

Mariners Voice. Season 2011-12 issue 2 Dec 10th

I would like to begin this issue by wishing A Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy, Prosperous and Peaceful New Year to all Supporters Association members and their families both at home and abroad and extend greetings to Mariner's supporters everywhere.

A huge amount of changes have occurred since the season began. It would be remiss of me not to take the opportunity to thank Gary Steadman and Justin Perry for all the hard work and well earned success they brought to the club over their 5 years in charge. On behalf of the supporters association, I would like to wish them both all the very best for the future.

However we now have a new management team in place and the form on the pitch has improved. Jon King is the new manager, assisted by Lee Picton. Lee won 2 FA vase medals with Whitley Bay FC, is currently undergoing his UEFA "A" qualification and is also director of the West Monkseaton Sports Academy. Our third coaching staff member is Argentinian Gus DiLella with physio Andy Morris.

As part of the changes Dan Kirkup, Alex Benjamin, Dan Briggs and David Southern were made available for transfer, Josh Carmichael has joined Dunston ,Tony Burnell has joined Benfield and Paul Kane has joined West Allotment. Coming in we have Chris Feasey re- joining Shields from Benfield , Sebastien Anzevui from Shildon and Jordan Fraser from Chester Le Street. We wish all the players, new and old all the very best for the future.

South Shields FC are currently 14th in Northern league division 1, with 23pts. We are 8th in the Form table, which is pleasing to read after our slow start to the season. Most noteworthy results are the 2-1 home win v Whitley Bay, and the 2-2 away Draw v Ashington. A narrow 0-1 defeat to Dunston UTS was disappointing, but the entire team is working very hard and playing some very good football.

Tue, 08/11/2011	South Shields	Whitley Bay	3-2	sNL1
Sat, 12/11/2011	South Shields	Marske United	3-4	sNL1
Tue, 15/11/2011	Ashington	South Shields	2-2	sNL1
Sat, 19/11/2011	South Shields	Bishop Auckland	2-1	sNL1
Tue, 22/11/2011	South Shields	Jarrow Roofing	2-1	sNL1
Sat, 26/11/2011	South Shields	Dunston UTS	0-1	sNL1

Upcoming Fixtures

Sat, 03/12/2011	Penrith	South Shields	sNL1
Wed, 07/12/2011	Newcastle Benfield	South Shields	sNL1
Sat, 10/12/2011	South Shields	West Auckland Town	sNL1
Sat, 17/12/2011	Whitley Bay	South Shields	sNL1
Mon, 26/12/2011	Sunderland RCA	South Shields	sNL1

Great news from the youth teams. The under 9s, South Shields Vipers, have been crowned The Russell Foster League Division 4 Champions with games in hand. Chalking up an incredible 21 undefeated matches in a row! A South Shields FC record by all accounts. Congratulations to the players, coaching staff and the parents for the dedication and effort involved.

Also worth mentioning the under 14s who sit proudly at the top of the Premier League. This week they have a ¼ final versus Consett and are in the 3rd round of the league cup playing Easington CW in January. A fine effort once by all concerned with the club. More information on all the youth teams will be forthcoming in the next issue.

Christmas Party.

South Shields Football Club and Supporters Association in conjunction with the Mariners Club, Filtrona Park are holding their Christmas party on Saturday 17th December 2011 commencing at 7-30pm. The evening will include top duo BULGARIA, DISCO, CHICKEN BASKET MEAL, RAFFLE and LATE LICENCE. Tickets priced at £5 can be obtained by contacting Bob Scott on mobile number 07920554377 or Gary Crutwell on mobile number 07947480054 or contact John or Vi at the Mariners club on 0191-4279839 Tickets still available.

Grand Draw.

Tickets are available from the club shop on Saturday for the GRAND CHRISTMAS DRAW, and all home games thereafter until the Christmas Party Night at the club on Saturday, December 17th, priced at £1 each and also available in books of ten.

THE FIRST PRIZE IS A WEEK FOR TWO IN ZANTE (GREECE) IN MAY, FLIGHT FROM NEWCASTLE, other prizes include hampers of meat, wines, beers and others. Your kind help and support for this fund raiser is particularly requested please contact BOB SCOTT on 07920 554377 and also GARY CRUTWELL on 07947 480054 delivery arrangements can be made to your convenience. A FOREIGN HOLIDAY IN THE SUN FOR SEVEN DAYS, FROM NEWCASTLE, AND FOR £1..... Any prize donations gratefully received either on the night or at the club shop on match days.

