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Torquay United & Yeovil Town



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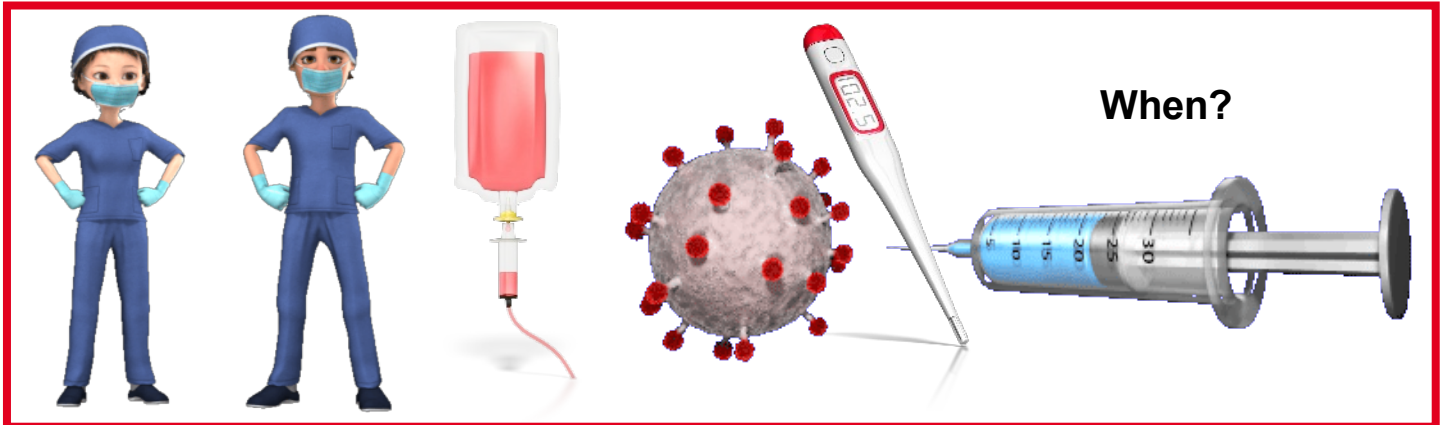
Sharing experiences to improve disabled
access and services for disabled fans

South West Disabled Fans' Experience Forum

Coronavirus (Covid-19) Issue

The outbreak had first been reported in China, on 17 November but had allegedly been suppressed. On 31 December 2019, the WHO was informed of a cluster of cases of pneumonia of unknown cause detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province of China. Both China and the WHO are facing criticism of their handling of the pandemic and suppressing release of the true facts.






The world continued to play Football until the last league games to be played in England, before suspension, were played on Saturday 07 March 2020. Therefore, this edition is somewhat devoid of activities that had to be postponed or cancelled from that time. With me being identified as a person who is at risk of severe illness if I catch Coronavirus, I have been housebound since 23 March until 21 June at the earliest. I hope that any of you in similar circumstances are managing to also survive. (Editor).



It makes one
Ashamed
to be British!!



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Coronavirus is an illness that affects your lungs and breathing.

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Coronavirus can cause a cough and fever.

   
Some people get better at home.

      
Some people need a hospital doctor to help them get better.

    
We don't need to panic, it will be ok.

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You can help by washing your hands with soap and warm

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water. Some of our activities and routines are cancelled or

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changed. This is to help us stay healthy.

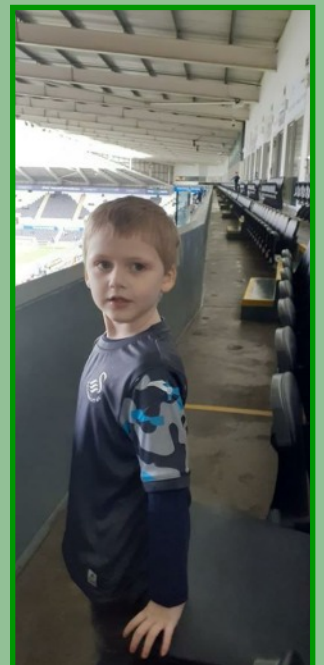
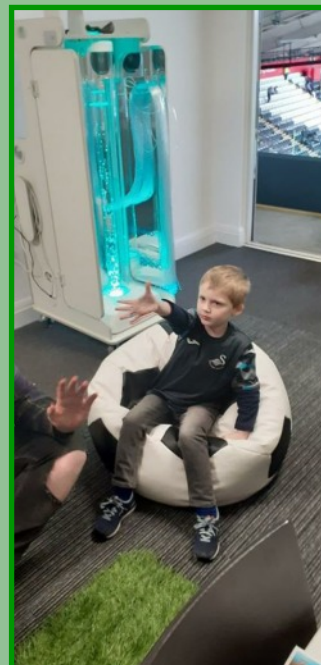
Swansea City DSA

Thank you to the Swans for offering the DSA members an opportunity of attending the sensory room for the WBA match on Saturday 07 March.

