



Chelsea Supporters Trust – Newsletter - December 2014

As usual, plenty has been happening in the last month or so at Chelsea FC, both on and off the field. This is the last CST newsletter before Christmas so we would like to take this opportunity to wish early Season's Greetings and a happy and successful 2015 to all of our members.

CST Christmas Party

A reminder that The CST Christmas Party is being held Thursday 18th December at the Chelsea Pensioner Pub on the Fulham Road by the Bridge. Entry is FREE to voting members! More information including how to apply for your tickets can be found [here](#) and information on local hotels can be viewed [here](#).

November's Special General Meeting – Minutes and Podcast

Thank you to the 50 plus members that attended the SGM in the Finborough Arms after the West Brom home game and to those that accessed the meeting online. The minutes of the meeting can be downloaded [here](#) and the audio podcast of the meeting can be listened to [here](#). Thanks must go to Jeff at the Finborough Arms for hosting us and to Rick Glanvill for holding a very fun Chelsea history Q&A after the meeting!



Premier League Clubs Letter to the FA on Supporter Allocations

Ahead of the 3rd Round Draw for the FA Cup, the Chelsea, Arsenal and Tottenham Hotspur Supporters Trusts and Liverpool's Spirit of Shankly group sent a [joint letter](#) to The Football Association reiterating our united support for the topics discussed at a meeting with the FA this summer (which can be viewed [here](#)), namely upholding the 15% allocation for away supporters.

2014 CST Members Survey Results

The annual CST members' survey results were sent to Chelsea and our own members a couple of weeks ago. For those who haven't seen them, the survey results can be viewed [here](#). We would again like to thank all members who responded as the annual survey highlights what really matters to our members and drives priorities for the CST board. We discussed the results during a meeting with club executives last Friday. The notes of this meeting with the club, which covered a range of issues, will be circulated to members once finalised.

CST Ticketing Proposal Submitted to Club

The CST board recently submitted a ticketing [proposal](#) to the club. This was based on members' surveys we have carried out, including last year's ticketing survey and a benchmarking exercise we carried out last season across Premier League clubs. This was submitted to Chelsea Football Club to help form part of their thinking on ticketing policy for the 2015-16 season, which was in the process of being finalised after the recent Fans Forum (the minutes of which can be found [here](#)).

CPO Share Presented to the Trust

The CST was delighted to receive the Chelsea Pitch Owners share we purchased as a result of a vote this year's AGM. The framed share was signed by Didier Drogba and presented to board member Theresa Magee by former Blue Tommy Baldwin at the November's home game with West Brom.



CST in the Media

The CST has received a lot of coverage in the press in recent weeks on a range of topics including atmosphere, the 'overseas game' proposal and the sad news on the recent passing of John Neal. Some of that coverage can be seen [here](#).

Get your friends and family to sign up!

Find out information on [voting membership](#) for the Chelsea Supporters Trust, which costs just £5 year and gives you a voice and a vote at official meetings as well as a free CST pin badge!

Further Reading - Wider News

- Help support the [Justice for Jeff Astle](#) campaign
- The FSF wants to hear from female supporters via its Women in Football [survey](#)
- Short two minute Safe Standing [survey](#) from [Sit Down - Shut Up!](#)
- 'How supporters became the [new enemy](#) of modern football'
- Premier League clubs are less and less able to ignore [fan discontent](#) over ticket prices
- FIFA faces more questions after [latest World Cup claims](#)
- AFC Wimbledon a [step closer](#) to returning to Plough Lane

Further Reading - Chelsea FC

- Jose Mourinho's glory years wouldn't have happened without [John Neal](#)
- View some great photos of Chelsea's past on our [facebook page](#)
- The [Chelsea LGBT supporters group](#) has recently launched
- [Survey](#) on Chelsea supporters' views on rivalry with Spurs
- WAGNH look over Chelsea's recent [financial results](#)
- Chelsea have launched a [WWI section](#) on the club's involvement in the Great War
- Boxing Day [travel disruption](#) for the West Ham game

Matchday CST Board Presence at cfcuk Stall

A CST board member will be at the cfcuk stall (opposite Fulham Broadway tube station main entrance) before every weekend home game, from two hours before the game starts until 30 minutes before kick-off. You can pick up your CST badge, raise any issues or concerns you have or just come and say hello.

Chelsea related links

- Download the automatically updated [#CFC](#) fixture list (Google calendar, smartphone & RSS) from the official website.
- <http://www.chelseafc.com/matches/fixtures---downloadable.html>
- For all the latest news and views that catch the CST's eye follow the Trust on Twitter at www.twitter.com/chelseastrust and like us on facebook at www.facebook.com/chelseasupporterstrust

Transport Information

- Advance train ticket alerts from thetrainline.com. Please be aware fixtures are subject to change due to television demands, before booking: <http://www.thetrainline.com/ticketalert/football/premier-league>
- Get a third off rail fares with the Two Together Railcard. <http://www.twotogether-railcard.co.uk/leaflet/>
- Travel to the Bridge by train? Weekend travel news from TfL: <http://www.tfl.gov.uk/tfl/livetravelnews/realtime/track.aspx?offset=weekend>
- Follow TfL travel status & updates on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/TfLTravelAlerts>

If you have comments or questions on any of the above information, or any other CST activity, please let us know: enquiries@chelseasupporterstrust.com



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