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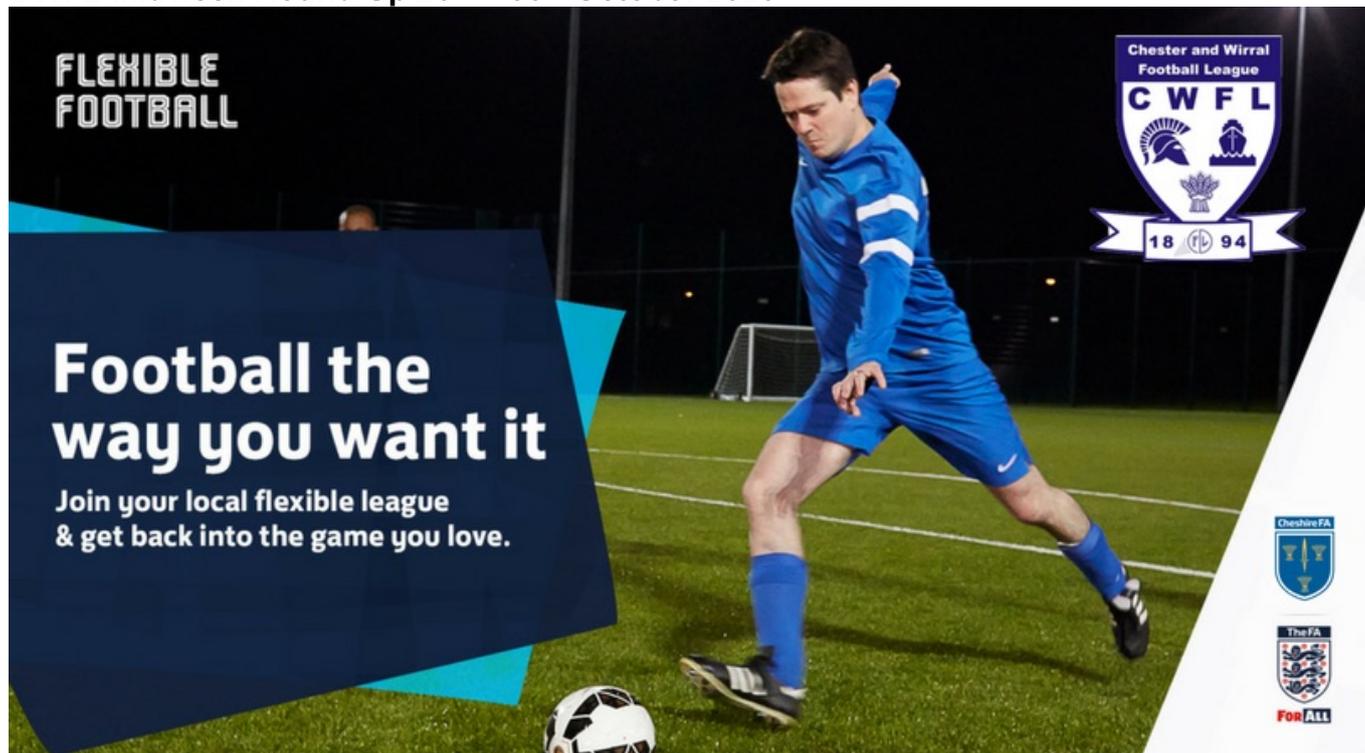
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CWFL Midweek Round Up 26th – 30th October 2020



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In the **CWFL Link Up Monday Night Flexi Division at Ellesmere Port Sports Village** Crossway beat Ship Argyle 3-2. The Ships goals came courtesy of Keenan Butler and Stevie Cane. In the nights other game Unathletico Madrid went down 5-0 to Ellesmere Port Villa.

On Friday night in the **CWFL Link Up Flexi Division at Warrington** Winwick Athletic lost 9-0 to Albion Sports who had Simon Cade 3, Ryan Logsden 3, Jack Challinor, Charlie Moore and Ben Brown hit the net. In a much tighter game Connor Lynch and Ross Avies netted for Unknown FC in their 3-2 win over UoC Warrington. Bradley Amos and Tom Whitcut were the Uni scorers.

At Northwich in the **CWFL Link Up Flexi Division Moss Farm** Towers FC mover second after a 2-0 win over Middlewich Tide thanks to goals from James Taylor and Mark Robson. Kyle Catteral and Fin Hutton were on target for Weaver Fever in their 2-0 win over Club Carter.

At the **CWFL Link Up Flexi Division Vauxhalls CM** Ship Argyle FC and Chesternazionale drew 2-2, Liam Fitzpatrick with a brace for Ship and Jed Lloyd and Paul Kevin for the Naz. In the last game of the night Sean Harwood and Ben Winder were on the score sheet for Port FC as they beat The Youth FC 2-1, Shakeel Sterling replying for Youth.