A draw was held (and drawn by a media officer in Fairwood) for the 5 members who applied, and Ron Poulton was the winner. Congratulations to Ron and family.

“I would like to thank everyone at the DSA and Swansea City for such a wonderful time this afternoon in the Sensory room for my Autistic great grandson who had such a fabulous time, the smiles on the boy’s face throughout the day said everything, many thanks to one and all”.

Ron Poulton



YEOVIL TOWN COMMUNITY SPORTS TRUST

DISABILITY FOOTBALL



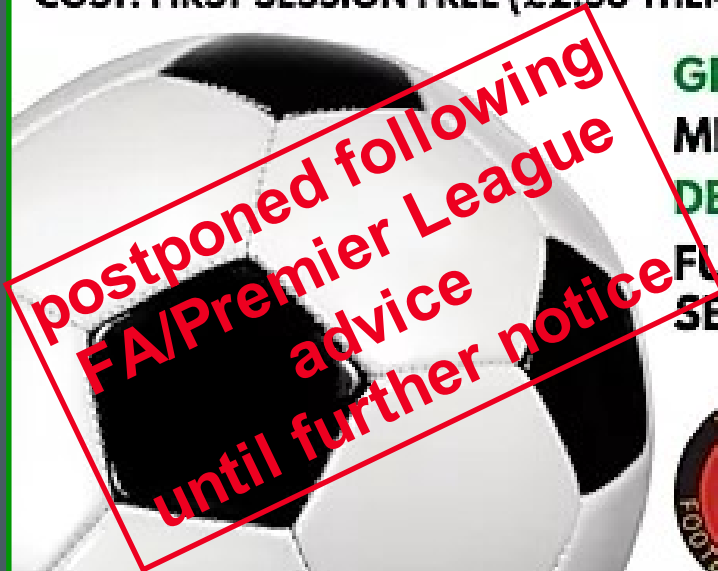
NEW DAY AND TIME!

**FUN & FRIENDLY FOOTBALL SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN AGED
5 - 16 WITH A PHYSICAL, SENSORY OR LEARNING DISABILITY.**

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Give us your Questions

As an enhancement to our Annual Forums and Quarterly Newsletters, anyone who has a subject that they would welcome input and comments from other clubs, in between Forums and Newsletters, please email them to me at d.g.munn@btinternet.com and I will circulate them. Once ALL of the replies are received (no more than 2 weeks after I have raised the question), I will send all inputs and comments to every club. Thanks.

Or you can use Facebook page: - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/DFSAT>

Yeovil Town DSA

New Wheelchairs purchased

The DSA have worked hard over the years to purchase and maintain wheelchairs for use at the club. Following a conversation with new owner Errol Pope, the club have very generously purchased six new wheelchairs to replace our old wheelchairs which were in need of a full makeover. We would like to thank Mr Pope and YTFC for their support.



Hospitality Box in the Tamburino Stand

YTFC have kindly allowed us use of a Hospitality Box, to keep our members warm and dry.

The box is located right next to the lift. Places are on a first come, first served basis. Book your slot with Sharon Swain.

Exeter City DSA

The DSA has in the last few months bought items to replace or add to the already good accessible facilities at Exeter City F.C. Just over £550 has been spent and all made possible through our Bucket Collections; Christmas Draws; Membership and kind donations.

1 - Assistant Wheelchair: This is a replacement due to the old chair being damage.

2 - 16 Personal Assistant Chairs for Big Bank Areas 2 & 3: These are replacing old and missing chairs.

3 - Wall Mounted Baby Changing Table: This is an addition to the Changing Places Room in the Stagecoach Adam Stansfield Stand. This is to ensure the baby's safety as the adult changing table in this room was being used and there was the worry a baby could fall off the adult table.

4 - Counter Induction Loop: This is in addition to the portable induction loop the association bought and this will help massively with those with hearing loss.

