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UNITED.

# PAUL RAGAN.

## CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

**A HUGE WELCOME TO ALL THE PLAYERS, STAFF, DIRECTORS & FANS OF FLINT TOWN UNITED.**

We are finally here - the final game of the season and what a campaign it has been!

Our inaugural season in the JD Cymru Premier has been extremely challenging, on and off the pitch. The whole club has stuck together and proven why we are deserved of a place in this league.



Although not mathematically confirmed, by full time today our place in the JD Cymru Premier for next season should be set in stone. What an achievement, especially considering the doubts many outside the club had for us. We have defied all expectations and I personally want to congratulate all the players and staff for their hard work and efforts this season.

Speaking about the players and staff, I must individually congratulate both Andrew Stokes and George Ratcliffe for their double awards sloop. The pair picked up both the Manager



of the Month and Player of the Month awards for March. For 'Stokesy' it was back to back wins having picked up the award in February also. Well done both - you thoroughly deserve it!



Our penultimate game (vs Caernarfon Town) was a MUST win and oh how the boys delivered! A superb 2-1 away win, with goals by Ben Margetson and Luke Cummings, fired us up into eighth in the table and all but confirmed our place in the league.

Today's game, as with every other, is going to be tough for us and we must make sure we are not complacent. Even though we are almost certain to stay up, it is still mathematically possible for us to go down. I am sure 'Stokesy' and his team will be ready and raring to go for



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one last time this season. I would like to wish everyone the best of luck and I look forward to celebrating the season with them once the full time whistle has been blown.

Finally, a BIG HELLO and THANK YOU to all our business club members at Pontypridd United, particularly to our match day sponsor today, **Coco Ceramica**.

The good news, we are taking on new businesses every week – and as a club we recognise the importance of our partners enjoying the journey with us and benefitting from the many networking opportunities and events that they will experience with Pontypridd United. We look forward to many successful years ahead.

We hope you enjoy the game today and I look forward to seeing you all back at Pontypridd United next season where we hope to progress further and build on this amazing first season in the JD Cymru Premier.

**LETS GO DRAGONS!**

**Paul Ragan** | Pontypridd United Chairman



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## FEBRUARY.

- 11/02** AIRBUS UK BROUGHTON (H) - (4-0)  
18/02 ABERYSTWYTH TOWN (A) - (3-3)  
**25/02** HAVERFORDWEST COUNTY (H) - (2-1)

## MARCH.

- 11/03** CAERNARFON TOWN (H) - (1-0)  
18/03 FLINT TOWN UNITED (A) - (0-0)  
25/03 AIRBUS UK BROUGHTON (A) - (0-3)

## APRIL.

- 01/04** ABERYSTWYTH TOWN (H) - (1-1)  
07/04 HAVERFORDWEST COUNTY (A) - (2-0)  
15/04 CAERNARFON TOWN (A) - (1-2)  
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# MAX JAMES.

## PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

WE WELCOME THE MANAGEMENT, PLAYERS AND SUPPORTERS OF FLINT TOWN UNITED TO THE USW SPORT PARK THIS AFTERNOON.

What an amazing day last Saturday when the Dragons came away from Caernarfon with a tremendous 2-1 away win, which just about ensured us returning to the Welsh Premier League next season. On the team coach back, we were keeping an eye on the Haverfordwest vs Aberystwyth game and it made us very happy with the end result being a draw!

This has been an amazing first season in the top flight for us, especially as most promoted clubs are expected to be relegated in their first season. We must congratulate our Manager Andrew Stokes after being awarded, for the second month in a row, the Manager of the Month for March. Another congratulations must go to our goalkeeper George Ratcliffe for being awarded Player of the Month for March.

It would also be wrong of me not to mention the Chairman, Paul Ragan, and thank him for all his time and effort in leading the club forward alongside the support of Vice Chair Matt Epps. The pair have helped set up the clubs new offices on the Treforest Industrial Estate, where anybody interested in our club can pop in and have a coffee and chat.