Sadly the games in the **CWFL Link Up Flexi Division Vauxhalls W** had to be pulled at the last minute due to the COVID -19 travel restrictions that are currently affecting the North West of England.

The Monday Night divisions at Blacon High and Neston High are both due to kick off in November.

CWFL Round Up Saturday 31st October 2020

In the **CWFL Queensferry Sports Premier Division** all games were postponed due to the weather and pitch conditions.

Cestrian Alex remain top of the **CWFL Olympic Trophies Championship A** after beating Chester Nomads III 3-1 in their top of the table clash. Goals from Aaron Rowland, Matt Steel and Elliot Davies earned Tom Appleby's men the points and inflicted a first defeat of the season on Nomads III who had Zac Caveney on target. Christleton FC climb to fifth after their 4-1 win over Hoole Rangers with goals coming from Dan Ward, Joe Layder, Ben Gale and Ben Waring. Ryan Primrose was the Hoole scorer. It was a bad day at the office for Hoole Rovers who went down 10-1 to Upton JFC Youth who had Caelen McGovern 2, Jack Sconce 2, Mac Johnson 2, Adam Mearns, Jake Rockall, Matty Wood and Sam Crimes on target.

In the **CWFL Olympic Trophies Championship B** Waggon and Horses are top of the table after their 4-0 win over Chester Nomads IV with goals from Ellis Moore and a Chris Varney hat-trick. This was Waggon's fourth clean sheet in a row with George Mortimer pleased with how his new side is coming together. Winsford Saxons got back on the winning track with a fine 4-2 win over Rossmore Rangers thanks to strikes from Dylan Williams, Joe Evans, Stephen Snape and Charlie Woodward. Ryan Bower hit both goals for Rossmore.

In the **CWFL Tarvin Precision Vets Division Two** Dee Rangers Vets and Nags Head Bunbury Vets shared the spoils after their game ended in a 3-3 draw. Henry Buckley scored all the Nags Head goals. Stephen Salisbury 2, Marc Baiton, Ray Whyard and Joe Flett were the scorers for Frodsham Park Vets in their 5-3 win over Hartford Vets who had Adam Conkie, Adam Sproston and Andy Marlor on the scoresheet.

In the **CWFL Tarvin Precision Vets Division Three** Ellesmere Port Red Lions Vets drew 3-3 with Great Sutton Vets.

The issues regarding localised lock downs and the new travel restrictions due to COVID-19 have been causing a major problem for the CWFL and it's provision of grassroots football across its geographical area. At the moment teams are unsure as to whether games will be allocated due to these restrictions and this is causing a lot of uncertainty for teams and the league as a whole. Taking on board local Government and FA advice the CWFL are now taking a pragmatic look into they can fixture games moving forward in a way that sees ALL teams playing competitive football week in week out.

Way back in June at its AGM the CWFL had the foresight to build in a plan for this very scenario by keeping divisions low on numbers and concentrating on their league program once play started in September. The league feels that is now in the very position they planned for and with most of the teams already completing a quarter of the league fixtures it would now appear that the time is right for the CWFL to put a hold on all fixtures in the CWFL 2020-2021 season with affect from Monday 2nd November 2020 with the exception of the CWFL Tarvin Precision Vets Division Two. This division will continue as normal as all teams are from the same Tier area.

The league stress' though that they are not stopping football for anyone, merely adapting the competition to allow every team, no matter what tier they are in, the opportunity to continue to play competitive football on a weekly basis. The current competition will be suspended and it will be replaced with a "Nightingale Competition" that will see teams placed into divisions of 4 or 5 teams. These Nightingale divisions will see teams placed within their own tier and where possible, their own playing ability. They will allow teams to keep playing as long as there are travel restrictions in place. Each divisional winner will receive a trophy and they will be accredited on the CWFL honours list at the end of the season.

A total of 9 Nightingale Divisions will be formed. Divisions are based on Tier, Open Age or Vets and league standings where possible. Teams will play each other a minimum of once and hopefully will see play through to at least the Christmas break. Once completed the CEFL will then be in a position to assess the situation and either restart the 2020-2021 campaign or to run another Nightingale competition. These divisions may be adapted should any teams not wish to enter.

It is known that most teams have players who reside out of their tier area. What is proposed is that these individuals will form a pool of players. These players will then be allocated to teams who play in the tier area where they live. It will be a sort of "Loan agreement" that will see these players return to their usual clubs once the tier restrictions are eased and the CWFL 2020-2021 competition resumes. All of this will be done with no extra charge to any club. This group of players will only be eligible for the Nightingale competitions in the CWFL and not for any outside cups unless a full transfer is undertaken with the blessing of the players original club.

Once things normalise on the other side of this current situation the CWFL is extremely well placed to restart the main competition even if lock down ends in March in a worst case scenario as fixtures can be played until the end of June and there will be ample time to conclude all divisions and thus avoid any PPG or Null and Void options.

This is subject to any further actions and notices from the government or the FA.