Carer Coffee Mornings:

Our DSA has recently been awarded a nice financial amount from the Devon & Cornwall Police and Dorset Police - Proceeds of Crime Fund. This money is so the DSA can setup Carer Coffee Mornings up at Exeter City FC.

The idea is that these Coffee Mornings are held once/every other month for Parent Carers and Carers in general who attend matches here at the park. However, if you know a Carer who would benefit by attending a coffee morning, they're welcome to attend. Coffee mornings are a great way to socialise with fellow Carers and hopefully make you feel part of the football club. What better way to make friends and meeting others who maybe in the same boat 'so to speak' and by talking about your issues or problems.

There'll be guest speakers from departments of the football club plus from groups in the community on accessibility and disability. Those attending will have the greatest say on the direction of the Coffee Mornings.

N.B.

The Coffee Mornings are postponed UFN due to the coronavirus pandemic

Exeter City DSA (continued)

Bucket Collection:

The football club kindly gave our DSA another opportunity to have a bucket collection this season which took place on Tuesday 3rd March vs. Crewe. We raised a total of £306.23 which is a fantastic amount and will help us greatly on future projects. We thank all collectors for their time and to the supporters for their very kind generosity, as they always do when we have a collection up at the park.



Yeovil Town DSA

On 30 March, Simon Woodland (YTFC DSA Treasurer/Vice-Chair) delivered 62 Easter eggs and many other goodies, that the DSA had purchased for our upcoming Easter Bingo event that we had to cancel, to Yeovil hospital, to be given out on the children's ward. #Staysafesttayin - Achieve by unity.



When your holiday has been cancelled by the coronavirus pandemic but you don't want to give up a dream

Plymouth Argyle (PAFC)

Plymouth Argyle 3 Macclesfield 0 on Saturday 07 March 2020

Joe Mitchell is 8 years old and has Multiple Myeloma, but travels from Essex, in a 10 hour round trip to watch his team play their home games.

“What a day, brilliant win, well done boys. Thank you to everyone at PAFC, especially Ryan Lowe, for today. Joe's had an amazing day and these are memories made forever. We are proud to support such an amazing club. Great 3pts today”. - Joe's Mum, Claire Mitchell.

Click the link below to see the ITV News West Country report on Joe's day:

https://www.facebook.com/270983253752635/videos/2559763217604249/?epa=SEARCH_BOX



Yeovil Town DSA

The DSA were asked by Thomas O Macrae if we could help him so he can come back to YTFC with his friends and enjoy the football and banter he misses.

Thomas suffers from Stenosis of the spine. This is where the disc in the spine bulges into the spinal cord and make his legs numb with pins and needles 24/7 OUCH!!!!

Thomas asked if we had an ergonomic kneeling chair available for him to use on match days in our DSA box, as this is the only way he can stay still for long periods and without it he cannot attend games.

Unfortunately, we had never heard of one, but with pointers from Thomas we have purchased one that will be kept in the DSA box for anyone to use. The ergonomic kneeling chair reduces lower back pain by distributing the body's weight more evenly by dividing the burden of one's weight between the shins and the buttocks.

We welcomed Thomas back to Huish Park on the 29th of February, when we played Wrexham. It was also the day of our LPF “Weeks of Action” event.

Thomas has agreed to us using his name and photo to promote the DSA and said, “I would like to say thank you for your help and support in helping me out. Now I can attend some games in relative comfort, so thank you”.



Thomas sitting on the Ergonomic Kneeling Chair, in the DSA Box, at the Yeovil v Wrexham game on 29 February.



Cardiff City DSA

Over the past two months we have been very busy.

In February we presented to the fans our new Players Disabled Ambassador, Welsh International, Cardiff City midfielder Will Vaulks. (Attached Photo)



The club DSO Adam Gilliatt and the committee have worked with the club and our team Doctor to get players more involved with the disabled supporters.

Both Will Vaulks and our team Doctor, Dr Len Nokes, are now on the Disabled Supporters Committee, both are extremely keen on getting more involved with the fans.

We have a Sensory room nearly completed at Cardiff. Once this is completed it will offer a football experience to new fans with autism and

Cardiff City DSA (continued) DSA

other conditions, who will then be able to experience a football match for possibly the first time.

