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Paul Harrison (2012), Pete Yeardley (2012), Ron Stone (2013),
Dave Topping (2016), Mark Smedley (2016), Bryan Wood (2017),
Scott Smedley (2018), Stuart Smedley (2018), Gordon Reeves (2019)
Paul Burke (2020), Dave Thomas (2021)

First Team Honours

Wiltshire Senior Cup Winners **1998-91, 2000-01**
Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up **1902-03, 1903-04, 1987-88**
Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up **2009-10, 2012-13**
Hellenic League Div 1 Cup Winners **1989-90, 1993-94**
Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Runners-up **1994-95**
Wiltshire County League Division 1 Champions **1987-88**
Wiltshire County League Runners-up **1905-06**
Wiltshire County League Senior Cup Winners **1983-84**
Wiltshire County League Division 2 Champions **1984-85**
Wiltshire County League Division 2 Runners-up **1978-79**
Wiltshire County League Subsidiary Cup Winners **1978-79**
Wiltshire League Division 1 Champions **1958-59**
Calne & District League Champions **1931-32, 1934-35, 1935-36**
Calne & District League Runners-up **1930-31**
Calne & District League Cup Winners **1934-35**
Calne & District League Cup Runners-up **1935-36**
Swindon & District League Advertiser Cup Runners-up **1902-03, 1904-05**
Vale of White Horse League Cup Winners **1933-34**

Reserve/Dev Team Honours

Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Champions **2021-22**
Hellenic League Reserves Division 2 West Champions **1994-95**
Wiltshire County League Division 4 Runners-up **1982-83**
Wiltshire County League Junior Cup Runners-up **1984-85, 1988-89, 2012-13**
Vale of White Horse League Cup Winners **1953-54**
Chippenham & District League Division 2 Champions **1957-58**

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Men's First Team Bassett Bulletin

Welcome To Tonight's Game

GOOD EVENING and welcome to the Sustain Stadium here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground for Groundhog Day 1 and the re-staging of this UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division fixture against Tuffley Rovers originally postponed due to fog on Tuesday 30th November. A warm welcome to all our visitors who have made the return journey from Gloucester, we hope you enjoy your short stay with us this evening, we hope tonight we can have a completed game, and we wish you a safe journey home. Groundhog Day 2 will be when we play away at Worcester Raiders.

Tuffley currently sit bottom of the table having won just four of their opening 23 league games. The four wins have come against Lydney Town, Thornbury Town, Wantage Town and Hereford Pegasus, with two of those wins coming on the road.

Our record against Tuffley has improved in recent seasons, the last time we lost to them in the league was back in December 2017. The last time we lost to them at home was way back in 2005. However, overall Tuffley still have the better record in matches between the two sides with 11 wins to our nine, with nine games ending in a draw. Hopefully we will continue our good recent record against Tuffley here tonight.

Since the last set of programme notes we have had one win and one defeat. That loss came in the home game against Brimscombe & Thrupp where we pressed the self destruct button with Jon Beeden getting himself sent off and the resulting penalty seeing us fall two goals behind and having to play the rest of the game with just ten men, eventually going down 3-0. How different might it have been without that incident?

It was important that we bounced back in last Friday's local derby away to Fairford Town and the 1-0 win was most satisfying with a splendid goal from Alfie Presley. At times we had a bit of luck go our way but some impressive defending and saves from keeper Matthew Crowther ensured we left Cinder Lane with all three points. A very satisfying night indeed with Bassett well supported on

the night. It was the usual feisty encounter at Fairford and once again they had a player sent off for what must have been the 3rd or 4th bad tackle from behind by them on the night. I had to laugh at former assistant manager's tweet about escaping without any serious injuries. It was my first visit to Cinder Lane for a few seasons and it was a bit of shock to see the state of that track leading to the ground. I was so pleased that Simon Jones had given me a lift as those craters could have done serious damage to the car!

After picking up those three points it is important that we maintain the standards from Friday night and ensure that we take all three points this evening. Tuffley will be fighting to avoid relegation and we know we need to be at our best to continue our excellent season so far as we look to catch the two sides above us in the table.

Unfortunately the Women's side were unable to secure that first league win of the season on Sunday, although the point gained against Poole Town did at least double our points tally for the season. Having drawn the first game with Poole earlier in the season there is a chance that both teams could go the whole season without a league win and it is going to be very hard to avoid relegation now.

It was a better weekend for the Development side who progressed to the last eight of the Fountain Trophies Cup with a 4-2 win over Melksham Town Reserves, this followed a 1-0 win over Salisbury FC Development in the league the previous week.

The Under 18 Floodlight side continued their unbeaten start to the season with a 3-0 win over AFC Aldermaston and currently sit seven points clear at the top of the table.

Enjoy the game this evening and hopefully three more points to close the gap to the sides just above us in the league table.

Mark

CLUB NOTICEBOARD

AGP USAGE

Royal Wootton Bassett Town and Royal Wootton Bassett Sports Association would like to remind all Gerard Buxton Sports Ground users - be they RWBTFC members or opponents - of rules regarding appropriate footwear for the AGP pitch.

In order to protect the quality of the surface, players, coaches, officials, parents and other helpers are reminded to take note of the footwear that is acceptable to wear on the 3G pitch as this will be strictly enforced (with those wearing incorrect footwear liable to be removed).

The only footwear acceptable to wear on the AGP pitch are football boots with moulded or screw-in plastic, nylon or rubber studs.

The following are NOT permitted: football boots with blades, football boots with metal or metal-tipped screw-in studs, astroturf trainers, general trainers and any other type of footwear.

Please also make sure that boots are clean before going onto the pitch as muddy footwear will damage the surface.

JOWAN PARTRIDGE



While he was unfortunately not selected for the final England Under 18 Schoolboys' squad, all at Royal Wootton Bassett Town would like to congratulate Jowan Partridge for making it to the final trial, which was held on Sunday 22 January.

After impressing at the initial South West trial held in Somerset in early November, Partridge advanced to phase two at the end of that month.

Taking place at Winchester College, this second phase pitted the pick of the bunch

from the South West against their South East equivalents, and Partridge starred again to earn an invite to the final phase.

Originally due to be held on 11 December, this was pushed back into the new year due to the weather and was finally held last weekend at the Lilleshall National Sports Centre.

36 players featured in this final trial, from which the final 18-man squad was selected. Although giving his best, Jowan was unfortunate in narrowly missing the final cut.

Nevertheless, Jowan can be immensely proud of his achievement in getting so far. Although no doubt gutted about not making the final squad, he has a very bright future in the game to look ahead to.

After shining for the Under 18s as they finished runners-up in the Wiltshire League Floodlit Division and making his Men's First Team debut for Bassett last year, Partridge has continued to blossom this season.

Despite just turning 18, he has cemented a starting role for Sam Collier's team, impressing with his maturity and adaptability as he has performed at a high level at both full back and centre half.

Commenting on his achievements Men's First Team manager Sam Collier said:

"Jowan has all the attributes to become a very, very good footballer. He's quick, composed and strong in the tackle."

"I don't know many players who have come into first team football at age 17 and been able to play in the Hellenic League and be consistently outstanding every week, which he has done for us."

"I initially saw him playing for the Under 18s last year and immediately knew he was a talent. I've got absolutely no doubts that he'll kick on throughout the ranks of football and I wouldn't rule him out playing in the professional game one day."

The Gaffer Talking to **SAM COLLIER**



Your Sport Swindon's preview of last Friday's encounter with Fairford Town which includes Sam's comments on the Brimscombe defeat.....

Jamie Reid's men will be gearing up for another local clash on Friday evening when they welcome neighbours Royal Wootton Bassett Town to SEM Stadium.

The two sides played out a tense 2-2 stalemate when they met earlier in the season but Reid insists his team will be going into the tie with every intention of taking all three points.

"It's a big game on Friday," he said. "It's a cliché in football but I want a reaction, I want a performance and, most importantly, I

want a result.

"And we'll everything we can to do that. Bassett are a good side and Sam has put a good squad together and they'll be looking to get all three points themselves.

"But we're at home under the lights. We've got a few back from injury so we'll definitely be giving it our best shot to get something out of the game."

Collier, however, played down the occasion, insisting they will treat it as "just another game", despite being unbeaten in their last three league visits to Cinder Lane.

Bassett will also be hoping to bounce back

after falling to a 3-0 defeat to Brimscombe & Thrupp last weekend.

Collier's team gave themselves an uphill task inside the first 20 minutes after going a goal down shortly before experienced defender Jon Beeden conceded a penalty and was promptly dismissed following an off-the-ball altercation in the Bassett penalty area.

The visitors duly converted the spot-kick and added a third before half-time to all but end the contest, despite an improved performance from the hosts after the break.

"To give a side with the quality of Brimscombe a two-goal lead with ten men for 70 minutes it was always going to be extremely difficult," said Collier.

"Second half I thought we were the better side but by that point they were comfortable with what they had. They had a 3-0 lead and were quite content to sit in.

"It was a disappointing day but we didn't get too excited about going and beating Westfields so we're not going to get too down about a defeat at home."

Commenting on Beeden's sending off, the Bassett boss said: "We have to respect his decision and we've got no complaints about that.

"It's just a rash decision from our player, a rush of blood to the head. But he has held his hand up and will now take their punishment of a three game ban."

And, ahead of the game with Fairford, Collier added: "It's just another game for us. We'll go there looking to bounce back, get some points on the board and extend the gap between us and the bottom ten teams in the league."

Footnote

Our recent good record at Cinder Lane continued with a 1-0 win.



Today's Opponents

TUFFLEY ROVERS

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1929

GROUND

Glevum Park, Lower
Tuffley, Gloucestershire,

GL2 5DT

MAJOR HONOURS

Hellenic League Division
One Champions 1992-93

Hellenic League Division
One Cup Winners 1992-93

Hellenic League Norman
Matthews Cup Winners
1998-99, 2002-03

Gloucestershire County
League Champions
1990-91

Gloucestershire
Northern Senior League
Winners 1987-88, 2006-07

Gloucestershire Senior
Amateur Cup Winners
1987-88

Stroud & District League
Div 1 Champions 1947-48,
1968-69, 1969-70, 1972-73

CHAIRMAN

Dan Boon

CLUB SECRETARY

Neil Spiller

MANAGER

Neil Mustoe



Tuffley Rovers Results This Season & Last

League Results	SEASON 2021-22		SEASON 2022-23	
	Home	Away	Home	Away
Bishops Cleeve	D 2 - 2	D 0 - 0		
Bradford Town	W 1 - 0	L 1 - 7	L 4 - 5	
Brimscombe & Thrupp	L 2 - 6	L 1 - 5		D 0 - 0
Calne Town	D 1 - 1	W 2 - 1		
Chipping Sodbury Town	W 3 - 1	W 3 - 2		
Corsham Town	L 0 - 3	L 0 - 2	L 0 - 2	
Cribbs	L 0 - 1	L 0 - 3	L 1 - 2	L 0 - 5
Fairford	L 0 - 1	L 0 - 3	L 2 - 4	L 1 - 4
Hallen	L 1 - 2	W 2 - 1		
Hereford Lads Club	W 3 - 1	L 1 - 9		L 1 - 2
Hereford Pegasus			W 1 - 0	L 1 - 4
Longlevens	L 0 - 1	D 2 - 2	L 0 - 4	D 0 - 0
Lydney Town	L 0 - 1	L 0 - 4	W 4 - 0	
Malvern Town	L 0 - 3	D 3 - 3	L 1 - 3	
Mangotsfield United				L 2 - 4
Roman Glass St George	L 0 - 3	L 1 - 4	L 0 - 5	L 0 - 5
RWBTFC	L 0 - 1	L 2 - 3		
Shrivenham	W 3 - 2	L 2 - 3	D 1 - 1	L 0 - 1
Thornbury Town	L 1 - 3	L 1 - 2		W 2 - 0
Wantage Town				W 4 - 2
Westbury United	L 0 - 3	L 1 - 2		
Westfields	L 0 - 1	W 1 - 0		
Worcester Raiders			L 1 - 2	L 0 - 5

Opponents History

TUFFLEY ROVERS

The late Donald E Hall founded Tuffley Rovers FC in 1929. The Club's Headquarters were in a former railway carriage, which served as Mr Hall's Boot and Shoe repair shop on the Stroud Road at Tuffley in the City of Gloucester. The Club started its playing life in the North Gloucestershire League. Senior XI Championship honours include that of the North Gloucestershire League and Stroud and District League (4 times) and in 1987/1988 the Club were Champions of the Gloucestershire Northern Senior League and gained promotion to the Gloucestershire County League.



After two seasons of consolidation the Club won the County League Title in 1990/1991, their application to join the Hellenic League was successful and they were accepted into Hellenic Division One. Progress continued as in the 1992/1993 season Rovers were Champions of Division One and also Division One League Cup Winners and after promotion competed in the Premier Division of the Hellenic League from 1993/1994, regularly finishing in the top half of the table. The 1998/1999 season saw Tuffley win the Norman Matthew's Floodlit Cup defeating Carterton Town in the final. Whilst the Club enjoyed this success, the 2nd XI and 3rd XI also gained promotion and championship honours. The 1998/1999 season saw the 2nd XI win the Northern Senior League and reach the finals of both the County Cup and League Cup, unfortunately losing out on both occasions. Promotion, however, was not possible as reserve teams were not allowed at that point to enter the Gloucestershire County League and progress further up the pyramid system.

The Club continued to thrive in the Hellenic League and managed to win the Floodlit Cup again in the 2002/2003 season defeating Brackley Town over two legs in the final. However, the ever-changing ground grading requirements, if the club was to remain in the Hellenic League, and the financial strain these improvements imposed on the Club forced Tuffley Rovers to make the decision to withdraw from the Hellenic League in 2005 and settle for local football in Gloucestershire.

