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CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME

"It is my pleasure as Chairperson of Pontyclun Football Club to extend a warm welcome to those visiting Ivor Park today. Whether as an official, a member of the visiting team, a home supporter or an impartial observer, we trust you will enjoy the game and our hospitality on offer.

Please respect those around you and remember there is no place for racism as we are fully supporting the FAW campaign to 'Show Racism the Red Card'.

Pontyclun Football Club was founded in 1896. How the club has progressed during those years has been quite phenomenal. From initially starting in the Bridgend league and then founder members of the Cardiff & District league with one senior team we are now able to offer football starting at Under 5's right through to our Veteran's team at Over 60's. Currently with more than 500 players, which is some achievement for a small village club.

I hope that all our players and coaches remember our club motto of 'Gorau Chwarae, Cyd Chwarae' translated roughly as 'The Best Play, Is Team Play' which has since been adopted by the Football Association of Wales.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all my colleagues of the football club committee, which is without their valuable hard work and diligence the efforts of striving towards Tier 2 would be impossible.

Finally, to all our sponsors many thanks for your continued support. I hope you all enjoy today's game and wish you a safe journey home."

T.Davies



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MANAGER'S

NOTES

"Hi everyone and welcome to Ivor Park for today's league encounter against Cwmaman. We have been very mixed at the start of this season, when it clicks, we look good but when it doesn't, we've conceded sloppy goals. It will take for it all to really come together with the young players coming up and the new style introduced for this season. We have some players returning in the next few weeks so we will be at full strength soon. The boys however have worked hard again this week to ensure we will be at our best for today and to right the wrongs of our previous league games. Cwmaman have had a mixed run of results however I have no doubt will be a very good challenge for us today. Enjoy the game and I'll see you in the club house afterwards."

G. Davies

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OUR HISTORY

'GORAU CHWARAE, CYD CHWARAE'

Pontyclun Football Club has been part of the South Wales football scene for over a century. Founded in 1896, it's not certain where the club played its earliest home games but there is documentary evidence that Ivor Park became the home ground in 1920 when Wyndham Damer Clarke, formerly of Talygarn house, gave the preferential use of the land as a football field.

A member of the Bridgend & District league in the early years, the club joined the Cardiff & District league immediately after World War I. In 1922 the club was admitted to the Football Association of Wales - one of the few amateur clubs to achieve such status. In 1968, the club was admitted to the Welsh Football League whilst continuing to run senior teams in both the Rhondda and Pontypridd leagues.

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'GORAU CHWARAE, CYD CHWARAE'

Over the club's success and relegations over the long period in the Welsh League, undoubtedly the club's proudest moment in the club's long history came at the end of the 2002/03 season when Pontyclun won the Welsh League Division 3 title. In the same season, the reserves were runners-up in the Welsh League Reserve East Division.

The club played in Division 2 until relegation in 2007/08 and unfortunately, in 2011/12, the club were relegated from the Welsh Football League after 44 consecutive seasons of membership.

The 2016/17 season was a time for celebration as the club secured the championship of the South Wales Alliance League by 10 points and as a result, regained their place in the Welsh Football League. After 3 years back in the Welsh Football League, the club were selected to participate in the Ardal Southern League. Today we find ourselves back in the South Wales Premier League Premier Division for the first time since 2017 as we look to make things right and aim for promotion in the 2025/26 season.



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GET TO KNOW

CWMAMAN

The club were founded in 1965 as Ivy Bush, winning the Aberdare Valley League in 1968/69 before changing the name of the club to FC Cwmaman in 1976. Following the change in name, the club saw a period of success with three successive seasons where they finished champions of the league. They were admitted to the South Wales Amateur League in 1983.

In 2000 the club changed its name again to Cwmaman Institute. After several seasons in the top part of the table, the club finished champions of Division One in 2006/07, gaining promotion to the Welsh Football League. At the end of the 2010/11 season, they finished as runners-up in Division Two and were promoted to Division One.

Unfortunately, Cwmaman suffered 3 consecutive relegations and left the Welsh League and joined the South Wales Senior League for 1 season before moving to the newly formed South Wales Alliance League in 2015/16. The club then changed its name back to FC Cwmaman and remains to this day.