We now have a very popular Business Club membership, who all support the club and have regular meetings and networking events. We



also have Ambassadors of the club and if you are interested in becoming one, Darren Haines, our Commercial Director, will answer any of your queries.

Our Heroes Group, who are volunteers supporting the club in different capacities, are always needed and have had a number of benefits since joining.

We hope the new supporters who have come to our games will return next season and bring their friends with them.

We hope everybody enjoys their visit to Pontypridd United and remember we have refreshments available in the front reception area, and after the game we are looked after by the Pottery Bar and Restaurant opposite our entrance on the other side of the dual carriageway. We hope everybody has a safe journey home.

**MAX JAMES.**  
**PONTYPRIDD UNITED PRESIDENT**

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# HEAD TO HEAD.

\*Statistics correct as of 17/04/23

## LEAGUE POSITION.

2. PONTYPRIDD UNITED 38 PTS

4. FLINT TOWN UNITED 35 PTS

Pontypridd currently sit second in the JD Cymru Premier Relegation Conference with 38 points. Flint Town United are 4th in the table with 35 points. It's a game of great importance for both teams as a win for either side will guarantee safety in the league for next season, which for Pontypridd has been the ultimate goal for the club since getting promoted.

## LAST 5.

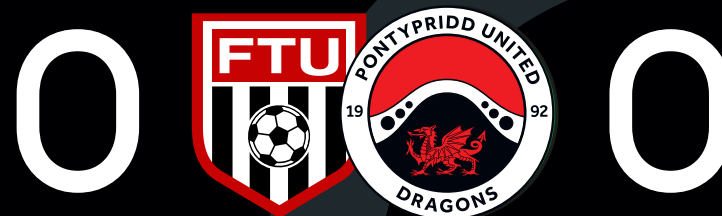


Pontypridd's unbeaten record in Phase 2 came to an end two weeks ago. Despite this, the Dragon's have still accumulated the most points out of any team in the bottom half of the table, having picked up 18 points out of a possible 27. Flint Town United on the other hand have only picked up five points from their last five games.

## LAST MEETING.

In the previous meeting during Phase 2, neither side could find the back of the net as the game ended as a stalemate.

Pontypridd still remain unbeaten at home during Phase 2 and they will be hoping to continue that record against Flint and round of the season in style.



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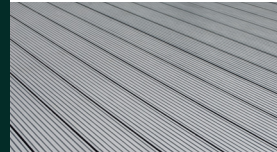
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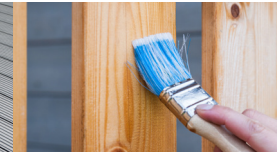
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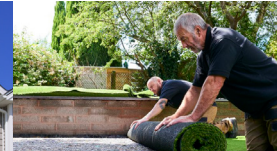
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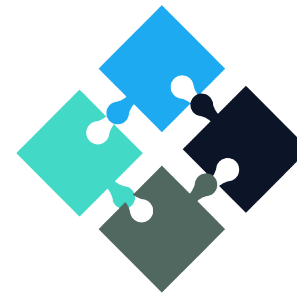
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# HAPPY RETIREMENT GAVIN.



The club would like to wish former player Gavin Beddard a very happy retirement. Gavin spent five years at Ponty and played a key part in our promotion last season. All the best for the future Gavin, you are welcome at Ponty anytime if you need us.



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Haverfordwest County vs **PONTYPRIDD UNITED MEN** (2-0)  
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## TEAM TALK

# ANDREW STOKES

For episode 15 of the Ponty Football Show, men's first team manager **Andrew Stokes** featured as a guest. In the show 'Stokesy' spoke about winning manager of the month for the second month in a row, as well as how he intends to celebrate at the full time whistle having kept Pontypridd United safe in the JD Cymru Premier. Listen to the full episode via our Youtube Channel (*Pontypridd United Men*) or by listening on GTFM Radio.

