

Dinas Powys FC Player Profiles – 2014-15

James Curtin – (club captain) - Keeper

In his Second season with the club. A very highly rated young keeper who signed 2013 from Cogan

Jason Perks – Keeper

A summer signing who has looked very promising in pre-season

Alexander Hales – Keeper

Former Rogerstone AFC, Clwb Cymric keeper signed in the summer

Zac Dyer – Keeper

Fantastic shot stopper with a lot of talent. A young player who has come through the junior ranks and is one for the future.

James Bloxham (captain) – Centre back

The heart of the defence, all action 100% player

Carlos Indjai – Winger/wing back

The Portuguese player has come through the youth teams and has impressed pre-season following on from an impressive season, last year.

Rizwan Ahmed – Full Back

Talented left back with fast feet. Good club man with a great desire to train hard

Akmol Ali – Fullback

A summer signing from Afan Lido. Very pacey with a great engine

Ronan Scott-Full back

Fit, energetic, technically aware footballer who has come through the Jnr ranks

Joe Briscombe – Centre back/Centre forward

Very classy player at any level. Reads the game very well. Progressed from youth level

James Marr – Centre back/Midfield

Very strong player formly with Cogan and Sully. Brings a strong influence to the defence

Mike Lazarou – Defender

Second spell at the club a good ball playing defender with an eye for goal

Rhodri Foote – Midfield/Defender

Very experienced player who had been with Dinas since 8 year old. Left for pastures new a few years back and it is great to have him back this season.

Jordan Dimitri- Midfield

Jordan has been with the club since a junior football. Pressing hard to progress this season. Recently selected for the Wales LD squad

Timothy Glossop – Centre Back

Tim has come through the junior ranks and in his second season with the senior squads

Steven Miller – Midfield

Pacey wide player with a great engine, can fill in at full back

Stephen Provis – Centre Midfield

Has been with the club from a young age. Left at the start of last season but is now back where he belongs.

Great player to have around

Jack Coles – Centre Midfield

Signed this season after really impressing following a training session back in March, just missing the transfer deadline last year. Doesn't panic and a very good ball player

Luke Swaffield – Midfield

Former Cardiff City academy player, Luke is now in his second season with the club, the fittest player in the squad. Fans favorite

Mamadu Banguraso – Midfield

Very good natural ability with his feet, can play as a holder or wide. Formerly of Ely Rangers

Khalid Inyang – Midfield

Powerful central midfielder. Strong character on and off the pitch, signed in the summer

Kieron James – Midfield

New signing this year. Previous clubs include the Town and Ponty. Recently joined Dinas and has shone in pre-season

Atif Bashir – Midfield

Recently signed from Barry Town United. Atif has plenty of experience to offer this young squad and after a long lay off will be looking to put a mark down to show he is back to full fitness.

Aiden Perret – Midfield

New signing previously played with Cardiff Met, great feet and has the ability to beat a player

Jasper Morgan – Midfield

Former Team Swansea and Clydach Wasps player, signed in the summer. Pacey wide player

Omar Omar- winger

Tricky player who likes to run with the ball. Popped up with goals preseason

James Alloway – Attacking Midfield/Forward

Summer signing with experience at Welsh League level. Good character to have around the team and is a good influence on the younger players

Ben Ah-mun – Forward

Talented player who creates things out of nothing, looking very sharp in preseason games. Offers a lot as a forward.

Sam Johnson – Forward

Sammy joined in summer following a spell with the club as junior player, recently played at Newport and Bristol academies. Surprised a lot of the senior players with his pace and coolness. One for the future.

John Dakin – Forward

Big John a very powerful old fashioned centre forward with lovely feet for a big man formerly of Gorseinon College, Llanelli u18, Ammanford afc, Llangennech afc, Clwb Cymric fc

Ryan Garland – Midfield/Forward

Young, attacking player who has recently captained the Welsh LD team. Very composed on the ball and growing with maturity in each game. Another one for the future, who has been with the club since under 8's.

Dimitri Fallas – Forward

Dibs to his team mates is a player who has come through the Youth team and has a proven track record for goals. Once fit, hopefully he can carry on from last season.

Luke Garland – Wing Back/Fullback

Young player who has just moved into youth this season but another to watch, who has impressed during pre-season. Been with the club since under 8's

King Junior Mwedzo – Forward

Signed in the summer, having been on trial at Cardiff, Swansea and Newport. Very talented young player, who can beat a player with ease.

Anaxi Da Silva Pina – Forward

Must be the fastest player in the league. Formerly of Ely Rangers.

Nicholas Bruce - Wing Back/Fullback

Talented individual who has been encouraged to push on and show off his skills more this season

Jack Preston – Striker

After having a season away from the club the young striker rejoined last season following a broken ankle. Big and strong and one to watch for the future.