CLUB CHAIRMEN SHAUN GRIFFITHS & MARK O'SULLIVAN

MANAGER OWEN WILLIAMS

HOME GROUND CANOLFAN, CWMAMAN

FOUNDED 1965

CLUB CAPTAIN JOSH BOGGIS

SEPTEMBER

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SAT 6 SEPT | 14:30 KO
SWPL PREMIER DIVISION

AWAY



SAT 13 SEPT | 14:00 KO
HUGH JAMES SENIOR CUP

HOME



19-21 SEPT
JD WELSH CUP

AWAY



SAT 27 SEPT | 14:30 KO
SWPL PREMIER DIVISION

SWPL PREMIER DIVISION

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2	PENYDARREN BGC	4	4	0	0	8	12
3	BRIDGEND STREET	3	3	0	0	6	9
4	LLANTWIT FARDRE	4	2	1	1	5	7
5	PORTHCAWL TOWN ATH	3	2	0	1	10	6
6	CLWB CYMRIC	3	2	0	1	5	6
7	CWMAMAN	4	1	1	2	-6	4
8	ELY RANGERS	5	1	1	3	-7	4
9	PONTYCLUN	3	1	0	2	-4	3
10	ABER VALLEY	4	0	1	3	-7	1
11	AFAN UNITED	2	0	0	2	-3	0
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On Saturday 12 July we travelled to Tamworth to face our friends at Bolehall Swifts followed by a night of beer tasting at several local establishments.

The squad met at Ivor Park early morning, leaving 8:05am sharp for the 2-hour drive. Arriving shortly after 10:30am the boys re-grouped for a breakfast only to return to the hotel shortly after to find one of our vans had gone 'missing'. A few phone calls made but no real hope of anything being returned we were now without our playing kit, match equipment and some questionable nightlife outfits and of course, the van. The only logical option was, to borrow the away kit of Bolehall Swifts who were extremely helpful throughout the whole day who not only provided alternative playing kit but provided all the match equipment we needed, bottles of water, energy drinks and snacks as well as anything else we could have possibly needed. A true testament to this fantastic community club.

A quick trip to Sports Direct to replace the lads stolen boots and shin guards, 30 minutes after our scheduled kick-off time we were underway. A very warm and sunny day at the BE Recruitment Stadium proved very difficult to play in for both teams. However, both sides had spells of positive build-up play and created plenty of chances either end. The officials gave several drinks breaks through the game to help ease the tough conditions and despite the entertaining and impressive standard on show, the match finished 0-0.

Post match, we were looked after in the clubhouse by the Swifts, a pint for each of the Pontyclun group before Bolehall Swift's chairman, Craig Haywood presented us with a club pennant and scarf which was graciously received by First Team Manager, Glyndŵr Davies. Again, a very kind gesture which topped off a fantastic day of immense hospitality and kindness.

Once again, the club would like to thank Craig and everyone at Bolehall Swifts for all they did for us on what could have been a miserable and soul-destroying day. We look forward to welcoming you all at Ivor Park next year and good luck for the season ahead.





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'The gaffer loves castles, it turns out'



'What it's all about'



