

## SSA MERCHANDISE

T-Shirts (XL & L) in blue or white—£7

T-Shirts (Age 6-7 & 9-11) in white—£5

Key Fobs, blue leather back—£3.50

Metal Pin Badges—£2 (£2.50 to non-members)

Please add 50p postage and packing to each order. Please send your order to our address at the front of this newsletter.

## WIN £50 IN OUR PREDICT A LOSER COMPETITION

To enter simply select the teams you think will finish bottom of each division. If the side you select finish bottom you score 1 point, 2nd bottom 2 points etc, etc. The player with the least points wins. Also don't forget to answer the tie-breaker which is below. The sides in each division are as follows:

Premiership: Arsenal, A Villa, Birmingham, Blackburn, Bolton, Charlton, Chelsea, Everton, Fulham, Leeds, Liverpool, Man C, Man U, Middlesborough, Newcastle, Southampton, Sunderland, Spurs, West Brom, West Ham.

Div 1: Bradford, Brighton, Burnley, Coventry, C Palace, Derby, Gillingham, Grimsby, Ipswich, Leicester, Millwall, Norwich, N Forest, Portsmouth, Preston, Reading, Rotherham, Sheff U, Sheff W, Stoke, Walsall, Watford, Wimbledon, Wolves.

Div 2: Barnsley, Blackpool, Brentford, Bristol C, Cardiff, Cheltenham, Cheaterfield, Colchester, Crewe, Huddersfield, Luton, Mansfield T (don't you dare!!), Northampton, Notts Co, Oldham, Peterboro, Plymouth, Port V, QPR, Stockport, Swindon, Tranmere, Wigan, Wycombe.

Div 3: Boston, Bournemouth, Bristol R, Bury, Cambridge, Carlisle, Darlington, Exeter, Hartlepool, Hull, Kidderminster, Orient, Lincoln, Macclesfield, Oxford, Rochdale, Rushden, Scunthorpe, Shrewsbury, Southend, Swansea, Torquay, Wrexham, York  
TIE BREAK: Name the losing FA Cup Finalist.

**Entry is £1 per form.** To enter simply select the side from each division you think will finish bottom, write them on a piece of paper inc. the answer to the tie break question. Don't forget to add your name, address, phone and membership number. The winner will receive a cheque for £50 at the end of the season.

Send the completed entry to our address at the front of this newsletter, not forgetting to include the fee of £1 per entry. Good Luck everyone.

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Stags Supporters Association

# FROM THE MILL



## COME ON YOU STAGS!!

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Welcome to the first issue of the SSA newsletter of the new season and we'd like to take this opportunity to wish the lads all the best for the new season in Division 2. The Stags have lined up a couple of very attractive pre-season friendlies at Field Mill against Division One neighbours Nottingham Forest and Derby County. We also are at home for our first home game of the season where, ironically, Plymouth Argyle are the visitors, remember it was they who beat Cheltenham on the last day of the season to help secure our promotion. Perhaps we owe them a drink, but not 3 points as its vital we get off to a good start.

## OPEN DAY—SUN 21ST JULY 11AM-5PM

SSA have once again played a major role in the organisation of the MTFC Open Day. Amongst the attractions are the usual stadium tours, the chance to meet the players, the SSA Stall, classic car and gardening displays, men and women 5-a-side competition, Mansfield 103.2 roadshow and much, much more. SSA have also hired two games to really test your football skill (or not!!). The first is a huge inflatable 5-a-side bar football game and the second a speed cage where you can test how hard your shot is!! A great days fun is guaranteed for all the family so please give the event your support.

## Contact The Stags Supporters Association

Contact us by any of the following means:

**NEW!! Leave a message on our mobile: 07967 689597**

**E-Mail: ssa@stagsnet.com - Internet at: <http://www.stagsnet.com>**

**Post: SSA, PO Box 6430, Kirkby-In-Ashfield, Notts, NG17 8RA**

## WELCOME TO:

SSA would like to warmly welcome central defenders Neil Moore and Dion Scott to the club. At the time of writing these were the only two new faces so far, but with a variety of players on trial we are certain they won't be the last. Neil joins us after two very successful seasons with Conference side Telford United. Neil impressed so much he was capped at England Semi-Pro level, indeed he captained the side in a recent 4 nations tournament. Dion Scott joins the Stags after failing to break through at Walsall. He made a good impression whilst on loan at Conference champions Boston United and is seen by boss Stuart Watkiss as one for the future.

## SSA LATEST NEWS

**EXTENDING TUNNEL** SSA have purchased an extending tunnel for the club at a cost of £2,000. Remember it is your membership and support that helps us invest in our club. **SAMMY THE STAG** We at SSA have been constantly telling the club we need the return of Sammy and are therefore delighted that Sammy, complete with new suit, will be back for the new season!! **FIELD MILL REDEVELOPMENT MAGAZINES—HALF PRICE** We still have around 50 magazines left, which will be on sale at the Open Day. However, to make sure you get your copy, if you haven't already got one, then they are available at half price (£2.50) plus 50p P&P. Please send a cheque for £3 per magazine made payable to "SSA" to: SSA Magazine, PO Box 6430, Kirkby-In-Ashfield, Notts, NG17 8RA. **MEMBERSHIP FIGURES** Current membership figures (at 8 Jul 02) are as follows: Blue: 448; Amber: 105; Junior: 261; TOTAL: 814.

**SSA SPONSORSHIP** SSA have this season sponsored newcomer Dion Scott and Physio Barry Statham. SSA are also pleased to announce that once again next season we are to be sponsored by Andrew Saunders Insurance Services, 17 Ratcliffe Gate, Mansfield, Tel: 01623 624409.

**JUNIOR STAGS** Our Junior Members will from now on be known as Junior Stags—a new junior newsletter will be out soon giving further information of what this change means, though SSA will of course continue to administer the group as before.

## AWAY TRAVEL

All official travel to away games is now done through SSA. To book a place please leave your name and membership number on our mobile phone number or by e-mail. A full price list will be published on Stagsnet soon, the Plymouth match programme and hopefully appear in the local press. From mid-September this will be a members only service.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**The SSA Annual General Meeting will be held at William IV (Top House), Sutton Road, Mansfield on Saturday 3rd August 2002. The meeting commences at 8pm and we hope an official from MTFC will be present to have a chat with those in attendance. Remember, this is the best opportunity you have as members to shape what we, as an organisation, do for the rest of the season. Please support this essential evening—admission is FREE.**

## SSA ON THE NET

For all the latest news and views from Field Mill log into SSA's website at [www.stagsnet.com](http://www.stagsnet.com). Also MTFC has a much improved official web site at [www.mansfieldtown.net](http://www.mansfieldtown.net) which is well worth adding to your favourites!!

## AMBER MEMBERSHIP

To enable us to invest in MTFC we rely heavily on the money raised from our Amber Membership. For just £4 per month you can enrol as an Amber Member and enjoy additional benefits such as 10% club shop discount and free entry to our £50 per month cash draw. If you wish to upgrade your membership then please call us on our mobile number, drop us an e-mail or write to us—the details of how to contact us are on the front page. We will then send you an application form.