During the Covid-19 lockdown, Will Vaulks recorded a personal message to all the DSA members, which we sent to everyone via email. Once everyone had seen it we put it across all Social Media platforms to show all the CCFC fans what we are doing.

We are looking at other things that we can do, over the next three weeks of lockdown. Stay Safe.

Swansea City DSA

Football is the beautiful game, it's the peoples game.

Football is on pause, and it will be back soon, but the community aspect of football is not on hiatus. In fact, it's been ramped up.

Below is an email that the DSA wanted to share with all of their members. This email highlights that even though football is just a game, it's the community of football that binds the sport and its fans together.

(Introductory comments from Level Playing Field).



Swansea City DSA (continued)

“Hello all,

We trust that you are feeling well and keeping safe during these unprecedented and concerning times. Don’t forget that you are welcome to contact us at any time, and we will endeavour to try and support you. Even if you just want a chat or anything, we are here for you. Please keep in touch with us. We miss you all.

Thank you to our members who have sent us “happy memory” stories to put on our DSA Facebook page. We love them. Please keep these coming – they are uplifting and lovely to see.

In order to keep in touch with each other, we are also wondering whether any of our DSA members would be interested in writing about “How a Swans supporter and DSA member is spending their time during the suspension of football” (include a photo of yourself) – please let us know. This is all just for a bit of fun and relaxation, but they make lovely reading for our members at these times. Nobody needs to feel alone.

Everyone take care and keep safe. The DSA committee”.



Plymouth Argyle (PAFC)

New look for Plymouth Argyle dressing room after the club made it available for routine NHS services during the coronavirus pandemic



The Plymouth Argyle dressing room at Home Park is not needed by the players at the moment due to the football shutdown.

However, the facilities are being used by the University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust.

It will see two community health services delivered at Home Park after a NHS takeover of the recently redeveloped stadium.

As part of the ongoing COVID-19 response, Community Phlebotomy (for over 16s) and Community Antenatal clinics are the first services which will be relocated to Home Park.

A team of clinicians and technical support staff - as well as Argyle staff - have been involved in the project to transform the conference room in the new grandstand, (picture on next page), into a clinical environment.

It is being equipped to deliver safe, effective services and adheres to the

Plymouth Argyle (PAFC) continued

necessary social distancing requirements.

Local GP and Associate Medical Director for Primary Care at University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust, Dr Jonathan Cope said: “The move to temporarily relocate lower risk, mobile services away from Derriford Hospital and GP practices is intended to allow for the continuation of important clinical interactions, without creating additional footfall to the traditional sites”.

“Planning and delivering this in little over a week is a breath-taking achievement. I’d like to extend a big thank you to Plymouth Argyle for their generosity and support in bringing this concept to reality”.

"The task of converting the grandstand into a temporary clinic has been a team effort and testament to the strong partnership working between the club and the local NHS”.



Coronavirus One Minute's Silence

A minute's silence is to be held for key workers who have died after testing positive for Covid-19.

Unison, the Royal College of Nursing and the Royal College of Midwives are calling on politicians, employers, workers and those on lockdown to join the silence at 11am on 28 April. I hope you can take part in it. (Editor)

Yeovil Town DSA

Woking v Yeovil 25 January 2020

What a brilliant idea to put on a cooked breakfast, at Huish Park, for all the travelling fans. It is highly recommended before an away trip



Swansea City DSA

Unfortunately, we heard some sad news on 07 March that one of our members lost her dad to Covid-19. We send our deepest sympathies to her and the family at this sad time.

During these unusual times of lockdowns and self-isolation, the Swans DSA, like many organisations, has regretfully had to cancel their social events to safeguard the safety of their members, the Swans players and staff.

However, having already purchased 120 Easter eggs for a social event, the DSA have tried to bring a little happiness by donating them to the Children's ward at Morriston hospital, for the children needing treatment and a hospital stay in these difficult times.

The DSA have also been encouraging our members to write an article about their favourite footballing moment - be it meeting a player, an away game, anything, and have had a good start to this with 12 members having been involved.

As a DSA we have been regularly communicating with our members, offering support if needed, and reminding them that we are at the end of an email if they have any worries. Please look after yourselves and stay safe.



Newport County DSA

Kelly Anderson wrote - One of my colleagues, Colin Faulkner, has written a four day blog around his anxiety and general mental health, in particular when attending away days and how that has affected him and what he has done to help him to cope, including during Covid-19.

It is really brave of him to share this and we are proud of him for doing so.

