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Inter Cable-Tel AFC	32	9	2	5	35	-14	10	4	2	26	-12	19	6	7	61	-26	+35	63
Cwmbran Town	32	9	1	6	38	-26	8	5	3	35	-18	17	6	9	73	-44	+29	57
Aberystwyth Town	32	9	4	3	28	-20	7	5	4	31	-28	16	9	7	59	-48	+11	57
Caernarfon Town	32	9	5	2	29	-19	4	6	6	16	-27	13	11	8	45	-46	-1	50
Newtown AFC	32	8	7	1	25	-9	5	3	8	20	-26	13	10	9	45	-35	+10	49
Conwy United	32	7	4	5	26	-24	7	3	6	29	-25	14	7	11	55	-49	+6	49
Total Network Solutions FC	32	7	5	4	28	-19	5	6	5	27	-23	12	11	9	55	-42	+13	47
Carmarthen Town	32	7	4	5	25	-19	6	4	6	21	-27	13	8	11	46	-46	0	47
Caersws FC	32	7	3	6	29	-29	5	5	6	20	-26	12	8	12	49	-55	-6	44
Bangor City	32	6	2	8	26	-23	5	4	7	18	-26	11	6	15	44	-49	-5	39
Connah's Quay Nomads	32	6	5	5	28	-23	4	3	9	16	-24	10	8	14	44	-47	-3	38
Haverfordwest County	32	6	4	6	25	-24	3	3	10	18	-36	9	7	16	43	-60	-17	34
Afan Lido FC	32	3	4	9	14	-27	4	6	6	14	-19	7	10	15	28	-46	-18	31
Rhayader Town	32	3	7	6	14	-23	2	4	10	15	-31	5	11	16	29	-54	-25	26
Rhyl FC	32	4	2	10	21	-33	3	-	13	20	-48	7	2	23	41	-81	-40	23
Holywell Town	32	2	7	7	22	-23	1	2	13	16	-53	3	9	20	38	-86	-48	18

League Winners and Losers

Champions League:

UEFA Cup as Welsh Cup Winners:

UEFA Cup

UEFA Intertoto Cup:

Barry Town

Inter CableTel AFC

Cwmbran Town

Aberystwyth Town

Relegated:

Promoted from North:

Promoted from South:

Holywell Town

Cefn Druids

Llanelli AFC

League Appearances 1998-1999

Player's Name	Position	Nationality	Date of Birth	Full Apps.	Sub. Apps	Lge goals
Mark Aizlewood	D	Welsh	01-10-59	12	6	-
Jim Blackie	D	Welsh	17-04-63	32	-	1
Richard Carter	D	Welsh	10-01-72	1	2	-
Micky Copeman	D	Welsh	07-05-70	2	6	-
Mattie Davies	S	Welsh	08-01-76	24	3	20
Mark Evans	D	Welsh	23-11-71	13	9	-
Paul Giles	M	Welsh	22-02-61	4	-	1
Wayne Goodridge	M	Welsh	26-05-65	3	2	-
Ben Graham	D	Welsh	23-09-75	12	1	1
Wayne Hewitt	D	Welsh	27-03-73	23	2	4
Phil James	M	Welsh	24-10-74	20	4	-
Ray John	D	Welsh	08-11-64	15	-	-
Phil Johnson	M	English	07-04-75	8	2	1
Lee Matthews	M	Welsh	29-06-79	5	5	-
Ian Mitchell	S	Welsh	01-10-71	1	2	-
Adam Moore	M	Welsh	11-12-70	28	-	4
Neil O'Brien	D	Welsh	13-08-66	22	-	1
Pat O'Hagan	GK	Welsh	15-03-71	32	-	-
Mark Parfitt	D	Welsh	11-04-76	10	2	1
Michael Pattimore	M	Welsh	15-03-79	8	8	-
Kevin Payne	M	Welsh	29-10-69	-	3	-
Chris Pike	S	Welsh	19-01-61	10	19	6
John Powell	M	Welsh	23-01-66	2	-	1
Chris Summers	S	Welsh	06-01-72	26	-	21
Geraint Twose	M	Welsh	11-10-73	2	11	2
Chris Watkins	S	Welsh	14-11-75	13	6	3
Russ Wigley	S	Welsh	09-01-72	24	3	2



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1990/91

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1996/97

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1995/96

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1985/86

Gwent Senior Cup Finalists

1991/92, 1996/97

Chairman's Message

It's not a bad way to kick off a new season, is it – Celtic at home, in front of a packed house at Ninian Park! Tonight's fixture is the kind of which dreams are made for the followers of clubs like Cwmbran Town. To say that the UEFA Cup draw has been kind to us, at least in one way, would be an understatement. This game is something very, very special for not only Cwmbran Town and the League of Wales, but also Welsh football as a whole.

I'm delighted to extend a warm Welsh welcome to the board of directors of Celtic Football Club, their multi-million pound cast of players and, of course, their fantastic fans. You are all most welcome and I hope you all enjoy your trip to the Welsh capital.

Since our name was drawn out of the bag with that of Celtic it has been a hectic time both on and off the field. Trying to prepare for a game of this stature has been an eye-opening experience. Dealing with tickets, policing, programme production, TV negotiations and other commercial activities hasn't been easy. But thanks to the superb efforts of everyone connected with the club I think we've managed to conduct ourselves professionally throughout all our arrangements and give our players the best possible chance of doing themselves, and their league, justice on the pitch. That, after all, is what tonight is all about.

My thanks also go to those companies who have come on board to help us maximise the potential of this fixture in every possible way. You will no doubt notice the name of the car manufacturer Hyundai on our shirts tonight. They have agreed to back us in both fixtures. BBC Wales are broadcasting tonight's match live on BBC2 Wales. I would like to thank their head of sport Arthur Emyr, for his help.

Celtic arrive for this first leg in fine form. The combination of Kenny Dalglish and John Barnes as the new management team at Celtic has already set the imagination racing among Scottish football fans. Their new look side has already clinically destroyed Newcastle and Aberdeen. Their performance against the Dons, in particular, was quite something.

So for us to have a chance to play against such colourful opposition and against a side whose European pedigree is something rather special, is wonderful for this football club. It is also further confirmation that the League of Wales is developing into a league of no little repute. We have been very proud to represent our league in Europe on two previous occasions, and we will fly the flag with great pride once again this evening.

Such an occasion always brings out the best in people and I believe that at Cwmbran Town we are very fortunate to have some of the very best people in Welsh football – both on and off the field. Obviously there are too many to mention but I have to say a big thank you to our manager Tony Wilcox who has spent the past few years carefully building and developing a side of which we can be very proud.

Tony is the longest serving manager in the League of Wales and that says something both about him and about the strength of this club. We might not be have swept all before us in recent seasons, but there is always a comfortable air about the club and we believe we are heading in the right direction.

We see tonight's game, and the second leg at Celtic's magnificent Park Head Stadium, as a significant piece in the overall jigsaw. After all, if you want to be the best you have to play against the best. I know the supporters would have liked to have seen the side playing in its own back yard, but as everyone knows that was simply not possible. Therefore we are grateful to Cardiff City and everyone involved at Ninian Park for the help and assistance they have given us in making sure tonight is a very special night.

I know the Cwmbran players can't wait to pit themselves against Celtic's finest tonight and my final thoughts are with them. Give it your best shot, boys, and enjoy the experience of a lifetime. Good luck!

John Colley



From the Manager

On the 26th May this year I was privileged to be in the Nou Camp Stadium, Barcelona to witness an amazing European Champions League final between Manchester United and Bayern Munich. It was one of those truly great sporting occasions you remember forever.

For me personally and I'm sure for everyone involved with Cwmbran Town tonight, whatever the result, will also be one of those special occasions you never forget. Everyone I've met since the UEFA Cup draw paired us with the mighty Celtic has been wishing me good luck. They've been doing it with a shrug of their shoulders or by raising their eyes to the heavens as if to suggest it is more than luck we need. Sure, a bit of divine intervention from St. David would help, but how could anyone be downhearted at the prospect of playing against one of the greatest club sides in the world.

Let me tell you straight away, the Cwmbran Town players consider it an honour and a privilege to be given the opportunity to play against some of the top players, and earners, in European football. But they won't be overawed by the experience, and neither will they take a backward step. This is a once in a lifetime experience for the majority of the Cwmbran players and they intend to make the most of it.

You can run through all the old football clichés – it's 11 v 11; they only got two arms and two legs like all of us; you're ninety minutes away from immortality; shut up shop for 20 minutes and anything could happen – but tonight is not merely about taking part for the Cwmbran Town team, but about competing as hard as possible and proving to a man there is talent in our squad.

We've done that over the years by never finishing outside the top six in the League of Wales. We've showed ambition in the close season by signing some quality players for our league campaign. We are also determined to be incredibly competitive not only tonight, but throughout the season. The games against Celtic are no side show for us – we aim to use them as a catalyst for a season of success.

