



MATCH PROGRAMME ISSUE 2

# *The Steeler*



PORT TALBOT TOWN DFC  
VS  
NEW INN PAN DISABILITY  
FC  
(HOME)  
09/10/21



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# ABOUT US



The Club Started its life in 1996 as Bridgend DFC and competed in the first ever National Multi Disability League. Playing monthly fixtures against clubs such as Chelsea, Millwall, Northampton Town, Bristol City, Stoke and Grimsby to name just a few, as well as participating in various festivals tournaments and promotional events round England. In 2010, Bridgend DFC relocated to Port Talbot and and changed its name. Since then Soccability has continued to provide football as its main activity outlet for the organisation. Soccability has competed in small sided leagues around South and Mid England while travelling farther East and North for Special events such as the 24 hour Sport Relief event and fundraiser to help the families who lost members in the unfortunate Manchester Bombings. In 2018, as the organisation grew and attracted members from all around South Wales, Soccability was rebranded as South Wales Soccability. While the organisation still at this time participated in events in England, the aims to improve the lives of those with Disabilities through Sport was starting to show. 2019 was a major milestone and turning point for South Wales Soccability with the appointment of a new chairman and project manger along with a new members Committee. "Building on Ability not Disability, Together" development plan was launched with its aims of improving the lives of the disabled and socially excluded members of the community, not only through sport but also through education and working in the local community. The Football side of things through the new project also saw a return to Wales to compete against teams from across South & West Wales and in 2021 helped pioneer a new Welsh 11 a side league for Disabled Footballers.

On May 11th 2021 South Wales Soccability signed an agreement to become the Official Disability Club for Port Talbot Town FC and re-branded as Port Talbot Town DFC



# **FOOTBALL AT PORT TALBOT TOWN DFC**



**Port Talbot Town DFC provides football for members of the Neath Port Talbot Community who have Mental Health Conditions and Physical and Mental Disabilities/Conditions. We offer a range of different Ability Teams so that no matter what condition a player has they will be able to play in a squad that is suitable to their ability as a footballer rather than the stigma of their condition.**

**We are a part of the South Wales PAN Disability Football League.**

**Port Talbot Town DFC train on Saturdays at Vivian Park, Port Talbot between 11.30 and 13.00**



# ABOUT OUR OPPONENTS



**New Inn PAN DFC are based in Pontypool but we train out of Cwmbran as that's where most of our players are from. We have been together for at least 10 years and we are a mix of young men and women with different physical and mental needs. We believe in being inclusive and focusing on having fun.**

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# VIEW FROM THE BOARDROOM



Good afternoon, everyone and welcome to our second edition of our match day programme. A big thank you to the media team in particular Simon Cummings for putting this programme together. As we said we hope to do this for every time Port Talbot Town DFC play.

We continue to make progress on and off the field. In my last notes we spoke about some of the changes that have been made. Some of these have brought instant impact, others are like a tiny seed, that needs to grow and develop for us to reap the harvest of success. I firmly believe the changes introduced will give us results and leave the club with a bright and positive future. Enabling and empowering us both as a club committee and you as members to meet the challenges as we work toward achieving the club's motto Building on Ability not Disability Together.

This weekend should have been the start of the Building on Ability Small sided League. I know some of you were really looking forward to this and feel disappointed that it had to be cancelled at the last Minute. We had everything in place to go but due to the current picture of disability football in Wales, and the impact on teams caused by the Pandemic I felt as Chairman it was better to postpone for a month. Although this was a very difficult choice, but for the ongoing success of the league, the best option, as we could not start with only three teams.



# VIEW FROM THE BOARDROOM



Having said all that it's great that the championship players get the opportunity to take on New Inn here at Vivian Park. It is there first match since the club became Port Talbot DFC. They have all worked hard in training and today will be a test and a really step up in quality.

I know speaking to the Gaffer he is looking forward to the game and seeing how far the championship players have come since reporting back to training. I know the gaffer and his assistant are looking to build the squad to meet the proposed programme of football activities. But they both know it recruiting the right players to join Port Talbot Town DFC. Finally, a big thank you to Amelia and The New Inn for agreeing to play today's game. And big thank you for today's match referee. I am sure today's game will be really exciting affair and a positive one for all concerned.

The Chairman





# FROM THE BOOT ROOM



Today we welcome New Inn to Vivian Park for a Championship Friendly.

A highly anticipated match as both teams have not played a game of football for over a year.

We look forward to seeing how the new faces in the team gel in with their teammates.

