

COXA FOOTBALL SECTION SEASON 2013/2014

So, another tough season has come to an end. Although there was no silverware to celebrate this year, our fourth XI did manage promotion. And, having retained four league teams, plus the addition of a Vets team into the AFC vets cup for next year, things are hopeful for the coming season, but they always are when the sun is shining, and pre-season training hasn't started...

Here are the final League standings:

1st XI: P 20, W 9, D 2, L 9, finishing 6th of 11 in Senior Division Two

2nd XI: P 18, W 6, D 0, L 12 finishing 7th of 10 in Division Two South

3rd XI: P 16, W 2, D 4, L 10 finishing 8th of 9 Division Four South

4th XI: P 18, W 11, D 1, L 6 finishing 2nd of 10 in Division Eight South, gaining promotion for next year.

Pre-season will be starting in late July / early August with league games starting in mid-September, so by the time the World Cup is out of the way, we'll be almost back into the new season. We have two skippers staying on in their roles for next season;

Matt Benedict with the 1st XI and **Tommy Cawkwell** with the 4th

XI. Stepping down this season are **Chris Sheen** and **Richard Williams** from the 2nd XI, to be replaced by **Derek Mensah**, and **Martin McGourty** and **Wes Graham** from the 3rd XI, to be replaced by **Jack Cregan** and **Richard Blair**. As ever, thanks to the captains, officials and everyone else who donates their time and energy to support and sustain the Football Section.

Stepping down from direct involvement with the section this season is **Mike Garvey**, who has been a driving force behind the football section over the last few years, both as Club Captain and last season, crucially, as Fixtures Secretary. Hopefully his will be just a one-year break, and we'll see him back involved in 2015/16. Thanks to Mike on behalf of all of those involved with COXA football.

Finally, I know this will be covered elsewhere in Concordia, but once again on behalf of the Football Section, I'd like to pass on our condolences re the passing of **Seamus Burke**. Seamus was a regular in the clubhouse last season, happily giving his time on a Saturday afternoon and evening to help run the bar as and when needed. He will be deeply missed.

Connor Rooney Football Club Captain