport County had been working with the Football Association of Wales (FAW) on a proposal to join a new version of the Welsh League Cup, where the winner would secure a spot in the Europa Conference League.

But after some EFL clubs raised concerns, the FA decided to block the idea at a meeting on 23rd January.

It's a big disappointment for the Welsh clubs and the FAW, who called the proposal "game-changing" for football in Wales. The FA said it made the decision after "consulting with stakeholders" and pointed to issues like "competition integrity, fixture congestion, and player welfare," as well as how it might affect other competitions.

The proposal, called Prosiect Cymru (Project Wales), would have seen Cardiff, Swansea, Wrexham, and Newport competing against the 12 teams from the Cymru Premier, Wales' top domestic league. Most of the Cymru Premier clubs were on board with the idea, and even Uefa had approved it.

According to the FAW, the revamped Welsh League Cup could have brought in £3 million a year, which would have been reinvested in grassroots football, women's football, and other domestic initiatives.

But the EFL had its concerns, even though it didn't say much publicly before the decision. One issue was fixture congestion, especially since Championship games often take place midweek at the same time as European fixtures.

“This will be a gamechanger for the development of the game as we work to unlock the full potential of Welsh football”

FAW Chief Executive Noel Mooney

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Money was another sticking point. With stricter profit and sustainability rules in place, some EFL clubs felt that the Welsh clubs would have an unfair edge if they had more chances to qualify for Europe. Even though the FAW said the extra revenue wouldn't count toward financial rules, Welsh clubs would still benefit from bigger crowds, better sponsorship deals, and potentially more attractive transfer opportunities.

In a statement, the FA explained: "As part of the request, the Welsh clubs would forfeit their current right to qualify for Uefa competitions through the English system while still being part of the EFL. They would only qualify through the English system if they got promoted to the Premier League."

The FA added: "After consulting with stakeholders and reviewing submissions from the Welsh clubs, we carefully considered the request. Ultimately, we decided against it due to issues like fairness for all clubs competing on the same terms, concerns over competition integrity, fixture congestion, and player welfare, as well as the impact on existing competitions."

"The Welsh clubs can decide whether to stick with the English system or join the Welsh system, but if they choose the English system, they must follow the same rules as everyone else."

Following the announcement from the FA, the FAW released this statement

"The Football Association of Wales acknowledges the decision of the English Football Association Board concerning the Prosiect Cymru proposal for a revamped Welsh League Cup.

The FAW is disappointed that the proposal was rejected as it would have benefited all levels of football throughout Wales with funding worth an annual £3million. The revenue model would have been distributed throughout the JD Cymru Premier, Genero Adrian Premier and grassroots facilities across the country.

The FAW will continue to focus on raising standards across the game in Wales and implementing its ambitious strategy to improve the JD Cymru Premier both on and off the pitch through an exciting competition format, strengthening the league administration, professionalising club administration, building brand awareness, engaging communities and enhancing on-pitch quality."

JD Cymru Leagues In focus

Before the decision from the FA, we had asked for fans opinion. Here are the thoughts of a couple.

Cymru Premier Enjoyer

@CaruPelDroedCym

“ I am strongly in favour of the EFL clubs playing a part in Welsh football. For me, the idea of having games like Caernarfon v Wrexham or Barry v Cardiff, and big finals with tens of thousands watching the best Welsh clubs fight for a place in Europe, is as exciting as anything we've seen from the national team in recent years.

I do get why fans of Cymru Prem clubs are hesitant. Supporters of clubs are supposed to only want the best for their club, and this probably gives up a european spot. But they would still have 3 spots to fight for, and from a Welsh national perspective, the potential of these games is so so big.

Can someone set up this tournament in Football Manager at least?

Ben Thomas

@BThomasJourno

“ It's a plan that has clearly split opinion and despite not having the full information on how the new competition would work or even if the FAW can get it over the line, the plans they have to grow Welsh football is clearly exciting.

The Welsh leagues have seen growth over recent years but there is no doubt that it needs much more financial backing to help our clubs reach their full potential and having the nation compete at a higher level in European competitions.

I don't think it's a short term fix but I have no doubt that if the league gets the backing needed then we could have a very successful and entertaining domestic competition in Wales.

I would like to see Welsh clubs competing regularly in Europe and the possible money provided could really aid that, but we need further proof that these plans will not only work but be allowed to work.



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// I'm delighted to stay for another year



Connah's Quay Nomads

Hughes signs new contract

Connah's Quay Nomads have announced that Rhys Hughes has signed a new contract with the club.

Hughes joined The Nomads in August 2024, ahead of the current season, following spells at Everton and Tranmere Rovers. He has also represented Wales at the U21 level.

Since his arrival, Hughes has made an immediate impact, scoring 11 goals in 25 appearances across all competitions from midfield. With 10 league goals, he is currently the joint top scorer in the JD Cymru Premier with Louis Lloyd from Caernarfon Town.

The new contract secures Hughes' commitment to the club until at least the end of the 2025/26 season.

Commenting on the extension, Rhys said:

"I've really enjoyed this season working with the players and staff we have here and it's the most I've enjoyed my football for a long time.

I'm delighted to stay for another year and hopefully achieve our goals as a team for this season and next!"

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2024/25

10
goals

22
games

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Fifa step in on Young deal



The New Saints

Al-Orobah FC have been instructed by FIFA to pay The New Saints (TNS) the outstanding transfer fee for striker Brad Young, totalling £190,000 plus 5% interest, by the end of February. Failure to comply with the ruling will result in a transfer registration ban for the Saudi Arabian club, preventing them from signing new players for the next three transfer windows.

The dispute over the transfer fee arose following Young's move from the Welsh Premier League champions to Al-Orobah. The Saudi side had reportedly failed to fulfill the financial obligations stipulated in the transfer agreement. After a review of the case, FIFA—the global governing body for football—ruled in favor of TNS, ensuring the club would receive the payment with interest to account for the delay.

Brad Young joined TNS with a reputation as a prolific goal-scorer, and his time at the club only bolstered his standing. During his tenure with the Welsh side, Young consistently delivered on the pitch, amassing an impressive scoring record scoring 32 goals in 43 games in all Welsh competitions.

This ruling from FIFA serves as a significant reminder to clubs of their obligations in player transfers and the potential consequences of non-compliance. For TNS, the decision represents a vindication of their stance and ensures they are appropriately compensated for the loss of one of their standout players.

As the February deadline looms, it remains to be seen whether Al-Orobah will settle the payment and avoid further sanctions. Should the Saudi club fail to comply, the transfer ban would likely hinder their ability to strengthen their squad in upcoming transfer windows, presenting a major challenge in their quest for domestic success.



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Merthyr Town Rejects FAW's £6 Million Offer to Join Cymru Premier

Merthyr Town has rejected a £6 million offer from the Football Association of Wales (FAW) to leave the English non-league system and join the Cymru Premier in 2026. In a decisive vote, 96% of the fan-owned club's members opposed the move, marking a major setback for the FAW's plans to elevate Welsh domestic football.

The FAW's proposal included significant financial incentives. The package offered £2 million for infrastructure improvements at Merthyr's Penydarren Park, which could increase to £4 million with match funding from government and local authorities. Additionally, the FAW promised £250,000 annually for five years to support the club's participation in the Cymru Premier, along with funds to address potential attendance drops and facility upgrades. The plan was tied to a broader strategy to expand the Cymru Premier to 16 teams and implement a new three-division structure from 2026-27.

Despite these incentives, Merthyr's fans opted to stay in the English football system, valuing the club's unique position and history. Merthyr first joined the English pyramid in 1909 and has been a part of it ever since, except for a brief hiatus following the liquidation of the original Merthyr Tydfil FC in 2010. The club, currently leading the Southern League Premier South by six points, is thriving and well-positioned for promotion to the National League South, the sixth tier of English football.

Merthyr manager Paul Michael supported the fans' decision, recognizing their attachment to the English system. "The FAW are doing the right thing in trying to improve the domestic game. We're Welsh football supporters and we want to see that league grow," he said. "But the onus and the people invested in this club are in it because of the pyramid that it's in."

The decision was announced after Merthyr defeated Taunton Town 2-0, continuing their promotion push in front of a passionate home crowd. The club has seen growing local support, with a January league game against AFC Totton attracting 1,744 fans to Penydarren Park.

The FAW's proposal was part of a long-standing ambition to bring Merthyr into the Welsh domestic system, but the rejection highlights the challenges of integrating clubs with deep roots in the English game. This follows another blow to Welsh football's governing body, as the Football Association recently rejected a plan for Cardiff City, Swansea City, Wrexham, and Newport County to qualify for Europe via a revamped Welsh League Cup. For now, Merthyr Town remains committed to its identity and future in the English non-league system, while the FAW must reassess its approach to strengthening Welsh domestic football.

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// It just feels like the natural thing to do. I'm really happy at the club. It feels like my club



Penybont

New deal for title chasing manager

Rhys Griffiths has committed his future to the club, signing a two-and-a-half-year contract extension that will keep him at the helm until at least the summer of 2027. The announcement cements Griffiths's role as a cornerstone of the team's ongoing success in the JD Cymru Premiership.

The club announced, "We are delighted to announce that our Manager, Rhys Griffiths has extended his contract with us. It's great to have continuity going forward for an ever improving club."

Under Griffiths's leadership, the team has been locked in a fierce battle with TNS for the league title, showcasing remarkable form and determination this season losing only 2 games going into the league split. The extension reflects the club's confidence in his ability to steer the team to continued success in domestic competitions.

Stats as Penybont Manager

214
games

93
wins

46
draws

75
losses



JD Cymru Premier

In focus

Premier Phase 1 Final Round Mayhem

The first phase of the Cymru Premier season concluded on Friday, 17 January, after Bala Town defeated Connah's Quay Nomads 2-0 in a replayed game ordered by the Football Association of Wales. The result secured Bala's place in the Championship Conference and demoted Barry Town to 7th place.

