



Terras Times

The newsletter of Weymouth FC Supporters Association.

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Editorial - James Warrener:

I don't know about you readers. But I am unsure how the heck we got to 2024!

In my mind it's still the mid 90's and I am watching the Terras with David Laws and Martin Shepherd up front, Hutch in midfield and his hair cut buddy John Waldock at the back.

How we have got from those days (where I had similarly long hair !) through the Ridley, Harrison and Biddlecombe eras to the present day is a blur.

But despite all of the players, managers and drama that has surrounded Weymouth FC we are all still here and enjoying it.

At the moment it is enjoyable to be a Terras fan with good performances and results coming our way.

I always dread saying things like this but we are settled on and off the park and in Brandon Goodship we have a player back in the sort of form that propelled us to the Southern League (and that is half a decade ago keeping the theme of time going).

I don't mind admitting that I wondered if we had already seen the best of Brandon in his first spell with the club.

His second coincided with a period where the whole team, in the main, was struggling so a third spell in a team that escaped relegation on the last day seemed a gamble from Bobby Wilkinson.

But Brandon has proved doubters (and me!) wrong by hitting the sort of form players must dream of.

He epitomises Weymouth FC at the moment and whilst I am keeping firmly grounded in saying to myself mid table would be grand progress this season, the team is showing their mettle and are making me dream.

So please continue to get behind the Terras (mens, womens and juniors) as we are getting to the pointy end of the campaign already. And it only seems five minutes since we kicked off back in August...

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Chairman's Chatter

Hello everyone and welcome to the January edition of your monthly newsletter as we move into another new year! I hope you all had an enjoyable festive period and have been able to start the new year suitably refreshed and ready for new challenges and adventures?

Our results of late have seen us rocket up the 5 and 10 game form table, if not the actual league table itself! I said to anyone who would listen after the Tonbridge game, three wins on the bounce are coming! After our wins over Slough and Taunton I'm only one away!! No pressure lads! (EDIT - Don't worry Pete we will win at Dartford!!) Seriously, we have played some really good football despite some awful weather and heavy pitches and it is just rewards for everyone's hard work so long may it continue.

Despite a run of tough looking games coming up, I feel we should all be conditioning ourselves to look up the table, and not down, we owe that much to the players and the remarkable shifts they have put in.

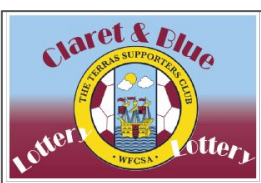
Off the field, the New Years day draw was a fantastic success yet again due to your amazing support. Congratulations to all the prize winners and again, we wish to thank everyone who contributed by donating a prize or buying tickets. We raised £2,000 which we have already paid over to the football club, adding to the £3,000 paid over in December. This is what we are all about, raising funds to support all aspects of the club, and it is through your continued generosity that we are able to do so. So far this season, as well as the raffle, we have held three quiz nights which have helped put additional funds straight into the clubs coffers, around the £1,200 mark plus any bar profit.

We support all the other events that are laid on as well, including the Halloween Party, Mrs & Mrs evening and not forgetting of course we organise the Hall of Fame event which is coming up on 1st March! There has been the Foodbank and Veterans Hub donations as well as support for Andy's Man Club, which is really helping to project us out into the community we serve. So plenty going on with much more to come.

We are bringing together a new membership scheme which is scheduled to launch in the summer and will unveil more details as we progress. There is a working group pulling this all together and we really think it will be a benefit and make being a member really beneficial and very worthwhile. If you have anything you would like us to consider, then please do get in touch via our email enquiries@wfcsa.co.uk

Thanks for reading. Stay well, stay safe and thank you for your continued support. Best wishes to you all.

Pete Nash Chairman, 'The Terras Supporters Club'



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What's on at Weymouth FC

Despite there still being a few weeks of cold winter evenings left to run things have been busy at the Bob Lucas stadium recently.

A few weeks ago we held another of our series of successful quiz nights. There is no date fixed for the next one at present, but please keep your eyes open for a date being announced for that.

We were recently able to have the pitch vertidraind with the help of Weymouth golf club.

Thanks to them for their help. Their contribution helped with the pitch during the recent bad weather. We also hope to see benefits later on in the season.

Weymouth FC in the Community has been very active recently in and around the area.

A statement said the sessions "**Unlocked smiles**"

The year 5 and 6 students enjoyed both training sessions and some friendly matches.

The sessions were led by Weymouth FC manager Bobby Wilkinson and included players from both the mens and womens team.

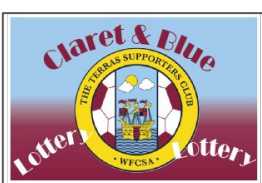
Sunday 4th February sees the next Oily Rag breakfast club hosted at the Bob Lucas Stadium. Come along to see classic vehicles and grab a cuppa from the cafe.



As well as the upcoming Valentine themed Mr and Mrs evening (see poster left), we are starting to get ready for the 2024 Weymouth FC hall of fame evening.

All of the details will be coming soon via the club website and social media channels.

The evening will be on Friday 1st March at 7pm with Stephane Zubar, Steve Claridge, Paul Arnold and Stan Charlton the latest inductees. Well done to them.



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