

# Ceredigion Costcutter League

League Division 1 Fixture

Saturday 9th March 2013

# Maesglas

# v

# Llanboidy

Kick Off 1.30pm At Maes Radley



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# DO I NOT LIKE THAT

We will today face a Llanboidy side who, for the first time in many seasons, are fighting for survival, the Carmarthenshire villagers are having as much of a tough time this season as we are when it comes to putting out their strongest eleven.

With Maesglas I have seen players this season decide that Maes Radley is not the place for them which is disappointing from my point of view, and from what I can gather our visitors themselves have lost a couple of players themselves. The game today is a must win for both sides, a win will go a long way to establish themselves in the top tier.

Our record in the last few seasons has been pretty good with wins over the Foxes. But today I expect a tough game as per normal as Llanboidy give everything, and who ever has the biggest heart will come through. We will hopefully have our strongest side out, except for club captain and keeper Rhodri Jones who will be on holiday in Thailand at the time of going to press.

Maesglas would like to wish the visiting "Groundhoppers an enjoyable weekend and a safe trip home, especially after being over in StDogmaels to watch the game versus New Quay, which should be a cracker and not for the faint hearted! We will I am sure have plenty of good and exciting action here at Maes Radley.

A big kind thank you to our Match ball sponsor Yum Yum Sweets of Cardigan and also our match day programme sponsor JJ Morris.

Enjoy the game.

Paul "Hope" Jones the Gaffer



# THE AWAY TEAM

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## 1ST TEAM HONOURS

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Ceredigion Cup Winners: 1996,2001

## Cardiganshire League Cup Winners: 2010/11



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## Brief History Of Llanboidy FC

Llanboidy Football Club was formed in 1980 from a group of players who had represented the village in many local 6-a-side and summer cup tournaments during the 1970's where they had enjoyed a great deal of success.

The club had originally applied to join the Pembrokeshire League but their application was rejected due to the shortage of referee's in Pembrokeshire at the time.

Llanboidy therefore opted to join the Cardiganshire League where they were accepted and welcomed with "open arms" making them the southernmost team in the league and also in all of Central Wales.

Llanboidy's first ever competitive league match was on the 30<sup>th</sup> August 1980 which resulted in a 5-0 home defeat to the season's eventual second division's champions Aber A. C. Meredydd Richards was the club captain in their inaugural season and first committee consisted of John Lewis (chairman & team manager), Dai "Flag" Jones (treasurer) and Gareth "Gog" Evans (Secretary).

A reserve team was formed in 1985 and the club has ran two senior teams ever since which is a great achievement for such a small village in a rural community. A lot of hard work over the years by the club and community has seen a licensed sports and social club as well as new changing rooms and gymnasium being developed at their Cae Dandre headquarters.

It took the club until 1996 before landing their first piece of silverware when they won the second division league and cup double . The second division cup was lifted again in 2001 but the club's greatest achievement came in 2011 when they captured the League cup by beating Bargod Rangers 1-0 in the Easter Monday final at Aberaeron.

Nicknamed the "foxes" as the village has a great hunting tradition and a weathervane of a running fox has sat proudly on top of the village hall for well over half a century.





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The Beginning: 1921-22

The Cardiganshire Football League was formed at a meeting held at Lampeter on August 17th 1921. Present at the meeting were Messers Robert Jones (Padarn F.C), E. Teify Jones (Aberystwyth Battery F.C), Eric Jones (Parish Hall United F.C), W. Sage (Aberayron F.C), W. Davies (Newcastle Emlyn F.C), Joe Williams, J. Caulfield, E.L Jones (Lampeter F.C).

The meeting moved that 'E Teify Jones takes the Chair for the evening' whilst 'after a lengthy discussion it was decided unanimously to form the League into two sections, Northern and Southern respectively'.

