

On The Field Today:



CALDICOT TOWN



RISCA UNITED

Goalkeepers	<input type="checkbox"/> Matthew Sandiford <input type="checkbox"/> Ben Davidson	<input type="checkbox"/> Tom Chorley <input type="checkbox"/> Jonathon Chorley
Defence	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt James <input type="checkbox"/> Simon Crook <input type="checkbox"/> Alex Lawry <input type="checkbox"/> Andrew Wenzel <input type="checkbox"/> Josh Bolton <input type="checkbox"/> Christian McConnell <input type="checkbox"/> Connor McCabe <input type="checkbox"/> Kyle McCabe <input type="checkbox"/> Dean Palmer	<input type="checkbox"/> Leigh Sharp <input type="checkbox"/> Ian Turner <input type="checkbox"/> Brendon Scott <input type="checkbox"/> Josh Hales <input type="checkbox"/> Chris Thomas <input type="checkbox"/> Jonathon Payne <input type="checkbox"/> Alex Beecham <input type="checkbox"/> Matthew Russell
Midfield	<input type="checkbox"/> David Biggs <input type="checkbox"/> Luke Harris <input type="checkbox"/> Lewis Cutajar <input type="checkbox"/> Will McConnell <input type="checkbox"/> David Jenkins <input type="checkbox"/> Lewys Dowler <input type="checkbox"/> David Lloyd <input type="checkbox"/> Matthew Trottman <input type="checkbox"/> Tyler Morgan-Huggett <input type="checkbox"/> Richard Sharratt	<input type="checkbox"/> Josh Clayton <input type="checkbox"/> Liam Kidman <input type="checkbox"/> Josh Collier <input type="checkbox"/> David Hurley <input type="checkbox"/> Aaron Colwill <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Edwards <input type="checkbox"/> Jack Bainton <input type="checkbox"/> Munotida Kuwana <input type="checkbox"/> Jack Griffiths <input type="checkbox"/> Paul Michael
Strikers	<input type="checkbox"/> Mitchell Slape <input type="checkbox"/> Dan Saunders <input type="checkbox"/> Jason Thorn <input type="checkbox"/> Stephen Wilson	<input type="checkbox"/> Tony Wallis <input type="checkbox"/> Kyle Williams
Manager	Mark Williams	Paul Michael
Asst Manager	Jason Pritchard	Alan Davies
Coach	John Burrows	Andy Honey-Jones (Director of Football)
Physio	-	-
Referee	G. Townsend	
Assistants	C. Small & I.D. Williams	

Scorers:

H-T F-T

Caldicot Town

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Risca Utd

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Welcome to Jubilee Way

CALDICOT TOWN AFC

Versus

RISCA UNITED

Date:	Saturday 20th September 2014
Competition:	Nathaniel Car Sales Welsh League Division 2
Location:	Jubilee Way, Caldicot
Kick Off:	2:30pm
Today's Officials:	Referee: G. Townsend
	Assistants: C. Small & I.D. Williams
Caldicot Town Colours:	Royal blue shirts, shorts & socks
Risca United Colours:	Black & white striped shirts, black shorts, white socks

Next up for the 1st team: Welsh League Division 2:
 Saturday 27th September: Caerleon (Away): Kick Off 2.30pm
 Saturday 4th September: Ely Ranger (Home): Kick Off 2.30pm
 Saturday 11th September: Croesyceiliog (Away): Kick Off 2.30pm



Caldicot Town AFC



CALDICOT TOWN AFC

Jubilee Way, Caldicot, NP26 4NA

Web: www.caldicottownafc.com

To contact the club please use the "Contact Me" button on the website.

Kit: Royal blue shirts, shorts & socks.

2nd Kit: Lime green shirts, black shorts & lime green socks.

3rd Kit: Red shirts, shorts & socks.

Chairman: Martin Slape

Fixture Sec: Steve Bright

Treasurer: Dave Moreton

Club Sec: Kevin Buckthought

Maintenance Sec: Chris Davidson

Sports Secretary: Julian Williams

Membership Sec: Basil Packer

Social Sec: Paul Fieldsend

Welfare: Ann-Marie Williams

Stewardess: Kerry Rix

Social Media: Ben Jones

Programme: Kevin Buckthought

Committee Member:

Marion Davidson

Frank Rowberry

Adrian Porter

Wayne Jones

Ben Jones

Terry Boston

Gordon Lewis

Ray Jeremiah

Official Club Sponsor:



GROUND REGULATIONS

The following regulations are stipulated in the interest of fair play and safety for all.

Spectators **must not:**

- Consume ALCOHOLIC drinks or drink from glasses or bottles whilst on the football ground **at any time** or bring it with them for that purpose. **This is a FIFA rule and must be enforced.**
(You can drink on the patio area but only from a plastic glass, these are available at request from the bar)
- Trespass on the playing and adjoining areas
- Climb on any buildings, walls or fencing
- Use obscene, racist or insulting language, or make offensive or insulting gestures, remarks or spitting on any person
- Throw objects within the ground, this is a criminal offence and strong action will be taken against anyone committing such an offence
- Bring personal footballs, hand held megaphones or alike into the ground
- Interfere or climb on the floodlight pylons

Spectators **must:**

- Comply with instructions given by club officials
- Keep dogs on a lead at all times
- Pay an entrance fee when appropriate
- Retain control of, and be responsible for any minors at the game

Caldicot Town will not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage to any property; person or persons (including children) on the ground, in the changing rooms or clubhouse. Caldicot Town is not responsible for loss or damage to articles left on the premises.

THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE.

Caldicot Town AFC 1st Team: Season 2014/15 Stats Continued

		Appearances				Total	Goals		
		Lge	Sub	Cup	Sub		Lge	Cup	Total
David	Biggs	5		2		7			
Simon	Crook				1	1			
Lewis	Cutajar	1				1			
Ben	Davidson								
Luke	Harris	4	1		1	6			
Matthew	James	5		2		7	1		1
David	Jenkins	2	1	2		5			
Alexander	Lawry	2	1	1		4			
David	Lloyd	5		2		7			
Tyler	Morgan-Huggett								
Matthew	Sandiford	5		2		7			
Daniel	Saunders	4		2		6	1		1
Richard	Sharratt	5		2		7	4		4
Mitchell	Slape	4	1	1		6	1		1
Jason	Thorn	3		2		5	1		1
Matthew	Trottman		2	1		3			
Andrew	Wenzel	5		1		6			
Stephen	Wilson	2	1			3			
Josh	Bolton								
Lewys	Dowler		2			2			
Will	McConnell	3		1	1	5	1		1
Christian	McConnell		4		1	5			
Kyle	McCabe								
Connor	McCabe								
Dean	Palmer				2	2			
Alex	Watkins				1	1			

When the goals are scored

	First Half	Second Half
Caldicot Town	5	5
Opposition	2	6



Caldicot Town AFC 1st Team: Season 2014/15 Stats

Caldicot Town 1st Team Fixtures: 2014-15 Season

Kick Off at 2.30pm unless stated

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Comp</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Scorers</u>
Aug	Sat 16 Llanwern AFC	H WL Div 2	D 1-1	M Slape
	Wed20 Barry Town Utd	H WL Div 2	L 0-2	-
	Sat 23 Undy Athletic	H WL Div 2	W 2-1	R Sharratt (pen), M James
	Sat 30 AFC Llwydcoed	A WL Div 2	D 1-1	R Sharratt
Sep	Sat 6 Penrhiwceiber	A WL Div 2	W 6-0	R Sharratt(2), D Saunders, W McConnell, J Thorn, og
	Tue 9 Tredegar Town	A Senior Cup	L 0-1	
	Sat 13 Llanelli Town	A Welsh Cup	L 0-2	
	Sat 20 Risca United	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 27 Caerleon	A WL Div 2		
Oct	Sat 4 Ely Rangers	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 11 Croesyceiliog	A WL Div 2		
	Sat 18 Haverfordwest	H Lge Cup		
	Tue 21 Barry Town Utd	A WL Div 2		
	Sat 25 Cwmbran Celtic	A WL Div 2		
Nov	Sat 1 Aberbargoed	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 8 Tata Steel	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 15 Dinas Powys	A WL Div 2		
	Sat 22 West End	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 29 Ely Rangers	A WL Div 2		
Dec	Sat 6 Llanwern AFC	A WL Div 2		
	Sat 13 Undy Athletic	A WL Div 2		
	Sat 20 AFC Llwydcoed	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 27 Risca United	A WL Div 2		
Jan	Sat 3 Caerleon	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 10 Chepstow Town	A WL Div 2		
	Sat 17 Croesyceiliog	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 24 Penrhiwceiber	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 31 Cwmbran Celtic	H WL Div 2		
Feb	Sat 7 Aberbargoed	A WL Div 2		
	Sat 14 Tata Steel	A WL Div 2		
	Sat 21 Dinas Powys	H WL Div 2		
	Sat 28 West End	A WL Div 2		
	tbc Chepstow Town	H WL Div 2		

CALDICOT TOWN AFC SUPPORTERS CLUB



Social Media

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www.caldicottownafc.com



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Caldicot Town AFC

The Predictor is Back

For just a £1 you can guess the score of three selected games to win a big brown bag full of cash. You must pay for your selections before the first game kicks off. There were no winners from last weekend's predictor so the pot has grown too an amazing **£1075!**

.....**you got to be in it to win it!**

This week's games: Aston Villa v Arsenal, West Ham v Liverpool, Man City v Chelsea

Raffle

Help the club by purchasing a raffle ticket, only £1. See Gordon or Basil for a ticket.

Caldicot Town AFC Merchandise

Visit www.caldicottownafc.com/clubshop.htm to make an on-line purchase for Caldicot Town AFC Joma training wear supplied by Total Teamwear.

Now in Stock: high quality pin badge made from Enamel and finished with an Epoxy resin. These are now available for purchase behind the Bar at the club at £3 per badge.