Mabon Evans - Defender

Last season's player of the year for the under 16's. Reads the game well and is strong in the tackle

Luke Swain – Forward

A former Cardiff City Academy player who is naturally gifted and knows where the net is. Recently been selected for the Welsh LD squad. Another player to progress from the junior ranks

Tom Edwards – Midfield/Defender

Player with bags of ability that can play anywhere on the field. Come through the junior section.

Reuben Bryl – Midfield

A young player with superb technical ability, who has progressed through the junior ranks.

Charlie Baister – Winger

Another young talented player with pace to burn. Been with the club since under 8's

Callum Keating – Midfield

A hard working young midfielder who has recently joined the club after being with Sully right through the junior ranks

Alex Donovan – Midfield/Forward

A strong young player who strikes the ball sweetly, another to progress from the under16's

Mathew Bennett – Midfield

Former Newport Academy junior who has progressed from the under 16's

Cian Taylor – Midfield

Hard working, tough tackling young player that relishes a challenge. Another player to progress from under 16's

Dan Watts – Centre Half

Very aggressive, hard tackling player who is a natural leader on the field, been with the club since under 8's

Gavin Lewis – Midfield

A young player with a great engine and a great appetite for work-rate, another to progress from the junior section

Mason Ah-mun - Midfield

Talented young player who broke his leg last year and has just returned to the club after a couple of seasons away.

Rhys Harlin – Defender

Reliable, hard working defender who has come through the junior system

Management team

Lee Saunders – Been with the club a number of years working with Ladies and junior section at Dinas Powys. Heads the PG10 centre, in the Vale. Has a lot of experience coaching and developing players for the past two decades

Richie Garland – Been with the club for over 30 years as a junior player, senior player, and a coach & manager with the junior and senior section.

Rhodri Foote - Been with the club since junior football. Has had a few years away but has returned this season as a player as well as helping out with the management and coaching

Scott Cosgrove – UEFA qualified goal keeper coach recently joined Dinas Powys

Introduction to Dinas Powys Football Club

The village of Dinas Powys is situated within the Vale of Glamorgan, four miles west of Cardiff and is regarded as providing home for professional commuters. Dinas Powys Football Club is an integral part of village life and has established a close connection for the past thirty years through our junior, senior and more recent ladies section.

The junior section provides organised football for boys and girls through qualified coaches/managers trained to a minimum FAW Leaders level, for over 300 children from ages six to seventeen, fielding twenty-six teams every Saturday morning and junior girl's teams on Sunday morning in the newly established Vale League. As a responsible organisation within the community we have in conjunction with the Vale of Glamorgan, trained and appointed a Child Protection Officer whose duties will involve understanding the needs of players, parents and coaches. As part of our goal of quality and excellence in sport we have also embarked on a nationally recognised grading accreditation in excellence and are currently at Silver level.

The ladies section consists of one senior team who have now embarked on their fourth competitive season in the South Wales Women's League. The ladies section has established them as an integral part of the club structure and has become a welcome addition to the club.

The senior section is currently made up of five teams; the youth team who play in the Welsh League Youth Division East and are the lifeblood of the club and as so are encouraged and afforded opportunities to progress through the senior ranks; Two senior teams, all of whom gain regular success in both league and cup competition throughout South Wales and finally the Veterans team who are made up of ex-players and club members wishing to have a regular game of competitive football.

The flagship of the club, the first team, has gained unparalleled success over the last few years winning the first division title of The South Wales Amateur League over three consecutive seasons, a feat which has never before been achieved in the long history of that league. In 1998 the first team won the FA of Wales Carlsberg Amateur Trophy, which is a very prestigious trophy with teams from all over Wales competing. As a result of this success the club has been profiled on Channel Four Wales sports programme 'Goal', and was voted the village club of the year in Football Magazine 1998.

In 2000 the club secured Welsh League status after winning a playoff, against the winner of the South Wales Senior League. This gave the club the opportunity to play in the higher profile Welsh League, and compete in the Welsh Cup against teams of the standard of Bangor City and Barry Town who have subsequently gone on to play in European Cup football.

After gaining promotion from the third Division in 2002 in the runners up position, season 2003 saw the club win the second division Championship of the Welsh league at the first attempt, to take the club to the pinnacle of the Welsh league, the first division. Our first season at this level saw the first team finishing in sixth place in the first division and although the subsequent season was not so successful.

In 2007-08 the Club achieved its highest ever position in Welsh Football by finishing 2nd in Division One; just a whisker away from gaining the Title. Following relegation to Welsh League Division Two in 2010, the only step back in more than ten years of progress, the club is striving to regain Division One status as soon as possible.