The replay followed the abandonment of the original match where Connah's Quay had led Bala 3-0 before thick fog at Flint's Essity Stadium forced the game to be halted. Both teams were still competing for a spot in the Championship Conference at the time.

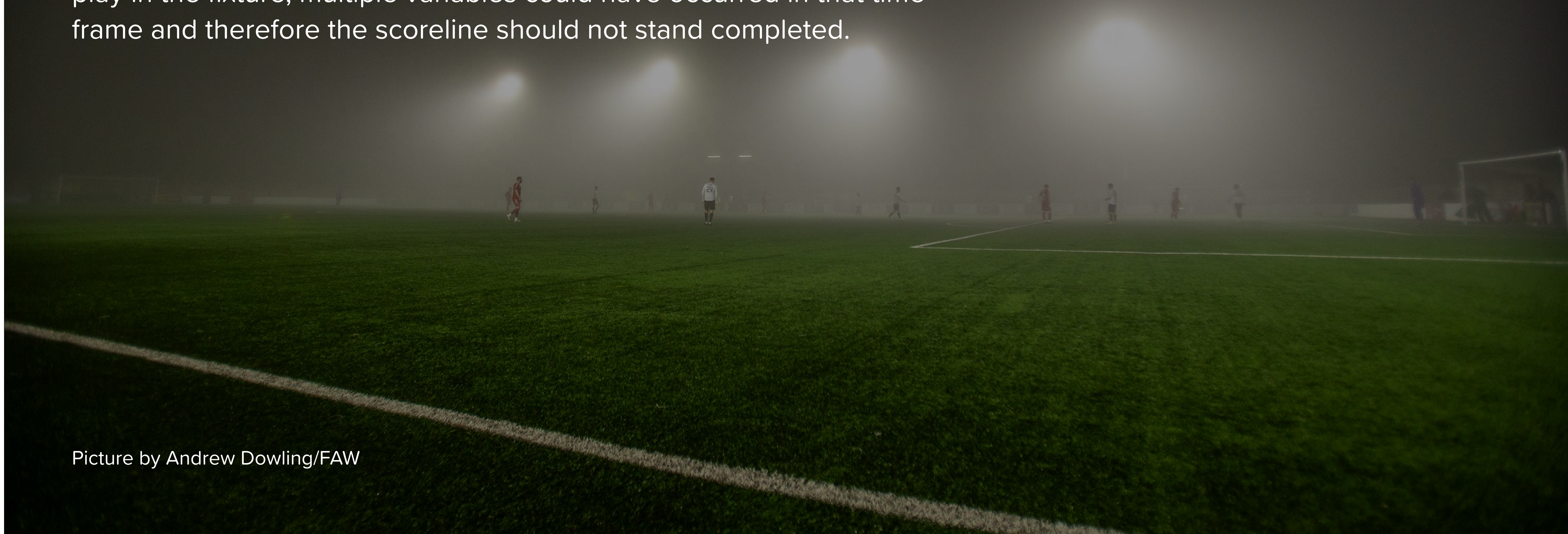
"Following the abandonment of Connah's Quay Nomads v Bala Town in the JD Cymru Premier on Tuesday, 14 January, the FAW National Leagues Board (NLB) has voted in favour of the fixture being replayed in full," an FAW statement confirmed before the match.

"In line with Cymru Premier Rule 20.1, the NLB considered both options available to them: ordering the match to stand completed as a 3-0 win for Connah's Quay Nomads – the scoreline at the time of the match abandonment – or replaying the full period of 90 minutes.

"While recognising the extremely difficult and unique circumstances for all clubs impacted, with no solution likely to appease all parties, the NLB concluded that with 28 minutes plus any additional time still to play in the fixture, multiple variables could have occurred in that time frame and therefore the scoreline should not stand completed.

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FAW



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"This is consistent with previous decisions with regards to previous abandoned matches."

Bala's victory came during a week when the club's boss Colin Caton had already criticized the FAW's handling of rescheduled games, expressing his displeasure at having to play their home fixture against Caernarfon Town at a neutral venue.

The Lakesiders had initially hosted Caernarfon at Maes Tegid on 31 December, but that game was abandoned at half time. Rescheduling complications due to frozen turf led to the match being held on 11 January at Llandudno's Maesdu Park, where Bala lost 2-0.

'Deeply disappointing'

Barry Town, now relegated to 7th place, voiced strong dissatisfaction with the replay decision, calling it "deeply disappointing" and questioning the FAW's "sporting integrity."

"This has been the most exciting conclusion to phase one of the league in many years, with five clubs playing on the final day for the final three places in the league's championship conference, a top six place with an automatic European play-off place and no threat of relegation," a Barry Town statement said.

"Instead of a competitive conclusion to those 22 matches, we now have a single match in which one club has an advantage of knowing beforehand how they can succeed above other clubs, and their opponents objectively now have less reason to play competitively, knowing that they can no longer reach a top six placing."

Barry Town called on the FAW to reconsider what they described as a "very poor" decision, but the result ultimately ensured Bala's progression while ending Barry's top-six aspirations.



Picture by Andrew Dowling/FAW

JD Cymru North

Latest news



Ben is someone I've worked with before. He is a great person and will fit right in. His quality and experience will be invaluable to the group, and he will play a big part in what we're building here.

Jordan Hadaway, Llandudno Manager



Llandudno

Midfielder signs 18 month deal

Experienced midfielder Ben Maher has signed an 18-month contract after completing a move from Connah's Quay Nomads. The 29-year-old, known for his composure and versatility in midfield, adds valuable quality and leadership to his new side.

During his latest spell with The Nomads, Maher featured 16 times in all competitions, providing four assists and scoring three goals. A memorable highlight came in July 2024 when he netted a last-minute winner to secure a 1–0 victory over Bravo in the UEFA Europa Conference League.

Maher boasts a wealth of experience across the Cymru Premier and Cymru North, having played significant minutes at this level. He also previously worked under manager Jordan Hadaway during the 2022/23 campaign at Cefn Druids.

Speaking about the move, Maher said: "When Jord made contact, it was something that definitely interested me. I've played under him before and know how he works, so I'm delighted to sign! It's the business end of the season so hopefully we can kick on and end the season positively."

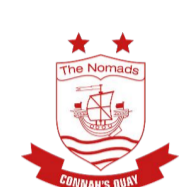
Maher's addition is expected to bolster the team as they push for a strong finish to the campaign.



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Around the clubs



Connah's Quay Nomads

Nomads welcome international striker

Connah's Quay Nomads are delighted to announce the arrival of 19-year-old Scotland U19 striker, Max Woodcock.

Woodcock is a product of the renowned Crewe Alexandra Academy system having also spent a loan spell at Runcorn Linnets and also most recently a brief stay at Leek Town.



Bangor City 1876

BANGOR City Football Club has been dissolved following a compulsory strike-off.

Three-time Welsh champions Bangor City FC have been dissolved by companies house following a compulsory strike-off.

The football club, which has been dormant since February 2022 amid unpaid debts, withdrew from the Welsh second tier in February 2022 and has remained inactive since. Also, last month supporters of fan-owned club Bangor 1876 voted in favour of changing the club's name to "Bangor City 1876" by a margin of two to one.



Prestatyn Town

Wiltshire on road to recovery

Luke Wiltshire, the Prestatyn midfielder who suffered a double leg fracture against Bangor City 1876 in August has returned to work and is starting physio soon. Speaking via social media, he said "I have just returned to work on the 6th January. Both breaks are now fully healed and I have a final x-ray at the end of the month". Wiltshire was a summer signing from champions Holywell Town.



Cardiff Met

Seaside move for keeper

Alex Lang, Cardiff Met's Welsh goalkeeper has left the club to begin a coaching role at Brighton & Hove Albion's academy.

Lang has been between the sticks 204 times for the Met in the past 7 years and kept 63 clean sheets.



Holywell Town

Wellmen get funding boost

Holywell Town have announced that they have secured a grant for a Smart Local Energy System project allowing them to install new LED floodlights, solar panels, new heating and water systems and EV car chargers at the Bartons North Wales Stadium. The grant funded by the Welsh Government through the Ynni Cymru capital grants fund ensures the club has a brighter and more sustainable future. The work is to be completed by March so may affect some home games until then.



Guilsfield

Guils manager signs son

Cameron Allen, who previously played for Penrhynoch, has made a significant move to Guilsfield FC, where he will now play under the management of his father, Gavin Allen. Cameron has been in excellent form this season, showcasing his goal-scoring prowess with an impressive tally of 12 goals in 18 appearances across all competitions. His arrival at Guilsfield FC is expected to add a new dynamic to the team's attacking lineup, with his consistent performances making him a valuable asset as they aim for success under Gavin's leadership.

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Bala Town

Young Wrexham striker joins

Rising star Callum Edwards is set to make waves in the Cymru Premier, joining Bala Town on loan for the remainder of the season.

Edwards, who penned his first professional contract with Wrexham last year, has already shown promise on the pitch. The versatile midfielder and forward featured in Wrexham's pre-season win against Hanley Town and earned a spot in the match-day squad for November's EFL Trophy clash at Port Vale.

A standout for Nick Chadwick's EFL Youth Alliance side this season, Edwards has netted four goals and now takes the next step in his career with the Lakesiders. The loan move offers the 19-year-old valuable first-team experience as he continues to develop his skills.

Bala Town, under the guidance of manager Colin Caton, secured a fifth-place finish in the first phase of the Cymru Premier season, guaranteeing their spot in the Championship Conference. With European qualification in their sights, Caton's squad will be looking to benefit from Edwards' energy and attacking flair as they battle for a coveted top spot.