Club shop update: Polo shirts still available (£10); Club Beanies re-stocked (£5); Scarf's, sold out, but will be restocked soon. More new lines for the 2014/15 season. Contact Julian Williams at the club. All monies raised are put back into the club; we have already purchased a new cooker for the kitchen on the back of funds raised last season.

Supporters Minibus

There will be a supporter's minibus running to our away game at Caerleon on Saturday 27th September. Cost £5 – put your name on the list!

Quiz (answers later in the programme)

1. Which English league sides are the furthest north, east, south and west?
2. Which nine players have scored for six different Premier League clubs?

ABOUT THE CLUB, ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS

Facilities

Caldicot Town Football Club is open to members 7 days a week and is available to hire for any event by contacting our resident Bar Stewardess, Kerry Rix. The club hosts two rooms with the main room catering for 100 people seated. Events held at the club range from Birthday celebrations, Weddings, Christenings and Funerals. The rooms are also available to hire for Business or any Organisations requiring an inexpensive, reliable location. Catering, by pre-order, can be arranged and quoted for. We have a fully licensed bar available to serve beverages as well as tea and coffee. For more Information please contact Kerry at the bar or click on the "Contact Me" button on the club website: (www.caldicotownafc.com)

Volunteers Needed

Caldicot Town are always looking for volunteers to help out with match day preparation (e.g.: putting up nets to checking the playing area for rubbish and glass). We also need volunteers to help maintain the facilities (painting & general maintenance). So, if you feel you can help out in any way, please ask at the bar for a committee member for more information.

Supporters Bus

CTAFC supporters run a minibus to every Caldicot Town away game. We ensure that supporters pay no more than £5 for any away trip, whether it's just down the road at Undy or a longer trip to Tata Steel (shorter trips help subsidise the longer ones). **BUT**, to enable us to continue to run the minibus we need as many supporters as possible to use the facility. If not then we will have to start charging more for the longer trips. Tony Stephens puts up a list of "regular" travellers a week before an away game (on the club noticeboard) so, if you are a regular traveller, but do not wish to use the minibus, **please can you cross your name off this list asap!** Anyone who is not a regular traveller, but would like to use the minibus can you please add your name to the list no later than 2 days before an away game. Thank You.

Caldicot Leisure Centre Gym Membership Initiative

In conjunction with Caldicot Leisure Centre and Monmouthshire Council, Caldicot Town are pleased to announce a fitness initiative that will allow football club members reduced leisure centre Gym membership rates. Please see the clubs website for more details.

Caldicot Town AFC Cycle Club

Caldicot Town has a 'get fit' initiative for its members. If you have a bike and feel that you would like to get fitter, or lose weight, then this is an ideal activity for you. Come and join the team every Sunday morning. Ask to speak to a committee member if interested or see the CTAFC Cycle Club section of the club website.

A request

If you have any old photos or memory's that you would like reproduced or documented in the matchday programme please contact Kevin Buckthought at the club.

Caldicot Town AFC: Youth, 2nd, 3rd and Vets Forthcoming Fixtures

Caldicot Town AFC 2nd Team: Welsh League Reserve East

Date	KO	Home Team		Away Team	Competition
20/09/2014	2:30pm	Llswerry	v	Caldicot Town	League
27/09/2014	2:30pm	Caldicot Town	v	Treowen Stars	League
04/10/2014	2:30pm	Caerleon	v	Caldicot Town	League
11/10/2014	2:30pm	Caldicot Town	v	Croesyceiliog	League

Caldicot Town AFC 3rd Team: East Gwent League Division 2

Date	KO	Home Team		Away Team	Competition
20/09/2014	2:45pm	Tintern Abbey B	v	Caldicot Town	League
27/09/2014	1:45pm	Caldicot Town	v	Severn Bridge	Fishwick Cup

Cil y Coed Celts Veterans: Cabot Division 1

Date	KO	Home Team		Away Team	Competition
28/09/2014	11:00am	Red Star Bedminster	v	Cil Y Coed Celts	Cup
05/10/2014	11:00am	Cil Y Coed Celts	v	Bathelona	League
02/11/2014	11:00am	Cil Y Coed Celts	v	PAS Masters	League
30/11/2014	10.30am	Cil Y Coed Celts	v	Retainers	League

Caldicot Town AFC U19's: Welsh Youth East

Date	KO	Home Team		Away Team	Competition
22/09/2014	TBC	Caldicot Town	v	Newport YMCA	League
28/09/2014	TBC	Panteg	v	Caldicot Town	League
06/10/2014	TBC	Caldicot Town	v	tbc	Welsh Cup
13/10/2014	TBC	Taffs Well	v	Caldicot Town	League
19/10/2014	TBC	Caldicot Town	v	AFC Llwydcoed	League Cup



The Mike Jones Golden Boot Award



Rob Jones presents 2013/14 winner Karl Bradshaw with his award

Rules: Only league and cup goals count. Any Dubious goal decisions are left to the Player's "Manager" or "Assistant" to decide. Penalty shootout goals will count.

