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SEASON 2018/19 - DECEMBER NEWSLETTER 2018

A FESTIVE WELCOME FROM YOUR SUPPORTERS' CLUB COMMITTEE TO OUR 5TH
NEWSLETTER. WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERY ONE OF OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR
FAMILIES A GREAT CHRISTMAS 2018 AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR 2019.

AT THE TIME OF WRITING, THE TEAM IS SITTING THREE POINTS FROM SAFETY SECOND BOTTOM OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE BUT, WITH MUCH IMPROVED RECENT PERFORMANCES AND TEN POINTS FROM THE PAST FIVE GAMES WITH THREE WINS AND A DRAW, THE FUTURE OF THE CLUB IS LOOKING MUCH BRIGHTER.

COMPARE THIS WITH TWELVE MONTHS AGO WHEN WE WERE JUST ONE WIN AWAY FROM THE SUMMIT OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE AT THE HALFWAY STAGE AND IT PROVES THAT A YEAR IN FOOTBALL CAN BE A VERY LONG TIME!

THIS MONTH, FOLLOWING THE VERY CREDITABLE 2-2 DRAW AT EASTLEIGH ON 1ST DECEMBER, WE HAVE FIVE VERY IMPORTANT LEAGUE GAMES, THREE OF WHICH ARE AT CRABBLE SO WE'LL NEED TO MAINTAIN OUR RECENTLY FOUND GOOD HOME FORM. PLAY-OFF CONTENDERS AFC FYLDE COME TO CRABBLE ON 8TH DECEMBER, THERE'S THE DERBY HOME GAME AGAINST MAIDSTONE ON BOXING DAY AND THE CURRENT LEAGUE LEADERS LEYTON ORIENT ARRIVE ON 29TH DECEMBER. THE AWAY MATCH AT BARNET ON 22ND DECEMBER IS BEING SHOWN ON BT SPORT WITH A 12.30 KICK-OFF AND SANDWICHED IN BETWEEN THESE LEAGUE GAMES WE HAVE THE VISIT OF HAVANT & WATERLOOVILLE TO CRABBLE FOR OUR FA TROPHY 1ST ROUND TIE ON 15TH DECEMBER, NOT FORGETTING THE RETURN DERBY GAME AT THE GALLAGHER STADIUM IN MAIDSTONE ON 1ST JANUARY 2019! A VERY IMPORTANT PERIOD IN THE CLUB'S ONGOING FUTURE.

APPROACHING CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR IS ALWAYS A DIFFICULT TIME IN TERMS OF AFFORDABILITY AND TIME MANAGEMENT, BUT WE NEED TO GET AS MANY FANS AS POSSIBLE THROUGH THE CRABBLE TURNSTILES DURING THIS MONTH TO COME AND SEE THE HESS REVOLUTION AS THE QUALITY OF THE FOOTBALL BEING PLAYED HAS DEFINITELY MOVED UP A NOTCH. PLEASE ENCOURAGE ANY FLOATING FANS OUT THERE THAT OUR LOCAL FOOTBALL TEAM NEEDS OUR COLLECTIVE SUPPORT MORE THAN EVER GIVEN THE POOR START TO THE SEASON.

DASC AWAY TRAVEL COACH INFORMATION

COACH TO BARNET - SATURDAY 22ND DECEMBER (KICK-OFF 12.30) LEAVES CRABBLE AT 9AM AND COSTS £18 FOR MEMBERS, £33 FOR NON-MEMBERS, YOUTH MEMBERS AND ACCOMPANIED U16s £8, YOUTH NON-MEMBERS £12.

COACH TO MAIDSTONE - MONDAY 1 JANUARY 2019 LEAVES CRABBLE AT 12.45PM AND COSTS £11 FOR MEMBERS, £25 FOR NON-MEMBERS, YOUTH MEMBERS AND ACCOMPANIED U16S £5, YOUTH NON-MEMBERS £8.

SEE ANDY IN THE BAR OR CONTACT HIM ON 07934 300335 OR VIA EMAIL <u>DASCCOACHES@GMAIL.COM.</u> REMEMBER ALL SEATS HAVE TO BE PAID FOR AT THE TIME OF BOOKING, IDEALLY VIA BANK TRANSFER AND YOU MUST HAVE BEEN A SC PAID UP MEMBER FOR A MINIMUM OF 30 DAYS PRIOR TO TRAVEL TO GAIN THE REDUCED PRICE. BANK DETAILS ARE SORT CODE 30-93-34, A/C 00022485.

