



# TRUST NEWS

Newport County AFC Supporters' Trust newsletter

● January 2020



## The ways in which you can help the Trust and the Club

THE Newport County AFC Supporters' Trust is one of more than 140 Supporters' Trusts that exist under the national umbrella of Supporters' Direct.

The Trust was originally formed in 2001, and took a controlling stake in the football club in October 2015 following a community share issue which saw County supporters raise a magnificent £236,000 in just a month. Since then, Newport County AFC has been a supporter-owned club.

The Supporters' Trust Board currently consists of nine elected and two co-opted directors.

As the Trust is the majority shareholder in the club, all 11 Trust directors are also registered with the EFL as directors of the club, having passed the EFL's Owners and Directors' Test.

Your Trust/Club elected directors are: Kelly Anderson, Gavin Foxall, Shaun Johnson, Mike Everett, Ryan Courtney, Colin Faulkner, Bob Herrin, Paul Marks and Kevin Ward. The co-opted directors are Mark Crook and Peter Madigan.

More details about the Trust here: [www.ncafctrust.org](http://www.ncafctrust.org)

There are a variety of ways in which County supporters can help the Trust.

The more money raised by the Trust, the bigger the budget available for the manager every season.

**BECOME A MEMBER:** A new tiered system of Trust membership has been introduced.

This is explained in more detail in the table on the next page.

Bronze: £5 a month; Silver: £10 a month; Gold: £20 a month; Platinum: £50+ a month. There is also a membership package for Ex-Pat supporters at £25 a month. Corporate membership is available at £1,000 a year or £600 for six months.

More details here [www.ncafc-trust.org/join](http://www.ncafc-trust.org/join)

**EASYFUNDRAISING:** Join easyfundraising and you can collect free donations for the Trust (and therefore the Club) every time you buy something online.

It won't cost you a penny extra. Just start your online shopping first at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ncafctrust/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ncafctrust/), then shop as normal.

Retailers will then make a small donation to say 'thank you'.

There are more than 3,200 retailers to choose from and so far this scheme has raised almost £18,500 for the Trust.

For more information, contact Andrew Perry here: [easytrust1@hotmail.com](mailto:easytrust1@hotmail.com)

**VOLUNTEER:** The Trust and the Club appreciates the many outstanding volunteers who give up their time to help in a variety of ways. If you have the time and skills you think could benefit the club, then please email [info@ncafctrust.org](mailto:info@ncafctrust.org) Please do not use the Trust email to make enquiries about Club-related issues.

**USE BAR AMBER:** The Trust runs the Bar Amber pub at Clarence Place. All profits from the pub are donated to the club.

## Emotional tributes to Justin Edinburgh

FORMER Newport County AFC manager Justin Edinburgh - the man who took the club back into the Football League - was posthumously inducted into the club's Hall of Fame in an emotional ceremony during the club's home match against Leyton Orient.

Justin passed away suddenly and tragically at the age of 49 last summer, shortly after gaining promotion to the Football League with Orient - just as he did with County in 2013.

Since then, Justin's family has set up the JE3 Foundation.

The charity aims to raise awareness of heart disease, campaign for 'Justin's Law' - which will make it mandatory for all gyms throughout the country to have defibrillators - and provide funding for such equipment at key venues.

The match against Orient raised funds for the Foundation.

At half-time, Justin's widow, Kerri, daughter Cyndie and son Charlie attended the induction. The presentation was made by four members of Justin's promotion-winning team of 2013 - captain David Pipe, midfielders Lee Minshull and Max Porter, and striker Aaron O'Connor.



ABOVE: Justin Edinburgh's widow Kerri, daughter Cyndie and son Charlie at Rodney Parade for the induction.