After a difficult start Rovers were crowned champions of Division 2 of the Northern Senior League in the 2005/2006 season and were promoted to Division 1. After a slow start the team put together a consistent run and managed to claim the Division 1 Title as well as win the GFA Senior Amateur Cup and reach the final of the Reg Davis Memorial League Cup.

A return to the Gloucestershire County League followed and the club finished a very creditable 4th place (2007/8) but the summer of 2008 saw a number of senior players retire. Over the next few seasons, an evolving squad finished 11th, 3rd, 6th and 3rd in the County League, before the 2012/13 Season marked an improvement for the club. After challenging for league championship honours all season, the club couldn't quite maintain the form to secure the title, finishing second. However, this was enough to gain promotion to the Hellenic League Division One (West) for the 2013/14 season.

On their return to the Hellenic League, The Rovers saw a season that witnessed some turmoil – including the departure of manager, Doug Foxwell – to record a decent sixth place finish and some good cup results. This was followed up with the Runners'-up spot in 2014/15 and promotion back to the Hellenic Premier Division, exactly ten years after they had withdrawn from the League.

The first season saw a struggle against relegation, ultimately resulting in the resignation of Warren Evans as manager, before the club retained their status due to a vacancy in the league, after finishing 17th. Mark Pritchett was then appointed as Player/Manager and took the side to consecutive 10th placed finishes, before a 15th place finish in 2018/19.

Two pandemic affected seasons then passed, with Pritchett leaving the club part-way through. Rich Cox took over as Manager for a single season, but resigned midway through 2021/22 after a disastrous run of results. Former Manchester United player Neil Mustoe then took over, steering the club away from danger (finishing in 17th place).

Today's Opponents

TUFFLEY ROVERS

Tuffley Rovers Historical Record - Last 15 Seasons												
Season	League & Division	FAC	FAV	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Top Scorer
2007/08	Gloucs County	n/a	n/a	30	16	5	9	49	39	53	4 out of 16	A. Hacker 11
2008/09	Gloucs County	n/a	n/a	32	12	4	16	64	70	40	11 out of 17	S. Griffith 12
2009/10	Gloucs County	n/a	n/a	34	19	7	8	66	39	64	3 out of 18	R. James 12
2010/11	Gloucs County	n/a	n/a	32	15	4	13	55	55	49	6 out of 17	R. James 15
2011/12	Gloucs County	n/a	n/a	34	21	2	11	72	44	65	3 out of 18	S. Bradley 23
2012/13	Gloucs County	n/a	n/a	36	22	6	8	76	47	72	2 out of 19	S. Bradley 19
2013/14	Hellenic Div 1 West	n/a	n/a	28	14	4	10	50	45	46	6 out of 15	S. Bradley 15
2014/15	Hellenic Div 1 West	n/a	1st	27	19	5	3	71	28	62	2 out of 15	B. James 18
2015/16	Hellenic Premier	1QR	1QR	38	8	8	22	61	88	32	17 out of 20	B. James 17
2016/17	Hellenic Premier	EP	2nd	34	15	5	14	61	57	50	10 out of 18	W. Mann 17
2017/18	Hellenic Premier	1QR	1QR	38	14	7	17	50	72	49	10 out of 20	J. Brett 13
2018/19	Hellenic - Premier	EP	2QR	36	9	10	17	57	68	37	18 out of 19	K. Alder 12
2019/20	Hellenic - Premier	EP	1QR	21	7	7	7	47	50	28	15* out of 19	M. Pritchett & J. Rhodes 9
2020/21	Hellenic - Premier	EP	1QR	7	2	0	5	7	16	6	16* out of 18	J. Shutt & L. Soule 3
2021/22	Hellenic - Premier	PR	1st	38	8	5	25	40	92	29	17 out of 20	

Totals **465** **201** **79** **185** **826** **810** * At time Covid-19 brought season to a premature end

Won:Drew:Lost Ratio **43.2%** **17.0%** **39.8%**

League	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	53.0%	14.1%	32.8%
Gloucestershire County League	198	105	28	65	382	294	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	53.0%	14.1%	32.8%
Hellenic League Division One West	55	33	9	13	121	73	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	60.0%	16.4%	23.6%
Hellenic League Prem Div	212	63	42	107	323	443	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	29.7%	19.8%	50.5%

Tuffley Rovers Season 2022-23

No	Player	Apps	Goals	Discipline Table			
				Yellow	Red	2Y Red	Sin Bin
1	Dominik Kent	28	2	1			
2	Henry Birkett	27		6			
3	Ryan Dobbins	27	6				
4	Callum McGuirk	27					
5	Warren Mann	26	2	13		1	
6	Shayne Bradley	23	9	1	1		
7	Mason Lewis	23	3	3			
8	Paul Azubilla	21	1	3			
9	Macaulay Herbert	20		1			
10	Elliot Jones	19		1			
11	Kieran Squires	19	2	3	1		
12	Jack Beardsell	16	3	3			
13	Daniel Beasley	16	3	1			
14	Kieran Alder	15	3				
15	Daniel Lander	13		3			
16	Luke Hawkins	12					
17	Sam Hicks	12		1			
18	Ashley Davies	11		4			
19	Joey Haswell	10	2	2			
20	Liam Smith	10					
21	Yeshaya Lomotey	9	1	1			
22	Scott Nicholls	9					
23	George Driver-Dickersoi	7		1			1
24	Luke Merchant	7					
25	Ryley Mace	4	1				
26	Mark Pritchett	4					
27	Noah Smerdon	4	1	1			
28	Harrison Iddles	3					
29	Bradley Poole	3					
30	Liam Wright	3	1				
31	Demilade Yussuf	3		1			
32	Jordan Barry	2					
33	Tristan Haswell	2					
34	Matthew Butler	1	1				
35	Dayton Fallows	1					
36	Ben Hands	1					
37	Robin Hoffland	1					
38	Tomos Shyamapant	1					
39	Lyndon Tomkins	1					

Opponents Player Pen Pics

TUFFLEY ROVERS

TUFFLEY ROVERS AFC

Brad Poole

Goalkeeper

Fantastic keeper, who first played under Doug Foxwell in the County League promotion season in 2012/13, after being attached to Cheltenham Town in youth football, but has been unable to commit to first team football in the years that have followed, due to work commitments, and has made just four competitive appearances in a Rovers shirt. Now providing goalkeeping cover for the 2022/23 season.

Elliot Jones

Goalkeeper

Signed on a dual registration from Gloucester City, where is a highly rated member of the U19s squad, Elliot joined on the eve of the season and made a solid start in the early season games. Calm, commanding, offers good distribution and has been a good addition to the squad. An exciting prospect who we hope to see regularly in the side this season.

Kieran Squires

Defence

Previously with the club from 2014/15 to 2017/18 but then spent time at Slimbridge, Longlevens and Hardwicke, before dropping down to play local league football. Returned to the club this season has proved a shrewd acquisition. Thunderous tackling, powerful in the air and has a terrific long-throw that could add a dimension to our play.

Paul Azubilla

Defence

Joined from local side Gloucester Athletic this season, after requesting a trial in the summer. Impressed in the pre-season and could be a great acquisition. Raw but has pace, power, strength and desire to improve. Very calm on the ball and capable of hitting a pass, meaning he could be a good prospect as the season develops.

Dan Lander

Defence

Returned in pre-season, having spent a short spell with the club a few seasons ago, without making a competitive appearance. Has returned with more experience and is a tall centre-half, who is strong, fierce in the tackle and decent in the air. He's also sensible in possession and knows his role in the side.

Ryley Mace

Defence

After time served in the U18s and then Development Squad has started to feature in the first team. Plenty of potential, whether at full-back or in a more attacking role.

Macaulay Herbert

Defence

Now the second longest-serving member of the first team, 'Macca' came through our U18s and is a solid, dependable; an excellent defender who has been getting better with every season that passed. Has now made over 200 first team appearances but has only recently returned following a lengthy absence with a serious shoulder injury.

2022/23 PLAYER PROFILES

Ashley Davies

Defence

In his 3rd spell with the club. Has had spells away at Hardwicke, Shortwood United & Cinderford Town but returned briefly last and now raring to go in 2022/23! Was Neil Mustoe's 1st signing last season; an incredible coup. Brings class on the ball, a physical presence, leadership and a wonderful work ethic to the squad - his influence will be of huge value to the club.

Scott Nicholls

Defence

A member of our hugely successful 2020/21 FA Youth Cup squad, Scott secured a scholarship to attend college in the US but returned to the club in December 2021 and made a solid contribution in five appearances, punctuated by a return to the USA. Tall, athletic and comfortable on the ball will be looking to collect more first team appearances this season.

Warren Mann

Midfield

Our longest serving player and has now made over 450 appearances at Step 7 and above, which is a record for the club. 'Wazza' may now lack pace in comparison to the winger who started with the club, but is hugely committed and massively experienced. Brings energy, passion and excellent technique; he's constantly involved in every game. Practical joker off the field; usually the opposition support's least favourite player!

Sammie Hicks

Midfield

Signed in January to bolster the squad following Neil Mustoe's appointment as manager, on a dual registration agreement with Cinderford Town. Has now committed to the club for 2022/23. A super talented midfielder, now with experience at a higher level and just what we needed after a difficult season. Coming back from a series of injuries that have hampered his progress but a stellar signing, nonetheless.

Dominik Kent

Midfield

About to start his fifth season with the club, Dom was a product of Neil Mustoe's Gloucester City U18 squad and is a talented midfielder, who is good on the ball, industrious and quick across the ground but also incredibly tenacious, whether looking to retain possession or win the ball back. Has often sacrificed his natural attacking instinct to play in a deeper midfield role but still retains a healthy goals per game ratio.

Callum McGuirk

Midfield

Signed from Longlevens, where he'd largely been used at full-back, he is a hard-working midfielder, who looks comfortable on the ball. Previously spent time at Rovers, where he featured in our U18s squad. Will look to make an impact in 2022/23 but his versatility could also be an important asset.

Opponents Player Profiles

TUFFLEY ROVERS

TUFFLEY ROVERS AFC

Mason Lewis

Midfield

Recently signed after impressing in pre-season. Capable of playing at centre-back or left-back and can also play further forward in a wide role. Tall, commanding, strong and comfortable on the ball. Will be looking to secure a regular starting berth after spells at Cirencester Town, Lydney Town and Longlevens, amongst others.

Liam Smith

Midfield

Another player with Southern League experience. Calm in possession and possesses a good passing range, whilst also physically strong, will be looking to hold down a regular place in the side, after an injury hit campaign in 2021/22. Offers experience and capable of dropping into the back four when needed.

Luke Hawkins

Midfield

Joined during pre-season, having previously been at Newent Town, and will be looking to make the step up into Hellenic League Premier Division football this season. Looks to have plenty of pace, combined with an industrious style of play. Could prove to be a good acquisition, particularly as he looks comfortable playing in a wide position.

Henry Birkett

Midfield

Now in a third (or fourth!) spell with Rovers, after a fairly nomadic life in Hellenic League & County League football. Has made forty appearances for the first team over 7 years but returned during pre-season with a new maturity - could be the season where he settles down to become the key player that we all believe he can be? Great energy, good passing ability, hard-working & can add goals. An important year ahead.

Kieran Alder

Midfield

Recently returned to the club after spells with Cinderford Town, Bishops Cleeve and Worcester City. A gifted No.10, whose work rate is as noticeable as his talent on the ball. Scored once in every four games during his previous spell with the club and scored eight league goals for Cleeve in their title winning season in 2021/22. Previously part of Neil Mustoe's U18s side at Gloucester City and now reunited with him at Rovers.

Ryan Dobbins

Forward

Another returning player, who started out at the club's Stroud League sides, before a successful period in the Reserves' squad was followed by a prolific spell at County League side Gala Wilton. Then moved back into Hellenic League football, where he played for Cheltenham Saracens, before a return to Glevum Park this season. Has the potential to contribute goals, but his all-round game has improved immeasurably and he is adept at holding the ball up and bringing his teammates into the game. Good signing for 2022/23.

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Yeshaya Lomotey

Forward

Powerful striker who joined in 2021/22 after spells at other local clubs, including Slimbridge and Cinderford Town. Struggled for fitness during his first season but showed his quality on the ball and packs a powerful shot that could be a potent weapon. Will be hoping to stay fit and if he does, will be looking to contribute a regular supply of goals.

Dan Beasley

Forward

Recent signing from Westfields, who already looks to be a great acquisition. Strong, holds the ball up well, has an electric turn of pace and shows plenty of composure in front of goal.

Shayne Bradley

Forward

Could this season see an Indian Summer for the club's leading goalscorer since our return to Step 7 football (and progression since)? 106 goals in 230 appearances were hugely valuable to our progress from County League football and Bradders still possesses the quality that saw him make four Premier League appearances, as well promotion success at Mansfield Town, before injury curtailed his professional career. Last appeared in a Rovers shirt during 2018/19 but now set for a return in 2022/23.

Tomos Shyamapant

Forward

Youngster who has been a consistent goalscorer for both the U18s and Development Squad over the past two seasons. Highly rated and a genuine prospect. Made his debut against Cheltenham Saracens in the GFA Challenge Trophy last season and gained more experience as the season drew to a close. Natural finisher, who will be looking for more opportunities to make an impact this season. One for the future, for sure!

Neil Mustoe

Manager

Appointed as first team manager in January and took the club away from relegation fears to a place of safety. Spent many years as a professional at Manchester United, Wigan Athletic, Cambridge United, Stevenage and Yeovil Town, before over 350 appearances for Gloucester City. Previous coaching experience with City before a spell away from the game until his appointment with The Rovers.

Ritchie Warden

Assistant Manager

Appointed as Assistant Manager in 2020, when Richard Cox took on the Caretaker Manager role, Ritchie is a UEFA B qualified coach who has experience from working at Cheltenham Town. Stayed on to become Neil Mustoe's assistant after Cox's resignation and is an important part of the management team.