Our build up to tonight's game has been hectic to say the least. I wish I could say we arrive for tonight's game in perfect shape, but I don't think any manager ever believes he has had enough time to attend to everything he wanted before a big game. But we're here and we're raring to go!

We lost our striker Mattie Davies with a knee injury during our build up and that was a blow to our preparations. I



understand Mattie has damaged anterior Cruciate ligaments and is likely to be out of action for the rest of the season and I really feel for him. If any player deserves to play on a stage like tonight it is him.

As for Celtic, I went to Parkhead to watch them last weekend and I saw their recent wins over Newcastle and Aberdeen on video. Kenny Dalglish and John Barnes are certainly building something special – just how special we might discover tonight. When we played Chester City one of the reporters asked their manager, Kevin Ratcliffe, how he expected Celtic to play under their new management teams. "... two at the back and the rest in attack", was his answer. If that's the case tonight then our team will have to be prepared to take on all comers.

Finally, I need to thank a few people, firstly my wife Angela and children Sophie and Ross who have had to put up with me not being around for the past number of weeks.

Secondly, to the Club Chairman and lifelong president John Colley who has supported myself and Mark Aizlewood superbly.

And last but not least, Mr George Thorneycroft former Chairman of Cwmbran who is sadly no longer with us. George gave me the opportunity to become manager of the club in October 1991 and I know he will be looking down on us tonight and wishing us all the very best.

Hope you all enjoy the game.

Tony Willcox

Tony Willcox

Born: 26 March 1956
Age: 43
5 Wales Under 18 International Caps

Playing Career

Barry Town 1973-1980
Ton Pentre 1981-1988
Management Career
Barry Town 1988-1991
Cwmbran Town 1991-

Won League of Wales Championship in 1992-1993
Received Football Merit award in 1997 from FAW for services to Welsh football.
First Welsh Club Manager to lead a team into three major European Competitions.



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Quiz By Kevin Morris

ARE YOU REALLY A KENNY DALGLISH FAN ?

- Q. 1 Who were the opponents for his testimonial in 1999? (1 point).
Answer
- Q. 2 Against which club did he make his League debut for Celtic?
(1 point for the club, 1 for the score and 1 for the number jersey he wore).
Answer
- Q. 3 Name any of the 3 junior clubs he played for ? (1 point for each).
Answer
- Q. 4 Who was the Scotland manager when Kenny made his full international debut in 1971-72? (1 point).
Answer
- Q. 5 In the 1974 World Cup he played in three group matches in which one match was lost and the other two drawn. Who were the opponents?
(1 point for each).
Answer
- Q. 6 Who did he succeed as Celtic captain in 1975-76? (1 point)
Answer
- Q. 7 What significant landmark did he reach when (along with Joe Jordans hand) he helped Scotland reach the 1978 World Cup Finals in Argentina? (1 point).
Answer
- Q. 8 What happened for the first time in Kenny's career in a European Cup match versus Benfica in 1984-85? (1 point).
Answer
- Q. 9 Name the six managers he played under for Scotland?
(1 point for each).
Answer
- Q. 10 Who presented him with a solid silver cap when he won his 100th cap for his country?
(1 point).
Answer

And Finally

For what strange reason was John Barnes Anfield debut delayed?

The father of one of tonight's players once put a cover on the light switches in the changing rooms so Bruce Grobbelaar wouldn't smash them in his warm up routine. Name him?

And who is the only player on display tonight who has appeared in each of the following cups European Cup Winners Cup, UEFA Cup, Inter Toto Cup and European Champions Cup?

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Answers: 1 Real Sociedad, 2 Rotherham, 3 Glasgow United, 4 Tommy Docherty, 5 Zaire (lost 2-0) Brazil + Yugoslavia both drawn, 6 Billy McNeill, 7 50th Cap 8 He was sent off, 9 Tommy Docherty, Willy Ormond, Ally MacLeod, Jock Stein, Alex Ferguson and Andy Roxburgh, 10 Franz Beckenbauer.



Tonights Mascots

Tonight's mascots are Wayne Davies, Sophie Willcox, Ross Willcox and Nathan Blackie.



Mascot in Depth

We asked one of our mascots, Wayne Davies, to tell us a little about himself. This is what we found out.

Date of Birth: 9th November 1987

School: Croesyceiliog Comprehensive School.

Favourite Colour: Yellow

Favourite TV Programmes:

South Park, Friends, The Fresh Prince of Belair

Favourite Pop Star: Will Smith

Favourite Sports Personalities:

Craig Quinnell, Scott Quinnell, Michael Owen

Football Teams he supports:

Cwmbran Town (of course), Liverpool

Hobbies: Rugby, Football, Cricket and Pool

Honours:

Wayne represented his school at Rugby and earned Cwmbran Districts Cap at Under 11.

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11/2 LAZIO	25 B LEVERKUSEN	50 PORTO
11/2 MAN UTD	25 FEYENOORD	50 RANGERS
13/2 AC MILAN	25 DYNAMO KIEV	50 SPARTAK MOSCOW
8 BARCELONA	33 BORDEAUX	66 CROATIA ZAGREB
10 BAYERN MUNICH	33 CELTA VIGO	100 BOAVISTA
12 ARSENAL	33 MARSEILLES	100 GALATASARAY
12 PARMA	33 DEPORTIVO	100 HERTHA BERLIN
16 REAL MADRID	33 MALLORCA	100 OLYMPIAKOS
25 CHELSEA	40 PSV EINDHOVEN	
25 FIORENTINA	50 MONACO	

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TO WIN UEFA CUP 66/1



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When Cwmbran qualified for the UEFA Cup at the end of last season, it must have been beyond their wildest dreams that they would be rewarded with this glamour tie against Scottish giants Celtic.

This is the second time in three seasons that the Scottish Premier League side have been drawn against League of Wales opposition, having played Inter Cable Tel at this venue in 1997. That certainly proved to be a memorable occasion for the Cardiff based sides players, who must have been thrilled to play in front of 40,000 spectators in the return leg at Park Head. Cwmbrans' players and staff have that to look forward to in two weeks time and will doubtless be hopeful of keeping tonight's score to a respectable level, in order to add interest to the second leg for Celtic's fanatical followers.

This is the third European foray for "Crows" boss Tony Willcox, who is now assisted by much capped former Welsh international Mark Aizlewood. Mark must really be looking forward to renewed involvement on the big stage, and doubtless encountered Celtic's new management team of Kenny Dalglish and John Barnes during his long distinguished playing career. Barnes and Dalglish enjoyed a great start in the Scottish Premier League at Aberdeen two weeks ago, where they trounced the "Dons" 5-0. That result suggests that the only chance that Cwmbran have of avoiding defeat tonight is to "board up" both goals. However, Europe isn't just about results for League of Wales teams, all of whom could not have dreamt of playing such high quality opposition prior to the Leagues formation in 1992, and the consequent welcome financial benefits that UEFA Competition brings. Certainly the finance that's generated from this match should

ensure that Cwmbran remain major players in the League of Wales for the next couple of seasons.

So much for the plus "points" of this type of draw, but I personally prefer our Clubs to face less daunting tasks at the first stage of UEFA Competitions, which at least gives them some chance of progressing. Cwmbran themselves, came so close to doing so when they took on Cork City in the European Championship Cup in 1993, following becoming the inaugural League of Wales Champions. I really thought that Welsh Clubs would be able to build on that, but apart from Barry's success in UEFA Cup matches in 1996/97, it just hasn't happened. Barry's recent exit against Maltese Champions Valetta being particularly disappointing.

Whats gone wrong? Well apart from these matches coming at a bad time for our Clubs, usually in mid Summer, the fact is we need better players and a more thorough preparation. On more than one occasion after comprehensive defeats in Europe, Club officials have said to me "Oh yes, we did get hammered, but we had a great time over there and made some really good friends". It's all very well making friends, but to enhance its credibility League of Wales needs winners, and the only way to achieve this is by a more professional approach, and to reverse expectation of elimination at the first stage, particularly in the 1st preliminary round of the UEFA Champions League, which comprises of Clubs which League of Wales Clubs should have reasonable expectations of defeating.

I fully accept that if our Clubs draw teams like tonight's visitors, they will without doubt be eliminated, but surely we should be able to beat Clubs from nations from the lower reaches of the UEFA merit table, if the League of Wales is to enhance "doubters" perception of the Competition.

Let's not take it away from Cwmbran though, whose consistency has earned them this "showpiece" tie. It certainly would be a major boost for them and the League of Wales if the "Crows" were to avoid defeat tonight, on what will hopefully be a memorable occasion for players and spectators alike.

