

DOVER ATHLETIC SUPPORTERS' CLUB

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WELCOME FROM YOUR SUPPORTERS' CLUB COMMITTEE TO OUR LATEST NEWSLETTER FOR THIS SEASON. WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERY ONE OF OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR 2019.

THE LAST NEWSLETTER REFERRED TO "A VERY IMPORTANT DECEMBER" FOR DOVER ATHLETIC. WELL, IT CERTAINLY TURNED OUT TO BE A VERY PROFITABLE ONE IN TERMS OF POINTS GAINED IN OUR ATTEMPT TO MOVE AWAY FROM THE RELEGATION ZONE!

JUST THE ONE DEFEAT DURING THE MONTH IN THE TELEVISED GAME AT BARNET (WHO RECENTLY WON AWAY IN THE FA CUP AT CHAMPIONSHIP SIDE SHEFFIELD UNITED!) AND WITH TWO WINS AND TWO DRAWS (SUBSEQUENTLY ADDED TO BY THE TWO AWAY WINS IN THE FIRST WEEK OF JANUARY) ALONG WITH THE HOME DRAW VS. HAVANT & WATERLOOVILLE IN THE FA TROPHY THE SITUATION IS DECIDEDLY ROSIER THAN A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO.

THE POINTS TALLY OF 20 POINTS FROM THE PAST 9 LEAGUE GAMES HAS GIVEN EVERYONE A BOOST AS WE SIT 18TH IN THE LEAGUE TABLE AND EQUAL TOP OF THE FORM TABLE.

THE TWO HOME ATTENDANCES WERE NOT ONLY SWELLED BY GOOD VISITING SUPPORT FROM MAIDSTONE AND LEYTON ORIENT BUT ALSO A LARGE NUMBER OF DOVER FANS PRESUMABLY COMING FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS SEASON TO VIEW THE IMPROVED FOOTBALL BEING SERVED UP AT CRABBLE AS WELL AS ENJOYING THE ENHANCED MATCHDAY EXPERIENCE.

WE NEED AS MANY OF THESE 'EXTRA' FANS AS POSSIBLE THROUGH THE CRABBLE TURNSTILES ON A REGULAR BASIS SO PLEASE ENCOURAGE ANY FLOATING FANS OUT THERE THAT OUR LOCAL FOOTBALL TEAM NEEDS OUR COLLECTIVE SUPPORT MORE THAN EVER GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE TEAM IS NOW PRODUCING THE RESULTS TO KEEP US IN THIS DIVISION.

WE WOULD ALSO ENCOURAGE THEM TO CONSIDER JOINING THE SUPPORTERS' CLUB SO THAT WE CAN COLLECTIVELY USE THE INCREASING NUMBERS TO PLAY A BIGGER PART IN THE FUTURE OF THIS FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE MONTH OF JANUARY (WEATHER PERMITTING) HAS ALREADY SEEN US PICK UP MAXIMUM POINTS IN THE FIRST TWO LEAGUE GAMES OF THE YEAR, 1-0 AWAY WINS AT MAIDSTONE AND WREXHAM AND WE HAVE PROGRESSED TO THE 2ND ROUND OF THE FA TROPHY WITH YET ANOTHER 1-0 AWAY WIN AT HAVANT & WATERLOOVILLE GIVING THE TEAM FOUR CLEAN SHEETS ON THE BOUNCE WHICH, GIVEN OUR ABILITY TO GIVE AWAY GOALS FOR FUN EARLIER THIS SEASON, IS A MASSIVE IMPROVEMENT. HARROGATE VISIT CRABBLE FOR THE FA TROPHY TIE ON 12TH AND WE HAVE TWO FURTHER SCHEDULED LEAGUE GAMES IN THE MONTH; A HOME GAME AGAINST BROMLEY ON 19TH AND AN AWAY GAME AT HAVANT ON 26TH.

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)

DASC AWAY TRAVEL COACH INFORMATION

COACH TO HAVANT & WATERLOOVILLE - SATURDAY 26 JANUARY LEAVES CRABBLE AT 10.45AM AND COSTS £18 FOR MEMBERS, £33 FOR NON-MEMBERS, YOUTH MEMBERS AND ACCOMPANIED U16s £7, YOUTH NON-MEMBERS £10.

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

AWAY PLAYER OF THE SEASON AWARD

WE HAVE HAD THREE AWAY GAMES SINCE THE LAST UPDATE. MITCH WALKER WON THE AWARD AT BARNET, SCOTT DOE CAME OUT ON TOP AT MAIDSTONE AND ANTHONY JEFFERY WAS THE FANS' FAVOURITE AT LAST SATURDAY'S MATCH AT WREXHAM.

THIS MEANS THAT AFTER 17 GAMES, **MITCH BRUNDLE** CONTINUES TO LEAD WITH **FOUR** AWARDS (AT ALDERSHOT, SUTTON, BURY AND AFC HALIFAX). **KEVIN LOKKO** IS 2ND WITH **THREE** AWARDS (BROMLEY, BRAINTREE & BOREHAM WOOD), CLOSELY FOLLOWED BY THREE PLAYERS ON **TWO** AWARDS EACH; **INIH EFFIONG** (HARROGATE & CONCORD RANGERS), **MITCH WALKER** (LEYTON ORIENT & BARNET) AND **ANTHONY JEFFERY** (EASTLEIGH & WREXHAM).

ONE AWARD EACH HAS BEEN WON BY JACK CONNORS (GATESHEAD), JOSH PASSLEY (AFC FYLDE), CONNOR ESSAM (CHESTERFIELD) & SCOTT DOE (MAIDSTONE). 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 £2000 IN PRIZE MONEY SO FAR AND THERE ARE STILL OVER 3000 CASH PRIZES 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

THERE ARE JUST FIVE PITCH SQUARES LEFT AT £5 EACH. TO GET YOUR NAME IN ALL THE REMAINING MATCHDAY PROGRAMMES AND HELP THE CLUB AT THE SAME TIME, PLEASE EITHER EMAIL US OR SEE ANY COMMITTEE MEMBER TO SPONSOR ONE OF THE REMAINING SQUARES.

VIP HOSPITALITY FOR £25 A HEAD

JUST A REMINDER THAT 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 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. 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.

NEXT QUIZ NIGHT

THIS WILL BE ARRANGED IN THE SPRING 2019 SO PLEASE KEEP AN EYE ON THE SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES, THE MATCHDAY PROGRAMMES, THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS AND THE SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTICEBOARD BY THE CLUB SHOP FOR FULL DETAILS.