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Proud to honour Stan

We were delighted that Stan Ternent accepted honorary life membership of the Clarets Trust. Stan was a player at the Club in the 1960s when the team were probably at their greatest ever. With a brilliant squad at that time it was very difficult to get into the first team.

Stan was manager of the Clarets from June 1998 to June 2004 – some 312 games. Under him the Club re-established itself in the higher



ranks of English Football when, in the 1999/2000 season, he secured promotion for the team from the Second Division to the First. With this promotion he laid the foundation for our return to the top tier. A true Claret, his passion and enthusiasm have always been second to none.

The presentation was made at his home by Peter Pike and Liam Hallinan, with Terry Hephrun. Stan was thrilled to receive this much-deserved recognition.

Trust campaigning hard for fans

At Clarets Trust we're constantly working on various campaigns, all of which are issues that matter to BFC supporters and the collective family of hard-working, devoted football fans nationwide.

We work closely with organisations such as the National Football Supporters Association (FSA) to make sure we select the right campaigns to get involved in and thanks to this relationship with the FSA, we regularly meet with representatives from the Premier League to give Burnley fans a voice on the big stage and to make the things that matter to you a priority at the highest level of our beloved game.

We're clear about our objectives as a group and will continue working hard on campaigns that can have a meaningful impact on supporters' lives – to

make our lives better as fans of Burnley FC and fans of football.

As always, we put you first, so we welcome your feedback on anything that we're doing – contact us on info@claretstrust.co.uk (or on Twitter @ClaretsTrust) to ask any questions or to find out more about any of our campaigns. Here are some of what we are actively managing at the moment;

- Safe Standing (Stand up for choice)
- Kick-off Times
- Diversity
- No to European Super League
- Matchday Experience
- Away Travel

See <https://claretstrust.co.uk/our-campaigns> for more information.

Trust take a stand to help the environment

This will be the last newsletter that we print and post to members. Recently, we have become more aware of our environmental impact. So we have decided to go digital wherever possible.

If you currently receive a paper copy, you just need to send us your email address to continue

being sent it electronically. Alternatively, you can visit our website www.claretstrust.co.uk, where each newsletter will be posted when it comes out.

There will be a very few printed copies available at the Trust's stand in the fanzone at home games as part of BFC in the Community's presence.



IF YOU HAVE EMAIL AND STILL RECEIVE YOUR NEWSLETTER, ETC. BY POST, PLEASE LET US HAVE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS: WE CAN CUT OUR COSTS ENORMOUSLY BY DOING THIS. (IT WILL MAKE US GREENER, TOO!)



Chairman's statement

Turning the corner in the New Year

It does not seem possible that we are already into February – 2019 seems a long time ago. A year ago we were hoping that the New Year would prove to be a good year for the Club. At that stage we were clearly facing relegation having had a poor start to the season. The heavy defeat by Everton at Christmas 2018 proved to be a turning point. We had a much better second half to the season and secured our place in the Premier League for a fourth successive year.

This year three defeats in row at Christmas followed from a reasonable start to the season: a period in which we were in the top half of the table for much of the time. Those Christmas defeats heralded a rapid fall down the table. The two great wins over Leicester City and Manchester United certainly boosted morale after the Christmas/New Year wobble. And a point from the goalless draw against Arsenal kept us on target.

We always knew it would be tough in the top League, but it really is great to see

Burnley there – and on their own merit.

While the FA Cup is still a great competition to win, clearly survival in the Premiership must be the main target and to achieve that again would be a massive boost to the Club. So the loss to Norwich City in the Cup was disappointing but does ensure we can concentrate on securing our place in the Premier League.

The transfer window has now closed and has been a relatively a quiet one but we welcome latest signing Josh Brownhill and wish him well as he joins the Clarets.

The new Supporters Board has now been established and we hope it proves to be a good thing for both the Club and fans.

The Clarets Trust wishes everyone involved with BFC, including all members, fans and supporters, a belated happy new year. We hope it is peaceful and healthy for you all.

I hope the new year proves to be a good one for Burnley and the whole area.

