



NEWS FROM THE NEW SAINTS

The New Saints of Oswestry Town and Llanantffraid Football Club

SAINTS SHOW RACISM THE RED CARD

THE New Saints hosted a highly successful anti-racism event with pupils from Llanfyllin High School at The Venue @ Park Hall in January.

Some 148 schoolchildren and their teachers attended the afternoon conference, which was organised in conjunction with Show Racism The Red Card.

After watching an informative DVD about racism in football, the children took part in a lively question and answer session with ex-professionals Leroy Roseinor and Christian Roberts, as well as TNS trio Tommy and Danny Holmes and Craig Williams.

Roseinor was the victim of racist taunts during his career with Fulham, QPR, West Ham and Bristol City and gave a talk to the children on the

causes and effects of the problem.

Roberts, who played professionally for Swindon Town amongst others, also recounted his experience of racism.

The day wound-up with a prize giving to the pupils who had been successful in a competition with signed The New Saints' replica shirts among the prizes.

All the children also received Show Racism the Red Card information packs, a team photo of TNS supporting the campaign and complimentary tickets for the Welsh Premier game at home to Port Talbot.

Leroy Roseinor, Tommy Holmes, Craig Williams, Danny Holmes and Christian Roberts with the prize winners from Llanfyllin High School.



Sharp signing boosts Saints

THE New Saints have boosted their Welsh Premier title bid by swooping for Bangor City marksman Chris Sharp.

The Citizens' leading scorer for the past two seasons with 33 goals from 40 Welsh Premier appearances since joining from Rhyl, the 23-year-old has signed an 18-month deal at Park Hall.

Sharp missed the whole of league season 2006/7 after breaking a leg in Rhyl's Uefa Cup campaign but, despite returning to action at the start of the following season, was released from Belle Vue by mutual consent the following summer.

He then set a hot pace in the

race for the Golden Boot last season with 20 goals in 23 games, before breaking his arm in a tackle at Carmarthen Town which sidelined him for the remainder of the campaign.

But he quickly returned to form when back in the side and has 13 goals to his credit from 17 (+1) appearances this time around.

Sharp has been keen to secure a full time football contract, having had several trials at Football League clubs, and The New Saints are thrilled that he has chosen to take the full time opportunity that they are able to offer him.

FANS can watch The New Saints' home games for a fiver this season under a new scheme announced by the club.

Admission prices for 2009/10 have been maintained at the same rate as last season - adults £7.50, concessions £3, kids for a quid. But supporters attending home games receive a voucher at the turnstiles which entitles them to a reduced admission price of just £5 at the next home game.

The voucher scheme is in place at every game, so fans can enter Park Hall for just £5 for every consecutive game that they attend.

CUP OF JOY FOR SIX-GOAL TNS

THE New Saints cruised into the Welsh Cup's last eight with a comfortable 6-0 success at Llandudno Junction's compact Flyover ground.

There was never any doubt about the outcome once Steve Abbott had underlined the Saints' early domination with a 10th-minute 12-yarder from a Craig Williams cross.

And TNS were well inside the comfort goal with a four-nil half-time lead.

Keeper Liam Ewing allowed Phil Baker's 25-yard free-kick to trickle between his legs for the second on 23 minutes.

Chris Seargeant surged past defenders to fire the third, before Steve Evans headed in at the near post from Seargeant's flag kick.

And two more goals inside three minutes emphasised the visitors' superiority, with

Seargeant getting the fifth and Abbott a simple tap-in after a Williams header had hit the crossbar.

The New Saints now host Port Talbot Town in the quarter finals at Park Hall on Saturday 27 February, 2.30pm.

Out of action since New Year's Day because of the weather, the Saints returned to Welsh Premier action on January 23 with a 1-0 home league win over Port Talbot thanks to a goal from Steve Evans.

The Saints have surrendered just one goal in 14 games in all competitions - a penalty in the 1-1 draw at Porthmadog on December 15 and have not conceded a goal from open play in 1,346 minutes of football, a remarkable record at any level of the game.



Chris Seargeant bursts between Junction defenders to score the third goal

LEWIS IS ON THE MEND

GREAT news regarding our talented Under-13 midfielder Lewis Storey who was recently injured in a road accident.

In the last few days he has made rapid progress and says he can't wait to get back to training and playing as soon as he is fit. He has made a remarkable recovery from a serious injury and it will be great for us all to have him back.

Best wishes to him, his parents and all his family and friends who have had such a trying time over the last few weeks.

AN extremely rusty TNS Ladies team, who hadn't been able to play or train for six weeks, lost 1-0 to a very strong and physical Radcliffe Olympic side at Park Hall.

A dubious free kick resulted in the only goal after 63 minutes and, although the Ladies tried in vain to create an equalizer, they couldn't breach a very good Radcliffe defence.

TNS reserves had to travel with only nine players and amazingly led West Brom 1-0 and 2-1 with counter attack goals from Katie Doster and Sophie Nolan, both set-up by Emily Whitfield, before going down to defeat.

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

WELSH PREMIER LEAGUE

Sunday 14 February 2010 / 2.30pm

THE NEW SAINTS v BANGOR CITY



WELSH CUP QUARTER-FINAL

Saturday 27 February 2010 / 2.30pm

THE NEW SAINTS v PORT TALBOT



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OUR magnificent stadium offers matchday experiences unmatched by any other club in the Welsh Premier League.

In a comfortable and private suite, with unrivalled views of the match action from our balcony, there really is no better way to watch a match than in a Hospitality Suite at The Venue @ Park Hall.

Add to that our restaurant-standard cuisine and personal service, and it's no wonder that our matchday hospitality packages come well recommended.

Whatever the occasion, The New Saints FC can provide the perfect solution to your hospitality need.

Packages for all budgets and requirements can be catered for including lunch, meeting the players etc.

Contact our general manager Ian Williams on 01691 68 48 40 to arrange a personal viewing.

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