Previous Encounters

RWBTFC v TUFFLEY ROVERS

Season	Date	Comp	Match Details			
1991.92	9-Nov-91	League	Wootton Bassett Town	2	Tuffley Rovers	3
1991.92	29-Feb-92	League	Tuffley Rovers	5	Wootton Bassett Town	1
1992.93	19-Dec-92	League	Wootton Bassett Town	0	Tuffley Rovers	2
1992.93	21-Apr-93	League	Tuffley Rovers	0	Wootton Bassett Town	0
1999.00	30-Oct-99	KO Cup	Wootton Bassett Town	3	Tuffley Rovers	1
Bassett Scorers: Green, Stoddart, Wood Bassett Team: Stevens, Machell, Green, J.Davis, P.Davis, Harper, Stoddart, Wood, Curtis, Goodwin, Franklin						
2000.01	13-Jan-01	League	Tuffley Rovers	1	Wootton Bassett Town	1
Bassett Scorers: Marshall Bassett Team: Stevens, Wood, Marshall, Goodwin,, P.Davis, Harper, Newton, Merchant, Stoddart, Hall, Patel. Subs: J.Davis, Harrison						
2000.01	27-Mar-01	League	Wootton Bassett Town	2	Tuffley Rovers	3
Bassett Scorers: Stoddart, J.Davis Bassett Team: Stevens, Wood, Marshall, Goodwin,, P.Davis, Harper, Brien, Merchant, Stoddart, Hall, Patel. Subs: J.Davis, Parsons, Turner						
2001.02	21-Aug-01	League	Tuffley Rovers	1	Wootton Bassett Town	1
Bassett Scorers: C.J. O'Connell Bassett Team: Stevens, Penning, Howse, Vaughan, Lamont, C.O'Connell, Turner, Simpkins, Hyde, C.J. O'Connell, P.O'Connell. Subs: Wood, Sharps, Davis						
2001.02	11-Sep-01	Floodlit Cup	Tuffley Rovers	1	Wootton Bassett Town	0
Bassett Scorers: N/A Bassett Team: Stevens, Penning, Howse, Sefton, Lamont, C.O'Connell, Jones, Simpkins, Hyde, Walsh, P.O'Connell. Subs: Wood, Macek						
2001.02	6-Nov-01	League	Wootton Bassett Town	2	Tuffley Rovers	2
Bassett Scorers: Swatton, Merchant Bassett Team: Stevens, Penning, Howse, Vaughan, Lamont, Patel, Wood, Simpkins, Merchant, Swatton, P.O'Connell. Subs: Dodd, Morris						
2002.03	3-Sep-02	League	Wootton Bassett Town	1	Tuffley Rovers	3
Bassett Scorers: Lamont Bassett Team: Baker, Pluckrose, Sharps, Hemsley, Lamont, Hall, P. O'Connell, Ashford, Bridges, Garbutt, Patel. Subs: Day, Cahill						
2002.03	15-Apr-03	League	Tuffley Rovers	1	Wootton Bassett Town	1
Bassett Scorers: Ashford Bassett Team: Hillier, Yeardeley, Howse, Byrne, Hammond, Sefton, Patel, Hemsley, Gascoyne, Ashford, C.J. O'Connell. Subs: Jarrett, Dodd						
2003.04	24-Sep-03	League	Tuffley Rovers	0	Wootton Bassett Town	2
Bassett Scorers: Swatton 2 Bassett Team: Stevens, Yeardeley, Gascoyne, Hallett, Davis, D.Jones, Bridges, Simpkins, Swatton, Bennett, Patel. Subs: Bowen, Jarrett, Hopkins						
2003.04	18-Oct-03	League	Wootton Bassett Town	1	Tuffley Rovers	1
Bassett Scorers: Reason Bassett Team: Stevens, Hopkins, Bridges, Hallett, Davis, Macek, Taylor, Simpkins, Swatton, Reason, Patel. Subs: Gee, Magani, Yeardeley						
2004.05	25-Sep-04	League	Tuffley Rovers	0	Wootton Bassett Town	1
Bassett Scorers: Bennett Bassett Team: Flynn, Hopkins, Willis, Hallett, Yeardeley, Tyler, Bennett, Hemsley, Youngsam, Greene, magani. Subs: I.Jones, Patel, Gascoyne						
2004.05	30-Oct-04	KO Cup	Tuffley Rovers	2	Wootton Bassett Town	1
Bassett Scorers: Swatton Bassett Team: Mills, Hopkins, Patel, Willis, Hallett, Hemsley, Morse, Bunting, Yeardeley, Bennett, Tyler. Subs: Swatton, Gee, Gascoyne						

9

RWBTFC Wins

9

Draws

11

Tuffley
Wins

2004.05	28-Mar-05	League	Wootton Bassett Town	1	Tuffley Rovers	5
Bassett Scorers: Yeardley Bassett Team: Simms, Bradshaw, L.Jones, Yeardley, Hallett, Gee, Mills, Messenger, C.Taylor, Willis, Gascoyne. Subs: King, Hopkins, Grant						
2015.16	29-Sep-15	League	Tuffley Rovers	2	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2
Bassett Scorers: Packer, Olphert Bassett Team: Meare, Yeardley, Richards, Corcoran, Hawkins, Packer, Scholes, Bailey, Robertson, Cheetham, Olphert. Subs: Thomas, Drewitt, Sheppard						
2015.16	17-Feb-16	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2	Tuffley Rovers	2
Bassett Scorers: Robertson, Cheetham Bassett Team: Salisbury, Comer, Corcoran, Cheetham, Hawkins, Bailey, Yeardley, Ockwell, Robertson, Packer, Olphert. Subs: Hiscock, Oakley, Scholes						
2016.17	13-Sep-16	League	Tuffley Rovers	3	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	1
Bassett Scorers: Robertson Bassett Team: Meare, Richards, Corcoran, Drewitt, Cheetham, Comer, Thompson, Spalding, Robertson, Olphert, Packer. Subs: Bailey						
2016.17	19-Nov-16	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2	Tuffley Rovers	0
Bassett Scorers: Bailey, Robertson Bassett Team: Meare, Corcoran, Edmondson, Yeardley, Cheetham, Comer, Bailey, Thomas, Robertson, Olphert, Packer. Subs: Lance, Drewitt						
2017.18	19-Sep-17	League	Tuffley Rovers	0	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2
Bassett Scorers: Collier 2 Bassett Team: Lawrence, Cheetham, Corcoran, Jackson, Diaz-Benetiz, Robinson, Gerrish, Wrona, Collier, Packer, Scholes. Sub: Lodge						
2017.18	6-Dec-17	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	3	Tuffley Rovers	4
Bassett Scorers: Sproule 2, OG Bassett Team: Lawrence, Corcoran, Joyce, Jackson, Yeardley, robinson, Hathaway, Scholes, Sproule, Waldon, Wrona. Subs: Collier, Maximen, Dodson						
2018.19	4-Aug-19	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	6	Tuffley Rovers	1
Bassett Scorers: Bohane 3, Pagliaroli 2, Yeardley Bassett Team: Bowers, Ilott, J.Stanley, Cole, Yeardley, Lachacz, Lincoln, Wrona, Pagliaroli, Bohane, Shama Subs: Gough, Milhench, Robinson						
2018.19	29-Sep-19	KO Cup	Tuffley Rovers	4	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	0
Bassett Scorers: N/a Bassett Team: Thompson, Joyce, Diaz-Benetiz, Yeardley, James, Ilott, Lincln, Silva, Pagliaroli, Bohane, Evans, Subs: Bennett, Sheppard						
2018.19	29-Sep-19	League	Tuffley Rovers	1	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	3
Bassett Scorers: Bohane 3 Bassett Team: McCready, Yeardley, Corcoran, Evans, Joyce, Lachacz, Cole, Wrona, Pagliaroli, Bohane, Roper. Subs: Beale						
2019.20	22-Oct-19	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	1	Tuffley Rovers	1
Bassett Scorers: Parsons Bassett Team: Lehmann, Bradbury, Evans, Joyce, Oakley, Davoille, Roper, Turk, Wrona, Bohane, Parsons. Subs: Bennett, Hughes, Pagliaroli						
2021.22	13-Nov-21	League	Tuffley Rovers	0	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	1
Bassett Scorer: Corcoran Bassett Team: Cavanagh, Davidson, Dodson, Corcoran, Morris, Wrona, Gallagher, Bampton, Wells, Ouldrige, Mills. Subs: Miller, Withers						
2021.22	22-Oct-19	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	3	Tuffley Rovers	2
Bassett Scorers: Mills, Packer, Corcoran Bassett Team: Cavanagh, Beeden, Dodson, Corcoran, Morris, Miller, Gallagher, Packer, Bennett, Robinson, Mills. Subs: Griffin, Johnson						

Men's First Team Squad 2022-23

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Matthew Crowther - Goalkeeper
 Youngster who joins on loan from Hungerford Town. Last season also spent time on loan this time at fellow Hellenic League side Shrivensham gaining a number of rave reviews. Has also played for both Aylesbury FC and Didcot Town.
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Harry Walters - Defender
 Young defender with plenty of pace who captains the Development side but has made the step-up to the first team on a few occasions so far this season. When called upon has shown he is good enough for this level and big things are expected of him in the future.



Jon Beeden - Defender
 Solid defender who re-joined the club last season having spent recent seasons with Chippenham Town in the National League South and Thatcham Town in the Southern League. Part of last season's title winning Development Team squad.



Louis Spalding – Defender
 Talented full back who joins us this season. Skilful, energetic and a player who always looks to get forward, he was with Swindon Town as a youth. Joined Cirencester Town initially on loan in 2017-18 before signing permanently after his release from Swindon. Plenty of Southern League experience at Cirencester & Supermarine.
SPONSOR: Mike Price



Scott Chilcott – Defender
 A versatile, tough-tackling defender who is entering his second season with Bassett after joining from Shrivensham. A hard working, dependable player, he is capable of performing effectively at either centre half or full back. Was part of Fairford Town's Division One West title winning side of 2016-17.



Adam Corcoran – Defender
 Imposing defender who starts the season having made over 250 appearances for the club. The 2021-22 campaign was without doubt his best in Bassett colours, winning both Manager's and Players' Player of the Year awards. A quality striker of the ball and danger at set pieces, he has also contributed 15 goals for Bassett.
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Jowan Partridge - Defender
 Product of the club's Youth Section, Jowan was part of last season's Under 18 Floodlit side that finished second in the Wiltshire Senior League Floodlit division. Has impressed in pre-season and is in contention for a first team starting position in Season 2022-23.



David Bampton – Defender
 Experienced former Swindon Town player who also played for Tamworth and Worcester in the Conference and with Swindon Supermarine in the Southern League and was part of the Supermarine squad that reached the FA Cup Second Round.
SPONSOR: John & Kath Fellows



Landon Golding - Defender
 Classy defender who played for Royal Wootton Bassett Town U18s before joining Chippenham Town Academy. Currently back at Royal Wootton Bassett Town on loan from Chippenham Town.



Jack Hobson-McVeigh - Midfield
 Defensive midfielder player who joins from Malmesbury Victoria having also previously been with Cirencester Town. Former New Zealand U17 international player who made 2 appearances at the U17 World Cup for his country.

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Chris Taylor – Midfield

Classy midfielder who spent the majority of his career with Swindon Supermarine but has also featured for Cirencester Town, Highworth Town and made 4 substitute appearances for Swindon Town as well as being an England Under 15 international in his youth.



Gio Wrona - Midfield

Experienced midfielder who is always wanting the ball and starts the season with 181 appearances for the club and will be looking to join a very select few who have played more than 200. Previously with Swindon Supermarine, North Leigh, Larkhall and Thatcham and scored for Swindon Town in a friendly in the summer.

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Kai Robinson - Midfield

An energetic, tough-tackling box-to-box midfielder now entering his sixth season with Bassett, having initially joined at the start of the 2017-18 season making 36 times & scoring once. His appearances have been more limited over the past 4 seasons but is looking to again make a case for a regular first team place.



Matthew Jones - Forward

Jones came through the youth system of Swindon Town, where he signed as an 11-year-old. In March 2014, was sent on loan to Swindon Supermarine but he returned to his parent club and made his professional football debut on the final day of the 2013-14 season as a second-half substitute against Rotherham United. Has subsequently played for Chippenham Town, Cirencester Town, Farnborough, Hungerford & Weston-Super-Mare.



Steve Robertson - Forward

Veteran forward who recently returned to the club for his third spell with Bassett. His second appearance on his return will see him take his total appearances to 100 with an impressive goal tally of 73. Re-joins the club from Wantage Town where he had a habit of scoring against us.



Tommy Ouldrige - Forward

Hard working player who started with Swindon Town and had loan spells with Chippenham Town and Cirencester Town. Has also played for Hungerford Town and Swindon Supermarine. Played six times for Bassett in 2020-21, scoring three goals before featuring 41 times and scoring seven goals last season.

SPONSOR: Michael Keane



Bailey Gallagher - Forward

Skilful winger who on his day is virtually unplayable. Product of the club's Youth Section who progressed to the Dev Team and then into the First Team. Was Bassett's leading outfield appearance maker last season in the Hellenic Premier where he featured 44 times, scoring nine goals.

SPONSOR: Stephen McArdle



Matt Bennett - Forward

Fast and possessing an eye for goal, an experienced forward who scored 42 goals for Bassett's Development team as they won the Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division title last season. Bennett started his senior career with the club over a decade and a half ago & starts the season just 5 short of 200th team appearances.

SPONSOR: Mark Smedley



Rhys Talmash – Forward

Lively young striker in his second spell with the club having been at Wiltshire League side Devizes Town at the start of the season. Made his name as a prolific scorer with Melksham Town coming through their youth side.