John Deakin

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Alun Evans Writes

The approach of the Millennium holds no terrors for those of us who were a part of the formation of the League of Wales. Dire predictions of the effects of the "Millennium Bug" are as nothing compared with the forecasts of the destruction of Welsh football as we know it. Whatever the "Noughties" have in store for us, they will raise no hairs on the back of the neck as the opening years of the Nineties did under the burden of gloom paraded across the columns of newspapers for whom a national league offered unappetising fare.

I remember vividly a humid summer night in Bucharest, watching the home nation racking up five goals in the first half-hour in our opening World Cup qualifying group. It was a consolation of sorts when a message arrived in the pressbox to tell me that UEFA had voted to recognise the entry of the first League of Wales champions into the European Cup.

It is a matter of history that Cwmbran Town were the first to lift the trophy and thus the first Welsh club to play in the most prestigious of competitions. Only their inexperience in European football cost them the honour of recording the first Welsh victory: instead two draws against Cork City led to an exit on the away-goals rule, when the Crows had been in front in both legs. This evening Cwmbran create new history, as the first League of Wales team to have played in all three major UEFA tournaments. It is an achievement that cannot be matched following the amalgamation of the Cup Winners' Cup into the UEFA Cup.

There has been a long-running debate on the merits of European competition as a justification of the existence of the League of Wales, but recent proposals that the FAW Premier Cup winners should be given a place in the UEFA Cup suggests that even a short-lived venture onto the Continent is still a worthwhile objective.

Tonight's visitors are a prime example of the attractive draw that can compensate for the risk of travelling to far-flung outposts of the old Soviet empire. For all that London's media can brag up Manchester United's glories of last season, Celtic will always be recognised for being the first British club to lift the European Cup in 1967. It was a victory which meant something to Wales, for their manager Jock Stein was playing for Llanelli when he was summoned to Parkhead where he was to establish the most formidable reputation of any British manager.

The connection has continued, albeit indirectly, with the appearance in their goal of Jonathan Gould, son of the recently-departed Welsh Manager, Bobby Gould's role in developing the image of the League of Wales should be properly acknowledged. He not only attended matches, but encouraged young talent by their inclusion in some of the national squads. Small countries cannot afford to ignore the potential on its doorstep at a time when it is becoming increasingly harder for Welsh footballers to show their talents in the English leagues.

Jonathan Gould also maintains a little-known link with the Celtic goalmouth. In a 1910 international, the Welsh attack put out of commission the Scotland and Celtic keeper, Davey Adams. After the match, the Welsh custodian, I. R. Roose - a genuine Corinthian and eccentric - volunteered to take Adam's place in Celtic's next match - a Scottish Cup semi-final against Clyde. There was to be no fairy-tale ending as Celtic lost by 3-1. There may be no fairy-tale ending for Cwmbran this evening, but their place in beginning a tradition in Welsh football will last well into the next Millennium.

Alun Evans

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Celtic How it all began

Celtic's founding father - Brother Walfrid

Celtic Football Club was established in the late nineteenth century by a Marist Brother known as Brother Walfrid, principally as a means of using the game of football to raise money to provide food for the poor in the East End of Glasgow. Celtic's first game was played on 28 May 1888 against Rangers, with Celtic winning 5-2. In its first season, Celtic won its first trophy - the North Eastern Football Association Cup. In 1892 Celtic Football Club moved to its current ground, Celtic Park, situated in Parkhead, Glasgow, which

became known as "Paradise" to its supporters due to its proximity to the local cemetery.

The Celtic Football and Athletic Company Limited, was incorporated on 12th April 1897 to acquire trade, assets and liabilities of the original Celtic Football and Athletic Club.

Over the next 50 years, Celtic won numerous cup victories and league titles in Scotland. In 1937 it was victorious in the Scottish Cup in front of around 147,000 spectators and, in the following year, marked its Golden Jubilee by winning the League Championship as well as the Empire Exhibition Trophy (defeating Everton in the Final). Celtic had some success in the 1950's including victory in the Coronation Cup in 1953 when it defeated Hibernian 2-0 in the final. It was in the period 1965 to 1975 however, under the management of a former player Jock Stein, that Celtic achieved the reputation of being one of Europe's premier clubs. In that period, fielding some of the UK's best known players of their time including McNeill, Dalglish,

Johnstone and McGrain, Celtic won the League Championship for nine successive seasons and more notably, the European Cup in 1967. Celtic were finalists in the European Cup again in 1970 losing to Feyenord, having beaten Leeds United in the semi-final at Hampden Park in front of over 133,000 spectators (a European Cup attendance record).

Success continued in the 1980's with four League Championship wins, four Scottish Cup wins and a League Cup victory. Celtic won the League Championship and the Scottish Cup in its centenary year of 1988 and the Scottish Cup again in 1989. In the early 1990's there was however, a marked change in Celtic's fortunes. By 1993, it was clear that Celtic was losing support as a result of the poor performances in all major competitions.

After internal disputes, shareholder and supporter unrest and with Celtic facing financial ruin, the Directors agreed on 4th March 1994 to Fergus McCann joining the Board and providing an immediate cash guarantee to stabilise the company's borrowings. On 11th March 1994, Christopher White, Michael Kelly and David Smith, members of Celtic's existing Board, resigned. By June, following a rights issue and other subscriptions which raised in aggregate over 12m for the Company, eliminating bank and other major debts, Fergus McCann and a group of new investors, who had underwritten a substantial part of the rights issue, took control of Celtic. By mid September the remainder of Celtic's former Board had also departed.

Season 1994/95, saw the start of a new era for Celtic, selling around 18,500 tickets (11,000 more than the previous season) and conducting at that time, the most successful share issue and placing in the history of British soccer amounting to approximately £14m.

A new state of the art stadium was designed and would eventually see Celtic Park having 60,000 seats and becoming Britain's largest club football stadium. The impressive North Stand has been constructed at a cost of £17m, seating 26,822.

The North Stand has top facilities for all types of supporters from excellent provision for disabled spectators to heated, padded armchair seats in the business class section.

A new glass fronted restaurant has been opened which faces on to the park and has been named the Captains' Table.

Celtic reached two Cup finals in 1994/95 which was the first time the Club had achieved this in eleven years. The Club won its first major trophy in six years on 27 May 1995, picking up the Tennents' Scottish Cup at Hampden Park, by defeating Airdrieonians 1-0.

Although no trophies were won in season 1995/96, the progress of the Club was considerable. The season ticket base rose to 29,500 and the team finished just 4 points below Rangers to end the season in second place, after finishing in fourth place in season 1994/95. The

Celtic bring home the European Cup in 1967.

team developed an attractive flowing style of football which attracted crowds in excess of 30,000 to every home match in season 1995/96.

Season 1996/97 saw the stadium open another new stand, this time the East Stand costing around £6m and taking capacity to 50,170 (of this there were 2,575 seats in a temporary stand) seating a record 40,000 season book holders. The team



Jock Stein Factfile

1922 - Born in the Burnbank, Lanarkshire on October 5th only a few miles from the birthplace of other soccer legends Sir Matt Busby and Bill Shankly.

1942 - Signs part-time for Albion Rovers while still working as a miner.

1948 - Won promotion to the Scottish First Division but relegated the following year.

1950 - Joins Llanelli in Welsh League as full time professional.

1951 - Signed by Celtic mainly to help with reserve and youth team coaching but becomes first team captain.

1954 - Celtic complete League and Cup double.

1955 - League runners-up and Scottish Cup finalists but Stein receives injury and becomes reserve team coach.

1960 - Appointed manager of Dunfermline Athletic.

1961 - Winners of the Scottish Cup

1964 - Appointed manager of Hibernian.

1965 - Rejoins Celtic as manager and they win Scottish Cup.

1966 - Becomes Scotland manager on a temporary basis for World Cup qualifying matches.

1966 - First of nine Scottish League championships in a row.

1967 - Celtic beat Internazionale 2-1 in Lisbon to become first British side to win European Cup.

1977 - Last of 10 championships and eight Scottish Cup victories while manager of Celtic.

1978 - Becomes manager of Leeds United but leaves in same year to become Scotland manager.

1982 - Scotland qualify for World Cup finals in Spain.

1985 - Dies on September 10 at the end of the match at Ninian Park in which Scotland drew 1-1 with Wales to ensure qualification for the 1986 World Cup finals in Mexico.



finished second in the League, qualified for the UEFA Cup and reached the quarter finals of the Coca Cola Cup and Semi Finals of the Tennents Scottish Cup.

Major rebuilding work on the football pitch is also underway, with the spending on new players now in excess of £28m.

The 1997/98 season saw an exciting array of nine new players join the squad from home and abroad.

The first trophy success of the season came on 30th November 1997, when Celtic defeated Dundee United 3-0 at Ibrox to lift the Coca-Cola Cup.

The season culminated in Celtic winning the Premier League Championship on 9th May 1998. On the final day of the League season and in front of a capacity crowd at Celtic Park, Celtic defeated St. Johnstone 2-0 with two memorable goals, an occasion that will live long in the minds of Celtic supporters.

