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## Editorial – James Warrener:

### Welcome to the February 2026 WFCSA Newsletter.

It's the second month of 2026 already...how time flies. I would say it flies more so when you are having fun, but we are still a work in progress and trying to pull away from the Southern Premier South drop zone.

Having been below the line in the league table for so many months over the last few seasons, the fact that Jamie Wells, Jason Matthews, and the staff have been getting performances and results with largely the same core of players is some achievement, whatever happens in the final dozen matches.

My feeling is that if we take it to the end of the season, that will be positive as we will still be in the running and have a chance of survival. What happens next season? On the pitch we don't yet know, but Pete will cover the finances in his notes which follow on the next page.

The loss to Havant hurt (doesn't it always losing to them?) but we can still get our survival chances into our own hands.

I think the season can be epitomised by the goalkeeping challenges that seem to have beset us. Having to play a full match with a centre back (Calvin Brooks) in goal was followed up by Jason Matthews having to come off the bench when a red card took Max Evans out of the Havant game. Much as I love Jase and the publicity that has come from it has done the club some good, its not ideal. But that's the luck we have and its up to all of us to keep riding these out and moving forward.

Never a dull moment. Up the Terras.

*James*



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## Chairman's column - Pete Nash:

Welcome to your February newsletter. I hope you're all well. There is quite a bit to get you updated on, so let's get started.

The club held its AGM earlier this month, which was well attended. All motions were passed with Ralph and Kelvin both being re-elected to the board. The accounts were presented and accepted, but I think it is really important to clarify some points. The club recorded a loss just in excess of £165k, which in isolation looks really bad. What I need to clarify for you is that this is the level of donations the club received during the financial year in question.

Previously, this total would have been recorded in the profit and loss column, meaning you would be unaware of the level of donations required to keep the club operating. I'm no financial expert, though my understanding is improving all the time. Whilst you may find this amount alarming, this level of donations has been coming into the club for some years, and includes all the money the SA paid across during the period in question. All that has changed is that previous chairman, Paul Maitland, stated at the 2025 AGM the intention for the level of donations to be visible to all, which it now is.

The club must continue to work hard to explore new revenue streams and improve the non-match day income, which we are doing. There is no easy answer; if there were, it would have been found by now!

I've bought my lottery ticket for Friday!

Some time ago now, I informed the SA BOD that I would continue in post as chairman until the AGM in 2028, at which point, I would stand down. That would have seen me complete over 10 years as your chairman.

Since taking on the role of Football Secretary last October, albeit on an interim basis, I have



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found it increasingly difficult to balance both roles.

Also, I have been acutely aware that there are some conflicts of interest that will arise from time to time.

After extensive discussions with my SA board colleagues, culminating in a discussion at our recent meeting earlier this week, it has been agreed that it is in the best interests of both the SA and the football club if I relinquish my position as SA chairman. I can then better serve the club in my role as Football Secretary, whilst, subject to agreement, remain an active member of the SA board, without the pressure and responsibility that comes with being chairman. We are currently in discussions to appoint a successor, which may be interim, with a view to ensuring the new incumbent is happy with the role.

I will remain your WFC board director until a new person is in place. This does not need to be the new chairman; both roles can be separated, and further discussions are ongoing.

We will keep you updated as events progress. Please rest assured that we will maintain continuity of both roles until replacements are in place.

Before I sign off for this month, plans for this season's Hall of Fame event are well underway. The date is set for Friday 20th March, when we will induct Pete Pavey, Ben Thomson, Jorge Diaz and Lee Bradford.

It promises to be a fantastic evening, and tickets, despite all the increased pressure of rising costs, are priced at just £45 each! Food will be provided courtesy of Loose Moose, and we are really looking forward to welcoming you along for the event. Please get your tickets early, as we expect high demand for this event. So don't miss out!

Thank you all for your continued support. Best wishes to you all,

Pete

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## WFCSA Draw winners - January 2026

Congratulations to our most recent draw winners. Thanks as always to all players who support their club via the lottery. Over £43,000 has been donated to the club up to the end of January 2026 from this lottery, so well done to all who play and make their contributions.



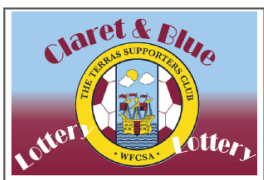
### CLARET & BLUE WINNERS

## Claret & Blue Lottery Winners Jan 2026

1st ~ £270 ~ A Bowerman (Oxford)  
[353] 2nd ~ £160 ~ K Berry  
(Weymouth) [415] 3rd ~ £55 ~ N  
Sowerby (Weymouth) [39]

Don't worry if you haven't seen your name on the list of winners as yet. You can either get yourself a number or add additional ones to have multiple opportunities to win.

Click [here](#) and select your number(s)



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## What's on at WFC

As alluded to by Pete in his section of the newsletter, the Hall of Fame night is coming up next month.

Don't miss out on a ticket, [click here](#) to order. The menu for you to select from is shown below.



We look forward to seeing you at what promises to be a brilliant event.



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## WFC News

As a parent this week of half term has been a challenge ! Keeping two kids happy whilst trying to work from home is always hard work. How I wish I had daughters who played football or wanted to showcase their skills on the hallowed turf at the Bob Lucas Stadium!



Read all about the event...

*“That’s a wrap on our first ever Train Like a Pro Holiday Club*

*What an amazing two days we’ve had! The players were absolutely spectacular and got a real taste of what it’s like to be a professional footballer for the day.*

*Be sure to check out our TikTok @weymouthfootballclubshop to see a video from the day!*

*A huge highlight was having the players join a session this afternoon with Weymouth Football Club men’s captain Tom and women’s player Morgan – an unforgettable experience for everyone involved!*

*Massive thank you to all the directors, ground staff, office staff and volunteers who helped make these two days happen. Your support means everything. For more sessions, visit: [www.weymouthitc.co.uk](http://www.weymouthitc.co.uk)*

*If you enjoyed it, we also run a weekly development centre with spaces available!”*



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