

Caerau Ely FC Player info

Player Name	Position	Previous clubs	Background
Nicky King	GK	Bridgend Street, Cardiff Met	New signing from Bridgend street who is without a doubt one of the best shot stopper in the league.
Scott James	GK	Newport County, Goytre, Carmarthen	Experienced and highly rated keeper who is currently on loan from Carmarthen Town.
Kieran Joseph	Defender	Grange Quins, Taffs Well Youth	Powerful and pacey centre back who is now in his 3 rd season at the club. Kieran is a Welsh University representative who plays for the club with pride.
Louis Gerrard	Defender	Cardiff Corries, Taffs Well	A great distributor of the ball with the ability to strike from long range. Louis has a wonderful left foot and is in his 2 nd season at the club.
David Vincent	Defender	None	Mr Caerau Ely and club Captain who plays in his 9 th consecutive Welsh League season at Caerau. Dave is the epitome of club loyalty.
Jerome Maynard	Defender	Goytre United	New club Vice Captain and last season's Players Player and Player of the year. Also known as 'The Fridge', Jerome is a powerful full back with potential to player much higher.
Ben Burns	Defender	Bristol Academy	Young new signing who has a lot of potential. Reads the game very well and is very good on the ball.
Jerome Lawrence	Defender	Cardiff Corries, Taffs Well	A young and pacey full back who can play on the wing. Recently signed from Cardiff Corries and has a lot of potential.
Curtis Matthews	Midfield	Grange Quins, Bridgend Town and Taffs Well	Curtis is now in his 3 rd season at the club and played a major part in the promotion side. Curtis has the ability to play in a number of positions and is one of the most skilful players to grace Caerau Ely.
Huw Corne	Midfield	Cardiff Corries	Huw is a tough tackling player who can also distribute the ball well. He is extremely hard working and is a great example of the Caerau ethos.
Mamadou Diallo	Midfield	Cardiff City, Taffs Well, Llanelli	Mamadou is an exciting young player with a bright future ahead of him. A skilful and powerful midfielder who reads the game well and is able create space from nothing. Mama is a natural born leader who has a never say die attitude. A great asset to the club who will help to drive progress.

Lloyd Toghill	Midfield	Pontypridd, Ton Pentre, Taffs Well	Togsy joined the club this season and has been an instant hit. A tough tackling midfielder who has a great range of passing. A great asset to the club and exactly what we've needed for some time.
Adam Carpenter	Midfield	Bryntirion, Goytre United, Afan Lido	'Chippy' is a technically gifted player who is in his second spell with the club after having a stint in France. He has the ability to pass accurate long balls and is a real threat from set pieces.
Michael Fellows	Midfield	Chepstow, Cardiff Corries	A new addition to the club, Fellows has a great work ethic and has the ability to turn in tight areas. Fellows is a player with a lot of experience and a brilliant acquisition.
Abdighani Noor	Midfield/Forward	Cardiff City, Grange Quins	Ghani is one of the most skilful players in the team with great agility and style. He has the ability to coast past players in tight areas and is a joy to watch.
Jamal Roberts	Striker	Bridgend, Taffs Well, Afan Lido	Jamal is a player of great quality who has played for top clubs in South Wales. He is versatile and has a keen eye for goal. A great asset to the club.
Dean Clifford	Midfield/ Striker	Cardiff Corries	Signed from Cardiff Corries, Dean has impressed so far with his pace, skill and trickery. A player with a lot of potential and one to watch.
Rameer Outlaw	Striker	Bridgend, Ton Pentre, Taffs Well and many more	Much travelled striker who has made a real difference to the Caerau side. A pacey and powerful striker who is at last enjoying his football and hopefully has found his home.
Andy Smith	Striker	Cardiff Corries	Andy joined 2 seasons ago from Cardiff Corries and has been a permanent fixture in the First XI. A very skilful and quick striker who works for the team and scores fantastic goals.

CAERAU ELY AFC - A BRIEF HISTORY

Caerau Ely were formed in 1955 joining the junior division of the Cardiff Combination League. A set of red jerseys given to the club by Mr. Ron Miller of Cross Bros. AFC was to determine the colours of the club forever.

The club started its playing days on the Ely Racecourse moving on to Glyn Derw School in the eighties and then finally moving onto the Cwrt-yr-Ala ground in Ely. In 1991 they gained entry to the new Senior League and then progressed to the CC Sports Welsh League in 1998 after beating Dinas Powys 1-0 in the playoff held at Bridgend.

The history shows that after winning well over EIGHTY combined league titles and cups in its time, Caerau Ely has become one of the most successful clubs in Cardiff.

Season 04/05 we gained promotion from the 3rd Division to the 2nd finishing in the third place, we were to carry on surviving near the bottom and scraping to safety at the end of most seasons, with most players probably leaving their best days behind them, we realised we had to look at the future.

Season 06/07 saw the coming together of Caerau Ely and the youth of Llanishen Dons football club. Caerau without a representative side in the youth league approached Llanishen to invite them to join the Caerau set up. The advantages for Llanishen were obvious in that they could play at a very good level and the advantages for Caerau were that they would have a new group of young players for the future.

The first season saw the youngsters finish third in the East division and also saw an amount of players move up and take their place in the senior side, the next season they finished 2nd with even more of a presence in the first side.

Season 09/10 was the biggest in our History ending in promotion to Division One, winning 8 drawing 2 and with 1 loss in the last 11 games we took third place and with a finish like that thoroughly deserved it. On times we played with a starting eleven that didn't have a player over the age of 21, so the youth policy adopted in 06/07 had finally paid off.

The first Season in Division One went very well finishing with a respectful 5th place, which was our highest finish in our history so a great achievement, unfortunately the second season we came up very short, with major problems trying to keep hold of players and discipline on and off the pitch returning to days we thought we had moved on from we finished bottom, so a major come down from the previous season.

So we started Season 12/13 back in Division Two after a short but eye opening period in the first division, It was decided that a New Management team be brought in who would bring with them Welsh League experience and knowledge of players that could help. Nana Baah was appointed as the New manager and Immediate promotion to division one for season 2013-14 was achieved. Season 13/14 started the same as the previous with new faces and new goals, it was a tough season but a very respectful 7th place was achieved so success in our eyes as the goal was to finish in the top half which we did.

Unfortunately the summer came with the same issues players leaving for the promise of more money and so began the search for new players, and the tough task of getting them ready for the 14/15 campaign.

The start of the 14/15 campaign also saw a renewed connection with Llanishen Dons (now known as Rhiwbina FC) where we have been able to put together an Under 18's and Under 19's squad to compete in the Youth Leagues, these two teams have some quality players who will be on show no doubt this season for the 1st Team.

Hopefully next Seasons history will have some tales of bigger smiles and bigger goals.

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