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CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

A HUGE WELCOME TO ALL THE PLAYERS, STAFF, DIRECTORS & FANS OF PENYBONT.

Tonight's visitors and Europa League qualifiers Penybont FC, have started the season well with a 3-1 win away to Newtown, and a 2-0 win at home to Haverfordwest. Last season we lost a close encounter at home to Penybont, while drawing 1-1 at theirs. I'm sure this evening will be close once again, and I am more than confident that the lads can deliver the three points. COME ON BOYS!

Two weeks ago saw us compete well and earn a very credible 0-0 draw away to Haverfordwest, a game we could have easily won. Then further improvements last weekend after a very courageous performance, against last season's league winners and Champion's League qualifiers, TNS. It was a narrow 1-0 defeat with them scoring in the last 10 minutes of the game. This just goes to show how far Pontypridd United have come over the past 12 months. It was a truly outstanding performance, and one which will I'm sure give everyone involved at the club a lot of confidence going into tonight's game.

A win this evening would give us 4 points from 3 games, which have been against three teams fresh off the back of European Competition - a



hell of an achievement, as it is only our second season at this level.

Touching on our pre-season, it was excellent preparation losing narrowly 2-1 to Newport County, followed by wins against Pontardawe, Bideford, Cardiff City U21 and Merthyr Town. There no doubt this squad is looking to compete well this season, with a very clear target of finishing in the top tier and earning a European play-off place.

I mentioned in last week's programme we have strengthened in several areas so a huge welcome to George Ratcliffe (new contract), Corey Shephard, Jan Maertins, Keston Davies, Tyler Jackson, Owen Pritchard and Ethan Vaughan who join the club. Also, a big thank you to Eliot Richards, Corey Jenkins, Dave Vincent, Harry Irving, Aaron Hillier, Ellis Hibbert, Morgan Davies, Lee Baldock, James Bloom, James Sadler, Oli Dalton and Joe Evans, currently on loan to Cardiff Met, who have all moved on to pastures new, we wish them well and thank them for their commitment and service to the club.



We also welcome Lee Kendall, Mark Pearce, and Sara Gray to strengthen the staff, we hope you enjoy your first season with the club.

This week we boast two more signings, with a huge welcome to reserve goalkeeper **Kane Draper**, who recently departed Nottingham Forest U18 squad, welcome Kane. Plus, we have signed Barbados international forward **Curtis Jemmett-Hutson**, welcome Curtis.

Off the pitch we have continued to strengthen too, and attracted several new Ambassadors, including my wife, Sarah Ragan, Lisa Epps, David Dulieu and Samantha Howells, who we must congratulate, along with partner Darren on the birth of their very recent newborn, another member of the Pontypridd United fan club no doubt! Welcome to the four of you, it's great to have you on board, we hope you enjoy the journey.

Looking ahead the club has set its stall out at to attract a few more owners to achieve our target of 20 equal owners, following the model of several English League clubs. At Pontypridd United we believe "It's not the power of one - but the power of many" which will pay dividends for this club as we strive to become a

stronger club year-on-year, and a model we are confident will one day not only achieve great things, but also be in existence for many years to come, something our Community deserves.

A BIG HELLO and THANK YOU to all our PONTY HEROES and BUSINESS PARTNERS at Pontypridd United - without you guys none of this would be at all possible, so from me and all the board, a VERY BIG THANK YOU.

And finally a "BIG SHOUT OUT" to today's "Match Day Sponsor" **GS Verde**, thank you David Dulieu and team, we hope you have a great evening.

We hope everyone enjoys the game today (along with the burgers and bar - thank you Emma and team), and we look forward to seeing you all back at Pontypridd United for our next home game which is scheduled for 2.30pm kick off Saturday 2nd September vs. local rivals Barry Town United. We hope you can make that one too. So, let's make as much noise as possible for our lads today!!

LET'S GO DRAGONS!

Paul Ragan | Pontypridd United Chairman

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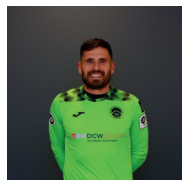
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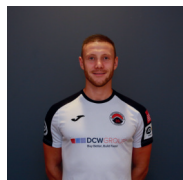