SPONSOR: Mike Price



Alfie Presley - Forward

Talented winger who returned to the club from Malmesbury Vics part way through last season having scored 5 goals in 14 games, before adding 4 goals in 11 appearances for Bassett. His performances for Bassett in the 2019-20 season saw him crowned both Manager's Player and Players' Player of the Year.

SPONSOR: Mike Price



Sam Collier – Manager

Manager since taking the role, initially on an interim basis, while still also a player, in early 2018. In 2018-19, his first full season in charge, Collier guided the team to 10th in the Hellenic League Premier – the club's highest ever finish. Bassett have also set records in both national cup competitions under his stewardship.



Alan Griffin – Assistant Manager


Joins Bassett's management team after scoring 16 times in 32 appearances last season. High-quality target man with a distinguished playing career in non-league. Started with Corsham in the Western League & soon moved onto the Southern League, playing his trade with Cirencester T, Chippenham T, Gloucester City, Mangotsfield United, Swindon Supermarine & Bristol Manor Farm.




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Half Time Challenge

Music Lyrics Quiz

The usual Lyrics Quiz is back tonight. Just name the song and artist from the lyric clues below:

Lyric Quiz 07-02-2023	
1	High tide, mid-afternoon People fly by in the traffics boom Knowing just where you're blowing Getting to where you should be going
2	Finished with my woman 'Cause she couldn't help me with my mind People think I'm insane Because I am frowning all the time
3	The sun is shining in the sky There ain't a cloud in sight It's stopped raining Everybody's in the play And don't you know, it's a beautiful new day Hey, hey, hey!
4	When you were so in love with me I played around like I was free Thought I could have my cake and eat it too But how I cried over losing you
5	Don't know why I'm surviving every lonely day When there's got to be no chance for me My life would end and it doesn't matter how I cry My tears of love are a waste of time If I turn away am I strong enough to see it through? Go crazy is what I will do
6	Ride it on out like a bird in the sky ways Ride it on out like you were a bird Fly it all out like an eagle in a sunbeam Ride it on out like you were a bird Wear a tall hat like a druid in the old days Wear a tall hat and a tattooed gown
7	One man come in the name of love One man come and go One man come he to justify One man to overthrow
8	Will you stand above me? Look my way, never love me Rain keeps falling, rain keeps falling Down, down, down Will you recognize me? Call my name or walk on by
9	Trudging slowly over wet sand Back to the bench, where your clothes were stolen This is the coastal town That they forgot to close down Armageddon, come Armageddon! Come, Armageddon! Come!
10	Night time slows Raindrops splash rainbows Perhaps someone you know Could sparkle and shine As daydreams slide The colour from shadow Picture the moon glow That dazzles my eyes And I love you

See Page 24 for answers.

RWBTFC Hellenic League Stats

LEAGUE RECORD, MANAGERS, TOP SCORERS

ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 34 YEARS + IN THE HELLENIC LEAGUE													
Season	Div	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Manager	Top Scorer		
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15	Mick Woolford	Damon York		
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York 25		
1990/91	1	30	11	8	11	32	36	41	8 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York		
1991/92	1	32	10	8	14	45	59	38	12 out of 17	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent		
1992/93	1	30	8	6	16	40	53	30	12 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent		
1993/94	1	34	15	8	11	65	57	53	9 out of 18	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent		
1994/95	1	38	18	5	15	67	68	59	9 out of 20	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent/Darren Jell		
1995/96	1	34	12	9	13	50	64	45	10 out of 18	Kevin Maloney	Scott Vincent		
1996/97	1	32	9	8	15	37	50	35	11 out of 17	Kevin Maloney	Ian Curtis/Gary Ashford 8		
1997/98	1	32	12	6	14	67	58	42	10 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart/Peter Dearlove 10		
1998/99	1	32	17	7	8	64	43	58	5 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart 17		
1999/00	1	28	15	7	6	54	32	52	3 out of 15	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart		
2000/01	Prem	38	14	10	14	54	60	52	13 out of 20	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart 25		
2001/02	Prem	42	11	9	22	39	75	42	19 out of 22	Pete Yearley	Mark Vaughan 14		
2002/03	Prem	40	10	10	20	36	70	40	15 out of 21	Pete Yearley	Geoff Swatton 9		
2003/04	Prem	42	11	5	26	38	73	38	16 out of 22	Pete Yearley	Geoff Swatton 16		
2004/05	Prem	42	6	9	27	30	85	27	21 out of 22	Pete Yearley/Chris Jones	Matty Bennett 10		
2005/06	1W	34	17	10	7	58	30	61	5 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett 12		
2006/07	1W	34	14	5	15	64	62	47	11 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett/Steve Yearley 11		
2007/08	1W	34	11	3	20	43	66	36	15 out of 18	Paul Burke	Richie Saunders 12		
2008/09	1W	32	17	9	6	61	31	60	4 out of 17	Dave Turner	Shaun Terry 26		
2009/10	1W	30	20	7	3	74	34	67	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 22		
2010/11	Prem	42	13	7	22	55	87	46	15 out of 22	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 26		
2011/12	1W	32	15	7	10	69	47	52	5 out of 17	Dave Turner	Matt Bown 18		
2012/13	1W	30	22	3	5	75	40	69	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Mark Barnes 32		
2013/14	Prem	38	11	12	15	60	60	45	14 out of 20	Jeff Roberts	Levi Cox 14		
2014/15	Prem	38	14	9	15	66	80	51	11 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Dan Bailey 18		
2015/16	Prem	38	12	5	21	50	86	41	15 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Steve Robertson 30		
2016/17	Prem	34	15	3	16	61	64	45	11 out of 19	P.Braithwaite/R.Hunter	Steve Robertson 27		
2017/18	Prem	38	11	6	21	44	85	39	15 out of 20	Richard Hunter/Sam Collier	Sam Collier 11		
2018/19	Prem	36	14	7	15	66	71	49	10 out of 19	Sam Collier	TJ Bohane 20		
2019/20	Prem	27	8	4	15	50	65	28	16* out of 19	Sam Collier	Callum Parsons 11		
2020/21	Prem	8	1	4	3	8	12	7	15* out of 18	Sam Collier	TJ Bohane 11		
2021/22	Prem	38	16	6	16	58	66	54	12 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alan Griffin & John Mills 16		
2022/23	Prem	24	10	7	7	37	31	37	8 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 11		
Total		1,171	444	244	483	1,819	1,976	1,573	* At time season 2019-20 was suspended due to Covid-19				

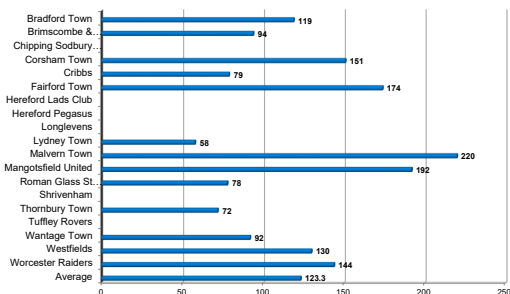
Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	37.9%	20.8%	41.2%
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	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	31.3%	20.0%	48.7%
Premier Division	565	177	113	275	752	1,070	641	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	51.3%	19.5%	29.2%
Division 1 West	226	116	44	66	444	310	392	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	39.7%	22.9%	37.4%
Division 1	380	151	87	142	623	596	540	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio			

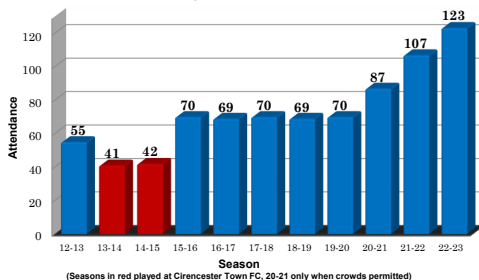
Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2021/22	341 v Corsham Town
Average Hellenic Attendance 2021/22	107 (up from 87 in 20/21)
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)

CROWDS

RWBTFC League Attendances - Season 2022-23



RWBTFC Average Home League Attendances - Last 10 Years plus current season



Match Report 22-23

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Friday 3rd February 2023

Derby delight as Presley lob rocks Reds

Fairford Town 0

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1

Royal Wootton Bassett Town returned to winning ways courtesy of an outstanding first half effort from Alfie Presley that ultimately decided a fiery derby encounter away at Fairford Town. Presley struck just before the 20 minute mark, expertly producing a sublime lob with the outside of his right foot that sailed in over the head of home 'keeper Joe Wright. In a game - that typical for encounters between the two teams - was rather fractious, Presley's goal counted as the only real piece of quality and justifiably determined the outcome of the match in Bassett's favour.

Both teams went into the Friday night contest with their respective managers wanting a reaction - Sam Collier after Bassett's 3-0 home defeat against Brimscombe and Thrupp and Fairford's Jamie Reid after his side lost 2-0 away at Shrivenham last time out. And while that led to a game which may not have been overly pleasing on the eye, it produced a passion-filled, tense local derby. There was plenty of drama too - not least early on when Tom Chamberlain almost opened the scoring for the hosts with a speculative shot from just inside his own half after Matt Crowther mishit a clearance and was caught stranded outside of his box. Fortunately for the Bassett 'keeper, however, the ball bounced onto the crossbar and Crowther was able to safely recover. An inch lower and that would have counted as a wondergoal.

Presley would have no such misfortune though when it came to producing a super strike of his own. Minutes earlier the midfield playmaker had headed narrowly over from a Matt Jones corner. With a much more difficult chance though, he scored what proved to be the only goal of the game. Matt Bennett flicked on a long clearance forward from Crowther and, in a foot race against Cameron Thomson, Presley got there first. With his first touch, Presley deftly lifted the ball over the defender and then, from the edge of the box, used the outside of his right boot to tease a perfectly weighted lobbed volley over Wright and into the right hand

corner of the net. The set up may have been route one, direct play, but the finish was majestic. Presley could have soon had a second as he flashed over from an angle following another Jones corner that wasn't dealt with, while for Fairford Jamal Lawrence came close to seizing on a defensive error, firing just wide of the right post on the bounce from the edge of the box after Adam Corcoran was caught out by a bobble. Later in the half, with the interval approaching, Bassett felt aggrieved not to have won a penalty when Josh Swales sent Bailey Gallagher tumbling in the box. A poor header back then fell straight into the path of Bennett who sought to lift a shot over Wright - forced to race off his line - but the 'keeper was able to foil the veteran forward's attempted lob. The match was therefore finely poised at the break with Bassett's slender lead meaning everything was still to play for.

Fairford were the brighter of the sides early in the second half, with Harvey Skurek forcing Crowther to tip around the post. At the other end, neat play between Jones and Presley opened up room on the left edge for the latter to shoot but his low drive was held at the near post by Wright. The game then descended into something of a stop-start affair with niggly fouls forcing the referee to frequently blow his whistle. One such trip on Bennett just outside the area presented Bassett with a free kick in a dangerous area and Fairford had 'keeper Wright to thank for keeping them in the game as he batted away Jones' low effort at full stretch. A great chance then fell to the hosts after another Crowther miskick. Corcoran was able to knock the ball away from Lawrence as he raced towards goal. But Danny Gudger was there to seize on the loose ball, with Crowther redeeming himself by blocking the forward when presented with a one-on-one opportunity.

Haven't survived that let off, Bassett were afforded what should have been a significant advantage late on when Skurek received a second yellow card after a tackle from behind on Presley. But despite being a man short, Fairford threw everything they had at Bassett in the time that remained. However, last ditch blocks and a fine Crowther parry denied the home side the equaliser they craved, sealing the points for Bassett and a healthy nine point advantage over their rivals with three games in hand still to play.

Match Report 22-23

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Saturday 28th January 2023

Bassett suffer at hands of bogey side Brimscombe

**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 0
Brimcombe & Thrupp 3**

Bad days at the office have, thankfully, been few and far between for Royal Wootton Bassett Town this season – but this was perhaps the worst yet. A miserable first half in which visitors Brimscombe and Thrupp scored three times and Bassett were reduced to ten men, as well as a generally disjointed performance, condemned Sam Collier's side to their heaviest league loss of the current campaign.

The 3-0 defeat doesn't do Bassett any favours as they fight for their highest ever finish while in the Hellenic League Premier Division. With their victory, Brimscombe – although three places below in eleventh – were able to close the gap between the teams to five points, with the Gloucestershire side still with a game in hand to play. However, after the impressive – but perhaps unexpected – home draw with leaders Malvern Town and win away at Westfields earlier in the month, finishing January with four points is probably in line with expectations. It's just it would have been preferable to have increased that haul by taking something from a game that, on paper, was certainly winnable.

Brimcombe have been Bassett's bogey side of late though. Heading into the match, Bassett had won just two of their most recent twelve league meetings. And that dismal run continued with this disappointing loss. The decisive moment of the match came half an hour in when Jon Beeden was dismissed for an off the ball incident with Adam Price in the penalty area. By this point, Brimscombe already led 1-0 courtesy of a fierce 25-yard strike from Oliver Barnes' that the forward conjured out of nothing just twelve minutes in. The last thing Bassett therefore needed was to gift their visitors a chance to double their lead while at the same time putting themselves at a numerical disadvantage. But that's what the experienced Beeden's rash, needless outburst achieved, with Barnes coolly sending Matt Crowther the wrong way from the spot after the dust had settled. The incident sucked the life out of Bassett too. Although they had trailed, Bassett were well in a game that produced chances at both ends. It was

a contest that lacked proper quality, but had nonetheless been relatively entertaining as neither midfield took a firm grip on the game.