Peter Pike

Chair, Clarets Trust



We wish Josh Brownhill well as he joins the Clarets

Changes for Clarets Trust Board

Chris Johnson recently left the Clarets Trust Board, having been a member for over a year. He brought energy and enthusiasm and we thank him for his work. Chris had taken a big lead in improving facilities for disabled fans at Turf Moor.

There are vacancies on the Board, so if you are interested do get in touch.

We welcome Maggie Lishman as a new Clarets Board Member. Maggie is



Welcome: Maggie Lishman

already well known in the town and will be an asset. She said:

'Burnley football team

means a lot to most people in our town.

'I've been a season ticket holder at Burnley since 2005. I sit with friends and family in the Upper Jimmy Mac stand watching the ups and downs of the team and celebrating their successes.

'The club plays an important role in the town and the Clarets Trust plays its part in that. I hope that I can contribute to the work the Trust does.'

Changes at Burnley FC

Earlier in the season the Trust welcomed Anita Goodenough as she moved over from Burnley Football Club in the Community to be the club's new Supporter Liaison Officer. We are working with her on an ongoing basis.

We reiterate our thanks to Harriet Harbridge who left the role in July 2019 to become Manchester City's Disabled Support Liaison Officer. We had built a good working relationship with her and of course said our goodbyes and wished her the best of luck.

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Clarets Trust sponsors Burnley FC Women's matches

The Clarets Trust are again sponsoring Burnley FC Women this season as part of our ongoing commitment to support the Burnley FC family, encourage diversity, and reach out to the wider footballing community.

We are partnering up to sponsor two matches in the FA Women's National League, on 8 and 29 March. Kick off is at 2pm at the Ruby Civil



Arena in Padiham.

First opponents are Loughborough Foxes, followed by Stoke City.

Look out for more information coming soon with details about how you can join us at these matches at a reduced rate through your Trust membership.

Women's football is definitely on the up, and the Trust is proud to support BFCW.

Brian Pilkington: 1933-2020



The Clarets Trust is sorry to hear of the sad death of Brian Pilkington in a care home in Adlington. Brian has been suffering with health problems for some time. The Trust extends our sincere sympathy to all Brian's family and friends. He was truly a great Claret.

Brian was a key member of the title-winning team, only missing one game that season. He scored the first goal in the final game against Manchester City at Maine Road which gave BFC the title.

Brian was a key member of the title winning team

He signed for Burnley in 1951 and played his first game against Spurs in September 1952. He was called up to do his National Service in 1954 but continued to play for the Clarets. Following the departure of Elliott to Sunderland in the summer of 1953, Brian became a regular in the first team.

In October 1954 he won his only full England cap in the Belfast game against Northern Ireland. The following season, he continued to feature for the Clarets, scoring his last two goals for the club in the victory over Hamburg in the European Cup tie at Turf Moor. The following season he was transferred to Bolton.

Bury no more (for now)

The football world was rocked when two northern football Clubs came under threat of being expelled from the Football League.

Bury were expelled in August after failing to secure new ownership. A last-gasp take-over bid collapsed, despite requests for the Club to be given longer. Bolton looked on in relief as they narrowly escaped a similar fate.

The Shakers were not allowed to start the Sky Bet League One season after the club and its owner Steve Dale were unable to prove they would be able to finance the forthcoming campaign. Dale has courted a great deal of controversy after buying the Club for just £1, not paying players for weeks and failing to provide any kind of financial guarantees over the future of the Club.

But the fans still refuse to give up without

a fight. Bury's Supporters Trust together with other fan groups organised a fundraising match between former players back in October at nearby Radcliffe FC and with the match sold out they raised over £14,000 to revive the club – either to support any buyer who came forward to purchase the existing Bury FC, or to set up a new, 'phoenix' side.

The group behind it all are hoping to start again in the North West Counties Football League (divisions at the ninth and tenth tier of English football) and has submitted a proposal under the name Bury AFC.

A statement said: 'The North West Counties Football League on Tuesday received an application from a newly formed club, Bury AFC, for membership of the League for season 2020-21.'

FSA challenge FA Cup ticket pricing

The Clarets Trust have joined with Football Supporters' Association in criticising FA Cup ticket pricing after a rule change freed up host clubs to charge whatever they like.