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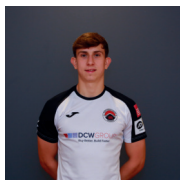
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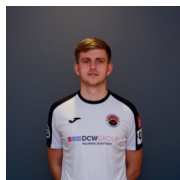
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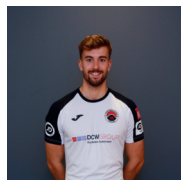
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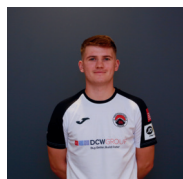
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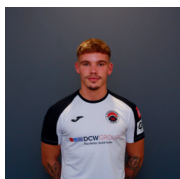
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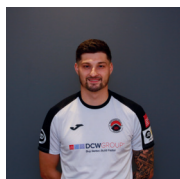
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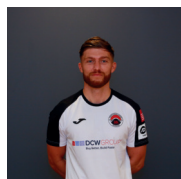
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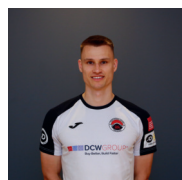
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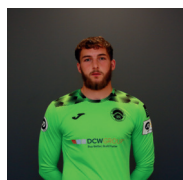
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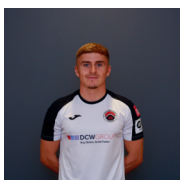
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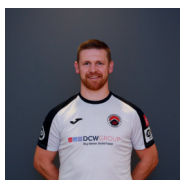
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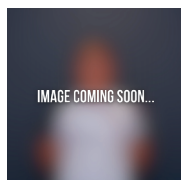
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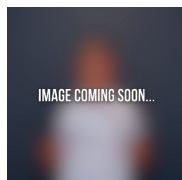
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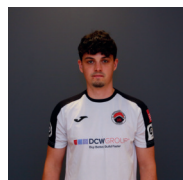
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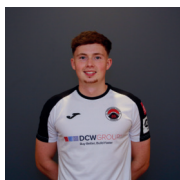
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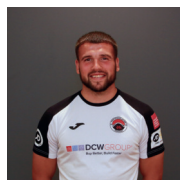
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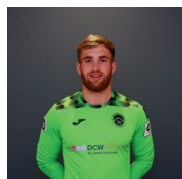
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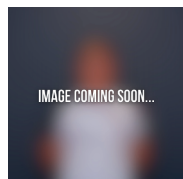
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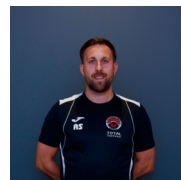


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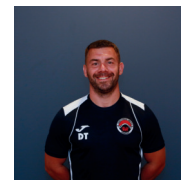


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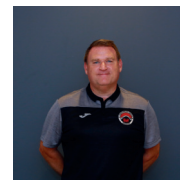
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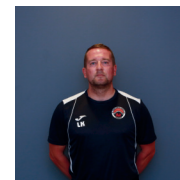
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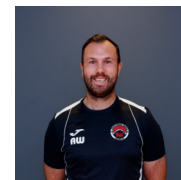
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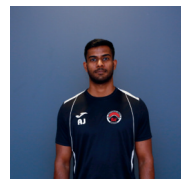
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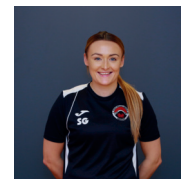
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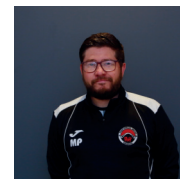
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04/08	LLANELLI TOWN (A)	(NATHANIEL MG CUP)	(1-4)
11/08	HAVERFORDWEST COUNTY (A)		(0-0)
19/08	THE NEW SAINTS (H)		(0-1)
25/08	PENYBONT (H)		(0-0)
29/08	ABERYSTWYTH TOWN (A)		(0-1)

SEPTEMBER.

02/09	BARRY TOWN UNITED (H)		(1-0)
08/09	CARDIFF MET UNIVERSITY (A)		19:45
16/09	BALA TOWN (H)		14:30
19/09	ABERYSTWYTH TOWN (A)	(NATHANIEL MG CUP)	19:45
23/09	CAERNARFON TOWN (A)		14:30
26/09	NEWTOWN (H)		19:45
30/09	THE NEW SAINTS (A)		14:30

OCTOBER.

07/10	HAVERFORDWEST COUNTY (H)		17:15
17/10	BARRY TOWN UNITED (A)		19:45
21/10	CONNAH'S QUAY NOMADS (H)		14:30
28/10	CARDIFF MET UNIVERSITY (H)		14:30

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NOVEMBER.

04/11	BALA TOWN (A)	14:30
19/11	COLWYN BAY (H)	14:30
28/11	NEWTOWN (A)	19:45

DECEMBER.

02/12	CAERNARFON TOWN (H)	14:30
16/12	CONNAH'S QUAY NOMADS (A)	14:30
26/12	ABERYSTWYTH TOWN (H)	14:30
31/12	PENYBONT (A)	14:30

JANUARY.