Bassett had been fortunate not to have trailed after just eight minutes when Price somehow skewed wide with an open goal at his mercy after Crowther spilled a Barnes shot. Moments before Brimscombe's opener, the visitors were fortunate that Bailey Gallagher's shot from a dangerous area was deflected. Then between Brimscombe's first and second goals, there was a flurry of openings. A last-ditch block from Adam Corcoran foiled Barnes after he had blocked Beeden's attempted clearance and charged towards goal. At the other end, a firm Matt Bennett drive was batted away by Dan Brabham. Brimscombe were next to go close with Jonty Welch forcing Crowther to save on the dive. The visitors soon survived a let off when an incisive move involving Louis Spalding and Bennett created space for Alfie Presley to shoot, but he could only drag wide. But the sending off and penalty abruptly changed things. Although Bassett felt they had a good shout for a penalty of their own shortly after when Scott Chilcott was bundled over by Price, Brimscombe soon took advantage of their extra man. And their third goal came in some style with Price feeding Tom Black, whose fine turn on the edge of the box fooled his marker, allowing the gangly forward a one-on-one with Crowther from which he made no mistake.

Holding such a commanding lead gave Brimscombe margin for some error after the restart. But they still sought to turn the screw on Bassett even further, passing up four good chances before the hour mark. First, an unmarked Barnes hurried a shot that Crowther was able to hold on the dive. Welch narrowly missed the target with a thirty-yard drive before Dean Turner skewed wide of an open goal after a twisting run from Barnes. Black then stabbed wide at the left post from a Sam Folkes cross.

Bassett did step up a gear in the final half hour. And during that time it certainly wasn't obvious that one team was playing a man short. Bassett's best chance came when Gio Wrona's precise pass in between three defenders picked out Bennett at the far post, but his first-time effort from close range rattled the bar. Later on, Matt Jones forced an awkward save from Brabham with a 25-yard free kick, while Kai Robinson headed narrowly over from a Jones corner. Ultimately though, a consolation was not forthcoming, a disappointing, forgettable afternoon finishing with Bassett pointless and goalless.



ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FC

Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd	1	2	3	4	5	6
Tue 02-Aug	Mangotsfield United	H	W 1 - 0	192	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Pres
Sat 06-Aug	Windsor (FAC Ex. Prelim)	H	D 1 - 1	119	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Pre
Tue 09-Aug	Windsor (FAC Ex. Prelim Replay)	A	W 2 - 0	192	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Bee
Sat 13-Aug	Chipping Sodbury Town	A	D 1 - 1	53	Crowther	Dodson	Spalding	Lea	Bampton	Pre
Tue 16-Aug	Thornbury Town	H	W 4 - 1	72	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding (1)	Matthews	Bampton	Pres
Sat 20-Aug	Reading City (FAC Prelim)	H	W 3 - 1	128	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding (1)	Matthews	Bampton	Pres
Wed 24-Aug	Bradford Town	A	W 5 - 0	94	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Matthews	Bampton	Pres
Mon 29-Aug	Corsham Town	A	L 0 - 1	118	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Matthews	Bampton	Pre
Sat 03-Sep	Paulton Rovers (FAC 1QR)	H	L 2 - 4	195	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Pre
Tue 06-Sep	Wantage Town	H	L 2 - 3	92	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Pres
Sat 17-Sep	Lydney Town	H	D 2 - 2	58	Crowther	Dodson	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Wr
Tue 20-Sep	Mangotsfield United	A	W 2 - 1	132	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Partridge	Bampton	Robi
Tue 27-Sep	Thornbury Town	A	W 1 - 0	70	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Robi
Sat 01-Oct	Cribbs	H	D 1 - 1	79	Collier	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Robi
Tue 04-Oct	Roman Glass St George	H	W 2 - 1	78	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding (1)	Corcoran	Bampton	Robi
Sat 08-Oct	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A	L 2 - 3	62	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Wrona	Pre
Tue 11-Oct	Cribbs (FLC 1st)	A	W 1 - 0	69	Crowther	Chilcott	Partridge	Corcoran	Wrona	Robi
Sat 15-Oct	Malvern Town	A	L 0 - 1	326	Crowther	Walters	Spalding	Corcoran	Wrona	Robi
Tue 18-Oct	Bradford Town	H	W 2 - 1	119	Crowther	Walters	Spalding	Corcoran	Wrona	Robi
Sat 22-Oct	Bridport (FAV 1st Rnd)	A	W 5 - 3	174	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Wron
Sat 29-Oct	Westfields	H	D 1 - 1	130	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Robi
Sat 05-Nov	Worcester Raiders	H	D 2 - 2	144	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Golding	Walters	Robi
Tue 08-Nov	Westbury United (WPS)	H	L 2 - 5	63	Rae	Partridge	Walters	Golding	Beeden	McC
Sat 12-Nov	Wellington (FAV 2nd Rnd)	A	D 2 - 2 WS-4 pens	95	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Golding	Bampton	Robi
Fri 18-Nov	Fairford Town	H	D 2 - 2	174	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Golding	Bampton	Robi
Sat 26-Nov	Hereford Lads Club	A	L 2 - 3	108	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Wrona	Gol
Sat 03-Dec	CorshamTown (FAV 3rd Rnd)	H	D 0 - 0*	184	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Packer	Gol
Tue 06-Dec	Mangotsfield United (FLC 2nd)	H	D 0 - 0*		Crowther	Partridge	Walters	Corcoran	Talmash	Robi
Tue 20-Dec	Wantage Town	A	W 1 - 0	83	Mundle	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Beeden	Robi
Tue 27-Dec	Corsham Town	H	L 1 - 3	151	Mundle	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Beeden	Ben
Sat 02-Jan	Malvern Town	H	D 1 - 1	220	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Beeden	Robi
Tue 10-Jan	Shrivenham (BICC3)	H	W 2 - 1	84	Crowther	Golding	Spalding (1)	Corcoran	Beeden	Robe
Sat 14-Jan	Westfields	A	W 1 - 0		Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Beeden	Robi
Sat 28-Jan	Brimscombe & Thrupp	H	L 0 - 3	94	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Beeden	Robi
Fri 03-Feb	Fairford Town	A	W 1 - 0	115	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Chilcott	Robi
Tue 07-Feb	Tuffley Rovers	H								
Sat 11-Feb	Hereford Lads Club	H								
Sat 18-Feb	Hereford Pegasus	H								
Tue 21-Feb	Thornbury Town (BICC4)	H								
Fri 24-Feb	Longlevens	H								
Sat 04-Mar	Lydney Town	A								
Sat 11-Mar	Shrivenham	A								
Sat 18-Mar	Chipping Sodbury Town	H								
Tue 21-Mar	Tuffley Rovers	A								
Sat 25-Mar	Cribbs	A								
Sat 01-Apr	Roman Glass St George	A								
Fri 07-Apr	Shrivenham	H								
Mon 10-Apr	Hereford Pegasus	A								
Sat 15-Apr	Longlevens	A								
Sat 22-Apr	Worcester Raiders	A								

* Lost on penalties

FAC - FA Cup, FLC - Floodlight Cup, FAV - FA Vase, WPS - Wiltshire Premier S

MEN'S FIRST TEAM SEASON 2022-23



	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15	16	17
ley (1)	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Robinson	Hobson-McVeigh	Elms	Bennett	Wrona			
ley	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher (1)	Robinson	Hobson-McVeigh	Elms	Griffin	Wrona			
den	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Elms (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Presley (1)	Robinson	Wrona			
ley	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Elms	Robinson	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Griffin	Bennett	Igbinobaro		
ey (1)	Taylor	Ouldrige (1)	Gallagher	Bennett (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Elms	Robinson	Igbinobaro			
ey (1)	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Bennett (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Partridge	Robinson	Wrona			
ey (2)	Taylor	Ouldrige (1)	Robinson	Bennett (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Elms (1)	Gallagher	Wrona	Griffin		
ley	Taylor	Whelan	Robinson	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh	Corcoran	Wrona	Elms			
ley	Taylor	Ouldrige (1)	Gallagher	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh	Lea	Wrona	Whelan (1)			
ona	Wrona	Ouldrige	Gallagher (1)	Elms	Whelan	Bennett	Griffin				
ona	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Bennett	Whelan (1)	Afenya	Griffin (1)	Chilcott	Lea		
nson	Taylor	Ouldrige (1)	Whelan	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Beeden	Gallagher	Wrona			
nson	Presley (1)	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Whelan	Hobson-McVeigh	Beeden	Wrona	Afenya			
nson	Presley	Ouldrige	Whelan	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh	Gallagher	Wrona	Griffin (1)			
nson	Presley (1)	Ouldrige	Whelan	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh	Gallagher	Griffin	Wrona	Chilcott		
ley	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Bennett	Partridge	Whelan	Griffin (2)	Afenyo			
nson	Taylor	Griffin	Gallagher	Afenyo	Walters	Ouldrige	Smith	Whelan (1)			
nson	Presley	Ouldrige	Whelan	Partridge	Hobson-McVeigh	Gallagher	Bennett	Griffin	Afenya		
nson	Presley	Whelan	Gallagher (1)	Partridge	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Bampton					
na (1)	Presley (1)	Whelan	Gallagher	Bennett (3)	Hobson-McVeigh	Griffin	Smith	de-Paula			
nson	Presley	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh	Wrona	Griffin	Walters	Jones (1)		
nson	Presley	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Jones (1)	Wrona	Talmash	Whelan	Griffin	Beeden	Boulden	
Crae	Talmash	Close	Gallagher	Jones (2)	Hobson-McVeigh	Robinson	Whelan	Griffin			
nson	Presley	Ouldrige (1)	Talmash	Jones	Hobson-McVeigh	Gallagher	Whelan	Taylor			
nson	Presley	Whelan	Talmash	Taylor	Hobson-McVeigh	Bennett (2)	Packer	Corcoran	Gallagher		
ding	Presley	Whelan	Talmash (1)	Taylor	Packer (1)	Griffin	McCrae				
ding	Presley	Bennett	Jones	Taylor	Hobson-McVeigh	Ouldrige	Whelan	Robinson			
nson	Jones	Bennett	Gallagher	Taylor	Hobson-McVeigh	Beeden	Collier	Griffin	McCrae		
nson	Presley	Ouldrige	Jones	Taylor	Hobson-McVeigh	Gallagher (1)	McCrae				
nett	Jones (1)	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Taylor	Hobson-McVeigh	Robertson	McCrae	Griffin			
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rtson	Presley	Gallagher	Jones (1)	Taylor	Hobson-McVeigh	Chilcott	McCrae	Griffin	Bennett	Robinson	
nson	McCrae	Bennett (1)	Jones	Griffin	Hobson-McVeigh	Chilcott					
nson	Presley	Bennett	Jones	Wrona	Gallagher	Partridge	Griffin	Timbrell	Robertson		
nson	Presley (1)	Bennett	Jones	Taylor	Gallagher	Griffin	Bampton				

Statistics

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Season 2022-23						RWBTFC Career	
	Appearances	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	Louis Spalding	32		32	4	32	4
2	Matthew Crowther	31		31		31	
3	Bailey Gallagher	23	8	31	4	77	13
4	Alfie Presley	27	1	28	11	68	20
5	Kai Robinson	22	6	28		117	1
6	Jack Hobson-McVeigh	26	1	27	4	27	4
7	Adam Corcoran	25	2	27		291	15
8	Matt Bennett	18	6	24	9	219	67
9	Thomas Ouldrige	21	2	23	5	68	15
10	Jowan Partridge	21	2	23		26	
11	Chris Taylor	21	1	22		70	2
12	Giorgio Wrona	10	12	22	1	202	24
13	Alan Griffin	2	20	22	4	54	20
14	David Bampton	19	2	21		74	3
15	Scott Chilcott	15	5	20		46	
16	Luke Whelan	12	7	19	3	19	3
17	Matthew Jones	12	1	13	7	15	8
18	Jon Beeden	8	4	12		71	5
19	Josh Elms	3	5	8	2	8	2
20	Charlie McCrae	2	6	8		8	
21	Landon Golding	7		7	1	14	2
22	Harry Walters	6	1	7		8	
23	Rhys Talmash	5	1	6	1	14	1
24	Jedidah Afenyo	1	4	5		5	
25	Luke Matthews	4		4		4	
26	Stephen Robertson	2	2	4		102	73
27	Sam Packer	2	1	3	1	159	31
28	Harrison Lea	1	2	3		16	1
29	Macauley Dodson	2		2		45	2
30	Jadyn Mundle	2		2		2	
31	Sam Collier	1	1	2		156	71
32	Baldwin Osayi Igbinobaro		2	2		2	
33	Sebastian Smith		2	2		2	
34	James Close	1		1		1	
35	Jack Rae	1		1		1	
36	Ben Boulden		1	1		1	
37	Alan de Paula		1	1		1	
38	Joshua Timbrell		1	1		1	

Music Lyrics Quiz

1. Wild Wood - Paul Weller, 2. Paranoid - Black Sabbath, 3. Mr Blue Sky - ELO, 4. Working My Way Back To You - Four Seasons or Detroit Spinners, 5. If I Can't Have You - Yvonne Elliman 6. Ride A White Swan - T.Rex, 7. Pride (In the Name of Love) - U2, 8. Don't You Forget About Me - Simple Minds, 9. Everyday Is Like Sunday - Morrissey, 10. Pure - The Lightning Seeds.