Caersws

Top goalscorer moves on

Josh Astley has completed his transfer from Caersws to Llanfair United following an impressive season with the Mid Wales outfit. The forward made 21 appearances for Caersws during the campaign, scoring nine goals, including a standout performance where he netted four times in a single match against Prestatyn. Astley's move marks a significant addition for Llanfair United, with the striker bringing proven quality and a keen eye for goal to his new team.



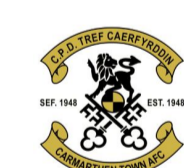
Newtown

Newtown complete triple signing ahead of Phase 2

Newtown AFC has bolstered their squad with the signings of Rackeem Reid, Wahib Tahra, and Desean Martin ahead of the crucial Phase 2 opener on Friday. Reid, a powerful and direct striker, joins from Telford, bringing pace and physicality to the Robins' attack. Meanwhile, French forward Tahra, who boasts global experience with clubs in Colombia, Tunisia, Italy, and France, adds technical ability, creativity, and versatility in the final third.

Midfield reinforcements come in the form of Desean Martin, a combative player from Bedworth United, who provides energy and aggression in the heart of the pitch. Manager Callum McKenzie expressed his excitement over the trio, highlighting their unique qualities that complement the existing squad. Reid's goal-scoring pedigree, Tahra's flair, and Martin's high-energy presence bring new dimensions to the team.

With these exciting additions, Newtown looks poised to tackle Phase 2 with renewed strength, balance, and attacking firepower. Fans will be eager to see how this dynamic trio influences the Robins' campaign as they push for success in the coming weeks.



Carmarthen Town

Aizlewood to step down at the end of the season

Carmarthen Town AFC has announced that long-serving First Team Manager Mark Aizlewood, known as "Aize," will step down at the end of this season, concluding a remarkable 20-year tenure with the club.

Under his leadership, the "Old Gold" achieved multiple trophies, consistent top-six finishes in the Welsh Premier League, and memorable European campaigns.

The club expressed gratitude for Aizlewood's dedication and confirmed he will remain focused on the season, with 27 points still to play for in the Cymru South and a Welsh Cup quarter-final ahead.

JD Cymru Premier
In focus



Keeping it tight at the back

This season has seen a defensive masterclass from Tony Pennock's Haverfordwest team in the JD Cymru Premiership where they have to date only conceded 13 goals and collected 12 clean sheets for their trouble. Going into the league split and the second half of the season, it will be interesting to see if the team can carry on their defensive work.

12 and counting

 Connah's Q. 11.08.2024	1-0	 Penybont 23.08.2024	0-0
 Cardiff Met 26.08.2024	0-0	 Newtown 30.08.2024	3-0
 Aberystwyth 20.09.2024	3-0	 Cardiff Met 27.09.2024	1-0
 Bala 04.10.2024	2-0	 Connah's Q. 12.10.2024	0-0
 Caernarfon 26.08.2024	0-0	 Bala 23.11.2024	0-0
 Newtown 26.12.2024	3-0	 Aberystwyth 01.01.2025	1-0

JD Cymru South
In focus

// There's no place I'd rather be than a football pitch



Trefelin

Lee Trundle: Still Dazzling at 48 with Trefelin BGC

For most footballers, the mid-40s mark a time for nostalgia and retirement. Not for Lee Trundle. At 48 years old, the Swansea City cult hero is still lacing up his boots and delighting fans with his silky skills—this time for Trefelin BGC in the Welsh South Division.

While many players hang up their boots long before their 40s, Trundle has defied age and convention. Joining Trefelin BGC, a team in the Cymru South (second tier of Welsh football), he continues to prove that class is permanent. Despite competing against players half his age, Trundle remains a force to be reckoned with, showing that his touch, vision, and trademark flair haven't faded with time.

Even in a semi-professional league, Trundle's quality stands out. Whether it's a deft flick to create a chance or a curling shot from distance, he still has the ability to turn a game on its head. His presence also provides invaluable experience and mentorship to younger teammates, who are learning from a player with decades of footballing wisdom.



JD Cymru South

In focus

The Love for the Game

What sets Trundle apart isn't just his skill but his undying passion for football. After a storied career that saw him rise to prominence with Swansea City, score spectacular goals, and gain cult status, many would assume he'd retire to coaching or punditry. But for Trundle, playing the game he loves has always been the ultimate reward.

"I love playing football, there's no better place than I'd rather be than out on a football pitch," Trundle said in a recent interview. "As long as I can contribute and enjoy myself, I'll keep going." His love for the game is infectious, making him a fan favourite wherever he plays.

A Legacy That Keeps Growing

Trundle's continued involvement in football is more than just a personal achievement—it's an inspiration. In a sport increasingly dominated by youth and athleticism, he shows that passion, intelligence, and skill can keep a player at the top of their game well into their later years. His ability to entertain fans and deliver on the pitch has turned Trefelin's matches into must-watch events.

Still Turning Heads

At 48, Trundle might not be scoring 20 goals a season, but he's still producing moments of magic that remind fans why he's a legend. Whether it's a clever assist, a cheeky piece of skill, or simply his presence on the pitch, Lee Trundle continues to prove that age is just a number in football.

As he continues his journey with Trefelin BGC, Trundle is more than a player—he's a testament to the enduring beauty of the game and a reminder that some players never lose their love for football.

Welsh league career to date

180^{*}
goals

243^{*}
games

Career to date

354^{*}
goals

734^{*}
games

* Taken from Wikipedia and Transfermarket



JD Cymru Leagues

Head to head

Goals, goals, goals

The race for top scorer in the Welsh football leagues is really heating up as we head into the second half of the season. Two strikers are currently leading the charge for the “Golden Boot,” with some familiar faces in the mix, and others not far behind, just waiting for any slip-ups.

Right now, at the top it's Jamie Breese from the North with Holywell and Liam Eason from the South with Llanelli, formerly of Pontypridd before his transfer this month. Both have been banging in the goals for a few seasons now, so it's no surprise to see their names at the top. The big question now is, will one of them take the top scorer crown, or will someone else sneak in? Let's take a look at how they're all doing this season.



Jamie Breese
Holywell Town

18
goals

21
games

Liam Eason
Llanelli (Was Pontypridd)

18
goals

20
games

JD Cymru Leagues

Head to head

The chasing pack...

Should the goals dry up for the top two strikers, these players have been scoring this season and find themselves in the hunt too for the title of top scorer too.



Danny Warren

Airbus UK

17

goals

17

games



Craig Lindfield

Colwyn Bay

17

goals

18

games



Noah Daley

Carmarthen Town

17

goals

20

games



Keane Watts

Penybont (Was Goytre)

14

goals

19

games



Gwion Dafydd

Colwyn Bay

14

goals

20

games



Lewis Reed

Ammanford

14

goals

21

games



George Peers

Airbus UK

13

goals

18

games



Nathan Brown

Denbigh Town

13

goals

19

games

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JD Cymru Premier In focus

The New Look JD Cymru Premier: A Vision for 2026/27 and Beyond

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In 2026, Welsh football is set to enter an exciting new chapter with a major overhaul of the JD Cymru Premier. The league will expand to 16 teams, bringing a dynamic new structure that aims to elevate competition, fan engagement and long-term sustainability. This transformation promises to shake up the landscape of Welsh football, offering fresh challenges, new rivalries and an even more intense and engaging fixture schedule.

The standout change is the league's move to a 16-team format, where each team will play every other side twice – once at home and once away – over the first 30 matchdays. This expanded fixture list will not only ensure a broader range of matchups but also break the repetitive cycle of playing the same teams multiple times a season. The result? More exciting games, new rivalries and a heightened sense of anticipation for fans across Wales. The atmosphere at matches will hopefully be invigorated by the variety of opponents, making every fixture feel like a fresh challenge.

After Matchday 30, the league will split into three distinct groups, each with its own set of stakes and implications for the teams involved:

1. The Championship Race (Top 6)

The top six clubs will continue to battle for the title, with just five games remaining to decide the champion after the split. The team finishing first in this group will be crowned JD Cymru Premier champions, while the other five sides will secure places in the European qualification play-offs. This creates a thrilling mix of title and European ambitions, with every match crucial to both league standings and continental aspirations.

2. The European Challenger (7th–10th)

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JD Cymru Premier In focus

3. The Survival Zone (11th–16th)

The final group will see clubs ultimately battling to avoid relegation. The teams finishing in 15th and 16th place will be automatically relegated, while the 14th-place team will enter a relegation play-off. Each season, the winners of the JD Cymru South and JD Cymru North will earn automatic promotion, while the runners-up from both leagues will face off in a decisive semi-final match to determine who challenges the 14th-place finisher in a promotion vs survival final. With relegation at stake, every point in the Survival Zone will be crucial, making it as intense and dramatic as the title race itself.

The 2026/27 season of the JD Cymru Premier promises to reshape Welsh football. The new structure will create a more competitive environment, with varied matchups that keep things fresh throughout the season. Top teams will be better prepared for European competition, while mid-table and lower-ranked clubs will have everything to play for – whether it's securing a European play-off spot or battling to stay in the league.



Pic by Ashley Crowden/FAW

The variety of fixtures will also bring a significant boost to fan engagement. With new opponents on the schedule and the unpredictable nature of the league, supporters will find themselves more invested in each match. This shift could be the boost the league needs – helping clubs increase their match day attendance and further strengthen connections with local communities.

One of the biggest talking points surrounding the new structure is the decision to move to a predominantly Friday night fixture model. While this change will likely increase visibility and fan engagement, it also raises logistical challenges. Clubs could face lengthy travel for midweek fixtures – for example, Caernarfon would need to travel 175 miles to Cyncoed Campus for an evening kickoff, while Haverfordwest County could face a similar journey to Connah's Quay. Will the new scheduling improve the fan experience, or will it create too many challenges for players, staff and supporters? This remains to be seen, but it's certainly a discussion worth having.