The anomaly came to light when Wolves fans at Manchester United were forced to pay up to £55 for the privilege, the highest away prices seen in this year's third round.

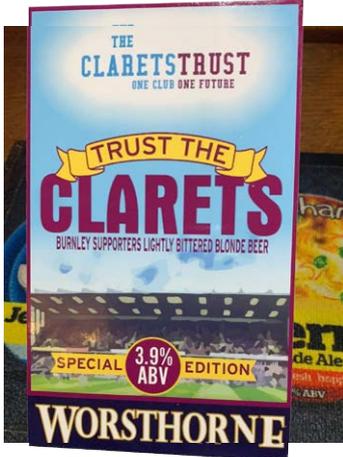
Ticket pricing for away fans used to be agreed by both clubs, until the 2017 change.

The FSA said: 'After a successful campaign Premier League clubs agreed to a £30 cap for away fans and we don't see why the FA Cup should be used as an excuse to bump up costs and rip off match-going fans. Keep the FA Cup affordable.'

COMING SOON

THE TRUST BOARD APOLOGISE FOR THE CANCELLATION OF THE CHARITY RACE NIGHT PLANNED FOR LATE LAST YEAR. GOOD NEWS THOUGH, WE ARE CURRENTLY PLANNING ONCE AGAIN TO HOST THE EVENT. THE DETAILS ARE NOT YET CONFIRMED BUT IT WILL BE IN THE SPRING, AND COMING TO A PLACE VERY NEAR YOU! WATCH THIS SPACE...

Trust the Clarets... to have a nice pint!



The Clarets Trust have teamed up with local brewing alchemists Worsthorne Brewing Company Ltd to produce a special edition beer. 'Trust The Clarets' is a light, refreshing blonde ale with a floral, spicy finish. Also at only 3.9% ABV, it is a great session strength beer.

For every barrel sold the Trust benefit from a small contribution, helping us to continue to campaign on your behalf. Double the reason to have a pint or two! It is available at various pubs in the Burnley area. Give it a try and let us know what you think @ClaretsTrust (always drink responsibly).

UPDATE FROM THE CAPE TOWN OTTERY PROJECT



The following message was received by email from Moosa Mahadick who heads up the Ottery Project, which gives homeless street boys a chance to rebuild their lives and get away from crime and drugs. Over recent years we have supplied them, with the help of BFC, several loads of kit. Football plays a large part in their rehabilitation.

We have more kit to get out to Cape Town and wish the Ottery Clarets more success on the pitch in 2020.

'Our boys wear their Clarets Kit proudly and I am so pleased to let you know that our lads won the zonal under-16 soccer

league. They were presented with medals and we are so proud of their achievement.

'We are following Burnley's progress intently and I am really disappointed with VAR ruling against us on that Chris Wood goal! We are really playing well but lady luck appears to elude us. I do hope to come to Turf Moor one day and cheer our team on. I think Sean Dyche is really making a huge difference and has built up a very tight unit with great team spirit. I hope we can get a couple of victories again to keep the upward momentum as this is a very tough and unpredictable 2019/20 season.'

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Supporters Board begins

Nearly 15 years ago the Clarets Trust formed a relationship with Burnley Football Club called the Alliance; and there was a written agreement as to how this would work. At the time the Club's future was far from guaranteed. As time progressed this relationship developed and many issues were discussed such as ticket pricing, facilities for the disabled, ground developments etc. The Club were represented at these meetings by the Chief Executive and other senior Club staff.

After a few years the arrangement was changed to include two members from the Supporters Forum. These liaison meetings worked very well to the mutual benefit of both the Club and the supporters.

David Baldwin, the current Chief Executive, wanted to introduce a Supporters Board, as he had done successfully at Bradford. After discussions with the Liaison Committee working as a Steering Group a Supporters Board has been appointed. A grouping of 21 diverse members has been established. The Group includes a broad cross section of the Club's Supporters with a wide range of interests and abilities.

A few meetings have now taken place, and the incoming Chief Executive, Neil Hart, is fully committed to taking the Board structure forward. It is likely that the Board will have three sub-groups. The Trust supports this new Supporters Board and we do have representation on the Board.