The summer of 1998 brought the completion of the new Celtic Park. Following expenditure by Celtic of over £30m, the UK's largest club stadium has been created. Celtic Park will have some of the most modern facilities available and will have a total of 60,000 seats.

Celtic - The Players

JONATHAN GOULD (Goalkeeper)

Born: 18.7.68 in Paddington Height: 6ft 11ins Weight: 12st 7lbs
 SIGNED: from Bradford City in August 1997
 OTHER LEAGUE CLUBS - Halifax Town, West Bromwich Albion, Coventry City.
 Celtic record up to the end of season 1998/99 - 90 apps, 0 goals
 SIGNED as cover for the injured Gordon Marshall and Stewart Kerr at beginning of 1997/98, but quickly established himself as Celtic number one - and stayed there during the Championship winning season.
 His fine form was awarded with a new four-year contract and a late call-up to the Scotland squad for France 98.

JACKIE McNAMARA (Defender)

Born: 24.10.73 in Glasgow Height: 5ft 9ins Weight: 10st 4lbs
 SIGNED: from Dunfermline in October 1995
 OTHER LEAGUE CLUBS - None
 Celtic record up to the end of season 1997/98 - 140 apps, 5 goals
 A BARGAIN buy for former boss Tommy Burns, the marauding defender turned wing-back captured the Players' Player of the Year award in the championship winning season of 1997/98, with a place in the Scotland World Cup squad his reward. Even by then, however, a persistent knee injury was restricting his appearances and season 1998/99 was spent largely on the treatment table.

OLIVIER TEBILY (Defender)

Born: 19.12.75 in Abidjan. Height: 6ft Weight: 13st
SIGNED: from Sheffield United in July 1999
OTHER LEAGUE CLUBS: Chateauroux
AFRICAN born strong defender Tebily was one of several John Barnes acquisitions on arrival at Celtic. Tebily spent only six months in England before leaving to come north – a move which even surprised the player. Is contracted to Celtic until June 2004. After Stéphane Mahe he becomes only the second Frenchman ever to join Celtic.

VIDAR RISETH (Midfielder)

Born: 21.4.72 in Levanger, Norway. Height: 6ft 2ins Weight: 12st 6lbs
SIGNED: from LASK Linz in September 1998
Celtic record up to the end of season 1998/99 – 30 apps, 3 goals
The versatile midfielder has played in virtually every position bar goalkeeper in a colourful career which has covered spells with Rosenborg, Luton Town, Linz and Kongsvinger where he began his career as a striker! A regular pick in the Norway side which reached the second stage of France 98, the big midfielder is president of his own small club in Kongsvinger and a firm favourite with Celtic fans.

LUBOMIR MORAVCIK (Midfielder)

Born: 22.6.65 in Slovakia. Height: 5ft 8ins Weight: 12st
SIGNED: from MSV Duisburg in October 1998
OTHER CLUBS: FC Nitra, St Etienne, Bastia
Celtic record up to the end of season 1998/99 – 17 apps, 6 goals
THE VETERAN Slovakian midfielder arrived at Celtic Park as the second signing of Dr Jozef Venglos after being the former head coach's protege as a youngster with the Czech and Slovakian national teams, going on to claim over 70 international caps as skipper of the latter. Part of the Czech side which reached the last eight of Italia 90, Lubo is a cultured middle man with tremendous passing and vision.

TOSH MCKINLAY (Defender)

Born: 3.12.69 in Glasgow. Height: 5ft 8ins Weight: 11st 6lbs
SIGNED: from Heart of Midlothian in November 1994
OTHER LEAGUE CLUBS – Dundee
Celtic record up to the end of season 1998/99 – 139 apps, 0 goals
CAME into his own when he joined his boyhood heroes in a surprise deal, and his no nonsense defending, coupled with his surging runs and crosses down the left, pushed him into the frame for Scotland honours at the age of 30. A much-publicised training ground bust up with Henrik Larsson put him out of favour with head coach Wim Jansen – but the Scotland star rebounded back into the frame under Jozef Venglos.

ALAN STUBBS (Defender)

Born: 6.10.71 in Kirkby, England. Height: 6ft 2ins Weight: 12st 12lbs
SIGNED: from Bolton Wanderers in May 1996
OTHER CLUBS – none
Celtic record up to the end of season 1998/99 – 100 apps, 4 goals
THE club-record signing's first season was marred by injury problems, and the defender was given a rough time by the unconvinced media and some of the fans. Under new boss Wim Jansen and alongside Marc Rieper, Stubbs was outstanding during his second term, and was at least as good in his third. Survived a severe cancer scare to recover bravely at the start of this season.

PAUL LAMBERT (Midfielder)

Born: 7.8.69 in Glasgow. Height: 5ft 11ins Weight: 10st 10lbs
SIGNED: from Borussia Dortmund in November 1997
OTHER CLUBS – St Mirren, Motherwell.
Celtic record up to the end of season 1998/99 – 78 apps, 3 goals
REBORN midfield star who now fills a holding role following a footballing education during his European Cup winning year at Borussia Dortmund. Had left Motherwell 12 months previously on a free transfer under the Bosman ruling. Signed on at Celtic for four years, and has already shown he is an effective and genuinely high

quality addition to the squad who rarely wastes a ball. A Scotland regular.

BOBBY PETTA (Midfielder)

Born: 06.08.74 in Rotterdam, Holland. Height: 5ft 7in Weight: 11st 5lbs
SIGNED: From Ipswich Town in July 1999
OTHER CLUBS – Feyenoord
PETTA spent three years at Ipswich Town and came to Celtic under the Bosman Ruling. He played understudy to countryman Regi Blinker at Feyenoord and will now ironically challenge him for his place at Celtic. He has represented Holland at U-18 and U-21 levels. He is predominantly a left-sided winger.

MARK BURCHILL (Forward)

Born: 18.08.80 in Broxburn, Height: 5ft 8ins Weight: 11st 9lbs
SIGNED: from Celtic Boys' Club
Celtic record up to the end of 1998/99 – 24 apps, 8 goals
RATED as one of the club's brightest young hopes, many believe the prolific and lightning quick youngster is the future of Celtic. Scored his first top team goal against Dundee United last season and had grabbed eight by the end of the term despite limited first team appearances. Suffered disappointment when he was surprisingly omitted from the Scottish Cup Final squad at the end of last season.

MORTEN WIEGHORST (Midfielder)

Born: 25.2.71 in Glostrup, Denmark. Height: 6ft 3ins Weight: 13st
SIGNED: from Dundee in December 1995 for £600,000.
OTHER CLUBS – Lyngby
Celtic record up to the end of season 1998/99 – 82 apps, 11 goals
Wieghorst earned a man-of-the-match award in a Coca-Cola Cup Final and earned a deserved place in the Denmark World Cup squad before suffering every player's nightmare. A cruciate knee injury forced him to miss the first nine months of last season before he bounced back towards the end of the season and signed a new three year contract.

CRAIG BURLEY (Midfielder)

Born: 24.9.71 in Ayr. Height: 6ft 1in Weight: 11st 7lbs
SIGNED: from Chelsea in July 1997
OTHER CLUBS – none
Celtic record up to the end of season 1998/99 – 78 apps, 24 goals
AFTER eight years as a Chelsea first-team squad member, the former Scotland under-21 star was a surprising – but inspired signing. His surging play alongside Paul Lambert in the Celtic midfield brought a number of crucial goals before he also netted Scotland's leveller against Norway in the World Cup finals. However, persistent injury problems plagued him last season and a rest was much needed in the summer

EYAL BERKOVIC (Midfielder)

Born: 02.04.72 in Hafia, Israel. Height: 5ft 7in Weight: 10st 2lb
SIGNED: From West Ham in July 1999
OTHER CLUBS – Maccab Hafia and Southampton
BERKOVIC joined West Ham in 1997 after previously being Israeli player of the year and scoring 40 goals from midfield in 200 appearances. His small frame and speed enables him to torment defences and joining Celtic has excited many supporters. His transfer broke the previous Scottish record held by Andrei Kanchelskis and Rangers.

TOMMY JOHNSON (Forward)

Born: 15.1.71 in Newcastle. Height: 5ft 11ins Weight: 12st 4lbs
SIGNED: from Aston Villa in April 1997
OTHER CLUBS – Notts County, Derby County
Celtic record up to the end of season 1998/99 – 14 apps, 7 goals
THE most unlucky man at Celtic Park endured what seemed like a never ending injury nightmare prior to finally returning to the first team in time for the Cup Final last season. The amiable Englishman also endured a run-in with former coach Wim Jansen – hence his poor appearances record.



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Cwmbran Town - Their History



They are geared up for regular European football; they have a manager with unrivalled knowledge of the game; they are coached by a tactically astute international star; they play in a fine modern stadium; they have assembled together the cream of Welsh semi-pro talent . . . there's just one problem: Cwmbran Town have no fans.