Season 2022-23

HELLENIC LEAGUE TABLES

2022-2023 Season							
UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division							
	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Malvern Town	27	20	5	2	77	31	65
2 Cribbs	25	20	3	2	52	10	63
3 Worcester Raiders	25	16	5	4	69	31	53
4 Westfields	28	14	7	7	47	30	49
5 Corsham Town	20	13	5	2	46	17	44
6 Hereford Pegasus	26	14	1	11	51	49	43
7 Roman Glass St George	26	12	6	8	53	32	42
8 Royal W. Bassett Town	24	10	7	7	37	31	37
9 Wantage Town	27	9	6	12	45	45	33
10 Hereford Lads Club	26	10	3	13	36	50	33
11 Brimscombe & Thrupp	23	8	6	9	46	36	30
12 Shrivenham	26	9	3	14	32	65	30
13 Fairford Town	27	8	4	15	40	50	28
14 Longlevens AFC	26	7	5	14	38	46	26
15 Mangotsfield United	24	7	3	14	38	54	24
16 Bradford Town	25	7	3	15	36	56	24
17 Lydney Town	24	6	6	12	26	56	24
18 Chipping Sodbury Town	23	5	7	11	31	57	22
19 Thornbury Town	23	5	2	16	27	47	17
20 Tuffley Rovers	23	4	3	16	26	60	15

2022-2023 Season							
UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One							
	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Pershore Town	22	19	1	2	80	17	58
2 Hartpury University	22	14	5	3	41	15	47
3 Milton United	19	15	1	3	55	21	46
4 Abingdon United	25	14	2	9	42	34	44
5 Shortwood United	22	12	4	6	53	26	40
6 Cheltenham Saracens	22	12	4	6	51	35	40
7 Malmesbury Victoria	22	11	4	7	40	36	37
8 Claxfield 85	18	12	0	6	42	19	36
9 Calne Town	19	10	2	7	30	25	32
10 Long Crendon	22	9	5	8	41	41	32
11 Southam United	23	9	4	10	43	48	31
12 F C Stratford	18	8	5	5	40	23	29
13 Stonehouse Town	21	8	0	13	34	37	24
14 Bourton Rovers *	22	7	3	12	25	38	21
15 Moreton Rangers	21	6	3	12	30	44	21
16 Newent Town	23	5	3	15	32	68	18
17 Kidlington Res	19	5	1	13	36	49	16
18 Littleton	18	1	2	15	16	56	5
19 Cirencester Town Dev	26	0	1	25	21	120	1

* Points deduction

League Cups

Bluefin Sport Challenge Cup 22-23

HELLENIC LEAGUE BLUEFIN INSURANCE CHALLENGE CUP SEASON 2022-23

Preliminary Round	
Abingdon United	0 - 2 Letcombe
Aston Clinton Sports	0 - 2 Chinnor
Bourton Rovers	0 - 1 Clanfield 85
Buckingham Athletic	2 - 2 Hazelmere Sports (2-4 pens)
Calne Town (Won 5-4 pens)	2 - 2 Malmesbury Victoria
Chalfont Wasps	3 - 0 Holmer Green Dev
Cheltenham Saracens	4 - 0 Swindon Supermarne Dev
FC Beaconsfield	4 - 1 Thame United A
Faringdon Town	0 - 1 Hungerford Town Swifts
Hartpury University	2 - 0 Shortwood United
Headington Amateurs	2 - 2 Cirencester T Dev (Won 6-5 pens)
Littlejohn	2 - 4 Evesham United Dev
Marlborough Town Dev	0 - 4 Old Bradwell United Dev
Meadow Park	W - L Wroughton Dev
Milton United (Won 4-2 pens)	2 - 2 FC Stratford
Moreton Rangers	3 - 1 Feckenham
New Dales Vale	2 - 3 Kidlington Res
Newbury	4 - 1 Highworth Town Res
Newent Town	0 - 5 Pershore Town
Southam United	8 - 1 Shipston Excelsior
Stonehouse Town (Won 3-1 pens)	2 - 2 Didcot Town Dev
Taplow United	1 - 6 Woodcote
Watlington Town	0 - 2 Mortimer
Winslow United Dev	4 - 0 Easington Sports Dev
Woodstock Town	1 - 2 Long Crenon

First Round	
Calne Town	0 - 1 Kidlington Res
Cheltenham Saracens	0 - 3 Newbury
Chinnor	W - L Bishops Cleeve Dev
Chipping Sodbury Town	3 - 3 Cirencester Town Dev (2-3 pens)
Evesham United Dev	1 - 2 Hartpury University
Hazelmere Sports	3 - 2 Mortimer
Hungerford Town Swifts	2 - 1 FC Beaconsfield
Long Crenon	4 - 3 Winslow United Dev
Moreton Rangers	2 - 7 Pershore Town
Old Bradwell United Dev	0 - 5 Milton United
Southam United	4 - 1 Chalfont Wasps
Stonehouse Town	2 - 4 Letcombe
Tuffley Rovers	6 - 2 Meadow Park
Woodcote	0 - 4 Clanfield 85
Bradford Town	bye
Brimacombe & Thrupp	bye
Corsham Town	bye
Cribbs	bye
Fairford Town	bye
Hereford Lads Club	bye
Hereford Pegasus	bye
Longlevens	bye
Lydney Town	bye
Malvern Town	bye
Mangotsfield United	bye
Roman Glass St George	bye
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	bye
Shrivenham	bye
Thornbury Town	bye
Wantage Town	bye
Westfields	bye
Worcester Raiders	bye

Second Round	
Bradford Town	3 - 0 Brimacombe & Thrupp
Chinnor	0 - 3 Southam United
Cirencester Town Dev	2 - 1 Hazelmere Sports
Clanfield 85	v Pershore Town
Corsham Town	2 - 1 Mangotsfield United
Fairford Town	W - L Hungerford Town Swifts
Hereford Lads Club	0 - 2 Hartpury University
Kidlington Res	1 - 3 Lydney Town
Long Crenon	4 - 3 Letcombe
Milton United	2 - 0 Longlevens AFC
Roman Glass St George	4 - 5 Cribbs
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2 - 1 Shrivenham
Thornbury Town	2 - 1 Newbury
Tuffley Rovers	0 - 1 Malvern Town
Wantage Town	2 - 1 Worcester Raiders
Westfields	3 - 0 Hereford Pegasus

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Third Round	
Cirencester Town Dev	v Southam United
Clanfield 85 or Pershore Town	v Long Crenon
Cribbs	v Wantage Town
Fairford Town	v Corsham Town
Hartpury University	v Bradford Town
Lydney Town	v Westfields
Malvern Town	v Milton United
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	v Thornbury Town

Quarter Finals	
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Semi Finals	
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Final	
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Challenge Cup - Winners

1998-99	Burnham	2009-10	Ardley United
1999-00	Swindon Supermarine	2010-11	Holyport
2000-01	Carterton Town	2011-12	Highworth Town
2001-02	Gloucester United	2012-13	Oxford City Nomads
2002-03	Yate Town	2013-14	Ascot United
2003-04	Didcot Town	2014-15	Ardley United
2004-05	Didcot Town	2015-16	Flackwell Heath
2005-06	Didcot Town	2016-17	Bracknell Town
2006-07	Hungerford Town	2017-18	Bracknell Town
2007-08	Hungerford Town	2018-19	Ascot United
2008-09	Almondsbury Town	2019-20	Not awarded due to Covid-19
		2020-21	Kidlington Res
		2021-22	Cribbs

League Cups

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Preliminary Round

Bourton Rovers	0 - 6	Roman Glass St George
Brimcombe & Thrupp	7 - 2	Stonehouse Town
Cheltenham Saracens	1 - 3	Milton United
Cirencester Town Dev	2 - 5	Chipping Sodbury Town
Cribbs	4 - 2	Hereford Lads Club
Fairford Town	1 - 2	Littleton
Newent Town	1 - 2	Tuffley Rovers
Wantage Town	5 - 1	Shrivenham

First Round

Abingdon United	2 - 3	Malvern Town
Bradford Town (Won 3-1 on pens)	3 - 3	Brimcombe & Thrupp
Calne Town (4-2 on pens)	2 - 2	Chipping Sodbury Town
Cribbs	0 - 1	Royal W. Bassett Town
FC Stratford	0 - 1	Mangotsfield United
Hereford Pegasus	2 - 5	Worcester Raiders
Longlevens AFC (Won 6-5 on pens)	1 - 1	Clanfield 85
Lydney Town	0 - 4	Tuffley Rovers
Malmesbury Victoria	2 - 0	Corsham Town
Milton United	W - L	Chinnor
Pershore Town	4 - 1	Moreton Rangers
Roman Glass St George	2 - 0	Hartpury University
Shortwood United	2 - 1	Thornbury Town
Southam United	2 - 3	Kidlington Res
Wantage Town	4 - 2	Littleton
Westfields	4 - 2	Long Crendon

Second Round

Calne Town	2 - 0	Worcester Raiders
Kidlington Res	0 - 0	Bradford Town (2-3 pens)
Malvern	9 - 1	Tuffley Rovers
Milton United	5 - 6	Longlevens
Pershore Town	1 - 0	Roman Glass St George
Royal W. Bassett Town	0 - 0	Mangotsfield Utd (2-4 pens)
Shortwood United	2 - 3	Westfields
Wantage Town (4-2 on pens)	1 - 1	Malmesbury Victoria

Quarter Finals

Bradford Town	v	Longlevens
Malvern Town	2 - 0	Westfields
Mangotsfield United	v	Wantage Town
Pershore Town	v	Calne Town

Semi Finals

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Final

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Floodlit Cup - Winners

- 1994-95 Cinderford Town
- 1995-96 Bicester Town
- 1996-97 Abingdon United
- 1997-98 Swindon Supermarine
- 1998-99 Tuffley Rovers
- 1999-00 Swindon Supermarine
- 2000-01 Swindon Supermarine
- 2001-02 Fairford Town
- 2002-03 Tuffley Rovers
- 2003-04 Slimbridge
- 2004-05 Almondsbury Town
- 2005-06 Slimbridge
- 2006-07 Wantage Town
- 2007-08 Kidlington
- 2008-09 Marlow United
- 2009-10 Shortwood United
- 2010-11 Holyport
- 2011-12 Binfield
- 2012-13 Ardley United
- 2013-14 Brimcombe & Thrupp
- 2014-15 North Leigh
- 2015-16 Ascot United
- 2016-17 Lydney United
- 2017-18 Binfield
- 2018-19 Ardley United
- 2019-20 Not awarded due to Covid-19
- 2020-21 Not awarded due to Covid-19
- 2021-22 Not awarded due to Covid-19

The Non-League Paper

STATISTICS



AS part of our extensive coverage of the National League in The Non-League Paper, we include a statistics box, detailing significant moments of a game to give you, the reader, some kind of idea as to how the end result was determined.

Shots on target, Shots off target, Corners, Offsides, Free-Kicks Conceded, Yellow Cards and Red Cards are the seven categories featured and, when collaborated, usually offers a relatively accurate reflection and insight into the balance of play. The key word in the above paragraph, however, is usually 'as, quite often, this is not the case. In fact, it can also portray the exact opposite.

Take my team, Ipswich Town, for example. Now, under manager Kieran McKenna this season, Ipswich are League One's stats kings. Top of the possession charts, most passes completed and chances created, they own the lot. However, there is one quite important stat that Ipswich do not top, the points column. Defeat at Oxford United on Saturday left them third in the table, 10 points behind leaders Plymouth Argyle and seven adrift of second placed Sheffield Wednesday.

Indeed, in one game, at home to Lincoln City on October 15, the Tractor Boys enjoyed 76.7% possession and had 33 shots to Lincoln's three. They lost 1-0 to a goal from former Eastleigh striker Ben House.

In the Champions League of 2012-13, Barcelona had 89 per cent possession and 14 shots on target against Celtic, but still lost 2-1.

To modern-day managers like McKenna – the Football League's youngest boss at the age of 35 – data analysis has become a vital part of their make-up. The philosophy of possession based football, building from the back and 'putting numbers on the board' is seen as key to producing an attractive brand of football.

Call me old school, but I would suggest that the best brand of football is winning football and traits such as wingers booming long, high crosses into the box for a good old-fashioned

centre forward to power into the net will always prevail.

A great deal of emphasis is also put these days on 'assists'. For me, though, statistics showing the number of 'assists' a player has accumulated (or numbers as the statisticians call them) are often also misleading and don't give a true reflection of a player's overall performance. Midfield players these days are often judged by these 'numbers', in my day, it was simply a midfielder's job to assist the strikers and create opportunities to score.

And this new age terminology doesn't stop there. Recently, I heard a player described as "one of the best assist assists in the league". For those of you as baffled by this as me, an assist assist is the player who passes to the player who then assists a goal. Apparently that's a thing!

And my favourite thing right now is 'Expected Goals' and 'Expected Assists' (or xG and xA as they are called). This is a new revolutionary football metric designed to measure the probability of a shot resulting in a goal or a pass that will lead to a goal.

According to their descriptions, the xG model uses historical information from thousands of shots with similar characteristics to estimate the likelihood of a goal on a scale between 0 and 1. For assists, it considers several factors including the type of pass, pass end-point and length of pass that leads to a goal.

Years and years of data analysis, compiled by some very clever people, has gone into devising this system but, I'm sorry, I just don't get it. Unsurprisingly, Ipswich are regularly 'expected' to score three or four goals a game so surely they should be winning every week and sitting on top of the table, shouldn't they?

Thankfully, Non-League football is that bit purer so such factors don't come into play. 'Expected Goals and Expected Assists' will have precious little bearing on the North West Counties League, for instance.

The only stat that really matters is the one stated in the scoreboard – and The NLP highlights that quite prominently too.