The new format is an exciting step forward for Welsh domestic football. It promises to deliver not only more thrilling matches but also enhanced sustainability for the league and its clubs. By increasing the competitiveness of the JD Cymru Premier and providing clubs with a wider variety of matchups, the league will be better positioned to grow its commercial revenue streams through match day attendance, sponsorships and broadcasting.

Ultimately, the 2026/27 season of the JD Cymru Premier will mark the beginning of a bold new era for Welsh football. With fresh competition, exciting new matchups and high stakes across the board, the future of the league looks brighter than ever. Whether you're a club, a player or a fan, the revamped structure promises plenty of excitement and new connections, ensuring that Welsh football remains as vibrant and compelling as ever.

JD Cymru North
In focus

Seasiders on the up



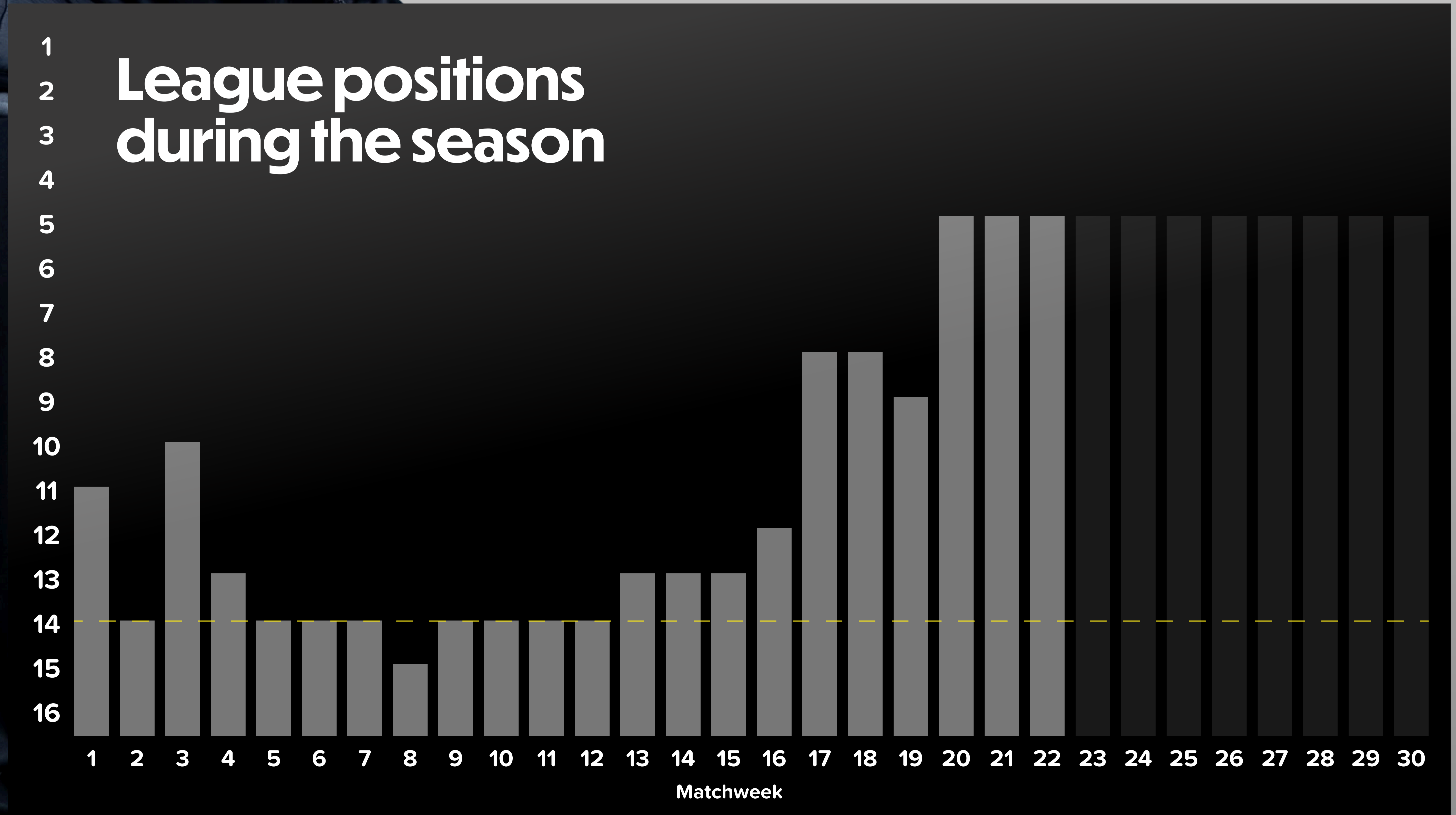
Things have not been going as planned at Llandudno and for the past couple of seasons, the club has fallen well short of expectations after a great league campaign in 22/23 when finishing 3rd.

Last season saw them finishing 12th and for the vast majority of the 24/25 season they have been around 14th and in the relegation zone.

But a run of 9 wins in 12 from the 12th October has seen them climb to 5th in what can be described as a tight race between 5th place and 13th to avoid relegation.

The rise up the table is in part thanks to the goal scoring of Adam Stephens, Mark Cadwallader and Harvey Bennett.

Stephens has scored 8 in the run of 12 games with 10 goals all season, Cadwallader 10 goals in 11 games with 12 goals overall and the young striker Bennett with 5 goals and 9 goals overall all season.



JD Cymru Leagues

Did you know?



Holywell Town

Returning midfielder saves the day

January saw the return of attacking midfielder Ilan ap Gareth to Holywell Town after spending the first half of the season at fellow Cymru North league side Gresford Athletic.

In the game against Denbigh with Holywell 2-0 down at the break, ap Gareth came on and scored a second half hat trick to ensure a 4-2 win at Central Park keeping Town third and 7 games unbeaten.

Scoring a hat trick is a remarkable achievement in a game but to do it coming off the bench takes some effort and only a handful of players have done this in Tier 1 & 2.

Here we take a look at those who have done this in the Welsh leagues to date.

JD Cymru Premiership

James Davies

30.04.21 - Cefn Druids 0 vs Newtown 7

Came on 67 minutes, scored 3

Ben Clark

26.12.22 - TNS 7 vs Airbus UK 0

Came on 62 minutes, scored 3

Ryan Brobbel

16.09.23 - TNS 5 vs Haverfordwest 1

Came on 62 minutes, scored 3

JD Cymru North

Ilan ap Gareth

04.01.25 - Denbigh 2 vs Holywell Town 4

Came on 45 minutes, scored 3

JD Cymru South

Mark Jones

08.08.23 - Ammanford 3 vs Abertillery Bluebirds 2

Came on 60 minutes, scored 3



Ap Gareth Picture by Nik Mesney/FAW
 James Davies Picture by John Smith/FAW
 Ben Clark Picture by Lewis Mitchell/FAW
 Ryan Brobbel Picture by Nik Mesney/FAW
 Ryan Brobbel Picture by Nik Mesney/FAW

JD Cymru South
In focus

Two titles on the bounce?



Trethomas Bluebirds

Bluebirds flying high

The Trethomas Bluebirds are flying high. Under the astute management of Mark Dunford, they find themselves joint top of the JD Cymru South and in a good position to secure promotion to the JD Cymru Premier. This would mark an extraordinary feat for the club: two promotions in two seasons, a testament to their meteoric rise through the tiers of Welsh football.

Dominance in the Ardal South East

The Bluebirds first grabbed attention last season with a stellar campaign in the Ardal South East. Finishing as league champions, they tallied a remarkable 78 points and scored an astonishing 100 goals. That attacking prowess not only ensured promotion but set the tone for their current campaign. The standout performances, tactical discipline, and sheer firepower made it clear that the Bluebirds were a team to watch.

Rising to the Challenge in JD Cymru South

This season, Trethomas Bluebirds have carried their momentum into the JD Cymru South, adapting seamlessly to the higher level of competition. Their rise to the top of the table is no small feat, given the fierce competition from seasoned teams like Llanelli Town and Pontypridd United. Both teams are formidable challengers, and the race for the title is far from over. Yet, the Bluebirds have displayed the consistency and quality needed.



JD Cymru South In focus

The Role of Mark Dunford

Mark Dunford has been a key figure in the success of Trethomas Bluebirds since his appointment as manager. With a background as a Welsh League player, Dunford brought a wealth of experience and a clear tactical vision to the club. His leadership was instrumental in their promotion from the Ardal South East last season, where he crafted a high-scoring, disciplined side that dominated the division. This season, he has adjusted the team's approach to meet the challenges of the JD Cymru South, ensuring they remain competitive at a higher level.



Gareth Tedstone: The Goal Machine

Striker Gareth Tedstone has been a standout player for the Bluebirds, spearheading their attack with consistency and clinical finishing. Last season, Tedstone was pivotal in their promotion campaign, leading the line with a remarkable goal tally. He has continued his scoring streak this year, finding the back of the net regularly in the JD Cymru South. Tedstone's ability to deliver in crucial moments, combined with his positional awareness and sharp instincts, has made him one of the league's top forwards and a vital asset in the Bluebirds' pursuit of promotion.

Community Spirit and Ambition

Beyond their on-pitch success, the Bluebirds' rise has galvanised the local community. The club's management, led by chairman Dave Evans, has worked tirelessly to ensure the club's growth is sustainable. Investments in youth development, community engagement, and infrastructure have laid the foundation for long-term success. Promotion to the JD Cymru Premier would represent a new chapter for the club. It would bring increased visibility, financial opportunities, and the chance to compete against the very best teams in Wales. It would also serve as an inspiration to smaller clubs, proving that with the right vision and determination, ambitious goals are achievable.

