



Membership Newsletter

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Thanks once again to all our members and corporate sponsors for helping the Centenary Club continue to make cash donations to the football club as well as maintain the prize levels that see members win £250 a week and £500 a month.

Welcome to the latest Newsletter

Welcome to the latest edition of the Centenary Club newsletter. Due to excessive printing costs, we are now proposing to issue this newsletter to all members via email, the matchday programme, and on the club's official (www.dafc.co.uk) and unofficial (www.dafc.net) websites. Paper copies can still be obtained if you'd prefer, please email Jason@dafc.net if you wish to receive a copy through the post.

The new season has kicked off in earnest, with some very promising displays which give hope for the campaign ahead. A win in the League cup over local rivals Raith Rovers gave supporters good cheer, and the league campaign has seen some excellent attacking performances, even when the result has not been the one Dunfermline wanted. Best of luck to Jim McIntyre and the players on all fronts over the coming months!

Hospitality Winners

For the fourth season running we have negotiated the hire of a corporate hospitality box from the football club. During the past three seasons in excess of 200 members and their guests have been wined and dined. These prizes are drawn alongside the monthly and quarterly cash prizes and will continue to do so throughout the season. The most recent hospitality winners are:

Y. McGregor (37) Louise Henderson (66) C Barratt (105)
James Mackie (167) Sandra Malcolm (222) Ian Baker (223)
Bill Kinnear (244) Mary Bruce (343) Kenneth McNeil (399)
Thomas Gillies (404) M Miller (837) Jim Gibson (876)
Les Smithard (853) N Stevens (653) Cameron Clark (1058)
Steven Taylor (617) Andrew Craig (337) Keith Brown (292)

The Centenary Club was formed in 1985 to celebrate the centenary of the founding of Dunfermline Athletic Football Club. To date we have donated approximately £750,000 to the football club

The hospitality package for Season 2008/2009 will continue to have twice as many prizes as used to be the case because every single league and cup game will now have a Centenary Club table. This will be in one of the glass pitch-side boxes giving prize winners the best seats in the house at every match

Stadium Tours are proving very popular on match days. Starting at 11am and lasting approximately one hour, they are free of charge to all members and their friends and family. To book a place for yourself or your party, contact the club or email jason@dafc.net.

C. Smith (170) David Dow (103) Douglas Penman (128)
John B. Wilson (177) Andrew Swain (235) Jim McCrorie (319)
N Pitblado (335) Shena Meldrum (1062) John Heron (1075)
John Moore (669) G Petrie (704) R Jeffrey (751) Allan Mcaulay (764)
T Nicholls (806) K Bryan (927) I Harkness (1006) John Mcfarlane (323)
D Gemmell (392)

Recent Prize Winners

Regular cash and hospitality prize draws continue to take place each month, with winners being notified both via this newsletter, in match -day programmes and on www.dafc.net. Congratulations to the latest lucky winners:-

£250

A Sunter (624)
D Blythe (509)
David Mclean (549)
J Mcknaught (781)
D Gibson (194)
Mary Allan (70)
Diane Doherty (88)
P Wilson (63)
Peter Mcateer (139)
John McCaughie (559)
Christine Whyte (755)
John Mchardie (1045)
J. Dowie (812)
Peter Ferrier (406)
B Turner (351)
Bill Galloway (271)
Rebecca Thomson (32)
G Sherrifs (276)
Iain Smith (825)
Andrew Bailey (745)

£500

Lindsay Carmichael (555)
Gordon McCrae (573)
Ian Kirk (272)

Youth Team Sponsorship

We continue to make direct cash donations to youth development. Our latest cash donation of £500 helped the football club kit manager to purchase a plethora of football sundries e.g. studs of various sizes; stud inserts; stopwatches; water bottles; insoles; laces; electric foot pumps and tactics boards! I am sure members will agree that our policy of direct donations to youth development helps the football recruit young talented players to East End Park

Membership Database

The help of members is required to make sure that the database is kept up-to-date. If you move house, we would ask that you send your new address into the club or email Derek@paceprosystems.com as this will prevent mailings and more importantly any prizes going astray. As noted above, the newsletter will no longer be sent by post so to receive your individual copy, please send us your email address.

Quiz Nights

The Famous 5 team who have won this competition more times than any other teams regained their trophy with a score of 72 ½ points at the April 2009 quiz. Lothian 68 Boys who had won the previous quiz were the runners-up with 64 ½ points and the Bishops Eleven third with 59 points. The next Quiz is scheduled for Thursday 26th November – join in the banter and fun by attending this event. We can confirm that DAFC will be represented by a team of former players comprising Bonar Mercer; Hugh Whyte and others. Team entries should be sent to Jason@dafc.net.

Congratulations

At their AGM on Thursday 2nd April the Centenary Club Committee presented Jim with a decanter, whisky glasses and a bottle of the "Water of Life" to show their appreciation for his valued service as Treasurer since 1988.



Former DAFC Players Association

Some Pars fans favourites from years gone by have set-up a "Former DAFC Players Association". There are currently nearly 30 members including Roy Barry; Bert Paton; Alex Smith; Hugh Whyte; John Watson; Kenny Thomson; Jim Bowie and Bonar Mercer. They hope to have a presence in Legends before every home game to so please feel free to approach them at the pool table for a chat.

These former Pars players have agreed to send a team to compete at the next Centenary Club quiz on November 29th. 2009 and also welcome the opportunity to attend a Centenary Club Cheese and Wine event on February 25th. 2010.

25th Birthday Celebrations

Next year marks the 125th anniversary of the founding of Dunfermline Athletic and consequently is the 25th anniversary of the formation of the Centenary Club. We are planning a number of events during the year and the focus will be on a 'Brunch' which will be held in the first half of next season. More details will be announced in the coming months.

Lyrics Competition

From the following lyrics name the album and the band:

*"It's a necessary evil
No cause for emergency
Borrowed the beak of a bald eagle
Momentary synergy"*

Email your answer to Jason@dafc.net by 30th September 2009 and include the nicknames for the two senior teams who play their football in the city from which the band originate. The first **member** drawn out of the hat with the correct answer will win hospitality for themselves and a friend in the Centenary Club box later in the season.

New Members

We are always keen to try and encourage new members to join the Centenary Club, and for every member that you introduce we will give you a "thank you" of £10, with no limit on the number of members that can be introduced.

We hope to see you at some of our future events in the near future. Should you have any suggestions of alternative events you would like to see organised, please contact any of the committee.

As always, the battle cry is for more Centenary Club members to sign up. The more supporters who do, the more often donations can be made to Dunfermline Athletic.

Player of the Year

"Thanks to members for emailing their Player of the Year and Young Player of the Year votes for last season. The results were very close between two of our young players with Nick Phinn securing the Centenary Club Player of the Year trophy by the grand margin of one point from Calum Woods! This voting result was reversed with Calum beating Nick Phinn by a solitary vote for the Centenary Club Young Player of the Year. Congratulations to both and best wishes for season 2009-2010.

We will continue to invite members who are attending hospitality in the Centenary Club box to vote for their Man of the Match. The votes cast so far predict that we are set for a very close run competition among a number of new signings and players who have been at the club for a few seasons".

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