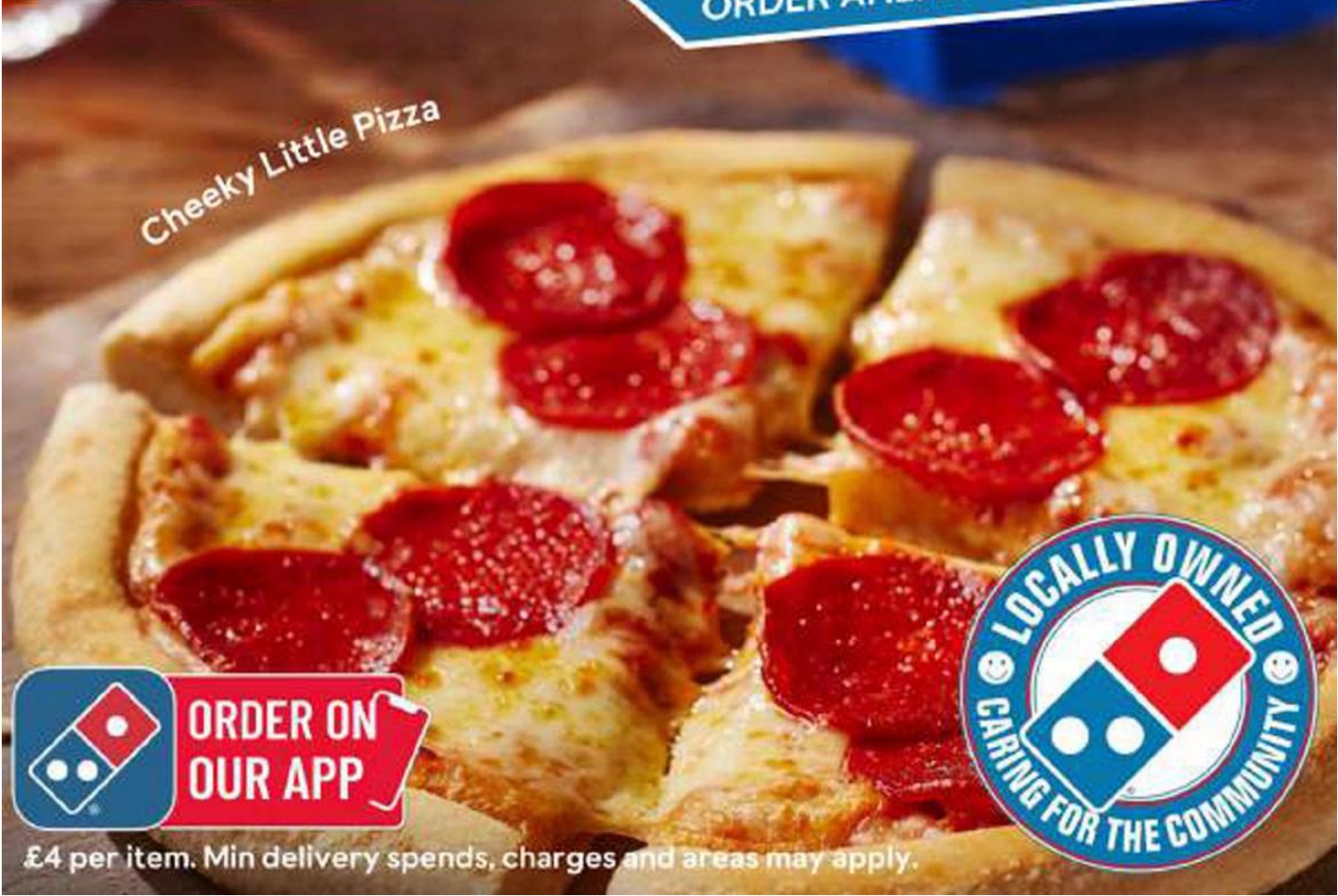
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PREVIOUS CLUB: CAMBRIAN UTD



MACSEN DAVIES

POSITION: FORWARD

PREVIOUS CLUB: CAMBRIAN UTD



ETHAN RICHARDSON

POSITION: WINGER

PREVIOUS CLUB: GARW SBGC

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POSITION: FORWARD

PREVIOUS CLUB: LLANTWIT MAJOR



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POSITION: MIDFIELD

PREVIOUS CLUB: LLANTWIT MAJOR

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DEVELOPMENT

The Development Team at Pontyclun Football Club is a key part of the player pathway from Juniors to First Team. The focus is on performance and player development alongside exposure to senior football. Ultimately, we are looking to see the best of our home-grown talent break into the First Team.

The structure allows youth players who are ready, to transition into senior football and play amongst more experienced players. The aim is to maintain the strong link between youth and development football and provide a sustainable pathway to benefit both club and player. In the past year we have seen several youth and development players break into the First Team with a few now established in the First Team squad.

The development coaching team is led by Head Coach, Gary Dalton and is supported by Wayne Pearce, Derek Hopkins and David Burgess all of which have been working tirelessly on and off the field.

After a successful pre-season, the aim is to be competitive in the TERV league division one and continue to develop our young talent at Ivor Park. The development team consists almost entirely of U17 – U21 players which points to an exciting future for the club.

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MINI & JUNIOR

Our Pontyclun Mini & Junior sections have gone from strength to strength in recent years.

For this we can thank the volunteer coaches for their hard work and dedication.

These coaches and volunteers have a common goal: to provide the best football experience to all age groups, both boys & girls. It's about creating an environment where children in the community can thrive, make friends, improve their social skills and most importantly, have fun.