### The 1921-22 Final League Standings

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
<b>Northern Section</b>							
Parish Hall United	10	8	0	2	X	X	16
Padarn United	10	6	1	3	X	X	13
Aberystwyth Battery	10	6	1	3	X	X	13
Aberaeron	10	4	0	6	X	X	8
UCW Aberystwyth Res.	10	3	0	7	X	X	6
Conservative Club	10	2	0	8	X	X	4
<b>Southern Section</b>							
Llandysul	6	4	1	1	X	X	9
Llanybydder	6	3	1	2	X	X	7
Drefach	6	3	1	2	X	X	7
Lampeter Town	6	0	1	5	X	X	1

Llandysul beat Parish Hall United 3-1 to win the championship



1953/54 Division 1 winners: Aberaeron

It was further decided that the 'Northern Section would comprise all Clubs to the north of Lampeter, excluding Lampeter' and that the 'Southern Section would comprise all clubs to the south of Lampeter, including Lampeter'.

W. Henson (Llandysul) was nominated as 'Chairman of the League', E.L Jones (Lampeter) Secretary of the Southern Section and Sergeant C .T Pope Secretary of the Northern Section. Lloyd Williams, L.C and M Bank, Lampeter was nominated as Treasurer.



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# THE TEAM LINE UPS



## Maesglas Football Club

**Manager:** Paul "Hope" Jones

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2.	Ricky W. Holmes
3.	Matthew Roach
4.	Darren Davies
5.	Ian Chattun
6.	Marc James ©
7.	Steffan Evans
8.	Kieran Harman
9.	Peter Almond
10.	Gwion Howell
11.	Llifon Howell
12.	Arron Eldridge
13.	Emyr Davies
14.	Dai Hope Jones
15.	John Furney
16.	Chris Hope Jones



## Llanboidy Football Club

**Manager:** Emyr "Will" Davies

1.	Mark Lee
2.	Rhodri Williams
3.	Grufudd Ifan
4.	Alex Wilson
5.	Ollie Burton
6.	Luke Davies
7.	David Thomas
8.	Dafydd Makepeace ©
9.	Martin Owen
10.	Daydd Wright
11.	Rhys Jenkins
12.	Caleb Young
13.	Tomos Lewis
14.	Tomos Phillips
15.	Emyr Davies
16.	Hefin Harries

Today's Referee:

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Brychan David
Ollie Davidson-Howell
Gareth Jones
Gavin Thomas
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# THE STORY OF THE BLUES

## TEAM OF THE '80s

1974, five young men from the Maesglas council estate, were fed up with their same boring routine which awoke to them every Saturday decided to form a football team. The 'famous five' were Clive Jones, Brother Geoff, Clifford Griffiths, Steven Davies and Dennis Jones. Application was granted by the Cardiganshire League for membership.

To the North of Cardigan a pitch was found, it was at Penlan Farm, courtesy of Dai Penlan and was to become the first pitch. It was used for two years before the pitch was handed over to



The Maesglas Team that played the first match at Dolwerrdd in September 1980.  
Result: Maesglas 1, Cardigan Town 0  
Back (L. to R.) John P. Adey (Secretary), R. Farham, P. Williams, K. Jones, S. Jones, D. Morris, H. D. Jones, R. Bees.  
Front (L. to R.) A. Jones, S. Williams, H. Davies (Capt.), J. Brown, M. Rotie, F. Thomas.



A Maesglas Team During Season 1977-78  
Back (L. to R.) G. Cardiff, A. Rogers, S. Williams, M. Evans, M. Davies, G. Jones, A. Jones.  
Front (L. to R.) C. Cliff, P. Shaw (Capt.), S. Thomas, H. Davies, T. Williams.



**Photo Top:** 1980 team that won 1-0 and played first game at Dolwerrdd v Cardigan.  
**Photo Middle:** Team from 1977/78  
**Photo Bottom:** Player/Manager Martyn Rotie on left & Jon Llewellyn one of the best goal keepers to grace the Cardiganshire League

The following season the club moved six miles to the R.A.F. Airbase at Blaennanerch near Aberporth, the club played there for the next four seasons. There were no washing facilities and Maesglas received many complaints from visiting teams. In the summer of 1980 the club, owing to lack of players and changing facilities in Cardigan decided to disband. It was over for the club or was

Following an emergency meeting on the Sunday, 20th July, 1980, local journalist, John Adey (pictured) joined the Club as Secretary and he brought the club back to life.