Battling for Glory

With the final stages of the JD Cymru South season approaching, Trethomas Bluebirds are laser-focused on maintaining their form and position in the table. Llanelli Town and Pontypridd United remain serious contenders, ensuring a thrilling title race. Every match is a potential decider, and the Bluebirds will need to rely on their depth, resilience, and match-winning players like Tedstone to see them through.

Looking Ahead

For the Trethomas Bluebirds, the dream of playing in the JD Cymru Premier is tantalisingly close. Should they achieve it, the feat of two promotions in two years would be nothing short of historic. Their journey is a shining example of what can be accomplished through teamwork, leadership, and an unwavering belief in one's goals. As they soar toward potential glory, one thing is certain: Trethomas Bluebirds are a team on the rise, and the Welsh football world is taking notice.

JD Cymru Premier
In focus

Return to The Bont

 Penybont

Keane Watts Returns to Penybont, Leaving a Big Void at Goytre

Penybont FC have pulled off a significant signing with the return of Keane Watts, whose scintillating form at Goytre this season has made headlines. Watts, who scored an impressive 14 goals in just 17 league games, rejoins Penybont as they mount a serious title challenge against The New Saints (TNS) in what has become the most competitive JD Cymru Premier title race in years.

A Title Race for the Ages

Penybont's battle with perennial champions TNS has captured the attention of Welsh football fans. This season's title race is shaping up to be the closest since Connah's Quay Nomads famously dethroned TNS in the 2020/21 campaign. With Penybont determined to end TNS's dominance, the signing of Watts could prove to be a game-changer as they look to strengthen their attack for the critical second half of the season.

Keane Watts: A Proven Goal-Getter

Watts has been in the form of his life at Goytre, scoring 14 goals—equal to the combined total of all his teammates this season. His contributions were instrumental to Goytre's performances, and his departure leaves a significant void. This marks a stark contrast to his previous spell with Penybont in 2021/22, when he scored just 2 goals in 24 appearances in the JD Cymru Premier. However, Watts now returns as a player transformed, bringing his newfound confidence and goal-scoring prowess to a Penybont side desperate for firepower to keep pace with TNS.



JD Cymru Premier In focus

Goytre Scramble to Replace Watts

For Goytre, the loss of Watts is a major setback. His impact this season was unparalleled, and replacing such a key player was never going to be easy. The club has acted swiftly, bringing in Fletcher Picton on loan from Haverfordwest. While Picton shows promise, he faces the daunting challenge of filling the shoes of a player who accounted for half of Goytre's goals this season. The pressure will be on Picton to deliver as Goytre adjust to life without their talisman.

A Key Addition for Penybont

Watts' return could not come at a more critical time for Penybont. Locked in a fierce battle with TNS, every goal and every point will be crucial in their pursuit of a first league title. If Watts can carry over his remarkable form from Goytre, he could be the difference-maker in Penybont's quest to achieve what no other team has managed since Connah's Quay—topple TNS from the summit.

The Road Ahead

As the season progresses, both Penybont and Goytre face pivotal challenges. For Penybont, the question is whether Watts can replicate his goal-scoring heroics on the biggest stage and deliver when it matters most. For Goytre, all eyes will be on Fletcher Picton to see if the young forward can rise to the occasion and help fill the void left by Watts' departure.

One thing is certain: the return of Keane Watts adds another layer of intrigue to an already thrilling JD Cymru Premier season. With Penybont and TNS locked in the tightest title race in years, Watts' performances could ultimately shape the destiny of the league.



JD Cymru Premier
In focus

2024/25 Average Attendances

Average attendances have been all over social this month as phase 1 of the league campaign came to a conclusion. Whilst it makes interesting reading, it is important to note that these numbers for attendance are estimates and should be used as a guide as often final numbers are not submitted or are wrong. Data was taken from [Transfermarket.co.uk](https://www.transfermarkt.co.uk) and [The Cymru Football App](#).



DM Glass Stadium

Penybont



617 Average Attendance

1,200 Capacity

John Smith/Same Old Smith Photography/FAW)



The Oval

Caernarfon Town



608 Average Attendance

1,960 Capacity

Sam Eaden/FAW)



Old Road

Briton Ferry Llanawel



532 Average Attendance

2,300 Capacity

John Smith/Same Old Smith Photography/FAW)



Bridge Meadow

Haverfordwest



441 Average Attendance

2,467 Capacity

Ashley Crowden/FAW)



Jenner Park

Barry Town



430 Average Attendance

2,650 Capacity

John Smith/Same Old Smith Photography/FAW)



Park Avenue

Aberystwyth Town



370 Average Attendance

2,502 Capacity

John Smith/Same Old Smith Photography/FAW)

JD Cymru Premier In focus



Latham Park
Newtown



366 Average Attendance
5,000 Capacity

John Smith/Same Old Smith Photography/FAW



Essity Stadium
Flint Town United



344 Average Attendance
1,690 Capacity

Nik Mesney/FAW



Maes Tegid
Bala Town



275 Average Attendance
1,500 Capacity

Craig Thomas / FAW



University Cyncoed Campus
Cardiff Met



264 Average Attendance
1,620 Capacity

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Park Hall
The New Saints



252 Average Attendance
2,034 Capacity

Nik Mesney/FAW



Essity Stadium
Connah's Quay Nomads



238 Average Attendance
1,690 Capacity

Nik Mesney/FAW

Editor's Thoughts

While some of the attendance figures look promising, the stadiums have the capacity to accommodate much larger crowds. I still wonder whether there's enough interest to consistently draw more spectators to the matches. After speaking with many fans, it seems there is.

We've seen some fantastic crowds in the North and South leagues, which suggests that clubs could potentially attract larger audiences on a regular basis. Hopefully, the FAW has effective plans in place to boost attendance in the future. What ideas would you suggest for achieving this? Thanks to Rhys Griffiths and Football Cymru Community for the inspiration on this article.

Winning the social title

Football games are won on the pitch but so much goes on off it. Every team has a social presence now and there are those that do well at it and those that should be relegated.

One such team who is bossing the “social” midfield is Ammanford in JD Cymru South with their imaginative match day graphics featuring their club mascot boar in a setting related to their opposition and of course the old classic Telextext football style which many of you won’t believe existed but it was basically the best way to stay in touch with made up football rumours before Fabrizio Romano came along. The designs were thought up by vice chairman Rhodri Jones and brought to life by media officer Matthew Wallace.

As a designer myself, these match cards are a great way to be creative and with the tools at hand today like Canva and AI imaging tools, there is massive blank canvas to play with and it sets your team out from others. Especially in this world of likes and shares.

Here’s a small selection of them to admire and inspire teams to up their games. Are you doing something different with your club graphics? Let us know!



SA18 AMMANFORD AFC FRI 17 JAN 19:30/00	
A AFC	CAERAU ELY (A)
NEWS	
STARTING XI	
LUKE MARTIN	01
BABUCAR SAUANE	02
HARRI LAWSON	03
EUROS GRIFFITHS	04
LUKE HARRIS	05
JON INVERNIZZI	06
ADAM JOHN	07
MORGAN CLARKE	08
CALLUM THOMAS	09
LEWIS REED	10
RHYS DAVIES	11
MATTHEW FISHER	12
JOSH HUTCHINGS	13
CALLUM JONES	14
ADAM ORME	15
NICH ARNOLD	16
ADAM MORGAN	17
HARI LLOYD	18
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TRANSWASTE	rebellion ADVERTISING
NATURAL GREEN HEAT	D.G. DAVIES PLANT HIRE

SA18 AMMANFORD AFC FRI 17 JAN 20:15/00	
A AFC	FOOTBALL
JD CYMRU SOUTH HALF TIME SCORE 1/1	
CAERAU ELY 1-0	AMMANFORD AFC
BISHOP 26	
TRANSWASTE	rebellion ADVERTISING
NATURAL GREEN HEAT	D.G. DAVIES PLANT HIRE

SA18 AMMANFORD AFC FRI 17 JAN 21:25/00	
A AFC	FOOTBALL
JD CYMRU SOUTH FULL TIME SCORE 1/1	
CAERAU ELY 2-1	AMMANFORD AFC
BISHOP 26	REED 68
ASHFORD 58	
TRANSWASTE	rebellion ADVERTISING
NATURAL GREEN HEAT	D.G. DAVIES PLANT HIRE

SA18 AMMANFORD AFC SAT 4 JAN 18:25/00	
A AFC	FOOTBALL
JD CYMRU SOUTH FULL TIME SCORE 1/1	
AMMANFORD AFC 5-1	AFAN LIDO
REED 65	WOODS 22
CLARKE 84	
THOMAS 73 80 88	HAINES SENT OFF 39
TRANSWASTE	rebellion ADVERTISING
NATURAL GREEN HEAT	D.G. DAVIES PLANT HIRE

JD Cymru Premier
In focus

JD Cymru Premier Phase 1 In Numbers

Now that the first phase of the Premier League is complete, I wanted to take a look at the numbers behind the teams focusing on goals.