## Q1

**How does it feel winning the manager of the month award for the second time in a row?**

"It is a nice achievement of course. It's my first year in the JD Cymru Premier and I am really proud to have achieved that accolade."

"There is a lot of hard work that goes on behind the scenes, not just by me but by the staff, the medical team - we all try and put something in place for the players to perform. The players are the ones who cross that white line, they have to deliver - and they have!"

"A collective achievement by all of us!"

## Q2

**How nice was it to share the achievement alongside George Ratcliffe who won the player of the month award?**

"He [George] has been great! He knew a few of the lads before he came in having played with some of them before - that helped him settle."

"He's led really well and his performances have been really good - I think that's three clean sheets in seven games for him. George has been very good and he deserved that accolade [Player Of The Month]."

## Q3

**With safety pretty much guaranteed, what is the plan going into the final game vs Flint Town United?**

"Our drive is to win. We want to finish as high as possible and if things go right and we deliver on Saturday, we could potentially finish 8th which would be fantastic in our first year in the JD Cymru Premier."

"I will be incredibly disappointed if we lose 10-0 - I don't think that would happen. We have been performing so, so well and I think this group is ready to kick on and finish on a high."

## Q4

**Have you got any plans on how you are going to celebrate once that full time whistle is blown?**

"Yes of course! I will certainly enjoy a beer and reflect on what has been a challenging but enjoyable season."

"I will try and squeeze in as many beers as I can because my wife is due in the next two weeks, so I will have my hands full there! I will make the most of it this weekend!"



# WOMENS FIXTURES.

26.02.2023	14.00	ABERYSTWYTH TOWN	VS	PONTYPRIDD UNITED	(1-2)
05.03.2023	14.00	PONTYPRIDD UNITED	VS	ABERGAVENNY	(2-0)
19.03.2023	14.00	PONTYPRIDD UNITED	VS	BARRY TOWN UNITED	(0-0)
26.03.2023	14.00	ABERGAVENNY	VS	PONTYPRIDD UNITED	(1-5)
02.04.2023	14.00	BARRY TOWN UNITED	VS	PONTYPRIDD UNITED	(1-1)
09.04.2023	14.00	PONTYPRIDD UNITED	VS	ABERYSTWYTH TOWN	(3-0)



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the club from  
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2017

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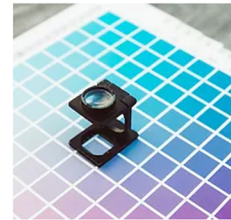
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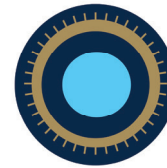
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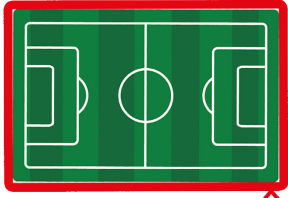
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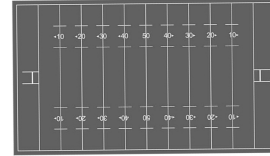
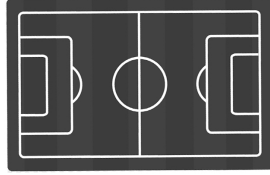
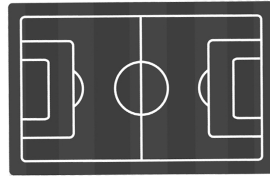
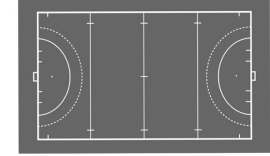
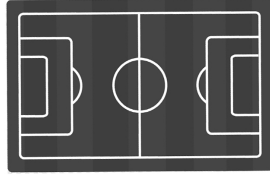
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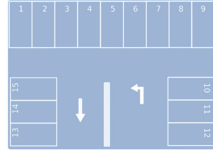
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