



RECAP 2021 /2022 SEASON

Well 2021 / 2022 season has been from a DSA point our most successful year yet.

We started off the season with 37 members and ended with 150 members, a great increase. Despite the lockdowns and pandemic we had three events, our AGM, Steve Morison's only Q&A of the season and our first ever DSA trip to Reading.

The AGM went well, a Q&A with our player ambassador Will Vaulks and club captain Sean Morrison, then later in 2022 a Manager Q&A which was well attended, with both Steve and Will very honest and upfront despite the loss v Swansea a few days before. Many members went home with raffle prizes which included two signed shirts.

The Reading trip was an "absolute blast and awesome" words from one of our members who had never been to an away game before. From our arrival at Reading we were greeted by Reading staff, given an insight to what happens pre match and then a visit from Steve Morison and Will Vaulks into the stands, a great photo opportunity for many. A special mention to Phil Martin who ensured every wheelchair was clamped down perfectly.

Following the match, we had some great media coverage from the club and Steve Morison mentioned us in both his pre and post-match interviews.

This trip was costly at £1,200, thankfully sponsorship from both Cardiff City Supporters club and Cardiff City Supporters Trust helped substantially.

Our committee have all worked very hard this season, we even have a new Social Media presence on Twitter @ccfcdsa, a big thanks to Martin Davis for his constant tweets / posts

We meet regularly with the club with both the Disabled Access Officer Ben Jones and the Supporter Liaison Officer Paul Corkrey in attendance. This has enabled us to have a good working relationship at all levels within CCFC





Refreshments:

In our DSA room, located in the corner of the Grandstand / Canton stand, we have tea's, coffees, hot chocolate, Bovril etc all at only 50p per cup.

We are in contact with the club to see if they will allow all members to visit pre-match.

A New Lanyard Scheme:

We have worked with the DAO at CCFC and have purchased a new lanyard for use in the stadium. This will give you priority queuing at all the refreshment areas around the stadium. These will be available for collection on match day at gate 2 on presentation of your DSA membership card. Unfortunately, no card = no lanyard.

Those members who have not collected their membership cards from this season will have them sent second class in the post in the next week.

Sensory Room

We have helped Cardiff City Foundation and the club with the relaunch of the Sensory room, enabling children with autism and learning difficulties to have a safe and if needed a quiet environment on match day

2022/2023 Season:

How do we make next season better?

- To increase awareness of Hidden Disabilities
- To continue to ensure all disabled supporters have a voice
- To encourage all CCFC disabled fans to become members of the DSA
- More DSA Events—Q&A, Away Travel, etc.

We will continue to work with other Disability organisations within sport, incl: Cymru DSA, Level Playing Fields, Centre of Access to Football in Europe (CAFÉ), FSA, and Disability Sport Wales

If you have any ideas on things we can do or improve please either contact us on Twitter @ccfcdsa or email ccfcdsa@gmail.com

2021—2023 Committee:

Honorary President- Dr Len Nokes, Chair—Kieran Jones, Treasurer -James Verrinder, Social Media—Martin Davis

General Committee:

Paul Corkrey, Mark Jennings, Joan Jennings, Mark Rowe, Rebecca Creek, Phil Martin, Tomas Martin and Deborah Martin.