I have attached Day One of his blog for you, as our contribution to this newsletter. If anyone would like to continue reading or would like the full blog to share, then they can receive this by emailing: -

equality@newport-county.co.uk

Blog Title: Anxiety (Away) Day 1; Why football is more than just a game



Introduction

There is a strong discourse about mental health in sport and particularly in professional football at this time of national crisis, but for it to truly be discussed openly it needs to start at the top of each football club.

Newport County DSA (continued)

If chairs and directors are not creating a safe, confident environment to allow conversation on the topic, how can we expect our employees, staff and supporters to start opening up?

At a recent media event, three Premier League players were asked this question: “How often is mental health discussed at ... [your football club]?” The answer from all three was hardly ever, if at all.

Ask the same question at Newport County AFC and the answer would be every week via a variety of official club channels. I have conversations nearly every day with people linked to the club on the subject and in relation to their own wellbeing.

It is for these reasons that I have decided to record some thoughts on the topic via four daily blogs, including why it is an important subject to me, my own experience and some coping mechanisms I have used.

We are all different and so anything I say might not be the case for you, however I hope by opening up it will give others the courage to start talking themselves.

I am not going to reveal my original trigger as I don't believe it will benefit anyone reading this; it could possibly have the opposite effect – suffice to say I understand where all this comes from.

Why football is more than just a game

At this time of national crisis, the game is on hold and rightly so. The safety and health of people are more important than the on-field activities, while we fight COVID19.

However, the off-field part of the game is now getting the attention that most of us involved in the game in some part already knew about.

There is a lot in the media about such-and-such a player helping, or so-and-so club supporting their community. The truth is this happens every day across the industry. There are people whose lives function throughout the week, revolving around matchday and the socialisation and feeling of community that comes with that; the more you are involved with a club the more you see and understand it.

Newport County DSA (continued)

It's not just about those 90+ minutes on the field, it's what is going on off it that is just as important.

The coronavirus virus is attacking us on two fronts: physically and mentally. While we can take steps to reduce the chance of contracting the virus, we cannot escape the threat to our mental wellbeing.

I know there are supporters of our club who have reduced social contact outside of the football club. That may be due to physical restrictions or shyness, anxiety, PTSD and other socially debilitating issues that football allows them to overcome, even if for a short period of time each week.

The lockdown some of those people must adhere to for the health of their loved ones creates an immense amount of anxiety, worry and if the situation continues into months, there is a very real possibility of depression.

Of course, during this pandemic it will be difficult if not impossible for those face-to-face services that vulnerable people rely on to function in a normal manner. Social media and telecommunications can help but I would suggest they don't have the same impact in these cases.

Our family has been on virtual lockdown since March 16th and I have not been outside of the immediate vicinity for the past week, the furthest was a trip to the local supermarket, 10 minutes from our house, for essential items that were unavailable online.

The simple fact is that both myself and my middle son have a diagnosis that puts us in the "vulnerable" category regarding the virus.

I have managed a run round the local lakes a couple of times this week but that must be timed for that gap between morning dog walkers and those lunchtime ones to give me the best chance of social distancing. If I couldn't go out for those half-hour runs, I would probably have lost my mind by now.

I am keeping in touch with people I am close with and checking in with people who are isolated or vulnerable, but it's not just for their benefit, it creates a distraction from time, that I have to start thinking too much again and after less than 2 weeks I could feel my anxiety building again.

Newport County DSA (continued)

The endgame of this virus potentially brings forward the event that triggers my angst and I, like thousands of others in our community, need a distraction from that.

Anyone who travels to away games regularly will tell you it's pretty much a whole day out in this country (and certainly in League 2) and that for a club that has good transport links around the country.

I usually travel with a small group that often leaves Newport around 10am as we are required to be at the ground earlier than the majority of supporters and that travel time to and from games is often used to discuss things that come up during the week, often solving many of the problems we all face (in our minds anyway). It is accompanied with laughter and phone calls to people who haven't travelled but provides an opportunity for us all to speak together and have a laugh.

This is a part of the football experience and cannot be replaced during this time of social distancing; consider those who travel on a supporter bus along with 40 other people at a time. Those journeys provide a crucial time of the week and an opportunity to exchange views, jokes and experiences with others on that bus knowing all of you have at least one thing in common. It is very rare, in my experience, that the day's result (as a standalone score) has a considerable impact of the return journey.