Current Standings

Name	Goals
Courtney Davies	8
Alex Watkins	4
Richard Sharratt	4
Mitchell Slape	2
Will McConnell	2
Gareth Crispin	2
Tom Corner	2

Previous Winners

Name	Season	Goals
Karl Bradshaw	2013/14	37
Courtney Davies	2012/13	37
Tom Philp	2011/12	24
Shane Jeremiah	2010/11	21
Paul Light	2009/10	34
Tyrone Tucker-Dixon	2008/09	26
Jason Thorn	2007/08	20
Jason Thorn	2006/07	29

Congratulations to....

Our 3rd team manager Paul Fieldsend and his now wife Vicky after they tied the knot on the 13 September.

Today's Other Welsh League Division 2 Fixtures

Aberbargoed Buds	v	Caerleon
Cwmbran Celtic	v	Chepstow Town
Dinas Powys	v	AFC Llwydcoed
Penrhiwceiber Rangers	v	Croesyceiliog
Tata Steel	v	Barry Town United
West End	v	Undy Athletic

Work behind the scenes

Caldicot Town are pleased to announce that the Welsh Church Fund and the Severnside grant secured by the club have been used to provide shuttering for the grandstand so that we can protect the area from vandalism. We have also widened the pathway at the rear of the changing rooms to enable easier access for visiting teams. Many thanks go to everyone who was involved in the painting project over the closed season (grandstand, railings and posts).

John "Dai" Coles Memorial Gates

After the sad passing of Caldicot Town Legend John "Dai" Coles last year, the Football club carried out several fund raisers in order to install a permanent memorial for the great man. This has eventually come to fruition in the form of Gates leading from the changing rooms towards the Jubilee Way pitch. A massive well done to all those who helped with this and they have been well received by the family of John and will ensure that the "Legend" will always be remembered.



Caldicot Town AFC Junior Section

Caldicot Town re-launched their junior football section last season and are looking for players – boys and girls – in the under 11's, under 12's, under 14's and under 16's age-groups. Teams and managers are in place and the under-11's and under-14's teams have started training on Friday evenings from 6.30-7.30pm. These junior sides will complement the youth Welsh League 19's team. All junior teams will play in the East Gwent League. All coaches are fully qualified and CRB registered. Parents should contact Gary Foster on 07812 583 099 for more information.

Sponsorship

If you would like to sponsor Caldicot Town AFC in any way (for example the match ball) then please contact Kevin Buckthought or Gordon Lewis at the club. Programme adverts cost £50 for half a page or £100 for a whole page. Ball Sponsorship £60, for this you get a full seasons membership of the club, a programme from the game which will include a dedication to you and a half page advert in the programme (of your business) for the remainder of this season.

Nathaniel Welsh League Division 2 and Reserve Division East Tables

Pos	DIVISION TWO	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Aberargoed Buds	5	5	0	0	15	3	12	15
2	Chepstow Town	6	3	2	1	11	5	6	11
3	Barry Town United	4	3	1	0	10	3	7	10
4	Ely Rangers	6	3	0	3	11	14	-3	9
5	Caldicot Town	5	2	2	1	10	5	5	8
6	Risca United	4	2	1	1	10	8	2	7
7	Tata Steel	6	2	1	3	5	6	-1	7
8	Undy Athletic	4	2	0	2	7	6	1	6
9	West End	6	1	3	2	9	11	-2	6
10	Dinas Powys	5	2	0	3	7	11	-4	6
11	AFC Llwydcoed	5	1	2	2	12	11	1	5
12	Croesyceiliog	6	1	2	3	12	15	-3	5
13	Penrhiwceiber Rangers	6	1	2	3	7	20	-13	5
14	Caerleon	5	1	1	3	7	11	-4	4
15	Llanwern	5	1	1	3	7	11	-4	4
16	Cwmbran Celtic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division 2 Table excludes Ely Rangers 0 v 2 Llanwern played on 16 September

Pos	RESERVE DIV EAST	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Cardiff Met University	6	6	0	0	21	6	15	18
2	Undy Athletic	6	4	1	1	17	12	5	13
3	Treharris Ath Western	5	3	2	0	16	10	6	11
4	Risca United	6	3	2	1	15	10	5	11
5	Aberargoed Buds	6	3	2	1	13	9	4	11
6	Goytre	6	3	1	2	20	12	8	10
7	Llisbury	6	3	1	2	17	17	0	10
8	Croesyceiliog	5	3	0	2	14	7	7	9
9	Bridgend Street	5	1	3	1	6	9	-3	6
10	Caldicot Town	6	0	4	2	9	13	-4	4
11	Chepstow Town	6	0	3	3	10	15	-5	3
12	Cwmbran Celtic	4	1	0	3	6	13	-7	3
13	Treowen Stars	5	0	1	4	5	18	-13	1
14	Caerleon	6	0	0	6	6	15	-9	0
15	Panteg	2	0	0	2	1	10	-9	0



"MJ" celebrating his winner after the Undy Athletic game



From right to left: Dave Moreton, Dominic Harris, Shane Jeremiah and some other bloke airing MJ's Caldicot Town AFC flag

Why the Risca Cuckoos?