Volunteers...

Volunteers are requested for the annual Supporters Association bag pack, to be held at ASDA South Shields on Thursday the 29th Dec. We will cover 13 of the 16 checkouts, in two main shifts from 10-1 and from 1-4pm. Don't worry if you can't stay all day, or can only stay an hour or 2, ALL help is much appreciated. Dress is a SSFC replica top, or polo shirt etc and to be recognised as such, Santa hats may also be worn. This is an important association fund raising activity to conclude our efforts for 2011. Please contact Bob Wray, secretary on 0191 537 2633 or e:mail bobandlindawray@hotmail.co.uk with your name and contact details ASAP for which the committee would be most grateful. Sincere thanks in appreciation for your help.

The football club would once again like to invite assistance with pitch remedial work on mornings after matches. 9.30 am on a Sunday morning or 9.30 am on a morning following a midweek game. Pitch care is vital at this time of year and any help you can give in replacing divots, tidying the stands etc, is very much appreciated. If you can help, just pop along. Full training will be given.....

As always the supporters association is raising funds for the football club. This is where you can all join in and help us push on the "Mariners" to better things. Your help is greatly appreciated, no matter how small.

Weekly Cash Draw. An essential cash flow in which all profits go towards the team budget. Tickets are available at the club shop on home match days. With 3 cash prizes, £100, £30 and £20 it's worth a punt and much needed funding is welcome. Contact Gary Crutwell 07947480054 or Bob Scott 07920554377.

Goal Buster. Promoter Steve Franchi. Now with 100 teams and with consolation prize for teams with the lowest score, Contact Steve on 07952658291 or keep an eye on the forum <http://forum.southshields-sanddancers.co.uk/boards/viewforum.php?f=59>

Merchandise. An extensive range of merchandise is now available at the club shop on match days, or contact Bob Scott 07920554377 for details. A great chance to get a few stocking fillers for those loved ones. Large selection of styles and colours all adorned with the club crest.

Joining the supporters association. There are benefits to all who join the supporters association, above that warm glowing feeling you get from helping your local team. For your Five pounds, the football club, allow you £1 off the normal home league game entrance fee, or £10 off the price of a season ticket! Application forms are available from John Prendergast, the club shop or online at <http://www.southshields-sanddancers.co.uk/2011.pdf>. Don't forget to involve family and friends!

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Merchandise.

Fleece Jackets.	£39.00	Hoodies	£20.00
¼ Zipped Fleece	£20.00	Replica Shirts Adult	£30.00
Round Neck Jumper	£14.00	Replica Shirts Youth	£25.00
Claret Polo Shirt	£8.00	Black or Navy Polo Shirt	£12.00
White, Navy, or Black T Shirt	£10.00	Scarves	£8.00
Jester Hat	£7.00	Blue Track Suit Top	£30.00
Black or Claret Beanie	£8.00	Car Sticker Crest	£2.00
Car Sticker Text	£1.00	Mugs	£6.50
Pin Badge	£3.00	Tie Pin	£3.00

New Lines.

Polo Shirt Adult	£17.00	Polo Shirt Youth	£15.00
Grey Hoodie Adult	£20.00	Macron Replica Shirt	£30.00
Macron Rep Shirt Youth	£25.00	Away Replica Shirt	£30.00/£25.00
Pasha Training Top Adult	£25.00	Pasha Training Top Youth	£23.00
Sultan Training Top Adult	£32.00	Sultan Training Top Youth	£28.00
Khan Training Top Adult	£27.00	Khan Training Top Youth	£25.00
Nylon Jacket Adult	£16.00	Nylon Jacket Youth	£15.00

Available in various sizes, most can be made to order.

Please contact Bob Scott on 07929 554377 or Gary Crutwell on 07947 480054.

Or call into the club shop on any home match day.

Special thanks to all the sponsors for their continuing effort supporting the club.

With Special thanks to Alan Branelly of Complete Sports Academy

<http://www.completesportsacademy.co.uk/>

Coming JAN 2012 Trials for South Shields Football Academy

<http://www.completesportsacademy.co.uk/services/>

WANTED! Committee members urgently needed to assist in the running of the club. Contact Gary Crutwell on 07947480054



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