



The Carlsberg West Cheshire Association Football League



DEESIDERS CLAIM FIRST TROPHY OF THE SEASON
West Kirby have secured the Bill Weight Memorial Trophy for a record fourth consecutive year.

This season's competition got under way at Helsby's Community Sports Club ground where the 2nd Division champions hosted Pyke Cup holders, Newton. The game turned out to be a pulsating affair with little separating the two sides. Helsby can count themselves somewhat unlucky to lose to a last minute tap-in by Newton's Lee Kissock.

In the second semi-final, West Kirby were given a shock when Division Three champions, FC Pensby took a 0 – 1 lead into the interval, courtesy of Aaron Doyle. No doubt some stern words were spoken at half-time as West Kirby took control of the second half. Their first goal would not have been out of place **on 'Match of the Day' as Terry Cotgrave scored the first of his brace following a smart four-pass attack. Chay Dysat scored the Marine Park side's third.**

So to the final at Ashville's Villa Park home. The Deesiders were three goals up by the twentieth minute. Paul Hughes and a brace from Kieran Fleetwood had made sure that the Trophy made the return trip to the Marine Park trophy cabinet.

Although Newton came back into the game during the second half, **West Kirby held their nerve, despite Newton's Steve Jones scoring from the spot.** Congratulations go to both teams in providing an entertaining and competitive game.

West Kirby first won the trophy in 2006 beating Poulton Victoria 1 - 0. The following year they shared the honours with Runcorn Town after a 3 - 3 draw. In 2008 having been held to a 1 - 1 draw by Castrol Social, the Deesiders won the deciding penalty shoot-out 4 - 2.

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MANAGERIAL CHANGES

I am indebted to Martin Williams, secretary at Capenhurst Villa FC, and Peter Leay, secretary at Heswall FC for the following updates. Unfortunately the emails were received after the last newsletter had gone to print. Apologies for that gentlemen but thanks for the news.

Martin emailed me at allen.price@hotmail.co.uk with the following:

"Capenhurst Villa have appointed a new management team for the 1st team, Steve Locke is the manager with John Walters as his assistant."

Peter writes:

"There have been some significant additions to Heswall's managerial and coaching staff this season. Club Manager, Jed Peacock and his assistant, Mike Keegan, have been joined by Steve Murphy. Our reserve team manager, Andy Hayes, has been joined by Gordon Harrison and Eddie Shields."

Maghull FC have issued the following statement:

After just six games of their Carlsberg West Cheshire League season Maghull have, last week, parted company with manager, Jimmy Williams. The Club cited personal reasons for the amicable separation and wished to place on record their thanks and appreciation to Jimmy and his assistant Frank Kelly for their efforts over the past eighteen months.

Maghull, who have made an indifferent start to their campaign having won 3 and lost 3 of the games under Williams, have now appointed second team manager John Brownrigg as his successor. Brownrigg, who made over 400 appearances for Skelmersdale United in his 10 years there as a player, took charge prior to last Saturday's home 1-1 draw with last seasons runners up, Upton.

I am grateful to Maghull's Press Officer, Andy Boyd.



ENTER THE VILLA!

Those lucky enough to get hold of the Summer 2009 **edition of the League's newsletter will remember that** Peter Upton of Upton AA challenged any other West Cheshire club to beat the 158 years combined service at Upton of Peter, Mike Denham, Reggie Bedford and secretary, Barry Gaulton.

Ashville's Joe Mallon has written to tell me that *three* members at Villa Park have beaten that target - and by 20 years!

John Dennett, the club's founder and President has put in 60 years unstinting service at the Wallasey club. Joe himself also has 60 years service under his belt as a player, committee member and Trustee. Finally former player, chairman and current Trustee, Kenny Baker has **58 years service chalked up. That's a total of 178 years!**

Any other challengers out there?

FITTING IN THE FIXTURES

Honorary Fixture Secretary, Arthur Green, has been in discussion with Wirral Borough Council with regard to council pitches.

As you will be aware, the season is due to be completed by 30 April 2010. That entails arranging dates for all fixtures for FOUR divisions and FOUR cup competitions, Add to this the demands of shared pitches, senior team demands and County FA competitions and you will recognise the task facing Arthur,

Wirral have let us know that the programme of taking down goalposts and instituting pitch re-instatement will commence in the week commencing 25 April 2010.

All Wirral based teams are asked to bear this in mind. Clubs using council pitches in other areas should be aware of any similar arrangements that may effect their ability to host games.



MANAGER OF THE MONTH

The Carlsberg West Cheshire League Manager of the Month for the month of August 2009 has been announced.

Congratulations to Steve Platt, manager of Cammell Lairds West Cheshire League side.

Laird's record during August show that they have played five games, winning four of them. In the process they scored 12 goals.

The only goals against came at Heswall's Gayton Park, the scene of Laird's only defeat so far this season.