Jon Couch
Non-League Paper

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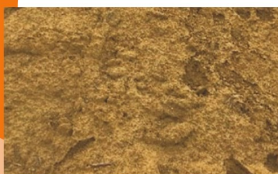
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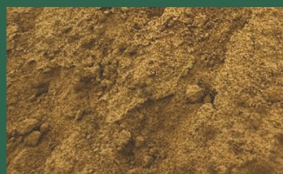
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RWBTFC MEN'S DEV TEAM

ROYAL W. BASSETT TOWN FC DEV - SEASON 2022-23 FIXTURES & RESULTS

CORSHAM PRINT WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sat 13-Aug-22	Frome Collegians	H	League	L 1 - 4	McDermid
Tue 16-Aug-22	Blunsdon	A	League	L 1 - 2	Martins
Sat 20-Aug-22	Trowbridge Town	A	League	L 0 - 5	
Wed 24-Aug-22	Malmesbury Vics Dev	A	League	L 0 - 3	
Tue 30-Aug-22	Calne Town Res	A	League	L 0 - 2	
Sat 03-Sep-22	Shrewton United	A	League	D 1 - 1	Partridge
Sat 17-Sep-22	Kintbury Rangers	A	League	D 0 - 0	
Sat 24-Sep-22	Stratton Juniors	H	League	W 2 - 0	Presley, Lartey
Sat 01-Oct-22	Odd Down (Bath)	A	League	W 5 - 0	Mesas 2, Lartey, Martins, B.Spackman
Sat 08-Oct-22	Salisbury Dev	H	League	D 0 - 0	
Sat 15-Oct-22	Wroughton	H	League	W 1 - 0	Lance
Sat 22-Oct-22	Devizes Town	A	League	D 2 - 2	Mesas, Lartey
Sat 29-Oct-22	Marlborough Town	A	League	W 2 - 0	Close, Spackman
Sat 05-Nov-22	Stratton Juniors	A	League	W 2 - 0	Lartey 2
Sat 12-Nov-22	Melksham Town Res	H	League	W 4 - 2	F. Smith 2, McCrae, Cook
Sat 19-Nov-22	Frome Collegians	A	League	L 2 - 6	F. Smith, OG
Sat 26-Nov-22	Ludgershall Sports (R1)	H	FT Cup	W 5 - 1	Lance 2, Lartey 2, B. Spackman
Sat 14-Jan-23	Calne Town Res	H	League	L 1 - 2	Lance
Sat 28-Jan-23	Salisbury Dev	A	League	W 1 - 0	Pettifer
Sat 04-Feb-23	Melksham Town Res (R2)	H	FT Cup	W 4 - 2	Robertson, de Paula, OG, Walters
Sat 11-Feb-23	Pewsey Vale	A	League		
Sat 18-Feb-23	Melksham Town Res	A	League		
Sat 04-Mar-23	Marlborough Town	H	League		
Sat 11-Mar-23	Frome Collegians (QF)	H	FT Cup		
Sat 18-Mar-23	Wroughton	A	League		
Sat 25-Mar-23	Pewsey Vale	H	League		
Tue 28-Mar-23	Malmesbury Vics Dev	H	League		
Sat 01-Apr-23	Odd Down (Bath)	H	League		
Sat 08-Apr-23	Trowbridge Town	H	League		
Tue 11-Apr-23	Blunsdon	H	League		
Sat 15-Apr-23	Shrewton United	H	League		
Sat 22-Apr-23	Kintbury Rangers	H	League		
TBA	Devizes Town	H	League		

Goalscorers	League	FT Cup	Total
Kevin Lartey	5	2	7
George Lance	2	2	4
Manuel Mesas	3		3
Finley Smith	3		3
Ben Spackman	2	1	3
Bruno Martins	2		2
Alfie Presley	1		1
Ian McDermid	1		1
James Close	1		1
Charlie McCrae	1		1
Malcolm Cook	1		1
Jowan Partridge	1		1
Alan de Paula	1		1
Zach Pettifer	1		1
Harry Walters	1		1
Stephen Robertson	1		1
OG	2		2
			29
			5
			34



Saturday 4 February 2023

Bassett Progress to Quarter Final in Fountain Trophies Senior Cup

**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 4
Melksham Town Reserves 2**

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development entertained Melksham Town Reserves in the Fountain Trophies Cup Second Round on Saturday. When the two sides had met in November in the league, despite their bottom of the table position, Melksham had given the home side a tough game and it was a similar story in this cup encounter. Royal Wootton Bassett Town went in front somewhat against the run of play on 14 minutes, the experienced Stephen Robertson showing how deadly he can be inside the penalty box. Melksham Town were back on level terms on the half hour mark in somewhat bizarre circumstances. Zach Pettifer, who was on the edge of the centre circle just inside his own half, in-explicitly sent a powerful back pass to his keeper Jack Rae which sailed over the keeper's head and into the net for an own goal and 1-1.

The home side made three substitutions at half time and there was an almost immediate impact at the start of the second half, two of them combining as they regained the lead, Alan de Paula getting on the end of a low Mani Mesas corner to make it 2-1 within three minutes of the restart. It was 3-1 shortly after, Pettifer atoning for his earlier own goal by crossing low and hard from the left and seeing his cross turned into his own net by a Melksham defender. Royal Wootton Bassett added a fourth just after the hour mark, Harry Walters with a fine individual goal, firing low into the far corner of the net past Melksham keeper Harry Pickering. Melksham gave themselves a chance of possibly forcing extra time with a second of the game 20 minutes from time, Jake Dodge eluding a shirt pull, with referee Graham Davis playing a good advantage allowing Dodge to get his shot away which Rae in the home goal failed to keep out to make it 4-2. Melksham were unable to create any further chances and it was the home side who went closest to adding to their total but there was to be no further goals as the two sides repeated the scoreline from that earlier league encounter. Royal Wootton Bassett Town will now be home to in-form Frome Collegians in the quarter final, a side they have lost heavily to twice this season in the league.



Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Season 2022-23							
	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Trowbridge Town FC	19	18	1	0	87	13	55
2 Devizes Town FC	18	16	2	0	65	10	50
3 Blunsdon FC	19	9	7	3	52	22	34
4 Frome Collegians FC	19	11	1	7	46	41	34
5 Wroughton FC	17	10	3	4	48	31	33
6 Calne Town FC Res	21	9	3	9	48	42	30
7 Kintbury Rangers FC	16	8	4	4	39	23	28
8 Pewsey Vale FC	18	8	4	6	41	27	28
9 Royal W. Bassett Town Dev	18	7	4	7	25	29	25
10 Malmesbury Victoria FC Dev	15	5	2	8	27	39	17
11 Salisbury FC Dev*(-2)	17	5	4	8	24	49	17
12 Shrewton United FC	17	4	3	10	30	70	15
13 Stratton Juniors FC	19	4	2	13	27	62	14
14 Marlborough Town FC	21	3	4	14	25	59	13
15 Odd Down (Bath) FC Dev	18	3	2	13	17	53	11
16 Melksham Town FC Res	18	1	2	15	21	52	5

**Points adjustment*

Steve Green's Player Portrait
Adam Corcoran



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Season 2022-23

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

Season 2022-23 Fixtures and Results

Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Goalscorers
04-Sep	Bristol Rovers	A	L 4 - 6	Davies 3, H. Gulliver
18-Sep	Sherborne Town	H	L 1 - 2	Jefferies
25-Sep	Poole Town	A	D 1 - 1	Morse
02-Oct	Middlezoy Rovers (FACQR2)	A	W 6 - 0	Davies 5, H. Gulliver
09-Oct	Forest Green Rovers	H	L 0 - 3	
16-Oct	Salisbury FC (WCC1)	H	W 3 - 0	Davies 2, Elliott
23-Oct	Torquay United (FACQR3)	A	L 2 - 5	Baker, Church
30-Oct	Liskeard Athletic	A	L 3 - 6	Davies 3
06-Nov	Bishops Lydeard Ladies	H	L 2 - 4	Davies 2
20-Nov	Purton (WCCQ-F)	A	W 3 - 1	Davies 2, H. Gulliver
04-Dec	Sherborne Town	A	L 0 - 3	
08-Jan	Warminster Town	H	L 0 - 1	
15-Jan	Durrington (WCCS-F)	H	D 3 - 3*	H.Gulliver, Winstone, Morse
29-Jan	Torquay United	H	L 0 - 4	
05-Feb	Poole Town	H	D 2 - 2	Sykes, Winstone
12-Feb	Bristol Rovers	H		
19-Feb	Warminster Town (WCCF)	N		
26-Feb	Liskeard Athletic	H		
05-Mar	Forest Green Rovers	A		
12-Mar	Torquay United	A		
26-Mar	Ilminster Town Ladies	A		
02-Apr	Bishops Lydeard Ladies	A		
16-Apr	Ilminster Town Ladies	H		
23-Apr	Warminster Town	A		

FAC = Women's FA Cup, WCC = Wilts County Cup, * =Won on pens

South West Regional Women's Football League Premier Division Season 2022-23

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Forest Green Rovers Women	14	9	2	3	33	17	29
2 Torquay United Women	11	9	1	1	33	12	28
3 Bristol Rovers Women	12	8	2	2	39	18	26
4 Sherborne Town Ladies	12	7	2	3	24	15	23
5 Bishops Lydeard Ladies	11	5	1	5	25	21	16
6 Liskeard Athletic Women	9	3	2	4	21	23	11
7 Warminster Town Ladies	9	3	1	5	12	22	10
8 Ilminster Town Ladies	11	3	0	8	15	33	9
9 Poole Town Ladies	11	0	3	8	14	36	3
10 Royal W. Bassett Town Women	10	0	2	8	13	32	2

Late Penalty Drama Salvages A Point

Sunday 5 February 2023

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2 Poole Town 2

The final score may have provided little benefit for either team as both sides remain winless in the South West Regional Women's Football League Premier Division. But Royal Wootton Bassett Town and Poole Town can take some form of pride in having produced an entertaining and dramatic 2-2 draw in their latest encounter.

Bassett will be breathing the biggest sigh of relief that they were able to take something out of the game as Simon Harrison's side salvaged a draw courtesy of Sylvannah Winstone's last minute penalty.

The circumstances were somewhat controversial with Winstone having seen her initial effort saved by Emily Wilkinson. However, the referee and assistant determined that the Poole 'keeper had come off her line before the ball was kicked, requiring a retake from which Winstone this time made no mistake.

It was a huge slice of fortune, but Bassett will take whatever good luck they can get with the successful conversion at the second attempt meaning Simon Harrison's side were not cut adrift at the bottom of the table.

Still, Bassett's level five status remains under threat - as does that of Poole. And Warminster Town's win this weekend - coupled with a triumph for Ilminster Town last week - means both teams face an uphill challenge in their remaining fixtures to extricate themselves from the bottom two.

Both teams will give it their best shot though - just as they did here.

Bassett initially went ahead. Wilkinson was unable to hang onto Laura Jefferies' towering corner, and the loose ball dropped to Emma Sykes who scrambled home from close range.

But Poole then struck twice in the second half to go 2-1 in front as Sacha Paynter and Georgia Kemp found the net.

The visitors appeared set to see the game out and claim their maiden league win.

But there was to be late drama and - at the second time of asking from the spot - Winstone equalised to claim a share of the spoils.



Emma Sykes (left) who scored the opener and Sylvannah Winstone (right) who scored the last minute penalty.



Season 2022-23

RWBTFC U18 Floodlit Team

Royal Wootton Bassett Town U18

Season 2022-23 - Under 18 Floodlit League - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Thur 08-Sep-22	Kingsdown Lions	H	League	W 5 - 3	Rendell-Haines 4, Partridge
Thur 15-Sep-22	Calne Town	A	League	D 1 - 1	Spackman
Thur 22-Sep-22	Kintbury Rangers Yth	H	League	W 3 - 1	Rendell-Haines 2, OG
Thur 29-Sep-22	Melksham Town	A	League	W 2 - 1	De Paula, Stammers
Thur 06-Oct-22	Warminster Town	A	League	D 2 - 2	Spackman, OG
Thur 13-Oct-22	Bradford Town	H	League	W 5 - 1	Cranswick-Coates, de Paula, Rendell-Haines, Spackman, Wood
Fri 18-Nov-22	Bishops Cannings	A	League	W 2 - 1	Beavis 2
Thur 24-Nov-22	AFC Aldermaston	H	League	W 4 - 2	Westlake 2, Spackman, Rendell-Haines
Thur 08-Dec-22	Bishops Cannings	H	League	W 3 - 1	Beavis 2, Walters
Tue 17-Jan-23	Kingsdown Lions	A	League	W 3 - 2	Warren, Westlake, OG
Thur 26-Jan-23	Calne Town	H	League	W 3 - 1	Bunce, Rendell-Haines, Walters
Mon 30-Jan-23	AFC Aldermaston	A	League	W 3 - 0	Walters, Partridge, Westlake
Thur 09-Feb-23	Bradford Town	A	League		
Thur 13-Feb-23	Warminster Town	A	U18 Cup		
Thur 23-Feb-23	Melksham Town	H	League		
Mon 27-Feb-23	Kintbury Rangers Yth	A	League		
Thur 09-Mar-23	Radstock Town	A	League		
Thur 23-Mar-23	Radstock Town	H	League		
Thur 30-Mar-23	Warminster Town	H	League		

Goalscorers	League	Cup	Total
Jacob Rendell-Haines	9		9
Euan Spackman	4		4
Joseph Beavis	4		4
Rhys Westlake	4		4
Flynn Walters	3		3
Alan De Paula	2		2
Jowan Partridge	2		2
Noah Cranswick-Coates	1		1
Max Wood	1		1
Charlie Stammers	1		1
Harry Bunce	1		1
Joey Warren	1		1
Own Goals	3		3
	<u>36</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>36</u>

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Under 18 Floodlight Division Season 2022-23

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	12	10	2	0	36	16	32
2 Kintbury Rangers Youth	10	8	1	1	35	11	25
3 Bishops Cannings	11	6	2	3	35	18	20
4 Calne Town	10	6	1	3	28	20	19
5 Radstock Town	9	5	0	4	30	17	15
=6 Kingsdown Lions	13	2	3	8	27	51	9
=6 Melksham Town	10	3	0	7	19	27	9
8 Warminster Town	8	1	4	3	12	27	7
9 Bradford Town	10	1	3	6	16	32	6
10 AFC Aldermaston	9	1	0	8	12	31	3

Goal difference can not be used at U18 level, teams level on points listed alphabetically

Table excludes games played on Monday

Monday 30 January 2023
Comfortable Nights Work

**AFC Aldermaston 0
Royal W. Bassett Town 3**

The action got under way on Monday night when league leaders Royal Wootton Bassett Town made the journey into Berkshire to take on AFC Aldermaston. Despite being bottom of the table, Aldermaston had given Royal Wootton Bassett Town a tough game at the

Sustain Stadium earlier in the season and Nick Warren's side could take nothing for granted in the return. First half goals from Flynn Walters and Jowan Partridge gave Royal Wootton Bassett Town a 2-0 half time lead and they made sure of the points with a third after the break from Rhys Westlake. That is now 12 games unbeaten to start the season for Royal Wootton Bassett Town but with Kintbury Rangers still to play away plus tough looking games home and away to Radstock they still have a lot to do if they are to secure honours this season.