I've been tracking all the goals this season across the 3 leagues. I split the game into scoring zones, usually 4 mins apart and see where the goals are scored and then we can look at trends for each team. When I first started this project the research said that teams tend to score before half time and in the final ten minutes so for each team, I have displayed when goals were scored and any trends that stand out. Do they concede early or score loads late on. These numbers should help show that. I plan to do a final run down once the seasons are complete but for now, here is Phase 1



1ST W17 D0 L5 F61 A26 PTS51



2ND W15 D5 L2 F42 A16 PTS50

HALF SPLIT

SCORED **31:30** CONCEDED **17:9**

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN **10**
40MIN - 45+MIN **8**
80MIN - 90+MIN **13**

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN **6**
40MIN - 45+MIN **0**
80MIN - 90+MIN **5**

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

40MIN - 45+MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

10MIN - 20MIN

HALF SPLIT

SCORED **19:23** CONCEDED **5:11**

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN **5**
40MIN - 45+MIN **8**
80MIN - 90+MIN **8**

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN **0**
40MIN - 45+MIN **2**
80MIN - 90+MIN **3**

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

40MIN - 45+MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

50MIN - 54MIN

JD Cymru Premier In focus



3RD W11 D7 L4 F29 A11 PTS40

HALF SPLIT

SCORED **10:19** CONCEDED **7:4**

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN **4**
40MIN - 45+MIN **2**
80MIN - 90+MIN **3**

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN **0**
40MIN - 45+MIN **1**
80MIN - 90+MIN **0**

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

50MIN - 94MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

20MIN - 24MIN



4TH W10 D4 L8 F35 A35 PTS34

HALF SPLIT

SCORED **16:19** CONCEDED **20:14**

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN **5**
40MIN - 45+MIN **3**
80MIN - 90+MIN **12**

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN **6**
40MIN - 45+MIN **6**
80MIN - 90+MIN **7**

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

80MIN - 90MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

40MIN - 45+MIN



5TH W7 D11 L4 F28 A21 PTS32

HALF SPLIT

SCORED **12:16** CONCEDED **11:10**

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN **2**
40MIN - 45+MIN **1**
80MIN - 90+MIN **6**

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN **3**
40MIN - 45+MIN **4**
80MIN - 90+MIN **5**

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

35MIN - 39MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

40MIN - 45+MIN



6TH W9 D5 L8 F32 A29 PTS32

HALF SPLIT

SCORED **14:18** CONCEDED **13:16**

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN **6**
40MIN - 45+MIN **4**
80MIN - 90+MIN **7**

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN **4**
40MIN - 45+MIN **0**
80MIN - 90+MIN **3**

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

40MIN - 45+MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

46MIN - 54MIN

JD Cymru Premier
In focus



7TH W8 D6 L8 F32 A38 PTS30

HALF SPLIT

SCORED 13:19 CONCEDED 20:18

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN 3
40MIN - 45+MIN 1
80MIN - 90+MIN 5

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN 6
40MIN - 45+MIN 6
80MIN - 90+MIN 7

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

20MIN - 24MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

40MIN - 45+MIN



8TH W7 D5 L10 F32 A26 PTS26

HALF SPLIT

SCORED 17:15 CONCEDED 9:17

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN 1
40MIN - 45+MIN 4
80MIN - 90+MIN 4

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN 2
40MIN - 45+MIN 2
80MIN - 90+MIN 4

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

30MIN - 34MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

85MIN - 90MIN



9TH W6 D3 L13 F33 A45 PTS21

HALF SPLIT

SCORED 16:17 CONCEDED 22:23

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN 5
40MIN - 45+MIN 4
80MIN - 90+MIN 8

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN 6
40MIN - 45+MIN 7
80MIN - 90+MIN 5

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

75MIN - 79MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

40MIN - 45+MIN



10TH W6 D2 L14 F27 A47 PTS20

HALF SPLIT

SCORED 12:15 CONCEDED 22:25

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN 3
40MIN - 45+MIN 1
80MIN - 90+MIN 5

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN 4
40MIN - 45+MIN 5
80MIN - 90+MIN 7

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

50MIN - 59MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

40MIN - 45+MIN

JD Cymru Premier In focus



11TH W5 D4 L13 F24 A46 PTS19

HALF SPLIT

SCORED **11:13** CONCEDED **16:30**

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN	5
40MIN - 45+MIN	3
80MIN - 90+MIN	0

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN	8
40MIN - 45+MIN	4
80MIN - 90+MIN	13

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

50MIN - 59MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

80MIN - 90MIN



12TH W4 D2 L16 F18 A53 PTS14

HALF SPLIT

SCORED **11:7** CONCEDED **21:32**

SCORED

1MIN - 14MIN	1
40MIN - 45+MIN	3
80MIN - 90+MIN	3

CONCEDED

1MIN - 14MIN	5
40MIN - 45+MIN	5
80MIN - 90+MIN	16

MOST LIKELY TO SCORE

40MIN - 45+MIN

MOST LIKELY TO CONCEDE

80MIN - 90MIN

This completes the section now. Like I said before, we'll dig deeper at the end of the season across all leagues and drill down more into teams. For now though, you can find more info on <https://goalsfwales.dan-davies.co.uk/index.php>

JD Cymru Premier In Detail

JD Cymru Premier

Season stat pack

The Important Numbers

Games played 137	Goals scored 411	Average goals 3.00
Best attack 61 TNS	Best defence 13 Haverfordwest	Worst attack 19 Aberystwyth
Worst defence 55 Aberystwyth	Penalty goals 22	Nil nils 11

Top Scorers

Rhys Hughes	10
Connah's Quay Nomads	
Louis Lloyd	10
Caernarfon	
Aramide Oteh	9
TNS	
Jordan Williams	8
TNS	
Zack Clarke	8
TNS	
Ollie Hulbert	8
Barry Town	

Most Assists

Zeli Ismail	14
Newtown	
Nathan Wood	8
Penybont	
James Crole	7
Penybont	
Jake Phillips	7
Flint Town United	
Robbie Willmott	6
Barry Town	
Joshua Daniels	5
TNS	

Most Cleansheets

Zac Jones	12
Haverfordwest	
Joel Torrance	10
Bala Town	
Adam Przybek	9
Penybont	
George Ratcliffe	6
Connah's Quay	
Connor Roberts	6
Barry Town	
Alex Lang	4
Cardiff Met	

JD Cymru Premier Season stat pack

When The Goals Went In

First Half 189 goals / 46.0%

0-4 ⊕ 12 2.9%	5-9 ⊕ 15 3.6%	10-14 ⊕ 23 5.6%	15-19 ⊕ 17 4.1%	20-24 ⊕ 20 4.9%	25-29 ⊕ 16 3.9%	30-34 ⊕ 20 4.9%	35-39 ⊕ 22 5.4%	40-45+ ⊕ 44 10.7%
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Second Half 222 goals / 54.0%

46-49 ⊕ 16 3.9%	50-54 ⊕ 33 8.0%	55-59 ⊕ 20 4.9%	60-64 ⊕ 21 5.1%	65-69 ⊕ 22 5.4%	70-74 ⊕ 18 4.4%	75-79 ⊕ 14 3.4%	80-84 ⊕ 27 6.6%	85-90 ⊕ 33 8.0%	91+ ⊕ 18 4.4%
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Goal Trends

1-9 mins

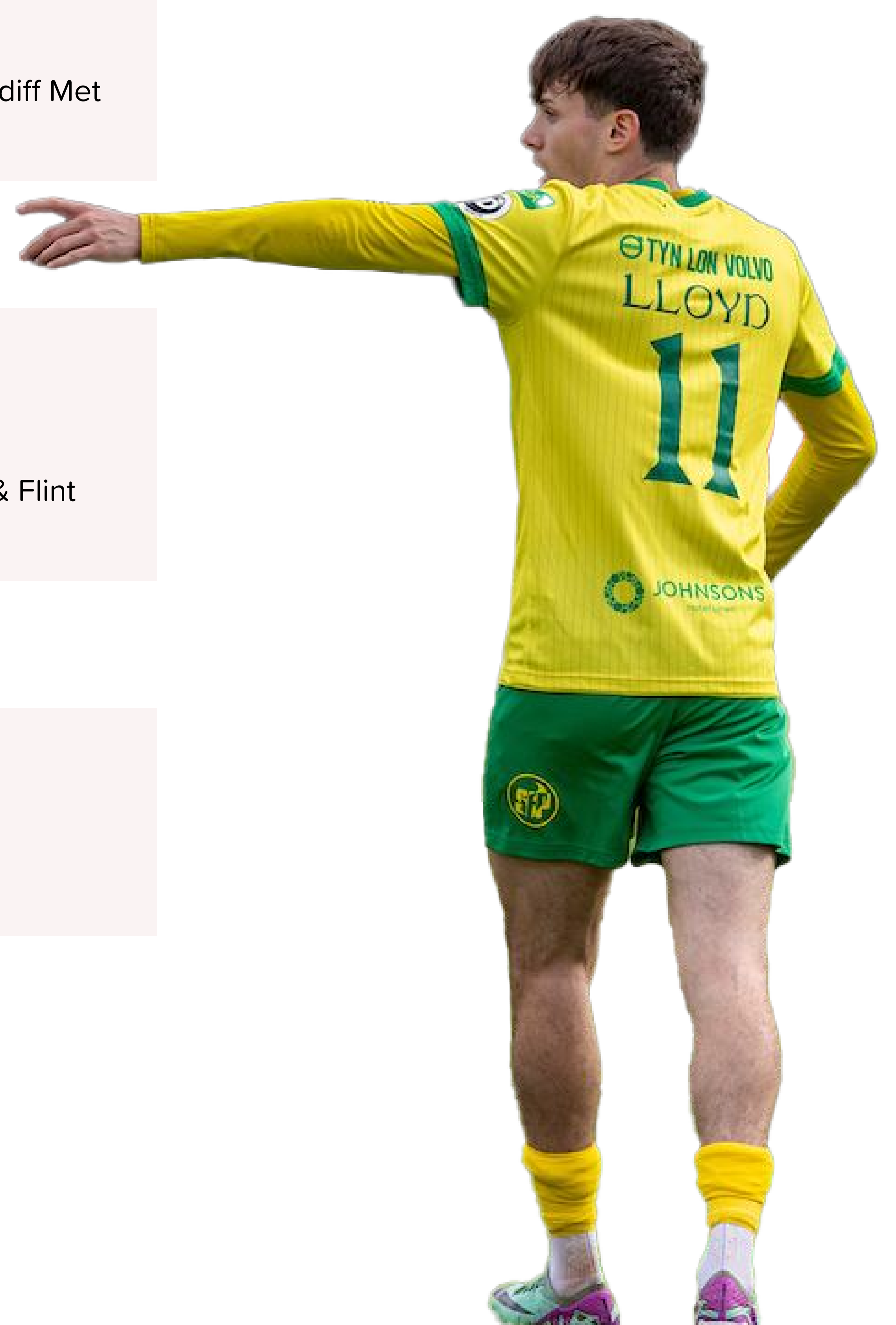
Early Starters 6 TNS 5 Cardiff Met 4 Caernarfon	Wasn't The Plan 4 Newtown 3 Flint Town, Aberystwyth & Cardiff Met
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40-45+ mins