Thanks to Rob Luckwell

Many, many years ago, or so the legend says - a man and his son lived in the tiny village of Risca in the ancient county of Monmouthshire. And it came to pass one day in the month of April that a brown bird was heard to sing in the garden of their home. The son beseeched his father that he might possess the brown bird for himself. The doting father agreed and thus they devised a plan. When next they spied the bird, they would swiftly build a fence around it and thus it would be trapped. The bird appeared and they begun their task! They toiled from dawn to dusk and when they had finished, they stood back in admiration of their handiwork.

Just then the bird ceased singing, flew into the air and away into the wood. Disappointed but not daunted, they resolved to build the fence higher when next the brown bird came to rest in their garden. The brown bird came back again and while he sang, father and son toiled once more, but at dusk the bird flew away to the wood. Foolishly they toiled for many days and the fence grew higher while the bird's song became sweeter.

Eventually, they realised that they could never capture the creature in that way. An old and wise acquaintance who was passing by, rebuked their simple-mindedness. "Why on earth", said he "are you trying to catch a cuckoo, when you already have two cuckoos in your garden?" And thus it was thereafter that all those born in the village of Risca in Monmouthshire, came to be called "cuckoos

Latest Nathaniel Car Sales Welsh League Division 2 Results

(excluding Caldicot Town fixtures – see below for these)

16 September: Ely Rangers 0 – 2 Llanwern

6 September: Barry Town Utd 2 – 1 Risca United; Dinas Powys 2 – 1 Croesyceilog; Llanwern 5 – 2 AFC Llwydcoed; Tata Steel 0 – 2 Undy Athletic; West End 1 – 1 Chepstow Town

5 September: Ely Rangers 1 – 2 Caerleon

3 September: Llanwern 1 – 3 Aberbargoed Buds

Recent Results (and scorers) For Caldicot Town 1st, 2nd, 3rd & Vet Teams

30 August:

AFC Llwydcoed 1 - 1 **Caldicot Town** (R.Sharratt)

Caldicot Town Reserves 0 - 3 Treharris Ath Reserves

3 September: Caldicot 3rds 5 v 2 S.T.N.P 3rds (C.Davies 3, J.Gaskell, G.Crispin)

6 September:

Penrhiwceiber 0 - 6 **Caldicot Town** (R.Sharratt 2, W.McConnell, J.Thorn, D.Saunders, O.G)

Caldicot Town Reserves 1 - 1 Bridgend St Reserves (J. Shaw-Jones)

Caldicot 3rds 10 - 0 Sudbrook CC (C.Davies 5, T.Corner 2, J.Pritchard, G.Crispin, J.Gough)

7 September: AFC Porth 19's 2 - 4 **Caldicot 19's** (C.Thomas, R.Williams, O.Smith, O.G)

9 September: Tredegar Town 1 - 0 **Caldicot Town**

11 September: Caldicot 3rds 4 - 4 S.T.N.P 2nds (C.Hodges, C.Davies, T.Corner, G.Crispin)

13 September:

Llanelli Town 2 – 0 **Caldicot Town**

Aberbargoed Buds Reserves 0 – 0 **Caldicot Town Reserves**

14 September: Nailsea Old Boys 4 – 0 **Cil y Coed Celts Veterans**

Away days: Caerleon AFC – Saturday 27th September 2014: Welsh League Division 2

Last season, with only two players from the relegated squad remaining, Caerleon had to call upon reserve team players and the under 19 squad. That side managed a creditable 10th position but more notably won the FAW Fair Play award for the Welsh League and the use of a Nathaniel Car Sales minibus for the 2014-15 season.

Caerleon AFC - Last Season Stats

Played 30, Won 11, Drew 6, Lost 13, For 63, Against 63, Points 39.

Colours

Green shirts, green and white shorts, green socks

Last season result

Caerleon 1 Caldicot Town 1 (Dean Maynard)

Ground Location

Cold Bath Road, Caerleon, Newport NP18 1NF (Tel: 01633 421358)

Caerleon website NA

Will there be a supporter's minibus to this game

Yes, see noticeboard for details (£5.00)

Getting to the Ground

Distance: 10.8 miles: **Time:** 24 min (according to the AA)

Leave the M4 at junction 24, then at Coldra roundabout take the 3rd exit onto the B4237; Turn right onto Royal Oak Hill - B4236: Signposted Caerleon; Bear left onto Belmont Hill - B4236; Turn right onto High Street - B4236: Signposted Caerleon; Bear left onto High Street - B4236 (one-way); Turn left onto Lodge Road: Signposted University - Caerleon Campus; Turn left onto Cold Bath Road; Arrive on Cold Bath Road.

Where can I get beer and food?

Caerleon has a club house that services both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks as well as rolls and sandwiches. However there are several very good pubs only a short walk away, these include the Goldcroft Inn, Red Lion, the Hanbury and my favourite the Olde Bull Inn.