The last time these two clubs met was in March 2020 in the South Wales PAN Disability League Festival in Bridgend with then South Wales Soccability DFC coming out narrow 1-0 winners.

After a few weeks of training the players are raring to go and look to put their hard work to use on the field.

I want to wish the team the best of luck and do yourselves and the Club proud.

Championship Coach

## The Gaffers Thoughts

Today we welcome Amelia and her team from the New Inn to Vivian Park for today's match. This will be the first time the Championship side have had a match since before lockdown. I am really looking forward to watching them play and seeing the work put in on the training pitch paying off. For various reasons we are several players missing today but I am sure whoever pulls on the club colours will give 100% and this all I and the club can ask for and expect from every player who puts on the club's kit. I would like to wish the players making their debuts a successful afternoon. Relax and enjoy the experience, do your best, leave nothing out there and whatever the result you know walking off the pitch you have given your best.

The Gaffer



# THE SOUTH, EAST & WEST WALES BUILDING ON ABILITY LEAGUE



Plans are finally underway for a Pan Disability 11 a side Football League. Our Chairman with support from the media team and members of the clubs committee have been working on this project for the last few months. Following permission from The South Wales Football Association we have reached the final stage and only have to get agreement from The South Wales Disability Football League Committee. The League and a small sided monthly tournaments are set to be launched in the 21/22 season and will provide all players with regular monthly matches. This is something as a club we can be very proud of. Well done to everyone involved.







# ***TEAMSHEETS***



**D.HOWARD  
P.BURROWS  
M.MORGAN  
L.WATLING  
T.LARNER  
R.LARKIN  
M.PEARSON**

**MANAGER  
K.ROOTES**

**G.WARD  
N.JONES  
C.RYAN  
B.MATTHEWS  
L.JONES  
G.YOUNG  
M.YOUNG  
I.BURNELL  
S.JAMES  
J.LOVERING  
G.MORGAN**

**MANAGER  
G.WARD**



# ***FIXTURES***

## ***21/22***



DATE	OPPONENT	COMPETITION	RESULTS
22/08/21	KIDDERMINSTER A.W (A)	FRIENDLY	1-2 L
09/10/21	NEW INN PAN DFC (H)	FRIENDLY	
07/11/21	VARIOUS	7 A SIDE LEAGUE	
12/12/21	VARIOUS	7 A SIDE LEAGUE	
09/01/22		7 A SIDE LEAGUE	

**FIXTURES SUBJECT TO CHANGE**







# MEET A MEMBER



## Meet a Member



- Name - Paul Burrows
- Age - 47
- Position - Forward
- Years at Club - 11
- Favourite Football Club - Cardiff City
- Favourite Sporting Memory - Wales beating Belgium Euro 2016 Quarter Finals
- Nickname - Spud

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## Meet a Member



- Name - Jack Griffiths
- Age - 18
- Position - Midfielder
- Years at Club - 1
- Favourite Football Club - Swansea City
- Favourite Sporting Memory - Joining the Swans under 12s Academy
- Nickname - None

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# ***FOOTBALL WITHIN PORT TALBOT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB***



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## Disability Football

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# ***NEW KITS PTTDFC***



**Port Talbot Town DFC have received their new matchday kits for the next two seasons. We would like to thank TotalTeamSportswear for manufacturing the kits and a big thank you to Forest Veterinary Group, Kara Thomas Photography & Afan Tyre Discount Centre for becoming a kit sponsors.**





# THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS



**Port Talbot Town DFC thanks the clubs  
sponsors for their support**



## **Sponsorship Opportunities Available**

**Do you wish or know anyone who may want to become part of our business community team. We have a number of sponsorship opportunities available to suit every budget. And every penny raised through sponsorship enables the club to develop and provide opportunities for disabled and socially excluded members of the community to be involved and enhance not only their lives but breakdown some of the barriers within society. If you feel or know someone willing to support, please contact The Media and Marketing Team at Port Talbot Town DFC**



# HELP REQUIRED



**Do you Love Football and would like others to enjoy the experience? Then why not become a member of the Match Day Team at Port Talbot Town FC. As part of our partnership we have a number of voluntary opportunities for you to become part of the Matchday Team for all Port Talbot Town FC home games. If you would like to be a part of this team learn new skills, meet new people, whilst possibly gaining useful qualifications. Then please speak to Kevin or Simon for further information. Full training and support will be given for every roll**

**If you wish to get in touch with us please use the following;**

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