AWAY PLAYER OF THE SEASON AWARD

AFTER 14 GAMES, MITCH BRUNDLE LEADS WITH FOUR AWARDS (AT ALDERSHOT, SUTTON, BURY (FAC) AND AFC HALIFAX). KEVIN LOKKO IS 2ND WITH THREE AWARDS (BROMLEY, BRAINTREE & BOREHAM WOOD), CLOSELY FOLLOWED BY INIH EFFIONG WITH TWO (HARROGATE & CONCORD RANGERS) WITH ONE AWARD EACH FOR JACK CONNORS (GATESHEAD), JOSH PASSLEY (AFC FYLDE), MITCH WALKER (LEYTON ORIENT), CONNOR ESSAM (CHESTERFIELD) AND MOST RECENTLY ANTHONY JEFFERY (EASTLEIGH). A PRESENTATION WILL BE MADE TO THE WINNING PLAYER AT THE END OF THE SEASON ALONG WITH A DONATION FROM THE SUPPORTERS' CLUB TO THE WINNER'S CHOSEN CHARITY.

DASC SCRATCHCARDS - WIN £1000!

WE HAVE PAID OUT OVER £1800 IN PRIZE MONEY SO FAR AND THERE ARE OVER 3000 CASH PRIZES STILL TO BE WON. THEY ARE PRICED AT £1 AND EACH CARD GIVES YOU MULTIPLE CHANCES TO WIN. THEY CAN BE PURCHASED FROM ANY COMMITTEE MEMBER.

PITCH SQUARES - CHRISTMAS PRESENT OPPORTUNITY

THERE ARE JUST A FEW PITCH SQUARES LEFT. IF YOU'RE STUCK FOR THAT LAST-MINUTE CHRISTMAS PRESENT, WHY DON'T YOU SPEND £5 AND GET THEIR NAME IN ALL THE REMAINING MATCHDAY PROGRAMMES AND HELP THE CLUB AT THE SAME TIME. SEE ANY COMMITTEE MEMBER TO SPONSOR A SQUARE.

CURRENT COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE MEETS ON THE THIRD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH DURING THE SEASON SO IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU WISH TO RAISE PLEASE LET ONE OF THE COMMITTEE KNOW OR SEND US AN EMAIL VIA SC.DAFC@GMAIL.COM.

VICKY CHAMBERS - CHAIR; BOB DUCK - VICE CHAIR; JOHN BURTON - TREASURER; SIMON HARRIS - VICE TREASURER; BRIAN TAYLOR - SECRETARY; SUE TAYLOR - MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY; JASON CLOKE - COMMUNITY CO-ORDINATOR; ANDY FISHER - COACHES CO-ORDINATOR; GUS BLACKMAN; ROGER OSBORN; GEZ NOBLE; MATTHEW JAENICKE - (DAFC DIRECTOR)

VIP HOSPITALITY FOR £25 A HEAD

FOR EVERY REMAINING HOME NATIONAL LEAGUE GAME, THE FOOTBALL CLUB IS OFFERING PASSES TO THE NEW VIP PLATINUM SUITE FOR ONLY £25 PER PERSON. THOSE SUPPORTERS WHO HAVE ALREADY BEEN TO THE TWO MATCHES SO FAR CAN VOUCH FOR THE EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD VALUE, THE QUALITY OF FOOD SERVED AND THE GREAT ATMOSPHERE CREATED NOT JUST IN THE VIP LOUNGE BUT FROM THE VIP SEATING AT THE ELEVATED LEVEL.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS PRICE DOES **NOT** INCLUDE ENTRY FOR **NON-SEASON TICKET HOLDERS** WHO DO ATTEND, AND THEY WILL STILL NEED TO PAY ENTRY ON THE TURNSTILE ON THE DAY.

THE EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: BUTLER HOSTED LOUNGE WITH LARGE TVS AND PROJECTOR SHOWING THE GAME; THREE COURSE MEAL SERVED AT YOUR TABLE; RESERVED UNDERCOVER PREMIUM PADDED SEATING; COMPLIMENTARY TEA, COFFEE & MINERAL WATER, PLUS DEDICATED PAID BAR BEFORE AND AFTER MATCH; COMPLIMENTARY MATCHDAY MAGAZINE & TEAM SHEET; MAN OF THE MATCH COMPETITION AND PRESENTATION

ARRIVAL AT THE GROUND SHOULD BE FOR 1PM AND FOOD WILL BE SERVED AT 1.30PM. THERE ARE ONLY 64 SPACES AVAILABLE, SO ALL TICKETS WILL BE SOLD ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS. THE DRESS CODE IS SMART CASUAL. TO BUY YOUR PASSES PLEASE CONTACT THE CLUB ON 01304 822373, EMAIL COMMERCIAL@DOVERATHLETIC.COM, OR CALL INTO THE OFFICE.

CRABBLE STADIUM TOURS

THE SUPPORTERS' CLUB IS STILL COLLECTING NAMES FOR THE STADIUM TOUR AND THIS WORKS WELL IF YOU ARE ALSO HAVING THE VIP EXPERIENCE AS, IF THERE ENOUGH TAKERS AND THE DIRECTOR IS AVAILABLE, THESE TOURS USUALLY START AT 12.30 PRIOR TO THE VIP DINNER. PLEASE CONTACT ANDY FISHER OR BRIAN TAYLOR TO ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST.