

# THE SAINT

#### FEBRUARY 2011

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# THE SEASON.....

As a committee we've had a very stressful month and a lot is happening at St Day Football Club, which is putting the club on a high profile around the county.

We have decided to produce a monthly newsletter. It will keep everyone involved and interested and up to date with the <u>truth</u> of what's happening at the club. We want you people to hear it first and from us as a committee and not from the internet, or an outside person.

As you are aware, in early January the first team manager Roger Sowden resigned. He felt he could no longer fulfill the role due to the high ambitions of the club and decided to give someone else the chance. He left on very good terms and we hope to see him at the club in the coming months.

As a result, the committee has met every Monday evening for the last three weeks to work out the best way forward for the first team, but it has proved

### WHERE NEXT.....

St Day FC is a very ambitious club and always strives to succeed.

With Garry now taking charge of the first team with help of others we hope that the first team can get back on track and begin to climb the league finishing the season above mid-table, keeping in line with the ambition we had at the start of the season.

The reserve sides we can only

to be very difficult to encourage a new manager to join part way through the season. We would like to congratulate Garry Kay on taking the post until further notice.

Garry has taken a big move to stop playing for the third team and manage the first team as he feels along with the committee,



that it makes sense to wait for the best man for the job, who is not available at the moment.

Although to some, the season hasn't been what we expected a lot of positive things have happened. Back in September we held our first sponsors' day where the club laid on a marquee, a bar and food for all sponsors of the club, our

ask to continue to succeed as they are and keep enjoying the football.

We have asked Garry to continue signing players from different clubs, but at the same time giving local lads the chance at senior football., This will keep the intention of not disturbing the reserves too much. We know this is perhaps not how any other club works but again we remind you of the merger feedback on this was excellent and something we will do again next season around the same time.

Other exciting things include the contact from FOOTBALL FOCUS, a national magazine who contacted us, as we, along with Wendron United were selected from over 50,000 grassroots clubs to complete a small interview with them, on which they would publish in their magazine.

True to their word in the December magazine a page on the club with a couple of pictures was put in. Over 75,000 copies were produced and sent to all clubs in England and outlets, which is a real achievement for such a small village club.

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and how it will help us next season.

On the reverse of this newsletter you will see some talks of putting a development plan in place to outline the club's plans for the next 3 years. This will not be done behind close doors and everyone at the club and in the village will be invited for ideas and suggestions. PAGE 2

## **DEVELOPMENT PLAN & YOUTH FOOTBALL**

### **FEBRUARY** FIXTURES

ST DAY FC 5TH --- PENDEEN (H) - LEAGUE CUP 12TH — FALMOUTH (H) 19TH - LUDGVAN (H) 26TH - ST IVES (A)



### ST DAY RES FC 5TH - STITHAINS (A) - PERCY STEPHENS CUP 12TH - HOLMANS (A) 19TH - TROON (A) 26TH — LANNER (H)



#### ST DAY III FC

5TH - NO GAME 12TH — GAME TO BE CONFIRMED 19TH — GAME TO BE CONFIRMED 26TH - STITHAINS RES (H) - TERRY **JENNINGS CUP** 

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The club has taken outside advice from officers at looking to the future and trust us it will help next Cornwall FA and feel to achieve a big club status between three to five years we need to outline our ideas in a development plan.

This season, although not part of the plan officially we decided our aim should be the building of the first team ready for next season. Our other aim, and to which we are pleased to announce we are achieving hugely, is the promotion of our FHFL division 2 & 3 teams due to the merger of the leagues, ready for the start of the 2011/2012 season. With promotion the teams will sit in division two and four of the new TRELAWNEY league. Without promotion they could sit as low as division four & six which hopefully you will agree is a massive disadvantage when wanting to feed players through the teams eventually playing for the combination team.

The committee has taken a big gamble when putting reserve teams before the main first team, and speaking to a lot of clubs it's not something other clubs agree with, however we are a club

### DINNER & DANCE

Sticking with being different the club is going with the idea of a Marquee for the annual dinner and dance.

We really do feel it could be the show piece of a very successful season. The marquee which will be on the combination pitch, (outside the cricket boundary) will be a floating floor and circular tables, and inclusive of a bar and although cost well and beyond £1400 the club is willing to pay for it as we feel it will be our way of saying a huge thank you to all players and sponsors.

### SUGGESTION BOX

In the club house we have decided to place a suggestion box for anyone wanting a question or problem solved.

Slips will be available behind the bar and feel free to ask your questions to the Monday of the month at a committee meeting and we will return our thoughts to yourself personally, when we next see you.

season.

The club is in the early stages of thinking about youth football, as we see

it, youth has a massive impact on clubs for sponsorship, grants and revenue and also at the same time produces players for the future.



With the possible chance of having a link with Redruth Secondary School and funding available through the CCFA, St Day FC could see youth football as early as Easter this year. However we do not want to become too big too quickly but with funding decreasing very dramatically, and us having the chance of youth football for free, this really is a chance of a lifetime to bring youth to St Day.

MORE ON YOUTH FOOTBALL WILL FOLLOW IN THE MARCH EDITION.

A three course meal will be provided and with cheaper drinks than any hotel can offer, it's a bargain at £20 PP. This will include the night's entertainment.

There are only limited seats and posters advertising the night are going up soon so the places will go extremely quickly. Reserve your dressed to the highest specification, including seats now by seeing Adrian Walters. Tables will be of 10 people only and seating plans of the marguee will be displayed in the club house soon.



If for what ever reason you don't want to put your name on the slip or if a persistent question keeps arising then we will publish our thoughts in the following months newsletter.

We feel that you play a very important role in the committee. The box will be open on the first club's future and with your ideas on board and not on several internet sites, the positives of St Day FC can be displayed once again.

Thank you for your continuing support, and if you have anything you want answered feel free to speak to a committee member of the club at any point

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