



Welcome to members and non-members alike for the first edition of the season. I hope that you enjoy reading it and will pass it on to your friends afterwards. Please note, as always, some of the opinions expressed are mine and not necessarily those of OWWSA as a whole.

MEMBERSHIP

A reminder for existing members who have not renewed that it is no longer necessary to fill in any forms. You can pay by cash in person at the Ground or on the coach to Membership Secretary Graham Roberts, or by cheque (made payable to OWWSA) either again in person or to him at

2 Cornwall Gardens,
Courtlands,
Maidenhead,
SL6 2PS.

You can also pay by bank transfer-
Sort code: 20-40-71
Account No: 30961116
Ref: Your name.

Any problems or any change in your personal details please phone him 07876267301 or e mail him at membership@owwsa.co.uk.

Cost is £12 for the season for all. Please note for members 16 or under there will be a Stadium tour organised later on in the season. All non-members however must fill in a form, which can be downloaded from our website.

SOCIAL EVENTS

The first event is next month, which is our AGM on Thursday, 19 October. This will be held in the Honours Lounge at 7:30pm. After the formal meeting there will be a break, with sandwiches and tea and coffee available. The bar will also be open. Following this will be an open forum with Gareth (hopefully) and his assistants and Chairman Trevor Stroud. Non-members are welcome to this part of the evening. This event has grown in popularity since my early days of involvement, when we were lucky if a dozen people turned up! Graham and Keith are up for re-election but if anyone feels that they would like to come onto the



Committee then notify Lynden in writing as soon as possible (you would need to be seconded by a fellow member).

We are actually looking for someone to administer our box, a task that John does at the moment between his very busy schedule.

Our other events are:

Race Night- Friday, 17 November,
Quiz Night- Friday, 12 January and
Annual Dinner- Friday, 9 March.

Final details will follow as the season unfolds.

OWWSA BOX

In recognition of the money and work that your Association puts into the Club we have the use of one of the hospitality boxes, which we use for our committee meetings after games. It is freely available on occasions during the season for members to use and can be booked through John ([01494 441145](tel:01494441145)). The package, for up to twelve persons, includes match tickets for all, four parking spaces, one programme per two, a pie and chips lunch and coffee

and tea and biscuits at half-time. Drinks can be bought from the Woodlands bar (a waiter will take your order).

Any non-members in the party will be required to join the Association for the normal £12 fee. Members are only allowed to take advantage of this deal once a season, although it can be booked privately. In that case it would cost £25 per head, with the proceeds going to the Football Club.

TRAVEL

Our next trip is to old rivals Colchester.

Depart from Adams Park at 11.00

Adult members is £17

Senior members £16

Junior members £15.

For all non-members it is £22. Please check our website www.owwsa.co.uk for future trips.

Much further in the season, in fact the last away game at Chesterfield on April 28th, we are looking into another of our weekend trips. This will involve travel outwards on the Friday and return on Monday. Details will be revealed as soon as we have arranged things.



I would like to thank Dan McDonald for the kind words that he had to say about OWWSA in his article about the trip to Grimsby. It is nice to know that the hard work put in by your Committee, especially Rena and Graham on the coaches, is appreciated. Many thanks Dan!

MEMBERS WITH LONGSTANDING RECORDS OF SUPPORT

Up to the end of last season, the Club had played a total of 1,100 Football League matches. Ron Monk informed that he has only missed 35 of those, a truly remarkable achievement. Can anyone out there match that or even beat it! If so please let me know. Ron actually supplied the stats, which are as follows:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Home	550	227	163	160	749	591	844
Away	550	161	169	220	612	745	652
Total	1100	388	332	380	1361	1336	1496

As can be seen, we are just about in front. Let's hope that we can build on that this season!

ON THE FIELD

What a strange start to the season for us Wycombe supporters. Having been used to keeping things tight at the back and seeing the majority of our games relatively low-scoring for the last two seasons, we have been treated to a goal fest so far this season. (NB- this was written before our trip to Newport).

We have scored from all positions, creating numerous chances, with the Big Fella continuing his fine form of last season. Unfortunately though our defence has not been up to it's usual high standard and we have badly missed the pairing of Aaron Pierre (not sure if he has made much of a career move, no offence Northampton) and Anthony Stewart, who was of course back with a bang and scoring against Forest Green.

