

CALDICOT TOWN AFC PLAYERS' PROFILES 2011-12

Gareth Williams / Goalkeeper A new signing this summer, Gareth looks a more than capable keeper who is agile between the sticks. Will need to gel quickly with a new defence in front of him. His experience picked up at previous clubs, including Llanelli, Aberaman & Cwmbran, will prove invaluable to the team.

Ben Davidson / Goalkeeper Ben is a young up and coming goalkeeper with a cracking attitude towards all aspects of the game. Has represented his County. Played first season with Reserves and has made a couple of 1st team appearances to date and will be hoping to add to those this year

Shane Jeremiah / Defence Tough tackling, left sided player, brave as a lion. This season is a great chance for Shane to show just what he is capable of. Was top goal-scorer in the club last year with goals coming mainly in the East Gwent and Reserve Team.

Simon Crook / Defence Simon's second season involved with the first team. Likes a tackle, has a terrific engine and is also capable of scoring the odd goal. Another player with the chance to cement a first team place.

Nick Bright / Defence Nick broke into the 1st team during season 2010/11 and looked more than capable of commanding a place in the team. Bags of pace and ability and is improving year on year. Nick is a Caldicot lad who has worked his way up through the system

James Munday / Defence Jim-Bob, as he is referred to at the club, came from Chepstow during season 2010/11 and when called upon played very well at the heart of the defence. Jim reads the game well and looks a good prospect. Can also play up-front.

Will McConnell / Defence / Midfield Will, although not the biggest, is a very capable and skilful left footed player who can dribble and deliver a telling cross. Another product of Caldicot's youth development who spent some time at Cardiff and a player who will be looking to make an impact if given the opportunity

David Lloyd / Midfield Dave rejoined us before Christmas after originally signing for Chepstow Town. Daisy as he is affectionately known is a quality player and will provide much creativity to our team as well as the odd goal or two.

Johnny Nelson / Midfield Young Johnny signed for the club this year and resides in Cardiff. Has lots of quality and although slight in build he has proven he can live with what ever is thrown at him. Johnny has good technique and can score a goal or two. Has represented Wales this season at Futsal

Dave Jenkins / Midfield A versatile and industrious player. Another Caldicot player who has bided his time the Reserves but has the ability to make the step up into the Welsh League 1st team. Dave wears his heart on his sleeve and will give no less than 100% whenever selected

Lewis Cutajar / Midfield Hard working player who can adapt to a defensive position should it be required. Lewis broke into the first team last season and will be looking to hold a place down this coming campaign. Good prospect and is a good passer of the ball. Another local lad who has emerged through the youth

Lewys Dowler / Midfield Lewys has emerged through the youth team and impressed in his debut season back in 2009/10 but a serious knee injury halted his progress. He is now back to fitness and will be keen to break back into the side.

Ryan Tranter / Midfield Youngster Ryan has a cracking attitude and is willing to learn. Signed this year, Ryan also commutes from Cardiff. He has good pace and again is only slight of build but has shown plenty of determination in forcing his way into the side

Kojo Ofori / Forward/Midfield Kojo's second spell with the club, pacy energetic player with plenty of tricks to boot. Serving soldier with the Rifles based at Beachley Army camp, always has a smile on his face.

Luke Harris / Forward/Midfield Quality player in his second spell at the club having signed from PILCS this season. Bundles of skill with an eye for a goal. Will make a big difference in and around the opposition's goal. Now matured after his spell away, Luke will be aiming to impress and make his mark in the Welsh League

Mark Williams / Forward Experienced player who has remained loyal to Caldicot, both on & off the field, throughout his footballing years. Can play Right Midfield but is better suited up-front where he is strong at holding the ball up and bringing others into play.