Kept Pushing 8 Penybont & TNS 5 Briton Ferry 4 Connah's Quay & Cardiff Met	Lost Focus 7 Briton Ferry 6 Barry Town & Caernarfon 5 Bala, Aberystwyth, Newtown & Flint Town
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85-91+ mins

Left It Late 10 TNS 7 Caernarfon 6 Briton Ferry	Couldn't Hold On 11 Aberystwyth 8 Newtown 5 TNS
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JD Cymru North In Detail

JD Cymru North

Season stat pack

The Important Numbers

Games played 161	Goals scored 640	Average goals 3.98
Best attack 75 Airbus UK	Best defence 17 Colwyn Bay	Worst attack 23 Gresford
Worst defence 79 Prestatyn	Penalty goals 44	Nil nils 2

Top Scorers

Jamie Breese	18
Holywell	
Danny Warren	17
Airbus UK	
Craig Lindfield	17
Colwyn Bay	
Gwion Dafydd	14
Colwyn Bay	
George Peers	13
Airbus UK	
Nathan Brown	13
Denbigh	

Most Assists

Jack Sconce	11
Flint Mountain	
Danny Andrews	10
Holywell	
Jordan Evans	10
Airbus UK	
Sam Hart	9
Colwyn Bay	
Kaiden Cooke	8
Airbus UK	
Danny Warren	7
Airbus UK	

Most Cleansheets

Keighan Jones	9
Airbus UK	
Rhys Williams	8
Colwyn Bay	
Ryan Goldston	6
Buckley Town	
Max Williams	4
Caersws	
Bradley Farrar	4
Bangor 1876	
Cameron Darling	4
Llandudno	

JD Cymru North

Season stat pack

When The Goals Went In

First Half 287 goals / 44.8%

0-4 ⊕ 22 3.4%	5-9 ⊕ 33 5.2%	10-14 ⊕ 26 4.1%	15-19 ⊕ 31 4.8%	20-24 ⊕ 23 3.6%	25-29 ⊕ 34 5.3%	30-34 ⊕ 31 4.8%	35-39 ⊕ 30 4.7%	40-45+ ⊕ 57 8.9%
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Second Half 353 goals / 55.2%

46-49 ⊕ 18 2.8%	50-54 ⊕ 20 3.1%	55-59 ⊕ 39 6.1%	60-64 ⊕ 45 7.0%	65-69 ⊕ 42 6.6%	70-74 ⊕ 33 5.2%	75-79 ⊕ 32 5.0%	80-84 ⊕ 25 3.9%	85-90 ⊕ 45 7.0%	91+ ⊕ 54 8.4%
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Goal Trends

1-9 mins

Early Starters

9 Airbus
6 Colwyn Bay & Flint Mountain
5 Mold & Ruthin

Wasn't The Plan

9 Prestatyn
7 Denbigh
6 Bangor

40-45+ mins

Kept Pushing

8 Airbus
6 Guilsfield, Llandudno & Colwyn Bay
5 Flint Mountain

Lost Focus

9 Prestatyn
6 Llandudno
5 Flint Mountain, Denbigh & Penrhyncoch

85-91+ mins

Left It Late

11 Airbus & Colwyn Bay
10 Penrhyncoch
9 Denbigh

Couldn't Hold On

12 Llandudno
10 Prestatyn & Mold
8 Guilsfield & Llay



JD Cymru South In Detail

JD Cymru South

Season stat pack

The Important Numbers

Games played 167	Goals scored 532	Average goals 3.19
Best attack 48 Llanelli	Best defence 17 Llanelli	Worst attack 16 Penrhiwceiber
Worst defence 52 Taffs Well	Penalty goals 27	Nil nils 8

Top Scorers

Liam Eason Llanelli Town	18
Noah Daley Carmarthen Town	17
Lewis Reed Ammanford	14
Gareth Tedstone Trethomas Bluebirds	12
Lee Trundle Trefelin	12
Ethan Cann Llanelli Town	11

Most Assists

Richard Noyes Newport City	10
Adam John Ammanford	8
Haben Samson Caerau Ely	7
Lewis Reed Ammanford	7
Ioan Evans Afan Lido	6
Joe Hunt Llanelli Town	6

Most Cleansheets

Camero Clarke Trethomas Bluebirds	8
Scott Coughlan Llanelli Town	8
Morgan Davies Cambrian Utd	6
Exaucen Dimoneke Caerau Ely	6
Harry Irving Trethomas Bluebirds	6
Lee Idzi Carmarthen Town	6

JD Cymru South Season stat pack

When The Goals Went In

First Half 245 goals / 46.1%

0-4 ⊕ 15 2.8%	5-9 ⊕ 28 5.3%	10-14 ⊕ 25 4.7%	15-19 ⊕ 23 4.3%	20-24 ⊕ 34 6.4%	25-29 ⊕ 31 5.8%	30-34 ⊕ 26 4.9%	35-39 ⊕ 18 3.4%	40-45+ ⊕ 45 8.5%
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Second Half 287 goals / 53.9%

46-49 ⊕ 20 3.8%	50-54 ⊕ 26 4.9%	55-59 ⊕ 26 4.9%	60-64 ⊕ 19 3.6%	65-69 ⊕ 26 4.9%	70-74 ⊕ 30 5.6%	75-79 ⊕ 26 4.9%	80-84 ⊕ 30 5.6%	85-90 ⊕ 44 8.3%	91+ ⊕ 40 7.5%
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Goal Trends

1-9 mins

Early Starters 10 Carmarthen 6 Llanelli	Wasn't The Plan 7 Cwmbran 5 Goytre & Cambrian 4 Ammanford
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40-45+ mins

Kept Pushing 8 Goytre 6 Trethomas Bluebirds 5 Carmarthen	Lost Focus 6 Ammanford 5 Cwmbran & Baglan Dragons 4 Penrhiwceiber, Goytre & Taffs Well
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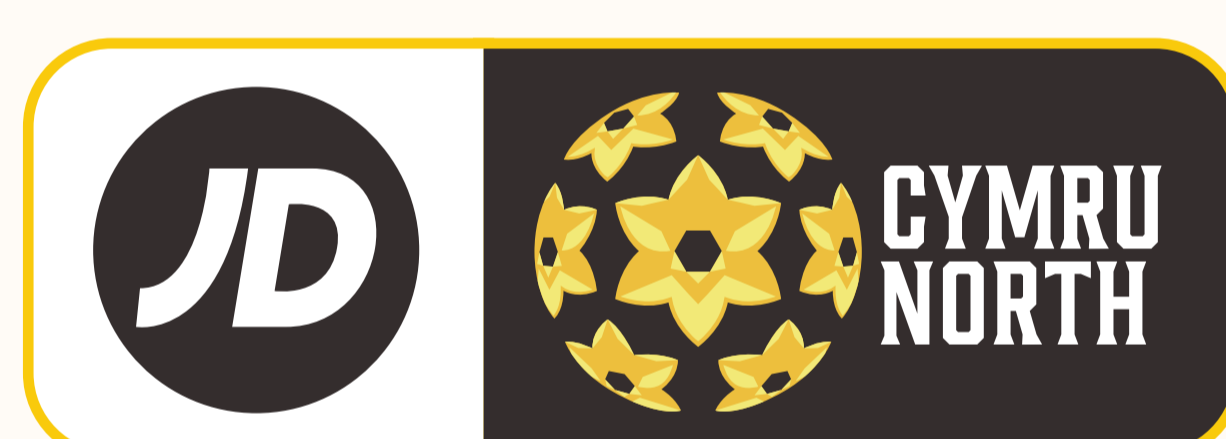
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Left It Late 9 Cwmbran & Caerau Ely 8 Pontypridd Utd 7 Trefelin & Ammanford	Couldn't Hold On 9 Afan Lido 8 Trethomas Bluebirds, Baglan Dragons & Cwmbran 7 Goytre
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Website dedicated to the JD Cymru Leagues tracking the goals and trends.