There are two main reasons why this is so. Firstly, despite being the 6th biggest town in Wales, Cwmbran has yet to develop a sense of place. Created in 1949 as a new town in the Lwyd valley, it manifests the post war planning fetish for function before form, resulting in a soulless air only the ageing process can rectify. Approaching by car, one negotiates an endless series of roundabouts pointing to the town centre until it dawns on you that you are leaving the town and that those roundabouts were it! It will take a few generations for inhabitants to identify as Cwmbranians rather than a mere Newport overspill. Secondly, there is Rugby. In Gwent you can still hear people refer to it as 'the national sport of Wales', which is like saying that Tossing the Caber is the national sport of Scotland. As Wales becomes whole over the coming years, Rugby's preposterous claims will wither on the vine; but meanwhile Cwmbran Town must compete with a mentality that clings to a rule riddled colonial hangover where the ball is in play for 20 minutes and fat blokes gasp in the remaining hour.

New Ground

So soccer in Gwent has always had an uphill struggle. Cwmbran Town entered the fray in 1951, being formed from the remnants of works team Whiteheads at a meeting in the Railway Inn. They joined the Monmouthshire League, playing at unenclosed Cwmbran Park on the banks of the canal in black and white colours. At this time the leading clubs in the immediate vicinity were Croesyceiliog and Newbridge, but both were Welsh League minnows destined to retreat into the Gwent County League in 1972. Utilising the youthful and growing population of the new town, Cwmbran rose through the ranks in the 50's and were elevated to the Welsh League in 1967. Great Club servants like captain Mostyn Lewis and goal-scorer Graham Reynolds ensured that Town made an immediate impact, winning Division 2 (today's Div 3) in 1968 and promotion to the Premier Division by 1970. Playing on local parks around town would no longer do, so the club moved to the new Cwmbran Stadium in 1975. Built by the Council, the multi-purpose stadium

with its towering stand gave the club enhanced status but they failed to capitalise, slumping down to Division 3 by 1980. In 1983 the Welsh League was reorganised on the basis of ground facilities. This helped Cwmbran immensely; they were promoted to the top division despite their lowly league position. The arrival of George Thorneycroft as Chairman in 1985 was the next key turning point. He brought drive, financial know how and commercial awareness to the hitherto low budget operation and, re-branded as The Crows, Cwmbran began to establish themselves in the top level of the Welsh League and develop their own youth structure. The appointment of Tony Willcox as manager in 1991 was Thorneycroft's trump card. One of life's nice guys, Willcox brought Jimmy Blackie, Phil McNeil, Paul Evans and Wayne Matthews with him after a board room takeover at Barry to join the established nucleus of Pat O'Hagan, Simon King, Micky Copeman, Mark Smith and John Powell. Cwmbran came 7th in 1992 as the team began to bond, and so took their place as League of Wales founder members. Nobody predicted what lay ahead.

Team Building

Willcox added Norman Parselle from Newport, Sean Wharton from Sunderland, Andrew Clissold from Inter and Wayne Goodridge from Briton Ferry to his squad in readiness for the inaugural campaign, and the team quickly clicked. With a minimum of fuss the Crows shadowed pace setters Inter until, as winter closed in, their season really took off. Excellent sponsorship was secured, the team embarked on a 20 game unbeaten run featuring the miserly defending of Blackie, Copeman and King, and Tony Willcox signed the last 2 pieces of his jigsaw: the goal instinct of Francis Ford from Briton Ferry and the superb midfield skills of veteran Michael Dicks from Ebbw Vale. When Inter were beaten 3-0 in front of 1,047, still Cwmbran's record LoW crowd, the Crows went top and now everyone was taking their challenge seriously. Cwmbran kept their cool, that defence remained impenetrable. The title was clinched in the penultimate game at Stebonheath Park; amazingly, Cwmbran Town had become Wales's first champions and first European Cup entrants only 18 years after leaving parks football.

Some of the records Cwmbran set seemed certain to last for years; little did we know that invincible Barry would overhaul nearly all of them. One does remain: 22 goals conceded is still the fewest in a LoW season. Captain Jimmy Blackie organised the defence – and here

I must mention Blackie's personal records. Seemingly immune to injury and allergic to bookings, Jim just never misses a League game. He was the first to figure in 100 games in 1995, and the first to 200 games in 1997, and just became the first to make 250 LoW appearances in January 1999, when he also passed the milestone of 200 LoW games for the Crows (he spent a season at Ton Pentre in 95/96), becoming the 5th player to do so for a single LoW club.

Thrilling European Cup games against Cork City ended in heartbreak. Town were 3-0 up in the 1st leg in front of 8,000 at Cwmbran Stadium before 2 late goals dragged Cork back into the tie. Cwmbran had registered Wales's first, and so far only, European Cup win. In sundrenched Cork in front of 5,000 passionate Irishmen, Cwmbran led 1-0, 4-2 overall, with only 14 minutes to go. They couldn't hold on, the decisive goal coming right at the end, but the club had sampled the addictive taste of European football and have relentlessly pursued more of the same in every LoW season since.

In season 2 Cwmbran were a marked side, receiving particularly warm welcomes in the North where fired up teams raised their game against the champs. In contention for months, they faded to 8th place, hampered by injuries and not scoring enough goals. To solve that problem Willcox signed Andrew Mainwaring from Inter. He got 45 goals in 61 LoW games for Cwmbran in the next two seasons. In 94/95 they came 5th, too many draws in the run-in denying the Euro-dream this time. In 95/96 it was 7th, Simon Dyer formed a potent partnership with Mainwaring but Town, now coached by Roger Gibbins, dropped too many home points to qualify for Europe. Some consolation came in the Welsh Cup where the Crows reached their first ever semi-final, only to experience another cruel away goals defeat, by Barry, which blocked that European avenue.

In season 5, Cwmbran had to rebuild. George Thorneycroft bowed out (he was to die a year later) and John Colley, involved with the club since 1973 became Chairman. The championship side was breaking up and cash strapped Cwmbran had to sell to maintain financial stability. Willcox rose to the challenge: he signed youngsters Mattie Davies and Adam Moore from UWIC and both proved to be wonderful captures. The 1996/97 League campaign was disappointing, the Crows coming a lowest yet 9th, but the club again scaled new heights by reaching their first Welsh Cup Final. Blackie, back from Ton, scored his first Cwmbran goal in the semi-final against Aberystwyth and so clinched a Cup Winners' Cup spot as the other finalists were champs

Barry. Cwmbran lost the Final 2-1 and immediately prepared to face National Bucharest, a club ranked 52nd in the world by FIFA. They didn't do themselves justice, losing 5-2 at home after a catalogue of errors, and 7-0 on a torrid but unforgettable Romanian night; a 12-2 aggregate defeat.

Goalscorers

Last season the Davies/Dyer deadly duo scored 49 goals between them. With Mark Aizlewood now player/coach Cwmbran were hardly ever out of the top two until the key game on April 15th at home to Gwent rivals Ebbw Vale. Both were hunting the last European spot but only a pitifully small crowd of 155 showed up for this crucial match. It turned out to be a fateful occasion: Vale won 2-1, qualified for Europe, and within 10 weeks had folded after a bizarre last game in Norway. Asset-stripped and rejected by their fellow LoW clubs, Vale provide an awful warning of what can happen if you live by sponsorship alone.

Today the Crows have built an even stronger back room team and added a 2nd XI to their established youth team. Dyer has moved to Inter and Willcox has recruited Chris Pike after 46 goals in 82 games for Barry, Wayne Hewitt, returning to Cwmbran to continue a distinguished LoW career now comprising 32 goals at left back from 183 games, and a band of travelling players (Mitchell, O'Brien, Summers, Wigley, Giles, Graham and John) from liquidated Merthyr via dead Ebbw Vale. Chris Summers is always good value: he currently has 69 goals from 107 LoW games – a ratio bettered by very few, one of whom is his brilliant partner Mattie Davies who had 60 goals from only 83 games. Ian Mitchell sustained an injury in the opening day's pasting by Barry that has put him out for the season and other injuries and suspensions have unsettled the side, forcing Town to sometimes resort to untypical long-ball tactics. But they are in there fighting for a place in Europe again and, were it not for 2 weird Friday night home thrashings by Rhayader and Afan Lido, they would be even better placed. If the magical Davies can steer clear of injury anything is possible. For the future, the Crows are building a clubhouse in Old Cwmbran which will forge links as well as generate vital income. They are reaching out to the people of Cwmbran with community schemes so that they can take the next step forward from being a players club to becoming a fans club too.

Dick Mortimer

Cwmbran Town – their squad

PAT O'HAGAN (Goalkeeper) Age 27

In his second spell with the club, Pat, a product of the club's youth set up, has made over 250 appearances for the club. Played a vital role in the championship winning side of 1992/93, gained Welsh semi-professional cap v England in 1994. Previously with Cardiff City and Newport County. Voted club player of the year last season.