Hopefully, in time he will form a good partnership with Adam El-Abd, who is adjusting to a different sort of opponent than he has been used to in the higher levels. We have also been hit by the injury bug, as we were this time last season, and really need a fit Scott Kashket, Sam



Saunders and Nathan Tyson to re-join the squad and give Gareth selection problems.

One departure has been Paul Hayes, a class act and a great captain. I don't think I will ever forget his performance at White Hart Lane last season. In his two spells with us he made a total of 127 appearances, including substitutions, and scored 33 goals. Thanks Paul and good luck for whatever the future brings.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW

A few weeks ago, I accepted a lift from my good friend Gary Trimby, who had a spell as Secretary of our youth team some years ago, to see Maidenhead play at AFC Fylde in the National League. This was a long trip on a Tuesday night, showing that league also shows scant regard for away supporters!

Maidenhead gained an excellent 4-1 win (with the prolific Dave Tarpey scoring all of their goals). Their side contained Alan Massey, who played for our reserves and youth team, and Jake Hyde, who played for our

reserves and is a nephew of our ex goalkeeper Paul.

Fylde's lone scorer was Lewis Montrose, who made 55 appearances (4 goals) for us between 2009-11.

Seeing a recent copy of the Hampton & Richmond Borough programme, I notice that Max Kretschmar has joined them from Woking. He teams up with Jerome Federico, one of our youth team products who made just the one substitute appearance for us towards the end of the 2010/11 season. Jerome, incidentally, is the longest serving of their present squad, having been there three years! Max scored both goals in Hampton's recent 2-2 draw with Dartford.

Some of our other ex-players have also been amongst the goals already and it's nice to see Matty McClure doing the business at Aldershot. I always felt that if he had steered clear of injury he would have been a 20 goal a season player for us. Others to get on the scoresheet have been: Bruno Andrade and Angelo Balanta



for Boreham Wood, Lee Angol (Mansfield), Junior Morias (Peterborough), Matt Harrold (Leyton Orient) and Jason Banton (Woking).

When the Scotland squad was announced for the recent World Cup qualifiers, it was good to see four of our ex-players included, viz Ikechi Anya, Matt Phillips, Russell Martin and Jordan Archer (although he was a loan signing). Another of our loaned goalkeepers, Tom Heaton, was included in the England squad.

FOOTBALL MATTERS

I really do think that the Football World has lost touch of its senses in the wake of recent events. First, there is the transfer fee and wages of Neymar. When a large proportion of humanity is starving and living in poverty, how on earth can this be justified? It is nothing short of being immoral. On a lighter note, what about the draw for the third round of the Football League Cup. Because of the sponsors, the draw was made in China. As if that wasn't bad enough it was at 4.15 a.m. our time! I wonder how many people there are actually

going to attend any of the games. Also, it has been announced that Football League matches are going to be screened live out in the Far East. God knows what wonderful kick-off times they are going to be!

Following on from my last article about our mid-week trip to Carlisle, it makes you wonder if any of the powers that be possess a map of Britain.

Again concerning the League Cup, the early rounds are regionalised, North and South. I was rather amazed though to see Newport in the Northern section, while their South Wales neighbours were in the Southern section! Likewise, West Brom were Northern section with Burton and Black Country rivals Wolves in the Southern. Both of the latter being much further north than Newport! You couldn't make it up. Just to stress the point that the above views are mine and not necessarily those of the Association.



INFO WANTED

I am in the throes of compiling an all-time players' list. When I did the research over 20 years ago for the Official History Book I spent what seemed like an eternity in Wycombe library reading every match report in the Bucks Free Press going back to the club's formation in 1887.

I made a note of every available line-up and goal scorer where possible. Unfortunately though, until the early 1960s very few Christian names were mentioned. Sometimes not even the player's initials were given.

If any of you out there have had any relatives that played for the Club can you please contact me with any details. It would be nice to know something about them rather than just a surname.

Don't forget if any of you have any comments on the content of this newsletter or if there is anything you wish to see included in the next edition, please contact me on 07484 723982 or mail me at dfinch105@btinternet.com. I would be really glad to hear from you.

Also can you please make any friends who are not members aware of what we are about.

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