13/01	COLWYN BAY (A)	14:30
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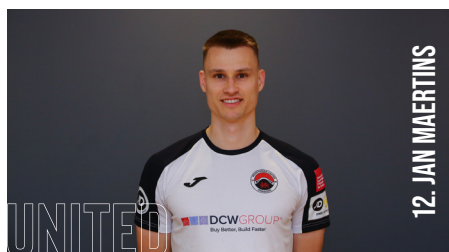
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14/09	WREXHAM AFC (H)	14:00

OCTOBER.

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08/10	SWANSEA CITY (A)	14:00
22/10	CARDIFF CITY (H)	14:00
29/10	CARDIFF MET UNIVERSITY (A)	14:00

NOVEMBER.

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19/11	THE NEW SAINTS (A)	14:00

DECEMBER.

17/12	WREXHAM AFC (A)	14:00
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JANUARY.

14/01	ABERYSTWYTH TOWN (H)	14:00
21/01	SWANSEA CITY (H)	14:00
28/01	CARDIFF CITY (A)	14:00

FEBRUARY.

04/02	CARDIFF MET UNIVERSITY (H)	14:00
11/02	BARRY TOWN UNITED (A)	14:00

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A HUGE WELCOME TO ALL THE PLAYERS, STAFF, DIRECTORS & FANS OF PENYBONT.

It is certainly an unusual occurrence for our club's first three games to be against three clubs who played in Europe only a few weeks ago. Who would have thought back in 2013 when Bridgend Town and Bryntirion Athletic merged to become Penybont FC that they would be competing in Europe after they became a Cymru Premier League club.

I remember Penybont's longstanding Chairman Emlyn Phillips when I was with Sully AFC and Inter Cardiff. An important move for the club was when prolific goal scorer Rhys Griffiths was brought to the club as Manager in 2016.

Last Saturday we shook TNS when it took until the 80th minute for them to score the winning goal, so you can imagine I was surprised to hear that our players were 'gutted' in the dressing room after the game. I am sure for all of us watching the game, we felt our lads gave a tremendous performance against a fully professional club that has won sixteen Championships. Well done lads, you were fantastic, as well as Manager Stokesy, and all the staff involved.



We are also pleased to confirm another two new signings for the club. **Curtis Jenner-Hutson** joins the Dragons having previously played for Cardiff City as a youngster, as well as Newport County, Cinderford, Penybont, Barry Town, Merthyr, and Redditch. We are also pleased to welcome young goalkeeper **Kane Draper** from Nottingham Forest. It's great to have you both at the club.

We would like to thank the many Business Club partners for their continued support, and our Ambassadors who have invested in the club. We would also like to thank our Heroes and volunteers who help the club especially on match days.

We hope you all enjoy the game and refreshments during the match. The Pottery Bar & Restaurant opposite the ground is open post-match - we hope everybody has a safe journey home.



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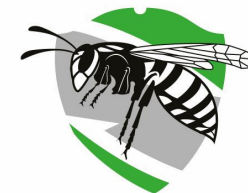
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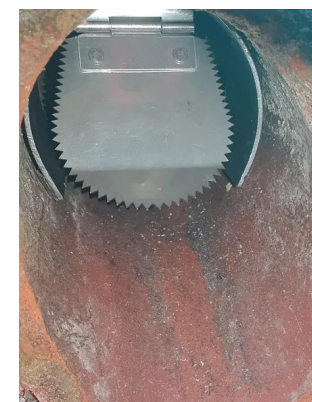
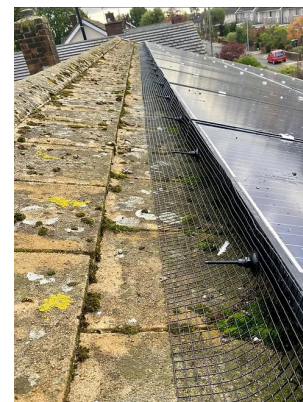


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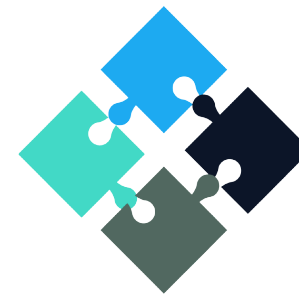
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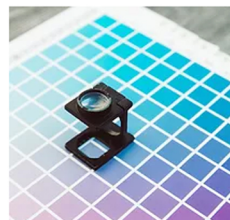
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2008

CLAYTON JONES SAVES THE CLUB FROM COLLAPSE.



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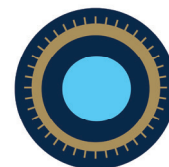
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