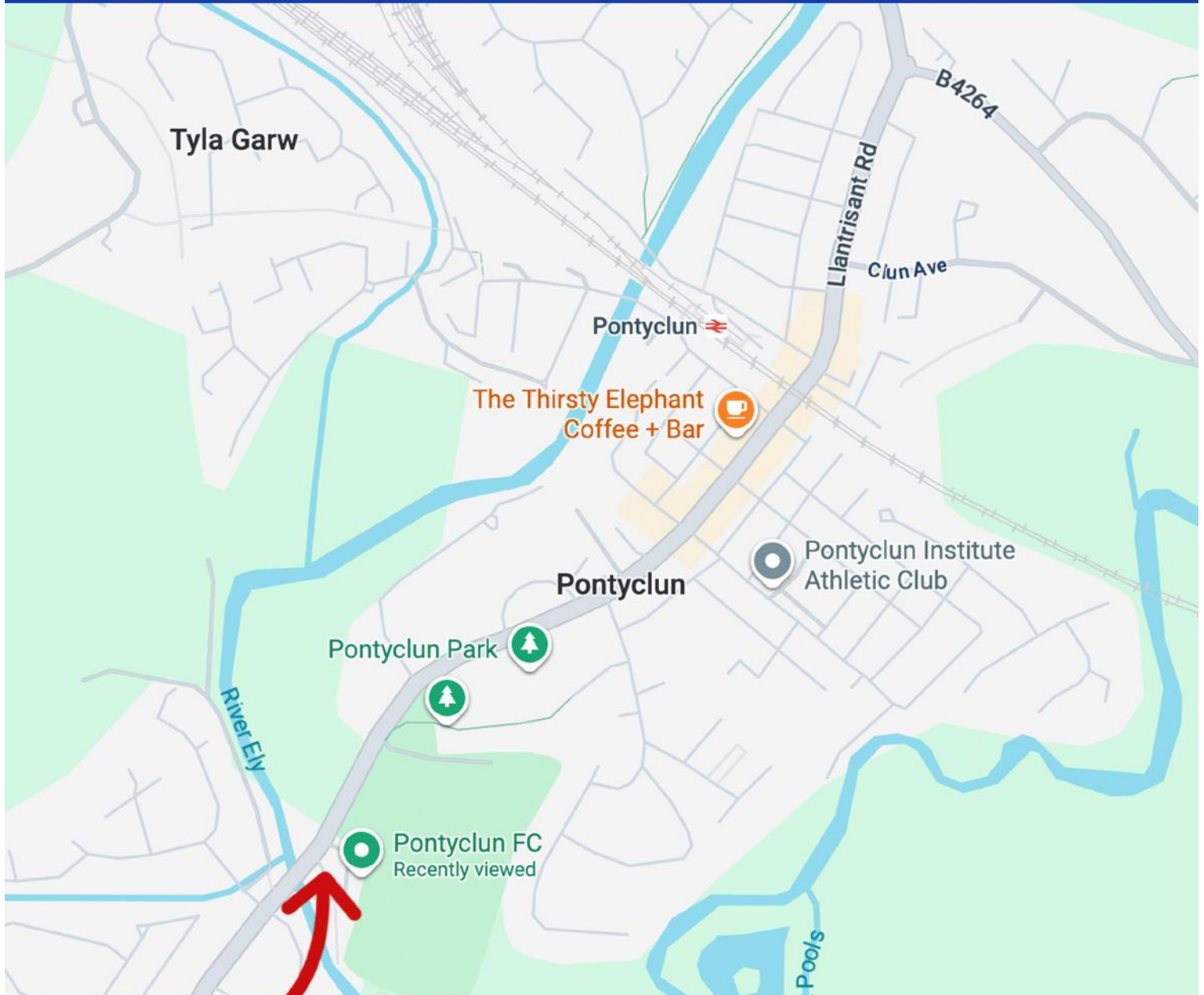
Currently we have over 400 registered children within our Mini & Junior section ranging from under 5's to under 16's including our U11's, U12's & U13's girls' teams.

We're very proud that we've managed to grow our girls' section, but we have plans to continue expanding our girls only age groups and providing them a safe and supportive place to express themselves through the love of the game.

Our players initially join to have fun and learn the benefits of being part of a team, but we've seen that as they progress, some may develop quicker than others and find themselves quickly identified to earn higher representation and recognition. Over the years we've been fortunate to have several players represent RCT Schools, Boys & Girls Clubs of Wales, FAW Academy Squads and, some have gone further and been offered trials or contracts at professional academies.

However, we passionately believe that all children have something unique to offer and it's that belief that drives our desire to ensure we keep as many children playing for as long as possible: some will play through the age groups, some will continue to the youth teams, some will hopefully go on and play in the senior section, or even higher. But all will have benefitted from being part of a team, a group of friends, a community.

We want every player that comes through our system to feel a proud association to Pontyclun Football Club and its wider community – this is what drives us.



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