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A WARM WELCOME TO RISCA UNITED

Today we welcome the players, management, committee members and supporters of Risca United to Jubilee Way for this Welsh League Division 2 fixture (a special welcome to my buddy Rob Luckwell if he is here today and not in Derby watching Cardiff City). Last season Risca gained promotion from Welsh League Division 3 after finishing in 3rd place with 75 points. They played 36, won 23, drew 6, lost 7, scoring 96 goals and conceding 51. We are looking forward to a good competitive game played in a good spirit. Regardless of the result though, a warm welcome will be extended to all in the clubhouse after the game.

Kevin

A BRIEF HISTORY OF RISCA UNITED A.F.C. "THE CUCKOOS"

The club came into being after the war in 1946 when a few local sides **UNITED** to form the new club; they initially played in the Monmouthshire Senior League where after early success they joined the Welsh Football League in 1951/52 season playing in the 2nd. Division East until 1961 before having to drop back into County Football due to financial reasons. Their highest position during those 10 years was 5th.

The club have always been known as "The Cuckoos", which is in keeping with the legend of the Risca Cuckoo.

In the summer of 1965 Risca United almost folded due to a lack of funds/committee members but was "taken over" at the 11th. hour by Fernlea A.F.C., a Risca based, Newport & District League side, who actually shared Ty-Isaf Park with the senior club. For a few seasons the "new" Risca United struggled in the lower reaches of Division One of the Mon. Senior League but always managed to avoid relegation. Gradually they strengthened on and off the field and Risca United began its "Golden Era" in the early 70's.

During that decade "The Cuckoos" strung together an incredible thirteen honours including three consecutive League and Cup doubles, three championships, and were Challenge Cup Winners for five consecutive seasons. The three consecutive League & Cup doubles had never been achieved previously and was recognized by the Mon. Senior League when they presented the club with a one off trophy that proudly sits in the trophy cabinet.

The "Golden Era" continued into the '80's as more silverware was added including the Gwent Senior Cup, The Gwent Amateur Cup and yet another League and Cup double in 1988/89. Besides twice being League runners-up and runners up twice in the Gwent Amateur Cup.

Due to these achievements the club wanted to fulfil its motto, "Progress" and re-joined the Welsh Football League in 1990/91, they were Division 3 runners-up in that first season and then spent three seasons in the 2nd division before winning promotion in 1994/95 to the Welsh League 1st. Division. Risca United had two seasons in the top flight of the League before slipping back down through the divisions to where they are at present.

Jonathan Payne - Centre Back: Local boy "Paney" has come through the youth system at the club. Always focused and never smiles but you know what you're going to get from "Paney", gives 100% and doesn't give himself enough credit with the ball on the deck. A Great clubman.

Josh Clayton - Mid Fielder: A quiet young man who joined us from Gwent County Rogerstone A.F.C. and quickly became a first team regular. Last season was his best so far and he'll be looking to improve still further. Plays the role in midfield that doesn't always catch the eye but is ultra important to the side. Another great clubman who has worked hard in the summer helping improvement work on dressing rooms.

Liam Kidman - Mid Fielder: Local boy "Kidders" is yet another who came through the clubs youth system. He has had spells away from the club including time at Cwmbran Celtic; he has excellent technique, can go past players and has ability in the air. Kidders is a bomb disposal expert in the army and regularly travels back from his army base even for midweek games!!

Josh Collier - Mid Fielder: Powerfully built 20 year old local boy who signed in the summer of 2013, a former Youth team player who has stepped up to this level easily. Strong in the air and loves a tackle. For a big lad he has a good touch and gives 110% every game.

David Hurley - Mid Fielder/Winger: Dai is a lightening quick, tricky left winger who also came through the clubs youth system. Previous managers failed to get the best out of Dai and so he left for spells with Pentwynmawr, Treowen Stars and Pontypridd Town before returning in January 2013. A very important member of the squad who sets up goals for others and chips in with a few himself.

Tony Wallis - Striker: Vastly experienced in his 4th season with us. Started out at Cardiff City earning professional contracts at the club. On his release from Ninian Park Tony had spells with a number of non league, Welsh Premier and then Welsh League clubs. He brings a wealth of experience from higher levels and last season scored 32 League goals to finish as top scorer amongst Gwent's Welsh League Clubs.

Alex Beecham - Full Back: 20 year old youngster who started with our Youth side a couple of seasons ago and broke into the 1st. team Has an old head on young shoulders, loves a tackle. May find a place difficult to come by this season but if called upon will certainly not let us down.

Quiz Answers

- 1. Newcastle, Norwich, Plymouth, Plymouth:** Newcastle is marginally more northerly than Carlisle. The two clubs played each other in 2007 for the first time in 23 years, in a pre-season friendly dubbed the 'Hadrian's Wall derby'. Berwick Rangers, of course, could be suggested as an alternative answer – but they play in the Scottish league, despite being based in England. Logically, Newcastle to Plymouth (who take the prize for being furthest south and west) is the longest away trip in English football – they met 4 times during 2009-10, with 2 games in the Championship, and the FA Cup tie going to a replay. It's a 410-mile, six-hour car journey between the grounds.
- 2. Andy Cole, Les Ferdinand, Marcus Bent, Nick Barmby, Craig Bellamy, Darren Bent, Peter Crouch, Robbie Keane and Nicolas Anelka:** 5 of these 9 have scored for Tottenham, and five have scored for Liverpool, but Chelsea and Arsenal are represented only once – by the same player, Anelka. The only non-international, Marcus Bent, played for a seventh Premier League club, Wolves, but failed to score in his 3 league appearances. Similarly, Cole made seven appearances for Sunderland without finding the net.

