



NEWSLETTER No. 3

As promised in Newsletter 2 (March 2023) this is the next instalment of information the board are able to share with you all. Hopefully this will enlighten you all as to what is going on.

News from the Board

The Board of Directors is now fully subscribed.

Players of walking football are invited to become members of the LBG, and all players are welcome to join. Please contact a member of the board if you wish to do so. There are many benefits to becoming a member of the LBG. Ask a board member for details.

Accounts

Trevor Crittall has agreed to become the Treasurer and Board Member of the GWFC. There will not be any changes to the way monies are accepted or paid in.

The club is in a good position financially at present. However, we continue to be actively looking for club sponsorship and specific event sponsors.

Committees

We are looking for volunteers to fill the positions on our committees, so please let us know if you are able to help.

Without these committees we cannot arrange the events below easily or arrange other events either on island or away.

Competitive Events

We would like to hold the following events in 2023.

- Fleet Air Arm V o60s Guernsey – confirmed for 22 September 2023 late afternoon at KGV. Training to start after Island Games.
- A Walking Football Festival in Sept/Oct 2023 to coincide with a visit from Jersey.
- An away match against Jersey.
- England Ladies V Guernsey Ladies - provisionally for Sept/Oct 2023, training to start after Island Games.
- Visit to a South Coast UK based Tournament.
- Wednesday Group, Social Prescribing Guernsey v Parkinsons UK. Scheduled for 17 Sept 2023. This is the perfect opportunity to come and see the excellent work that the Wednesday group are doing. *More details to follow.*



Please come and support these events if you can.

Club Members Meeting

We would like to call a meeting of the club members and social members to be held in September/October 2023. Final date and times will be advised when known.

This will be an important meeting so can we encourage as many of you as possible to attend

Media/Facebook

The Players Only page on Facebook continues to be a popular and is an excellent way of passing on information, please continue to use it.

We are looking at other ways of communication, and intend to use emails, the website, as well as handouts at sessions as we don't all have access to Facebook.

If you have any other suggestions to improve communication, please pass them on to a board member.

SportsMark

We continue to strive to attain the SportMark Accreditation awarded by the Guernsey Sports Commission. We are very close to receiving it. more to follow on this.

Sponsorship

We now have volunteers who are willing to assist the club in seeking sponsorship both short and long term. It is hoped that this avenue will secure us a long - term club sponsor.

Disciplinary Procedures

As part of the SportsMark Accreditation criteria the board have reviewed and implemented this procedure. Any complaint against a player or director should be submitted in writing to a board member. The Board will meet to hear complaints. The outcome will be given in writing to the person who the complaint is made against and the complainant.

Long Term non attendees.

The board are writing to these members to establish why they have decided to give up Walking Football. If they reply, all responses will remain confidential. If there are any reasons highlighted that can be changed in the way the coaches run the sessions, then they will be considered.



World Cup

Those, of you, who paid an amount of money back in early 2022 towards participating in training etc are able to receive their money back. Please speak to Rick on this.

Interclub Competition

We are now well into the next round of competitions. Feedback on how this is going would be welcomed by the players involved. How are we doing? Could we be doing something different? Responses to Rick please or to info@gwfc.gg.

Christmas Meal

Date for your diary **15 December 2023**. Venues being considered.

Future Newsletters

The intention is to produce a newsletter quarterly – if there is enough content.

Thanks for you continued support.

Rick

Operational Committee Chairman