The key talking points will be dissected with varying opinions shared but usually that feeling of community and togetherness takes over again with banter and laughter heard everywhere; even the journey back from Wembley last May was upbeat with the usual joking around taking place.

Home fixtures are similar, as there will be people we all see regularly that are in the same area of the stadium as us, but cannot travel for several different reasons.

Turnstiles do not open until 1.30pm but places like Bar Amber open at 10am and do not close until a long period after the final whistle.

Supporters will gather to discuss the events of the week and have a drink with their mates, often leaving the ground to continue their socialisation and deconstructing what they have just witnessed.

Newport County DSA (continued)

During this time of seclusion, most football clubs have acknowledged the situation that has developed, and continues to develop, and are taking steps to provide assistance in the impact on mental health in their communities.

When I refer to community in this context it does not mean the geographical location and people who live around the club, but rather the supporters, staff and volunteers of that club who could live a good few hours away but on a weekly basis travel to see their team and mix with like minded individuals.

The EFL's partnership with Mind has undoubtedly made an impact with this, providing access to information and support that may not have been readily accessible if it didn't exist.

At Newport we are trying to reach out to people who are finding the quarantine period a struggle, but we only know of a certain number of people that need support so, I would urge anyone who is aware of others who are apart from the club for whatever reason, to contact us and share contact details in order for us to help reduce anxiety.

One thing is for sure; when we come out the other side of this we will have a new-found appreciation of the game we love and those people that stand with us shoulder-to-shoulder each week. Until that time, it is the responsibility of all of us to look after each other. We depend on our NHS staff at this time, as we look to them to guide us to the other side of this pandemic, but we need to remember that they will be, not only physically worn-out, but mentally too. In the words of a former talk show host; "Look after yourself, and each other". – All views are my own.

(Colin Faulkner, Director at Newport County AFC)



Yeovil Town DSA

Level Playing Field “Weeks of Action”

At the home game, Yeovil v Wrexham on 29 February, the Yeovil Town Community Sports Trust were pleased to support the YTFC Disabled Supporters Association by celebrating the Level Playing Field “Week of Action” together with launching the Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Lanyards. As part of the day, DSA members Callum & Clayton along with Callum’s brother and friend, were treated to a stadium tour, lunch and the opportunity to take part in the pre-match warm up, before leading the Glovers out onto the hallowed turf and taking part in the coin toss with the referee prior to kick off.

The DSA were also present upstairs in the main stand and in the marquee before the match, displaying what the DSA can offer.



Yeovil Town DSA (continued)

Level Playing Field “Weeks of Action”



BINGO

DSA Bingo in the Alec Stock Lounge, Huish Park

on Friday 21 February 2020

WOW - WOW - WOW - Another great night where another magnificent amount of £510 was raised for the DSA funds.

Thanks to Tracey Anne Wilson, Christine Woodland and Roger Woodland for organising this event for us.

Please look out for our next Bingo night being held on the 3rd of April



Torquay United

Dominic Mee & Sam Balsdon are continuing in their efforts to create a DSA at Torquay. They have recently been involved in the appointment of a DLO at the club. We welcome Joanne Harris, who has taken on the role in addition to her Hospitality responsibilities. Jo has provided the following update, following her appointment: -

“Firstly, I would like to say thank you for all the comments and messages wishing me well in my new post as Disability Liaison Officer”.

“Having been in correspondence with contacts at Devon FA and the South West Disabled Fans’ Experience Forum, I’m pleased to report that there is a lot of good work already going on around the club, and facilities that supporters can benefit from”.

“For example, our TUFC Radio service provides all supporters with commentary of all home and away matches throughout the season, and this can also prove invaluable for blind or partially sighted supporters who are visiting Plainmoor, and is accessible via smartphones, tablets or laptops”.

“I have also been in discussions with the Torquay United Community Sports Trust, who hold regular football session for both adults and children, with our Inspirations teams competing in monthly tournaments against other Devon sides in the Ability Counts league. Course details are available via the Community Trust website, however if anyone would like any further information please get in touch with me”.


“Another positive aspect of my first fortnight in the role was helping to organise the 12-hour danceathon in Boots & Laces last Friday. Sponsorship from this event raised in the region of £750 for Mencap, which is brilliant news. Thank you to all the participants and sponsors for making it such a success!”

