Glamorgan coach David Gough is hoping to take inspiration from his sides strong finish to last season after a disappointing start, as the driving force to kick start the teams campaign this time around.

Gough has seen his Glamorgan men’s 1st team lose their opening three games, conceding 10 goals in the process, but he is refusing to give up and believes that as soon as his teams luck changes, results will follow.

Speaking after Glamorgan’s 2-0 home loss to Hartpury, Gough said: “It’s been a disappointing start and we would have liked to have done better after the first three games of course.

“Last year we finished runners-up in the league but we didn’t take any points from the first two games, which was the same as this season coming into the Hartpury match where we were looking for a minimum of one point.

“Looking back at the early season so far, there are always things you think you could have done differently.”

Glamorgan showed a real togetherness and fighting spirit in the defeat to Hartpury, but they failed to hold on for a point and conceded twice late on to goals from Scott Wilson and Dan Culley.

The defeat came just a week after Glam fell to a 4-3 loss at Glamorgan Sport Park where they let slip a 1-0 lead before finding themselves 4-1 behind.

But despite the early setback, Gough is hoping to use video analysis to help guide his side as they push on, starting with the game against Swansea.

“I’m proud of my players, who have shown great spirit. We had conceded eight goals in our last two games and today came up against Hartpury who are one of the best sides in University history. They haven’t been beaten in five years – with 10 minutes to go we were level, which says it all.

“They’ve won the league every year, and have a brilliant recruitment system, so I’m really proud of my players for giving it a real go out there.

“It just hasn’t happened for us so far, but we’ve got Swansea coming up, a derby game which becomes the biggest game of our season.

“We have every game videoed so we can then analyse it afterwards, before coming together as a team on Friday mornings and going over it to see where we can perhaps improve.”

Despite this, the football & performance coach knows that results are all that matter, but with time and lessons being learned, Glamorgan can continue the hard work put in by previous management.

He said: “Football is played on the pitch and I couldn’t have asked for any more from my team so far.

“We’ve been unlucky at certain times and not always taken our chances, but we’ve seen from Hartpury that the best teams get in front and keep the lead.

“Staying in the league is our biggest priority, it always is. Steve Savage has done an amazing job over the last five years to get this team into the league – making us one of the first Premier teams in the country.

“We are in the top 10 university sides in the UK, so Steve deserves massive credit for that and it’s now our job as management staff to keep this good work going.”

“If we stay up by a point or even a goal, I’ll take that.”