Josh Hales - Centre Back/Full Back: 20 yr. old Centre Back from Rogerstone who fears no-one, quick, strong in the air and a great tackler. Now in his 3rd. season with us and established as first choice Centre Back with Chris Thomas

Aaron Colwill - Mid-Fielder: 30 yr. old experienced player who is and tested at this level, a new signing for us this season, previously with Trethomas Bluebirds and Chepstow Town. Already during pre-season has showed that he can score goals from distance. A committed tackler who gives 100 %. Has already fitted in well with his new team mates.

Steve Edwards - Mid Fielder: 32 yr. old another vastly experienced Welsh League player who signed this summer having been with Chepstow Town last season. His experience will help our younger players as they get used to Division Two football. Steve is another new signing who has showed up well in pre season and has quickly fitted in well with the established players.

Kyle Williams - Striker: 18 yr. old. Although with us last season Kyle is like having a new player this season. Joined us during last sea-son and found it difficult to break into the side but this season is set to make a huge impact. Very quick and knows how to score, this young man is set to compliment the older Tony Wallis up front. Was at Swansea City as a youngster and will be a great asset to us.

Matthew Russell - Centre Back: 24 yr. old local boy Matthew has previously played at A.C. Pontymister in the Gwent County League but has decided to give Welsh League a go, from what we have seen so far he should have done it before now. Has shown in pre season that he is capable of holding his own at this level and will be a great addition to our squad. Big, strong in the air and on the deck.

Jack Bainton - Mid-Fielder/Winger: 20 yr. old local boy who joined us last season from A.C. Pontymister and played in our Reserve team where he progressed well enough to attract the attention of Player/Manager Paul Michael. Has shown up well in pre season outings and if he can maintain his development will push hard for a place in the squad.

Munotida Kuwana - Mid-Fielder/Winger: 18 yr. old now in his 3rd. season with us. Muno found it difficult last season to break into the side but still did well enough to play for the Welsh Boys Clubs. Small in stature but quick with good feet he can hurt defences when on his game. Hopefully this season he can kick on and learn from the more experienced players around him.

Jack Griffiths-Midfielder/Winger: 20 yr. old in his 3rd. season with us having previously played in our Youth team from where he gained a Welsh Boys Club cap. Missed almost all of last season through injuries but is hoping to break into the squad this season. Useful player to have in a few different positions and is deceptively quick.

Chris Thomas - Centre Back: Local boy "Tank" has been with us for several seasons and is an experienced Welsh League player. At 6 foot plus he wins everything in the air and nothing goes past him. Surprisingly good technically for someone with this nickname and has scored some spectacular goals for the club, a very important player who can play elsewhere on the pitch.

In 1995 The Cuckoos reached the 4th round of the Welsh Cup and played at Ninian Park against a full strength Cardiff City in front of 1,200 spectators, for an hour the score remained 0-0 but eventually the "Bluebirds" ran out 4-0 winners. In 2001 the club took part in a two hour BBC Wales TV football drama, "Score". Filming lasted a week at Ty-Isaf Park where some TV stars, including, Sue Johnston (Brookside & the Royale Family); Eve Tyler (Belonging & Torchwood) rubbed shoulders with "The Cuckoos". Some of the clubs players even took part in filming at Elland Road in front of 40,000 Leeds United fans!

Later that year the club amalgamated with local junior club Gelli United to ensure a strong youth policy was in place, the two clubs have now evolved into one and the club has reverted to its original name.

In 2003/2004 Risca United were again on BBC Wales TV who filmed their historic 2-1 defeat of Barry Town at Jenner Park in the Welsh Cup, at the time Barry Town were the Welsh Cup Holders and reigning Champions of the Welsh Premier League. The club now use the excellent facilities of Risca Rugby Club as its social headquarters.

Although the "Cuckoos" have been in the doldrums for several seasons they remain very ambitious and are one of the few clubs in the Welsh Football League that actually lease their ground, being five years into an initial 20 year lease from Caerphilly County Borough Council. The ground is now completely enclosed and further development work is presently being carried out to make it a proper football stadium. Seats have been installed in the stand this summer and improvements to the changing rooms have also been made.

A 3rd. place finish in 2013/14 secured promotion to the 2nd Division after a spell lasting 13 seasons in the lower tier. Having toyed with the idea of sharing Pandy Park the home of Cross Keys R.F.C. the club now realize that football can only be played on a football pitch so further development of Ty-Isaf Park is being considered for the future and the next project is a clubhouse and floodlights.