NEIL O'BRIEN (Defender) Age 32

A summer signing at the club, Neil brings a wealth of experience having played at Llanelli, Pembroke, Aberystwyth, Inter Cardiff and Merthyr. Gained 3 semi-professional International Caps v England (one as captain) and represented League of Wales against League of Ireland. Has spent last four seasons with Merthyr, where he gained Player of the Year and supporters player of the year in '97/98 season. Also has UEFA Cup experience with Inter Cardiff and was a Welsh Cup winner with Llansantffraid in 1996.

MARK AIZELWOOD (Defender) Age 39

In his second season as player/coach, Mark has brought invaluable experience to the club both on and off the field. A highly rated coach, who gained 39 full Welsh international caps. An inspirational player who reads the game superbly. His previous clubs include Luton Town, Charlton Athletic, Leeds United, Bradford City, Bristol City and Cardiff City.

JIMMY BLACKIE (Defender) Age 34

Returned to the club in August 1996 after a season at Ton Pentre. Has made over 250 appearances for the club. Captained the championship winning side in 1992/93. Gained Welsh semi-professional caps in 1993 and 1994. An extremely consistent defender who was voted supporters player of the year last season. Previous clubs include Barry Town, Minehead and Bideford Town.

BEN GRAHAM (Defender) Age 23

Recently signed from Merthyr after playing for Ebbw Vale. A solid and competitive player who adds strength and stability to the defence.

ADAM MOORE (Midfield) Age 27

As a youngster played for Newport County and Hereford United. A strong, skilful midfielder who spent several seasons with UWIC whilst studying for a degree. Captained Afan Lido in 1994 during their UEFA Cup qualification. In his second full season at the club has established himself as a vital part of the squad.



Adam Moore



Mark Evans

WAYNE GOODRIDGE (Midfield) Age 33

In his second spell at the club, scored the all important goal that clinched the League of Wales Championship in 1992/93. Played in both European campaigns. A powerful midfielder with a never say die attitude. A former Bristol City trainee. Previous clubs include Briton Ferry and Barry Town.

MICHAEL PATTIMORE (Midfield) Age 20

Signed this season from Swindon Town. Local boy who played for Croesyceiliog. An accomplished player who still desires to play League football.

WAYNE HEWITT (Defender) Age 27

Returned to the club in the close season from Inter Cable Tel, where he was a member of the UEFA Cup side that entertained Celtic. Represented League of Wales side against League of Ireland in 1996. A pacy left sided player who has a knack of scoring goals. Previous clubs include Barry Town and Newport AFC.

MARK EVANS (Defender) Age 27

Mark is another summer signing from Gloucester City. Has won Welsh under 19 Caps, Welsh University Caps and a Cambridge Varsity 'Blue' Cap. Gained European experience with Ton Pentre in the Intertoto Cup in 1995. Previous clubs include Swansea City and Merthyr.

RUSSELL WIGLEY (Defender/Midfield) Age 26

Former apprentice with Leeds United, Russell is another signing from Merthyr during the summer season. A talented left sided player who was capped by Wales at under 15 and under 18 levels. Spent two seasons with Inter Cable Tel before joining Merthyr. A regular member of the Merthyr side that finished runners up in the Dr. Martens league last season. Has also played for Barry Town, Ebbw Vale and Bath City.

MATTHEW DAVIES (Striker) Age 22

Signed in August 1996 from UWIC Matthew has scored 70 goals in his first two seasons at the club and has proved to be one of the most feared strikers in the League of Wales. A player who has tremendous pace and a natural eye for goal has ambitions to play in the Football League.

CHRISTOPHER SUMMERS (Striker) Age 26

Chris is another summer signing from Merthyr. Has been capped at Welsh under 18 level and spent several seasons at Cardiff City. An excellent striker who will prove to be a major signing for the club. Prolific goal scorer at previous clubs which include Barry Town, Inter Cable-Tel and Ton Pentre. Scorer of over 20 goals at Merthyr last season.



Chris Summers



Matthew Davies

TONY WILLCOX (Manager) Age 42

Former Welsh youth international captain, signed for Barry Town at age of 17, after a short spell at 3rd Division Bury. Played over 250 games for Barry before joining Ton Pentre where he played over 200 games. Won championship medals with both clubs before he ruptured cruciate knee ligaments and was forced into retirement at the age of 31. Returned to Barry Town as Assistant Manager in 1988, before being appointed manager in 1989. Joined Cwmbran Town in October '91 and his first full season led the club to the LoW championship, and subsequently into the European Cup and ECWC. One of the longest serving and respected managers in Welsh football.

RAY JOHN (Defender) Age 35

Signed this season from Merthyr Tydfil after spells with Inter Cable Tel and Ebbw Vale. A good acquisition who adds strength and versatility to the defence.

CARL HUGHES

North Wales based Carl was signed pre-season from Connah's Quay and is settling down nicely in his new surroundings.

LEE DYSON

Central defender signed pre-season from Inter Cable-Tel.

GARY STURCH

Strong player who has been a stalwart in the Cwmbran set-up.

KEVIN PAYNE

Played for Cwmbran for many years before joining Rhayader last season. Back with his home town club to add experience to the town side.



Kevin Payne

STEVE MORRIS

Much travelled keeper who was with Inter Cable-Tel when Celtic last came to South Wales. Has a Welsh Cup Winners Cup medal with Barry Town in that famous win over Cardiff City.

ANDREW PAUL THOMAS

One of the four North Wales based players in the Cwmbran set-up signed pre-season from Bangor City.

JOHN WILLS

Signed pre-season from Inter Cable-Tel where he arrived last season from Salisbury Town.

DENIOL GRAHAM

He says he has too many clubs to mention but counts Manchester United among one of the top clubs he has played for. The prolific goalscorer was signed from Colwyn Bay in the summer.



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From Terry Daley

Good evening, I would like to thank Cwmbrian Town Football Club for giving me the opportunity to be a programme contributor for such a prestigious game.

I recall the last time I wrote in a Cwmbrian programme was for the home European Champions' League match against Irish title holders Cork City in August, 1993. Since then, Cwmbrian have also played against National Bucuresti, of Romania, in the European Cup Winner's Cup. Therefore today marks the full house of major Euro competitions for the Gwent side.

But, and with no disrespect to Cork and National Bucuresti, tonight's game is what Cwmbrian have been waiting and dreaming for since the inaugural 1992-93 League of Wales season.

And make no bones about it, Cwmbrian Town AFC and its loyal band of volunteers and fans, fully deserve to rub shoulders with such a world-famous club as Glasgow Celtic. I really am delighted for everyone involved with Cwmbrian, especially those who I have joined on all those long treks to North Wales.

I am sure they will agree with my sentiment that some of these trips are tortuous to say the very least, especially the return when you've lost!

But now Cwmbrian Town has got its reward of landing

a plum draw against a team which was Britain's first European Champions' Cup winners way back in 1966-67. And those knockers of the League of Wales must now surely realise playing games against such illustrious opposition can only enhance Welsh football at this level. Let's be totally truthful and say pre-League of Wales, Cwmbrian Town would not have even secured a friendly against the reserve team of Celtic's standing in the game. Yet here we are some eight seasons later with Celtic making their SECOND trip to Ninian Park to face a League of Wales side in as many years!!

Those knockers said the League of Wales wouldn't last and that it didn't afford competing teams the opportunity to progress.

Clearly the critics must now concede by facing top-quality teams from around Europe, League of Wales players, and club officials for that matter, have already progressed since that inaugural 1992-93 campaign.

Finally, may I wish good luck to Cwmbrian Town and hope you all have a safe journey home.

Terry Daley

**Sports Correspondent,
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Red Dragons In Europe

FC National Bucuresti were Cwmbran's opponents for their second tilt at European competition – the Crows had been League of Wales trail-blazers in the 1993 European Champions Cup.

Neither side were national cup holders. Both had been beaten by their respective champions – Barry Town winning 2-1 at Ninian Park, and Steau Bucharest claiming the Romanian cup with a 4-2 win. Sponsored by the National Bank of Romania, FC National were highly rated and were ranked 52nd in FIFA's World listings.

No sooner were the Romanian side booked into their hotel in Llanyrafon than their club doctor and coach headed for the kitchens to make an inspection. They detailed the food portions to be given to each player and requested that no ice be given to anyone. They also brought all their own water with them.

Their coach, Florian Halagian, was angry that a Cwmbran match video was not made available until the morning of the game, making it difficult for him to plan tactics. Their top player was the £1.5 million rated Rado Niculescu, who had attracted the attention of Spanish and Dutch clubs. For their part, Cwmbran officials were irritated by the lack of TV coverage for such a prestigious event. It meant that lucrative advertising contracts went begging, and left the club with a huge deficit over the two legs.