24 hours of the crises meeting, the club had a pitch. Mr Dewi Lloyd, then headmaster of Cardigan school, offered the club use of the school changing rooms and a pitch became available in the middle of Cardigan (Dolwerrdd, which is now Maes Radley). The club was back on its feet.

The season of 1980/81 was not the best, but the club were preparing for the future. Maesglas signed several players during the summer of 1981, and with Martyn Rotie being appointed player/manager, everything clicked into place for the council estate team.

The rest is history, the Blues were probably one of the most successful teams to play in the Cardiganshire League at the time. Maesglas went on to win five trophies on three different occasions winning the prestigious Emrys Morgan Cup back to back and the only Ceredigion based club to achieve this to date.

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# THE STORY OF THE REFORMED BLUES

## REFORMED

The Blues eventually came crashing down to earth with a bump, 1993 was the last time that the Blues saw action and finished the season in mid-table, and losing League Cup finalists to Dewi Stars. It was an end of an era, the Blues throughout the 80s had been a dominant force, but like all good things the writing was on the wall as players and club stalwarts stepped away from the club. Players who were with the club moved onto pastures new and some of those clubs gained instant success through the Blues demise.

2004, just over ten years saw the rekindling of the Blues and the reformed club soon came back to life, and like a weird fairy tale, the phoenix arose over a pint and a fag. Landlord of the Hope & Anchor Mark "Chalky" Lewis and local footballing striker Chris "Hope" Jones soon got chatting about the "old days", and with a blink of an eye, the ball was on the move. Maesglas were being put back together again like a long lost and threadbare jigsaw puzzle. As in the previous life it was a matter of a getting a playing surface, this was to be Maes Radley, or as was Dolwerdd, which was home for a few seasons back in the 80s, Maes Radley had changing facilities too, not the best granted, but it was there. Mark Lewis was nominated as Chairman, and after a couple of knockbacks from would be managers, Penparc Junior Football Club under 16s manager Paul "Hope" Jones stepped into the role.

The success of reforming was obvious, in the clubs first season back the two sides won silverware, the first team won the South Cards Cup, twice in 3 seasons, the reserves bagged the Reserves league 3 times in a row, adding the reserves cup and the Percy Eldridge Cup. On the league front the first team in the first two seasons came third, but at the third attempt and in the final league game of the term, the Blues won the league and promotion from the 2<sup>nd</sup> division.

The club was back in the big league, and with the reserves also being promoted from the reserves league, this was a great achievement. But not anyone in the footballing circles would anticipate the next chapter. On Boxing Day of the season 2007/8, Maesglas were trailing league leaders and local rivals StDogmaels by a large margin. But an eleven match run

which saw Maesglas clinch the first division title by a point, but it was winning the 1<sup>st</sup> division at the first hurdle, which was a remarkable feat.

The Blues have not hit the dizzy heights since, in 2011/12, the Blues were runners up to a dominant New Quay, and as for the reserves, after being relegated in 2011/12 bounced back to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division.



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### DIVISION 1

- 1982/83
- 1984/85
- 1986/87
- 1988/89
- 2007/08

### DIVISION 2

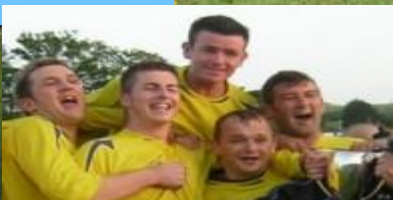
- 2006/07

### LEAGUE CUP

- 1981/82
- 1985/86
- 1986/87
- 1987/88
- 1988/89
- 1989/90

### BAY CUP

- 1982/83
- 1984/85
- 1986/87
- 1987/88
- 1988/89



### SOUTH CARDS CUP

- 2006/07
- 2004/05
- 1985/86
- 1988/89
- 1987/88

### J. EMRYS MORGAN CUP

- 1986/87
- 1987/88

### NORTH CARDS CUP

- 1986/87
- 1987/88
- 1988/89





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