Risca United Results this season

Sat 9 Aug	Risca United	2 – 2	Monmouth Town	Cup*
Sat 16 Aug	Risca United	2 - 2	Penrhwyceiber	League
Wed 20 Aug	Risca United	4 - 2	Croesyceiliog	League
Wed 27 Aug	Croesyceiliog	2 - 3	Risca United	League
Sat 30 Aug	Lliswerry	1 - 2	Risca United	Cup
Sat 6 Sep	Barry Town	2 - 1	Risca United	League
Sat 13 Sep	Risca United	5 - 1	Treowen Stars	Cup

**Lost 6-5 on penalties AET*

Welcome to our new signing Dean Palmer



Caldicot Town manager Mark Williams has added to his squad with the signing of fullback Dean Palmer from Monmouth Town. Dean is well regarded and plays in a position which the manager was looking to strengthen during the summer. The club would like to take this opportunity in welcoming Dean and wish him well for the coming campaign.

Welsh Cup Preliminary Round 2 - Sat 13th Sept 2014: Llanelli Town 2 - 0 Caldicot Town

By Mark Anderson

Caldicot crashed out of a 2nd cup competition in less than a week going down 2-0 at Llanelli Town. On a perfect pitch with great surroundings and with the sun shining all was set for an exciting game as both teams played attacking and open football. Caldicot were minus Mitchell Slape, Luke Harris and Andrew Wenzel but saw Matt Trotman return to centre midfield and Dean Palmer make his full debut at left back. Llanelli look to be building a squad to get them back to the Welsh Premier League and any visiting 3rd division team should be inspired by the facilities as they will not get the chance to play on many grounds that can boast this sort of set-up. The 1st half was tight affair with both sides creating the odd half chance but all too often the final ball did not find a target. The pitch was so lush with grass it was actually making the ball stick under player's feet but I would say that the players would rather play on this sort of surface any day of the week! Half time: Llanelli 0 - 0 Caldicot

The 2nd half got under way and followed a similar pattern to that of the 1st half. Matt James had to be substituted; this meant Dave Jenkins had to move to centre half with David Lloyd shuffling into centre midfield leaving Simon Crook to enter the field of play at right back after serving his 4 game ban. Soon after the deadlock was broken when, after an initial ball had been half cleared, the ball was played back out to the right where a pin point cross saw the home sides big centre half power in with an unstoppable header to the delight of the home support. Caldicot needed a reaction and sent on Alex Watkins who has been in good scoring form for the Reserves. A chance did present itself to the young striker whose goal-bound effort was pushed away for a corner by the home keeper. Caldicot kept hammering away but never seemed to have the belief in the final third then they were caught out and conceded a second goal which killed off the game with around ten minutes remaining.

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The Management

Paul Michael - Mid Fielder: A very young **Player/Manager** who took over in October 2010, a product of the clubs youth team when they played in the MacWhirter National Youth League. Paul went onto play for our 1st. team as a teenager before moving onto Haverford-west, Clevedon Town via Grange Quins and Taffs Well. Having played at Welsh Premier level he knows what is required. He has retained all of last season's players and added some very useful youngsters. Qualified Coach.

Andy Honey-Jones Director of Football - A native of Swansea, now living in Cardiff. Andy joined us three seasons ago having previously been Manager at South Gower. As a player he had Welsh League experience with several clubs including Garden Village. Has vacated the Assistant Managers role to set up the Risca United Academy this season and has made a great start with it but still finds time to be in our dug out where his commitment to the cause is top class. Qualified Coach.

Alan Davies - Assistant Manager: Experienced ex professional who played under Nigel Clough for Burton Albion. Alan is highly regarded in these parts for his likable approach, knowledge and tactical coaching. Previously with Pontypridd Town and Cardiff Grange Quins. As he gets to know the players better great things are expected from his vast knowledge of the game.

The Squad

Tom Chorley - Goalkeeper: Very good shot stopper, brave with a great physique and a long and accurate kick. With brother Jon. still with us giving him every encouragement Tom will be an important part of the side. Previously with Bridgend Street and Croesyceiliog as a youth.

Jonathan Chorley - Goalkeeper: Third season with us but starts off as understudy to younger brother Tom. Previously with Croesyceiliog. Jon. has re-signed but prefers to step back to see Tom take over the `keeper responsibilities. Meanwhile he'll help with coaching and just be around in case.

Leigh Sharp - Full Back/Centre Back: Team Captain. Still only 20 years old and a fixture in the side. Leigh has represented Wales Boys Clubs on several occasions. Despite his age will again be a permanent fixture in the first team this season and will go on to play at a higher level, strong in the tackle, quick and very good on the ball.

Ian Turner - Full Back/Utility: Vastly experienced Risca boy who made his debut for us as a 17 yr. old. Now 33 has played at the highest Welsh League level for Goytre United, Bridgend Town and Bryntirion Athletic. Ian has come home to roost and last season helped us achieve a solid defence, although he's a player who can fit into any position and system, knows the game inside out and a great reader of it.

Brendon Scott - Mid-Fielder/Full Back: Local Boy who came through the youth system at the club before moving to Llanwern where he was player of the year in their Div 1 season, he has also had spells at Newport YMCA before returning to the club. Missed a lot of last season due to work commitments but hopefully has it sorted out this term.