



## South East Poolies News - July 2019!



Well the wait is very nearly over and it seems like a lifetime! The atmosphere around the club in general has been very positive through the summer and the new club shop looks to be a great positive step. Looking at the financial state of some clubs at the moment, and there is a very real prospect of losing at least one club, we once again have to be thankful for the professional way in which club is being run. Season ticket sales have been outstanding and the squad appears to have been put together in a pragmatic manner. Hopefully a strong start will boost match-day sales and provide a return on the investment.

The SEP had our annual trip to Whitstable recently, which was once again an outstanding day. Thank you to all who attended there will be a full write up in due course.

We have been working hard behind the scenes to bring a variety of content for the newsletter. I am pleased to say that the HUFC Women's Team will be making a regular contribution and we be featuring Hartlepool match-day pubs in each issue. Thank you to those who have contributed to the first of these articles and we have further additions to come over the coming months.

**JP'S**  
BAR

The marinas newest bar  
with a friendly pub atmosphere  
and pub prices

Opening hours  
Mon-Fri 1 till 11  
Sat+Sun 12 till 11:30

**10% off all drinks**  
**Mon-Fri until 6pm**

### Hit the Bar - JP's Bar

JP's Bar is located at Navigation Point within Hartlepool Marina a 10-15 minute walk from the ground (or quicker if you swim). JP is well known amongst Poolies as the former landlord of The Millhouse where he organised regular coaches to away games, something that he has continued to do since. On leaving the Millhouse he opened up his own bar in an enviable position overlooking the marina, an area which has a great atmosphere, especially when the sun is shining.

They don't have sky sports in the bar but do show any live televised sport. They are the only the only bar on the marina with a pub atmosphere and probably the cheapest bar on Navigation Point before any discounts are applied. Discounts? What discounts? Well they have the following to tempt you;

\* 10% off all drinks before 6pm!

\* Coors light bargain ice buckets 4 bottles for £10!

\* 2 cocktails for £10!

If any SEP are travelling up and getting there early they can get in touch with JP as he doesn't mind opening early to quench your thirst.

## **HUFC Women's Team**

Jonathan Gibbon-Hayes gives us an update on preseason so far.....

Well the ladies have been back in for training for the last 5 weeks and the effort and enthusiasm as been top class, only downside plenty of players been away on holiday so numbers been a bit hit and miss but myself and Andy have put on good sessions and the players have bought into what we are trying to do. This season we have the added pressure of being favourites for the league but it's one I am sure we will cope with.

We have been busy on the transfer front and as we speak we have brought in 7 players

Bex Lilystone GK

Faye Garside Def

Mary Henry Def

Emma Pears Def

Jessica Mckenna Def

Becky Hanratty Mid

Robyn Foster Str

We are hoping the added competition for places will mean current players raise there game and in some cases we are already seeing her.

As a manager I am looking for performances in preseason and in the games so far I have only been happy with 1 game out of 4 and the players have been made aware of my expectations. The games programme I have put in place as been difficult but I am hoping the players see it as more of an opportunity to test themselves against better players. The first game for your diary is an FA Cup game away to Carlisle on 1st September and for teams like ourselves who are

self sufficient it's worth about £350 so fingers crossed we can make a positive start.

I am very lucky to manage Hartlepool and having opportunity to meet with Craig Hignett on a regular basis, I was up there with Andy Hetherington on last Monday talking to the gaffer and watching training and must say I am excited for the season he's put together a great squad and being a season ticket holder it's great to see.

Thanks for the opportunity to be part of this newsletter and I look forward to this regular slot.

Cheers Jonny

### **Membership Renewals**

We are currently up to 34 members before the season has even started, quickly heading towards last seasons high of 50. I will be at Maidenhead if anyone would like to pay in person. Prices are as follows;



Adult £10

Child £5

Family £15 (Includes 1 adult and up to 3 children)

To purchase a 2019-20 membership or view our promotional video visit our [website](#).



### **Merchandise**

Training tops are still proving popular and a new order will be made over the coming week or so. These are £15 and a looser fit than the polo shirts. As you will see from the picture, we have ladies polo shirts for sale, which has been beautifully modelled by Shari Davison. If you are interested in purchasing any items please go [click here](#).

### **Finances**

July has seen a big increase of nearly £200 in our funds partly due to the members Whitstable raffle which brought in £60. The prize was Niko Muir's Away Shirt, won by Baz Trippet. It did become apparent that for some occasions/games the 60 team cards are not big enough, especially as so many





## Upcoming Events

### **Maidenhead Away 10.09.2010**

This is our first meet up of the season and hopefully a decent turnout of SEP members. Sam Sengelow recently pointed out that this is the closest game to our 10th birthday and as such we will all have a pint together. There will be some who were there at the start and many who have joined along the way, all are equally valued. Full details will be on the website next week.

We have also been forwarded the following information by Pauline McSweeney;

*Craufurd Arms, Maidenhead*

*We are Maidenhead's first community-owned pub and we are situated a ten minute walk from Maidenhead United's ground.*

*Our pub is just north of the town centre at 15 Gringer Hill, Maidenhead SL6 7LY.*

*We welcome all football fans and cater for their needs with matches shown on Sky and BT Sports.*

*We're delighted to have had supporters from Fylde, Wrexham, Leyton Orient etc. drop in for drinks before games at York Road.*

*Please let us know if we can spread the news to your supporters ahead of your forthcoming away match against Maidenhead united.*

## **General**

It was great to see our friends at HUFCSA purchase another batch of footballs for the Youth Team, which you can read about [here](#). Coupled with the fact that various supporters groups have purchased player sponsorship, including Crow Travel, this is a real show to the club that supporters are behind them and have the confidence that it is being run in the correct manner. Prior to the recent fans forum, I asked our members if there was anything they wanted raising, the response was nothing except some messages of praise about how things are going! It's been a few years since we could say that.

At the recent Whitstable trip we discussed quite a lot of business and the key bits are as follows;

\* We are looking to host the HUFCSA (Corner Flag) for a return Pool & Darts Competition on the Friday prior to Bromley away last game of the season on 18.04.2020.

\* The Hartlepool Weekend is likely to be the Halifax home game on 21.03.2020.

\* There will be a new Members Player of the Month vote that will be announced over the coming weekend.

This is the first newsletter that we have started to get regular contributions from others, so I would like to say a big thank you to them as it makes my job much easier. As mentioned already we have a few more items lined up that should keep the newsletter fresh and appealing. In the meantime lets hope for a great start and I hope to see many of you at Maidenhead.

Thank you all for your time,

Never Say Die

Stu Miller

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