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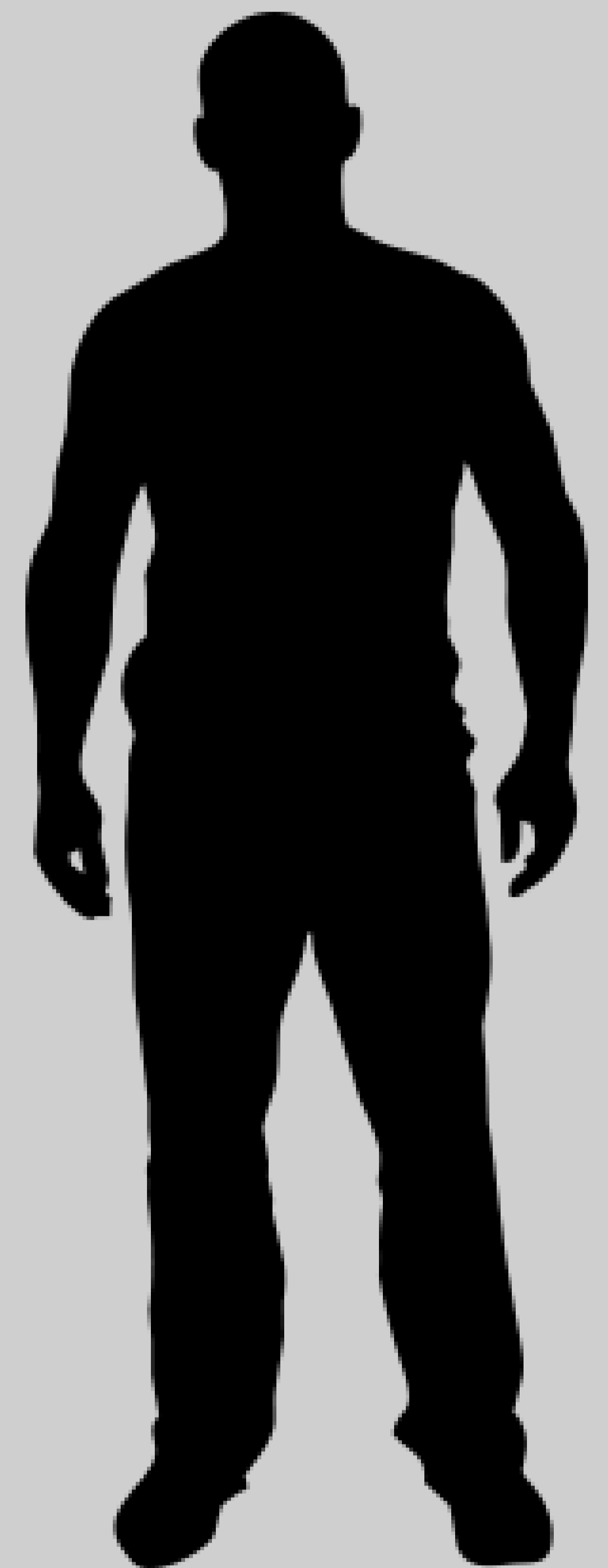


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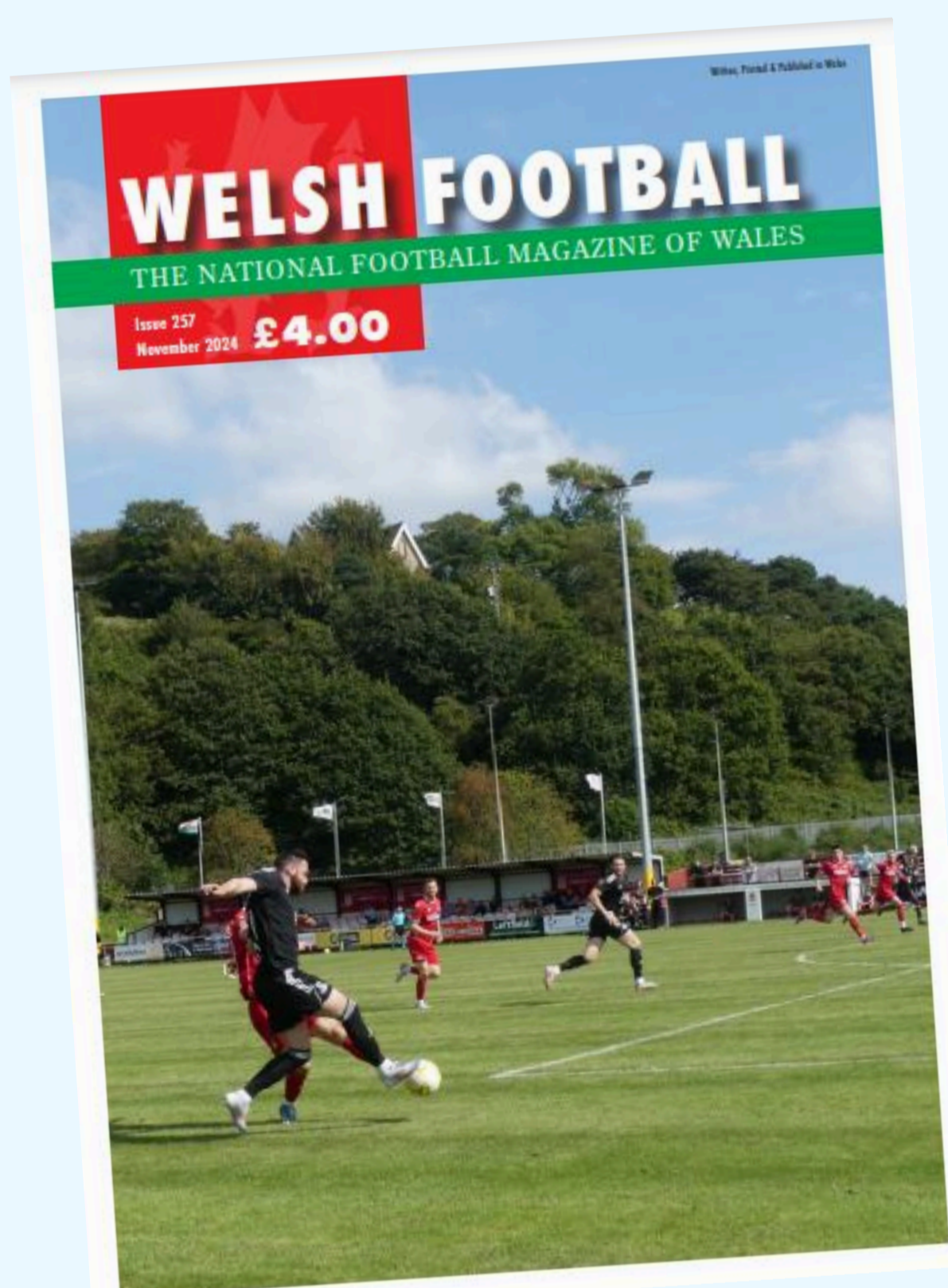
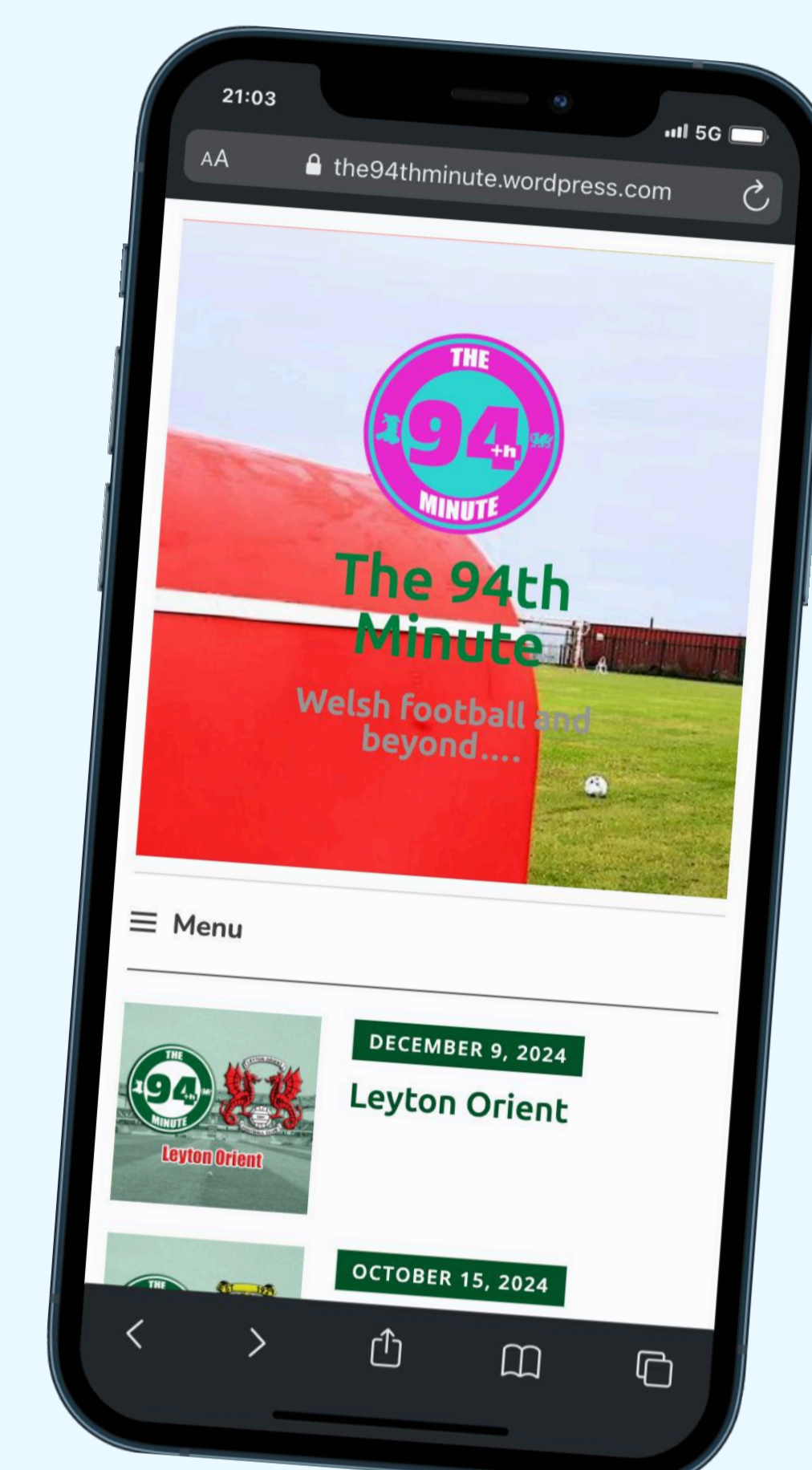


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94th Minute

Clint, a groundhopper from Flintshire in North East Wales, started this blog to document experiences visiting various football grounds. The goal is to promote the teams to fellow football supporters and provide useful information for other groundhoppers who might want to explore these grounds in the future.

<https://the94thminute.wordpress.com/>



Welsh Football Magazine

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The first issue appeared in January 1992 and the magazine has been published continuously since that time, reaching its 250th edition in December 2023.

<https://welsh-football.net/>

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