LEFT: County promotion winners David Pipe, Lee Minshull, Max Porter and Aaron O'Connor

Open meeting: Thursday, January 30, Bisley Suite, Rodney Parade, 7pm-9pm



## New Membership Tiers & Fees

- Headlines of the new membership below
- More detail available on website: [www.ncafctrust.org](http://www.ncafctrust.org)
- It is a tiered membership and it includes the tiers below the one chosen

Area	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum	Ex Pats	Corporate
Cost per month	£5	£10	£20	£50	£25	£1000 p/y
Benefit	Owner	Members Card	Golden ticket draw	Player appearance at business or club	Regular communication – exclusive video from manager or player each month	Logo advertised on Club & Trust websites, team sheets & Trust programme page
Benefit	Regular Trust news	Local area discount	One hospitality game	Opportunity to purchase Cup Final tickets *	Voting rights	Advertorial in 2 programmes
Benefit	Voting rights	5% shop discount		Director for a day plus one guest	Bespoke Members card	Player appearance at business
Benefit	Priority tickets	Invites to 2 open training sessions			Bespoke clothing	2 places in Boardroom for home match
					One hospitality game	

**THE OFFICIAL NEWPORT COUNTY AFC STICKER BOOK 2019/2020**

£5

## County sticker book now on sale

THE Supporters' Trust launched the official Newport County AFC 2019/20 Sticker Album just before Christmas.

The albums cost just £5, including 15 stickers.

Sticker packs are available to purchase for £1 from the Kingsway Club Shop, Bar Amber, and the pop-up shop on match days in the marquee at Rodney Parade.

Meanwhile, County's match against League Two leaders Swindon Town on Saturday, January 18, is the next designated Clwb Spytty game. Clwb Spytty is the junior branch of the Supporters' Trust, developing the next generation of County fans.

Youngsters who are Clwb Spytty members can attend four matches



a season free of charge, accompanied by an adult who will pay just £10 for their ticket.

Tickets for the Swindon match are on sale now at the club shop in the Kingsway Centre.

There will be plenty of fun activities for children before Sat-

urday's game from 1.30pm.

And Clwb Spytty members can collect their free gift in the marquee before the match.

Clwb Spytty membership costs £15 a season.

Members receive a welcome pack including a letter from Spytty, membership card and Clwb Spytty passport; free gifts and activities at designated games; a quarterly newsletter from Spytty.

They can vote for the Clwb Spytty Player of the Year; benefit from exclusive opportunities as part of the matchday experience; attend a free Christmas party; and receive birthday & Christmas cards from Spytty.

Details are available via [ncafc-trust.org](http://ncafc-trust.org)

## Walk for dementia on April 5

NEWPORT County AFC are teaming up again with Newport Live and Alzheimer's Society Cymru to host the city's second sponsored walk for dementia.

Last year's inaugural event saw 350 members of the public joined by the former Mayor Cllr Malcolm Linton, Mayor, MPs, AMs, city councillors, and Newport County AFC players, management and directors to raise vital funds for people living with dementia in the city.

This year's walk will take place on Sunday, April 5, starting at 11am from The Riverfront Theatre & Arts Centre.

The gentle 3km walk is open to all ages and abilities and will raise vital funds for Alzheimer's Society Cymru.

All money raised by the Newport Walk for Dementia will be used for local dementia services. Last year's event raised in excess of £6,500.

A JustGiving event has been set up to ensure money raised from the walk is used in the Newport area. Fundraisers can use the link to set up their own individual JustGiving page for the event by visiting [bit.ly/NewportWalkForDementia](http://bit.ly/NewportWalkForDementia).

Money raised through Facebook directly is not guaranteed to be ring-fenced for local use, so organisers are encouraging walkers to only use approved fund-raising tools such as the JustGiving event.

Registration for the 2020 Newport Walk for Dementia is open and walkers can enter online here [newportlive.co.uk/riverfront](http://newportlive.co.uk/riverfront)

Newport County AFC's Director of Equality & Diversity, Colin Faulkner, said: "We're excited to have teamed up with our partners to make this event happen again. The money raised last year makes a real difference to people."

## Veterans' group

BAR Amber, the pub run by the Supporters' Trust, is hosting a Veterans Drop-in Group on the third Friday of every month.

The group, which has been set up by David Watkins, aims to offer veterans easy access to any support they may need, as well as offering a space to socialise.

Trust director Ryan Courtney said: "What we are trying to do here is create a hub where people can come and talk to like-minded people and access any support they need. It's all about a community club helping the community that supports us."