Torquay United FC stated “This appointment represents a pro-active approach by the club, in order to further increase engagement with our devoted Yellow Army and the local community”.


Jo says, “Anyone wishing to contact me can do so by calling me on 01803 328666 or emailing joanneh@torquayunited.com”.



Level Playing Field



**Level
Playing
Field**



MIDDLESBROUGH
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Pub Quiz

Tuesday **21st April**, 2pm
on Twitter and
Facebook Live.

First prize, two match
day tickets to watch
Middlesbrough FC next
season.

#LPFPubQuiz

For the past few weeks, Level Playing Field have been hosting a live Sports Pub Quiz every Tuesday at 2pm across Facebook Live and Twitter to provide a little entertainment and virtual community for its followers who might need some social interaction during this period of uncertainty.

Each week the number of quiz participants has grown, as the national lockdown continues. This short quiz only lasts for around an hour, but the importance of social interaction can't be underestimated.

For a number of fans, the postponement of live sport is having a significant impact on their mental and physical health. The opportunity to go and watch live sport can be the only opportunity to engage with another person for some disabled supporters. That's why we're keen to get as many supporters actively involved as possible in the next Level Playing Field Pub Quiz.

Level Playing Field are excited to announce that Middlesbrough Football Club will be supporting Level Playing Field to do just that, by providing a fantastic prize for this week's quiz. The club are offering two match day

Level Playing Field (continued)

tickets (or 3 depending on circumstances) for a game next season, a pitch side photo, programme and food and drink in the Fan Zone to the winner of the Level Playing Field quiz.

Head of Supporter Services at the club, Yvonne Ferguson, commented:

“In these surreal and very difficult times, it’s so important we support each other through acts of kindness whenever we can. Middlesbrough Football Club will warmly welcome the winner to the Riverside Stadium next season and give them an amazing match day experience. We look forward to meeting the winner of the Level Playing Fields quiz!”

Tony Taylor, Chair of Level Playing Field said:

“Disabled fans have had a huge part of their social life taken away from them, and watching live sport offers them an opportunity to feel connected and a part of their community. We’re looking at a range of activities headed up by our Fans Liaison Officer Liam Bird and the team at Level Playing Field to offer support and to reach out in a variety of innovative ways. We are delighted to continue doing this through this weekly quiz. We are very grateful to Yvonne at Middlesbrough for their prize donation. This kind act of generosity, we hope, will bring more sports fans together, at our next quiz, to see who will win this fantastic prize. We are seeing clubs across the country reach out to their fans and offering support in many different ways. We urge people to continue to do so whilst also staying safe and following appropriate guidance.”



Activities like the Quiz, plus each DSA’s efforts during this pandemic period, should bring us all closer together, make us more aware of each other’s needs and make us all stronger as groups and individually. (Editor).



**The Gardener was asked to remove the gate
BUT he took offence!!!!**



Swansea City DSA

Have had permission from the lovely Eve Dewson to share these happy, positive pictures on our Facebook page.

Her mum and dad live in a house right behind them, so they have taken down the fence - what a great thing to do.

Great to “see” you all - and stay safe.

Eve, Willz, Bruce and Dianne are all members of our DSA.



Swansea City DSA (continued)

Something to make you SMILE!!!!

 **Swansea City Disabled Supporters Association-DSA**
18 April at 16:11 · 🌐



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Student makes face masks to accommodate deaf people and those hard of hearing



Expresses the thoughts of many, especially as most of us are vulnerable

Plymouth Argyle (PAFC)



Well Done from the “Theatre of Greens”



Editor's Comments

We do not know of: -

- 1. When the lockdown will end?**
- 2. When the decisions regarding the 2019/2020 season will be made. Although, we know that Torquay and Yeovil have had their National League remaining league matches cancelled, with the options concerning the sporting outcomes of the 2019/20 season remaining under careful and timely consideration, with further updates being given in due course?**
- 3. How many of you are currently on furlough from you clubs or companies and do not know if you will or will not have a job to return to?**
- 4. How many clubs will not survive?**

Whatever the decisions and outcomes, let's hope for the best and that it all works out well for all concerned.

That said, let us also think about the ones who have got or had the virus, and especially those 20,319 who have died so far, from Covid-19, leaving their grieving relatives and friends behind.





Coronavirus task force recommends avoiding social gatherings of more than 2 people who must stand at least 6 feet apart. There are 16 people in this gathering and all standing close to each other!!!!



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