The Cwmbran side included Jimmy Blackie, who had played for the club in the Champions Cup against Cork City. Having also appeared in the Inter Toto Cup for Ton Pentre, he became the first player to appear in three European competitions for Welsh clubs. Goalkeeper Pat O'Hagan and Wayne Goodridge were also survivors from the 1993 Cwmbran team.

**14 August 1997 Preliminary Round 1st Leg
Cwmbran Stadium, Cwmbran
Attendance: 800**

CWMBRAN TOWN (0) 2 NATIONAL BUCURESTI (1) 5

Parfitt 76 pen, Townsend 83 Vasc 32, Niculescu 47, 61, Lita 78, 80

CWMBRAN TOWN: O'Hagan (Speare); Carter (Powell), Jones, Gibbins, Parfitt, Blackie, Moore, Dyer (Johnson), Watkins, James, Townsend.

NATIONAL BUCURESTI: Stefanescu; Ciubotariu, Sburlea, Necula, Marin (Lita), Carabas, Petre, Vasc, Duna, Niculescu, Pigulea.

Referee: S Shmolik (Belarus).

Cwmbran were left facing an early exit from the cup after the Romanians romped to an impressive victory. The first half had given little hint of what was to follow, as the Crows matched the visitors in most departments.

The only goal in the opening period came out of the blue, when Cristian Vasc picked up a loose ball 40 yards out and fired a shot that flew past Pat O'Hagan.

O'Hagan suffered an injury towards the end of the half, and was replaced by Jimmy Speare after the interval. Speare's first job was to pick the ball out of the net after Radu Niculescu hammered in a Mario Duna cross. Niculescu was then gifted a second goal, when lack of communication between Speare and veteran player-coach Roger Gibbins allowed him a free shot at an empty goal.

Cwmbran were given hope when the referee awarded a penalty. Adrian Pigulea was adjudged to have fouled a Town player in the area and Mark Parfitt slotted home the spot-kick.

This reverse stung the Romanians into action, and within four minutes substitute Nicolae Lita had bagged two further goals. Cwmbran, however, had the last word when Richard Townsend beat the scrambling Paul Stefanescu with an angled shot.

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DATE	VENUE	OPPONENTS
AUGUST 99		
Sat 21st	A	Connahs Quay Nomads
SEPTEMBER 99		
Wed 1st	H	Caersws
Sat 4th	A	T N S
Tues 7th	A	Barry Town (GC) ?
Sat 11th	H	Llanelli
Fri 17th	A	Aberystwyth
Wed 22nd	H	Caernarfon (PC)
Sat 25th	H	Barry Town
OCTOBER 99		
Sat 2nd	A	Bangor City
Sun 10th	A	Rhyl
Wed 13th	A	Caernarfon (PC)
Fri 22nd	A	Rhayader
Tues 26th	A	Swansea City (PC)
Sat 30th	H	Flexys Cefn Druids
NOVEMBER 99		
Wed 3rd	H	Inter Cardiff (PC)
Sat 6th	A	Newtown
Sat 13th	H	Conwy United
Sat 27th	A	Haverfordwest
Tues 30th	A	Inter Cardiff (PC)
DECEMBER 99		
Fri 3rd	H	Carmarthen
Wed 8th	H	Swansea City (PC)
Sat 11th	A	Afan Lido
Sat 18th	H	Caernarfon
Mon 27th	A	Inter Cardiff
JANUARY 2000		
Sat 8th	H	Connah's Quay Nomads
Tues 11th	A	Caersws
Sat 15th	H	Rhyl
Sat 22nd	H	T N S
Sat 29th	A	Llanelli
FEBRUARY		
Sat 5th	H	Aberystwyth
Fri 18th	A	Barry Town
Sat 26th	H	Bangor City
MARCH		
Fri 3rd	H	Rhayader
Sat 11th	A	Cefn Druids
Sat 18th	H	Newtown
Sat 25th	A	Conwy United
APRIL		
Sat 1st	H	Haverfordwest
Fri 7th	A	Carmarthen
Sat 22nd	H	Afan Lido
Mon 24th	H	Inter Cardiff
Sat 29th	A	Caernarfon



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One of the most rewarding hobbies linked to football is collecting metal pin badges and by far the most popular badges are the enamelled metal type. These are sought by collectors world-wide and many of those based in Europe have collections of over 20,000 badges.

British badges, and especially Welsh, thanks to the League of Wales, are very popular with the foreign collectors and many friendships can be based on these exchanges. The European Badge Collectors Fair is held in a different country each year and is extremely popular, with many collectors incorporating the event into a family holiday.

The AFBC was formed in 1980 as the British Badge Collectors Association when several collectors made contact via magazine ads. As the main interest became enamelled football badges, the present name was adopted.

At the outset, many small clubs did not have the resources to produce badges and it was decided by the membership that the AFBC would try and assist the clubs and encourage them to go for quality in enamel rather than cheap plastic badges. Nowadays, clubs have got the message and produce their own, but often with our members assisting with design and advice.

AFBC membership remains steady at about 300 with members receiving a monthly newsletter. The submission of articles by members is encouraged with a 15th of the month copy deadline. Free advertising of swaps, sales and special badge "wants" is allowed and very popular. All known new badges are also advertised with details of cost and where to obtain them.

The AFBC holds its AGM, and badge fair, at a well known League ground in June and this year's hosts were Southampton. The formal part of the meeting is kept to a minimum so that collectors can spend as much time as possible discussing and swapping/selling badges. Various mini-meets are held all over the country during the year.

The membership year runs January to December with all renewals due in January. More details can be obtained from any of the officials listed below.

We hope that this brief introduction will encourage you to take up the hobby and join the AFBC. Good luck to you and your club for 1999-2000.

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League of Wales All-Time Table 1992-1999