On the opening day of the season **Platt's men travelled to Maghull and brought home a 0 - 1 win.** They followed this up by beating champions, West Kirby by three goals to nil and then repeated then Kirklands treatment when they entertained Castrol Social. Ten followed that one **blip at Heswall but that was put to rights at Marine's Arriva Stadium, coming away with a convincing 0 - 4 win.**

What's the betting against Steve picking up the September award? At the time of writing, Cammell Laird have played a further two away games, winning 1 - 5 at Upton and 0 - 2 at **Ellesmere Port. That's a record of two home games and five away games with only the one defeat.**

YET ANOTHER WEST CHESHIRE WINNER

I understand that a major award has been made to another of the West Cheshire stalwarts. At the recent Community Shield Final, Fred Singleton of Heswall FC received the Volunteer of the Year award. Congratulations, Fred!

We will hopefully have more details next month.



CUP FOOTBALL 1 - CHESTER SENIOR CUP

The draws for the first two rounds of the Chester Senior Cup **have been made. In the first round, St Werburgh's have been** drawn away to Barrow Athletic whilst Christleton are also on the road visiting Chester Celtic. First round ties are scheduled for 10 October 2009.

Should St Werburgh's and Christleton be successful in overcoming their respective opponents, they will meet each other in the second round.

CUP FOOTBALL 2 - CHESTER CHALLENGE CUP

*The first round of the Chester Challenge cup took place on 12 September 2009 and saw Upton AA beat **Chester Nomads. Upton's prize is an away tie at** Duddon United who saw off Hoole Rangers in the first round, 9 - 0!. Christleton join the competition at the second round stage and host Barrow Athletic.*

CUP FOOTBALL 3 - WIRRAL SENIOR CUP

The first round of the Wirral Senior Cup saw Castrol Social win at Capenhurst Villa 1 - 2. Newton overcame Ashville by 3 goals to one at Millcroft. The draw for the second round produced the following ties: Castrol Social v Willaston; Heswall v Ellesmere Port; Vauxhall Motors v Cammell Laird and West Kirby v Newton.

CUP FOOTBALL 4 - WIRRAL AMATEUR CUP

The first round of the Wirral Amateur Cup produced the following results: AFC Bebington 2, West Kirby 4; Ashville 1, FC Pensby 1, (Ashville win 4 - 2 on penalties); Bronze Social 2, Mersey Royal 1; Manor Athletic 2, Ellesmere Port 1; and New Brighton 4, Grange Athletic 2.

Second round ties are: West Kirby v Bronze Social; Ashville v Capenhurst Villa; Mallaby v Manor Athletic; and New Brighton v Heswall.



CUP FOOTBALL 5 - CHESHIRE AMATEUR CUP

Five West Cheshire sides have received byes into the second round of the cup: Ashville, Cammell Laird, Grange Athletic, West Kirby and Willaston.

The first round ties involving West Cheshire sides are:

AFC Bebington Athletic v Legion; Bronze Social v Barnton; Capenhurst Villa v Broadheath Central; Chester Nomads v Grappenhall Sports; Christleton v Mersey Royal; Club AZ v Mallaby; Ellesmere Port v Blacon YC; Hazel Grove v FC Pensby; Lostock Gralam v Runcorn Town; Lostock Rangers v Castrol Social; Malpas v Halton; Manor Athletic v Vauxhall Motors; Mellor v Helsby; New Brighton v Warrington Town; Spurley **Hey v Upton AA; St Werburgh's v Linotype Cheadle HN;** (All above ties to be played on 19 September 2009)

and finally: Newton v Heswall.
(Tie to be played 26 September 2009)

NOBBY DANCES ONCE AGAIN!

Like most lads of my generation 1966 was my introduction to the joys of football. One of my abiding memories is of Nobby Stiles dancing around the Wembley turf having won the World Cup.

So I was delighted to hear that Marine are holding a special sporting dinner with the great man in attendance on Friday 23 October 2009, arriving at 7:30pm for an 8pm start.

Tickets cost £32 and include a three-course dinner. Top comedian, Denny Waters is also on the bill, with the whole event controlled by Peter McCormack as MC.



Further details are available from the club Chairman, Paul **Leary, on 07855 275722 or Marine's Clubroom Manager, John Barry on (0151) 924 1743, evenings only.**



ONE - NIL TO LLOYDY!
August was a momentous month in the Lloyd household this year.

Upton AA skipper, Andy Lloyd, missed the Chester -based club's 2 - 1 win over Blacon on the 19th as wife, Gemma, gave birth to their first son, Owen.



Andy is pictured here following Upton's draw at Maghull.

Graciously

(in the Editor's opinion!) Andy agreed to stay with his wife during the birth and miss the game. However, this was only on the clear understanding that he was going to play in the Friday night game at Ellesmere Port two days later.



No doubt Ellesmere Port wished he had stayed by his wife's side. To celebrate Andy, a one club

man, scored both Upton goal's in their 2 - 1 win over the Port.

As you can see, Andy does not do half measures. Also pictured is his right arm, duly announcing Owen's arrival to the world

WHERE IN THE WEST CHESHIRE WORLD?

The summer edition carried a quiz picture and asked where was the picture taken. Congratulations to Jack Blakemore who was the first to supply me with the correct answer: Cammell Lairds, Kirklands.

So this month's is a little tougher. Answers to me by email please.

