



This season has been a great season for Supporters Club away travel with the heavy losses long gone and we ended the season just in the black (which is where we should be). The season started great when Falcons Chief Exec David Bell contact our travel co-ordinator to show how much the club valued our travelling support and made a donation of £2,500 to enable us to guarantee running a coach to every Premiership game and also to give us the chance to grow the numbers travelling in various ways. The Club also provided free tickets for those who made the long coach trip to Exeter to show their appreciation.

We started the season introducing the main offer "for every 4 trips you paid for you got your 5th free" which proved very popular and there is no doubt this increased numbers. The amount of travelers getting free trips went well into double figures and a handful of people getting a second free trip too. We also did 2 ticket & travel deals after approaching our opponents in advance (Sale & Quins) which proved a popular bargain and save our travelers money. Later in the season, we offered twice, discounts for booking and paying for 2 trips at once (Wasps/Irish and Sarries/Gloucester). In addition to that, we have provided breakfasts, lunches and gave out treats & drinks throughout the season including Halloween goody bags for our great fancy dress trip to Northampton.

Some excellent prizes have been won this year on the trips which include signed shirts, Big Bash tickets, match tickets with players lounge access, alcohol (the odd person does drink) and of course the awesome Dotty Cookbook and we've had fun & games along the way with other activities including the 'Champers Superquizzes'. It's great that so many get involved in all of this though and the atmosphere on the buses has generally been superb, for this we commend every one of you that has travelled for that, as some trips can be very hard work especially when the on the pitch performance hasn't gone our way. The trips that stand out are Leicester away and Galashiels where we managed to take almost full buses despite the horrific snowy conditions.

It has been great to see so many people become regular travelers this season along with a lot of new faces, and it has been very pleasing to see club staff and players' families and friends travelling on the buses too. It is this continuing support of away travel that has made it possible to take full size coaches to every game except one which was the early morning trip and early kick off time to London Irish.

Lastly, but certainly most importantly, we would like to thank all those who have travelled and made it a great season for us but especially Laurie Mawston who has helped out on most trips this season but also captained the London Irish trip and generally made Steve's season much easier. Also thanks goes to others like Becky Taylor, Amie Edge & Ethan Dargue who have helped by selling raffle tickets and first try competitions etc and we'd like to think that these young members will be the committee members in years to come.