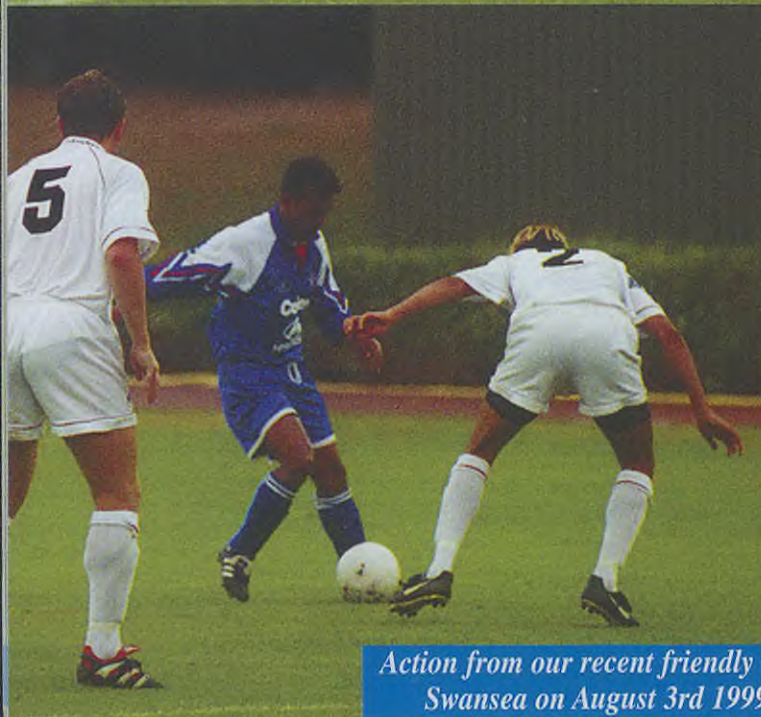
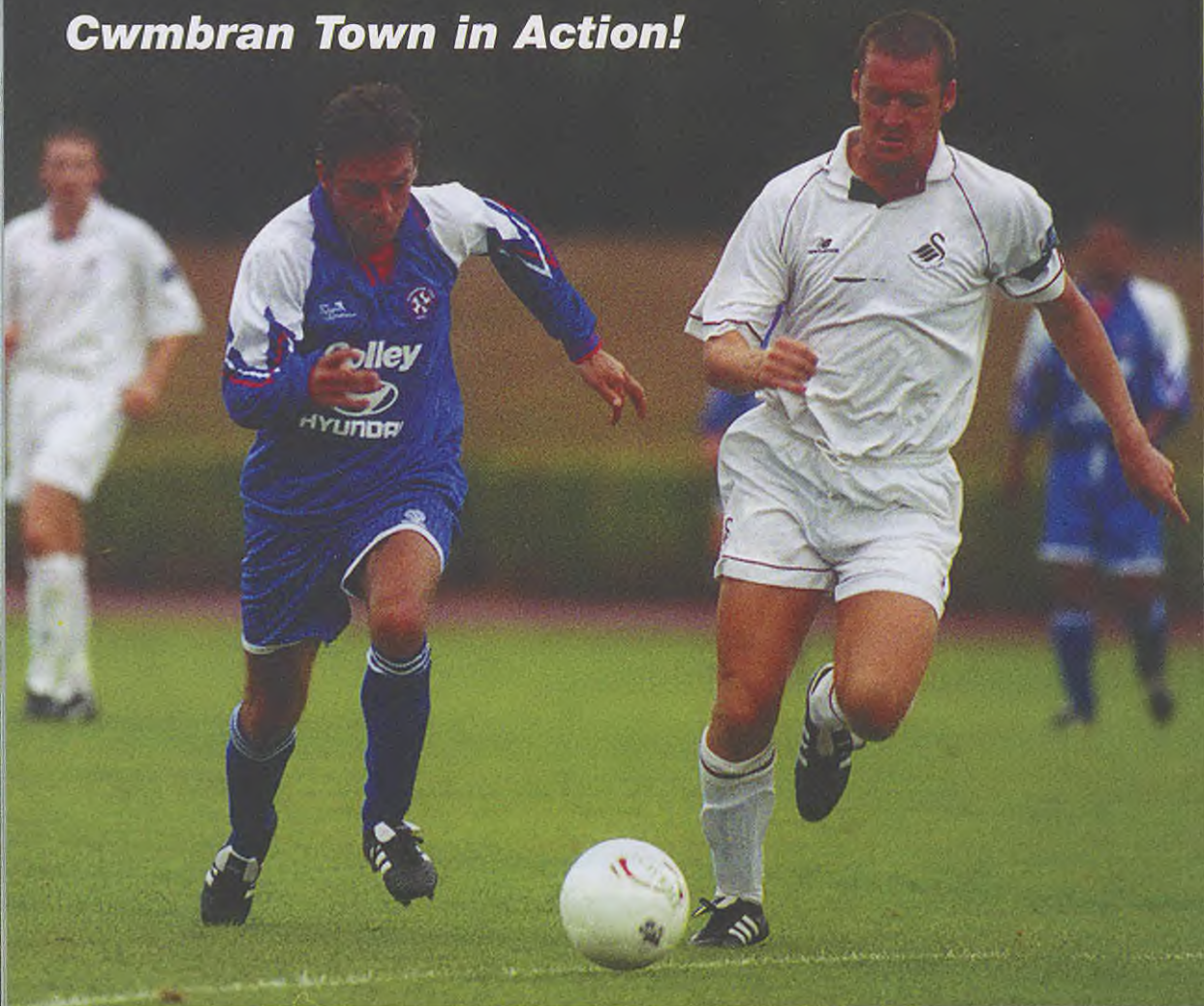
This season	Last season	+/-	Club	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	F - A	Pts	Goal Diff	% S/Cess
1	1	0	Barry Town	188	135	36	17	508 - 160	441	348	78.19
2	3	+1	Inter Cable-Tel AFC	264	148	48	68	495 - 271	492	224	62.12
3	2	-1	Bangor City	264	144	44	76	525 - 340	476	185	60.10
4	4	0	Cwmbran Town	264	134	61	69	469 - 318	463	151	58.46
5	5	0	Newtown AFC	264	128	61	75	474 - 338	445	136	56.19
6	6	0	Ebbw Vale FC	232	106	58	68	435 - 335	376	100	54.02
7	7	0	Caernarfon Town	150	64	40	46	260 - 229	232	31	51.56
8	8	0	Conwy United	264	113	58	93	454 - 396	397	58	50.13
9	9	0	Ton Pentre AFC	156	64	35	57	251 - 251	227	0	48.50
10	11	+1	Aberystwyth Town	264	104	63	97	449 - 441	375	8	47.35
11	10	-1	Connah's Quay Nomads	264	102	65	97	431 - 421	371	10	46.84
12	13	+1	Flint Town United	232	90	39	103	368 - 384	309	-16	44.40
13	15	+2	Total Network Solutions FC	226	78	65	83	356 - 354	299	2	44.10
14	12	-2	Afan Lido FC	186	62	51	73	237 - 284	237	-47	42.47
15	16	+1	CPD Porthmadog	232	80	49	103	383 - 392	289	-9	41.52
16	18	+2	Caersws FC	264	86	63	115	407 - 480	321	-73	40.53
17	14	-3	Holywell Town	226	73	52	101	344 - 401	271	-57	39.97
18	21	+3	Carmarthen Town	110	35	26	49	144 - 197	131	-53	39.70
19	17	-2	Rhyl FC	188	61	34	93	274 - 353	217	-79	38.48
20	19	-1	Haverfordwest County	146	45	30	71	203 - 294	165	-91	37.67
21	20	-1	Mold Alexandra	114	38	14	62	179 - 234	128	-55	37.43
22	23	+1	Llanelli AFC	154	43	27	84	239 - 356	156	-117	33.77
23	22	-1	Rhayader Town	70	16	17	37	84 - 132	65	-48	30.95
24	24	0	Cemaes Bay FC	118	28	20	70	155 - 307	104	-152	29.38
25	25	0	Briton Ferry Athletic	156	34	28	94	217 - 391	130	-174	27.78
26	26	0	Welshpool Town	78	16	16	46	105 - 177	64	-72	27.35
27	27	0	Llanidloes Town	38	7	9	22	48 - 93	30	-45	26.32
28	28	0	Maesteg Park AFC	114	19	28	67	118 - 243	85	-125	24.85
29	29	0	Abergavenny Thursdays	38	7	7	24	36 - 76	28	-40	24.56
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League of Wales Fair Play Award 1998-1999

Club	Yellow Cards	Red Cards	Total	Points
Barry Town	32	1	33	133
Newtown AFC	48	3	51	199
Inter Cable-Tel AFC	49	3	52	200
Total Network Solutions FC	54	3	57	224
Aberystwyth Town	58	1	59	227
Bangor City	55	4	59	233
Haverfordwest County	55	4	59	237
Caersws FC	51	5	56	238
Carmarthen Town	56	4	60	250
Connah's Quay Nomads	52	5	57	253
Afan Lido FC	53	6	59	268
Rhyl FC	58	6	64	279
Cwmbran Town	63	4	67	280
Caernarfon Town	66	8	74	320
Rhayader Town	82	2	84	329
Holywell Town	58	12	70	345
Conwy United	77	8	85	355

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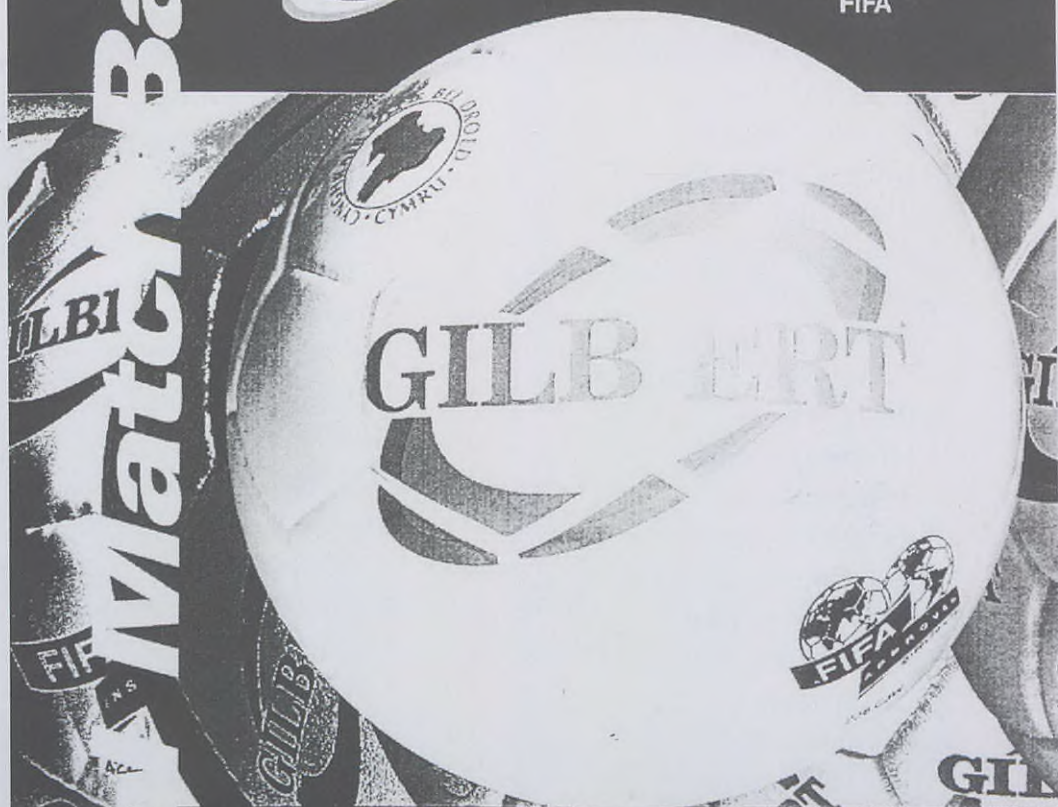
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