Grant Thompson / Forward Signed from Cwmbran Town. For season 2011/12, Grant is a very good forward who holds the ball up for fun. Looks to bring in other players and will score goals given the service. Strong in the air and has good feet

Mitchell Slape / Forward Mitchell is a promising footballer and also a talented cricketer. Big and strong with a mean shot to boot. With more experience and belief Mitchell could play a major role for Caldicot Town football club in the near future.

Alex Watkins / Forward Alex is an up and coming striker who when presented with an opportunity will normally take it. Alex has risen through the youth ranks and will be hoping for more chances to show what he is capable of in front of goal.

Coaching Staff

Manager - Nathan Cadette Nathan a former Cardiff City player is a welcome addition to the coaching staff at Caldicot for season 2011/12 and brings in a wealth of experience especially at Welsh League level. A lively personality with an eye on playing in midfield, Nathan will prove a worthy addition to the club.

Assistant/Player Manager – Mark Williams

See above

Physio – Chris Hughes An experienced man to have on the medical bag. Great servant to the club.

CALDICOT TOWN AFC HISTORY

Caldicot Town AFC has its beginning back in 1953. Then, with voluntary help from the community the necessary funds were raised and after much hard work two pitches were laid at King George V playing fields. The 'green wooden hut' was erected to serve as changing rooms with a small shower area. The club then entered the East Gwent League. In the 1963/4 Season a second side was formed to play in the East Gwent Division 2.

Throughout the 60's Season the club was successful in winning the East Gwent Division 1 and 2, the Watkins Shield, the Benevolent Cup, The Gill Cup and the Argus Shield. In 1966 the senior side joined the Monmouthshire Senior League Division, now known as the Gwent County League.

During the late 70's and early 80's the club won the Gwent Senior League Division 1, on two occasions, as well as winning the Senior Cup and Amateur Cup. In December 1975 the original Clubhouse was built in Jubilee Way. This incorporated a small bar, a lounge, changing rooms and shower

facilities. Since then the clubhouse has been modified and upgraded and now boasts four players changing rooms, a referees room, shower and toilet facilities, a large function room, a new lounge, a well equipped kitchen and outside patio areas complete with bench seats. The playing fields are not forgotten and are re-seeded and maintained each year.

We also have covered spectator accommodation plus floodlights. As a result of these facilities the club is regularly requested to hold representative games at Local and County Level. 1979 saw the formation of Caldicot Town Junior Section. This gave local boys the opportunity to play competitive football at both Local and County Level. It is also a source of future players for the senior teams with teams starting from Under 5's through to Under 18's

In 1986 the club achieved its ambition of election into the Welsh Football League where we have remained to this day and after promotion from division 3 was secured we won the Division 2 Championship 1989/90 and later runners up in Division 1. 1996 was a bad year for the Welsh League side with poor performances leading to relegation to Division 2. A further setback came at the end of the 1999/2000 season when we relegated to Division 3.

Since then the club has been on the up and in Season 2001/02 saw us miss out on promotion on goal difference, but our fortune was to change 2002/2003 season when we pipped Caerau Ely to promotion to division two by a single point after they lost their last game of the season away to Seven Sisters.

Season 2004/05 was a season of consolidation before Season 2006/07 Saw Caldicot return to the Welsh League 1st Division finishing third behind Cambrian and Clydach and champions Garw. The inside of the club went through a makeover to bring the club more up to date with further plans expected in the future. Back on the pitch Caldicot won the Gwent Senior Cup to top of a good year of promotion and cup double

Caldicot have held there own in the top division and have improved year on year finishing 4th in season 2009/10 and had a reasonable run in the Welsh Cup crashing out to Port Talbot at home under the viewing eyes of the S4C cameras. Season 2010/11 ended with relegation having finished 3rd from bottom. A new Management team of Mike Dowler and Nathan Cadette have been installed for season 2011/12 where a whole squad needs to be assembled for the new challenge ahead

Caldicot remain ambitious and harbour hopes of reaching the WPL but know that a lot of hard work and Finance would be required to meet that dream.