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Season 2022-23

RWBTFC Vets' (Over 35) Team

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Vets

Season 2022-23 - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League - Vets North Wilts Division

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Wed 07-Sep-22	Redhouse	A	League	W 5 - 2	Head, Newton, Yeardley, Mason, OG
Tue 13-Sep-22	Swindon Old Boys	H	League	W 2 - 0	Connolly, Shaw
Wed 28-Sep-22	Swindon Rovers	H	League	W 3 - 0	Newton 2, Head
Wed 05-Oct-22	Cricklade Town	A	League	L 0 - 4	
Mon 01-Nov-22	Devizes Town	A	WVC	W 1 - 0	Head
Mon 07-Nov-22	Radstock Town	H	L Cup	W 5 - 0	Shaw 3, Yeardley, Lye-Owens
Wed 23-Nov-22	AFC Swindon	H	League	W 7 - 0	Head 2, Howse 2, Mason, Newton, Lilley
Wed 21-Dec-22	Blunsdon	H	League	W 4 - 0	Head 2, Mason, Davis
Wed 04-Jan-23	AFC Swindon	H	L Cup	W 5 - 0	Simpkins 2, Gould, Davis, Lilley
Mon 09-Jan-23	FC Calne	A	WVC	W 4 - 1	Davis, Head, Lilley, Newton
Tue 17-Jan-23	Swindon Old Boys	A	League	W 3 - 2	Yeardley, Simpkins, Gould
Wed 01-Feb-23	Chiseldon	H	League	D 0 - 0	
Tue 07-Feb-23	Blunsdon	H	WVC-SF		
Tue 21-Feb-23	Stratton Juniors Black	A	League		
Tue 28-Feb-23	Melksham Town	H	L Cup		
Wed 08-Mar-23	Chiseldon	A	League		
Wed 15-Mar-23	Stratton Juniors Orange	H	League		
Tue 21-Mar-23	Stratton Juniors Black	H	League		
Wed 29-Mar-23	Swindon Rovers	A	League		
Tue 04-Apr-23	Stratton Juniors Orange	A	League		
Tue 11-Apr-23	Blunsdon	A	League		
Tue 18-Apr-23	AFC Swindon	A	League		
Tue 02-May-23	Cricklade Town	H	League		
Wed 10-May-23	Redhouse	H	League		

Goalscorers	League	Cup	Total
Chris Head	6	2	8
Jeremy Newton	4	1	5
Steve Shaw	1	3	4
Nick Mason	3		3
Steve Yeardley	2	1	3
Brady Lilley	1	2	3
Jonathan Davis	1	2	3
Mark Simpkins	1	2	3
Steve Howse	2		2
Ben Gould	1	1	2
Josh Connolly	1		1
Nick Lye-Owens		1	1
OG	1		1
	<u>24</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>39</u>



Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Vets North Wiltshire Division Season 2022-23

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Redhouse	9	8	0	1	28	8	24
2 Cricklade Town	8	7	0	1	25	5	21
3 Royal W. Bassett Town	8	6	1	1	24	8	19
4 Chiseldon	8	4	2	2	20	9	14
5 Swindon Rovers	12	4	2	6	21	25	14
6 Swindon Old Boys	10	4	1	5	19	21	13
7 Stratton Juniors Orange	8	3	3	2	21	12	12
8 Blunsdon	9	2	2	5	10	20	8
9 Stratton Juniors Black	9	1	1	7	7	36	4
10 AFC Swindon	11	1	0	10	6	37	3

Season 2022-23

RWBTFC Vets' (Over 35) Team

VETERANS' LEAGUE CUP SEASON 2022-23		
First Round		
Amesbury Junior Badgers	1 - 9	Chiseldon
Blunsdon	1 - 2	Corsham Town
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	5 - 0	Radstock Town
Westbury United	14 - 0	Stratton Juniors Black
AFC Swindon	bye	
Bradford Town	bye	
Chippenham Town	bye	
Cricklade Town	bye	
Devizes Town	bye	
FC Calne	bye	
Melksham Town	bye	
Redhouse	bye	
Stratton Juniors Orange	bye	
Swindon Old Boys	bye	
Swindon Rovers	bye	
Trowbridge Town Tigers	bye	
Second Round		
Chiseldon	1 - 2	Redhouse
Corsham Town	3 - 0	Trowbridge Town Tigers
Cricklade Town	0 - 3	Bradford Town
FC Calne	1 - 1	Swindon Rovers (4-5 on pens)
Melksham Town	3 - 1	Devizes Town
Royal W. Bassett Town	5 - 0	AFC Swindon
Swindon Old Boys (4-2 on pens)	2 - 2	Stratton Juniors Orange
Westbury United	v	Chippenham Town
Quarter Finals		
Redhouse	v	Corsham Town
Royal W. Bassett Town	v	Melksham Town
Swindon Rovers	v	Bradford Town
Westbury Utd v Chippenham Town	v	Swindon Old Boys
WILTSHIRE FA COUNTY VETERANS' CUP SEASON 2022-23		
First Round		
Blunsdon (5-4 on pens)	2 - 2	Swindon Rovers
Swindon Old Boys	0 - 4	Chiseldon
AFC Swindon	bye	
Amesbury Junior Badgers	bye	
Bradford Town	bye	
Chippenham Town	bye	
Corsham Town	bye	
Cricklade Town	bye	
Devizes Town	bye	
FC Calne	bye	
Melksham Town	bye	
Redhouse	bye	
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	bye	
Stratton Juniors Orange	bye	
Trowbridge Town Tigers	bye	
Westbury United	bye	
Second Round		
AFC Swindon	2 - 2	FC Calne (4-5 on pens)
Amesbury Junior Badgers	0 - 11	Bradford Town
Chippenham Town	3 - 0	Redhouse
Cricklade Town	5 - 0	Chiseldon
Devizes Town	0 - 1	Royal Wootton Bassett Town
Melksham Town	3 - 1	Westbury United
Stratton Juniors Orange	1 - 3	Blunsdon
Trowbridge Town Tigers	0 - 3	Corsham Town
Quarter Finals		
Chippenham Town	2 - 3	Blunsdon
Corsham Town	1 - 2	Bradford Town
Melksham Town	1 - 0	Cricklade Town
FC Calne	1 - 4	Royal W. Bassett Town
Semi Finals		
Melksham Town	v	Bradford Town
Royal W. Bassett Town	v	Blunsdon


RWBTFC & The FA Vase


OUR ROAD TO WEMBLEY

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. FA VASE 2022-23							
Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	Winner	Loser
27-Aug-22	First Round Qualifying	Bye			£550	£160	
24-Sep-22	Second Round Qualifying	Bye			£725	£225	
22-Oct-22	First Round Proper	v Bridport	A	W 5 - 3	£825	£250	
12-Nov-22	Second Round Proper	v Wellington	A	D 2 - 2 (W 5 - 4 Pens)	£900	£275	
3-Dec-22	Third Round Proper	v Corsham Town*	H	D 0 - 0 (L 3 - 4 Pens)	£1,125	£350	
14-Jan-23	Fourth Round Proper	v Deal Town	H		£1,875	£600	
11-Feb-23	Fifth Round Proper	v Brixham*	H		£2,250	£725	
11-Mar-23	Sixth Round Proper	v			£4,125	£1,350	
1-Apr-23	Semi-final	v			£5,500	£1,725	
21-May-23	Final (at Wembley)	v			£30,000	£15,000	
Total Prize Money Won						£2,075	

* Still in competition

Saturday 22nd October 2022, 3:00pm | Round 1

 3 Bridport

 5 Royal Wootton Bassett Town

Team: M Crowther, J Partridge, L Spalding, J Hobson-McVeigh, A Corcoran, D Bampton, A Presley, G Wrona, M Bennett, B Gallagher, L Whelan

Subs: S Smith, A Griffin, A de Paula

Scorers: Matt Bennett (3), Alfie Presley, Gio Wrona

Saturday 12th November 2022, 3:00pm | Round 2

 2 Wellington AFC


 2 Royal Wootton Bassett Town (Pens: W5-4)


Team: M Crowther, L Golding, L Spalding, K Robinson, J Partridge, D Bampton, A Presley, T Ouldrige, R Talmash, M Jones, J Hobson-McVeigh

Subs: B Gallagher, L Whelan, C Taylor

Scorers: Tommy Ouldrige, Own Goal

Saturday 3rd December 2022, 3:00pm | Round 3

 0 Royal Wootton Bassett Town

 0 Corsham Town (Pens: W4-3)

Team: M Crowther, J Partridge, L Spalding, A Corcoran, L Golding, A Presley, C Taylor, M Bennett, S Packer, J Hobson-McVeigh, M Jones

Subs: T Ouldrige, L Whelan, K Robinson

RWBTFC F.A. Vase Record

2001-02	QR2	Calne Town	H	W 3 - 2
	R1	St Blazey	H	L 0 - 2
2002-03	QR2	Shortwood United	A	L 1 - 5
2003-04	QR2	Bemerton Heath Harl's	A	L 1 - 4
2004-05	QR1	Wellington	A	L 0 - 4
	QR1	Christchurch	H	D 1 - 1
2005-06	QR1	Christchurch	A	L 0 - 1
	QR1	Shrewton United	A	D 1 - 1
2006-07	QR1	Shrewton United	H	L 2 - 3
	QR2	Bournemouth	A	L 0 - 12
2007-08	QR1	Buckingham Athletic	A	W 5 - 3
	QR2	Henley Town	A	W 6 - 0
	R1	Kidlington	H	W 3 - 2
	R2	Wimbourne Town	A	L 0 - 4
2009-10	QR1	Hamble ASSC	H	L 2 - 3
2010-11	QR2	Devizes Town	A	W 4 - 0
	R1	Cadbury Heath	A	L 1 - 2
2011-12	QR1	Shortwood United	A	L 0 - 4
2012-13	QR1	GE Hamble	A	L 0 - 6
	QR2	Odd Down	A	L 0 - 7
2013-14	QR1	Cove	A	W 3 - 2
	QR2	Abingdon United	H	L 2 - 3

2015-16	QR1	Binfield	H	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Binfield	A	W 4 - 3
	QR2	Windsor FC	A	L 1 - 2
2016-17	QR2	Thame Utd	H	L 2 - 4
2017-18	QR1	Fairford Town	H	W 3 - 1
	QR2	Codicote	H	W 5 - 0
	R1	Amphill T own	H	W 2 - 1
	R2	Horn Dean	A	L 2 - 3
2018-19	QR2	Bashley	H	L 0 - 4
2019-20	QR1	New College Swindon	A	W 7 - 0
	QR2	Tadley Calleva	A	L 0 - 1
2020-21	QR2	Stonehouse	A	W 1 - 0
	R1	Camelford	H	W 4 - 0
	R2	Bridgwater Town	A	L 1 - 2
2021-22	QR1	Knaphill	H	W 1 - 0
	QR2	Portishead Town	A	W 3 - 1
	R1	Downton	H	W 4 - 0
	R2	Torpoint Athletic	H	W 2 - 0
	R3	Hamworthy United	H	L 1 - 3
2022-23	R1	Bridport	A	W 5 - 3
	R2	Wellington (W 5 - 4 pens)	A	D 2 - 2
	R3	Corsham T (L 3 - 4 pens)	H	D 0 - 0

RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup

EMIRATES FA CUP ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN 2022-23

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	Winner	Loser
6-Aug-22	Extra Preliminary Round	v Windsor	H	D 1 - 1	£1,125		£375
9-Aug-22	Extra Prelim. Round Replay	v Windsor	A	W 2 - 0			
20-Aug-22	Preliminary Round	v Reading City	H	W 3 - 1	£1,444		£481
3-Sep-22	First Qualifying Round	v Paulton Rovers	H	L 2 - 4	£2,250		£750
17-Sep-22	Second Qualifying Round	v Gosport Borough	A		£3,375		£1,125
1-Oct-22	Third Qualifying Round	v Hampton & Richmond B.	A		£5,625		£1,875
15-Oct-22	Fourth Qualifying Round	v Torquay	A		£9,375		£3,125
5-Nov-22	First Round	v Derby County	H		£36,000		
26-Nov-22	Second Round	v Newport County	A		£60,000		
7-Jan-23	Third Round	v Barnsley	H		£100,000		
28-Jan-23	Fourth Round	v West Ham United*	H		£120,000		
1-Mar-23	Fifth Round	v Manchester United*	A		£225,000		
18-Mar-23	Sixth Round	v			£450,000		
22-Apr-23	Semi-Final	v	Wembley		£1,000,000		£500,000
3-Jun-23	Final	v	Wembley		£2,000,000		£1,000,000
					Total Prize Money Won		£3,319

* Still in competition



Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC - Emirates FA Cup Record

Season	Rnd	Opponents	Result	Season	Rnd	Opponents	Result
1938-39	Pr	Wiltshire Mental Hospital	A L 0 - 6	2011-12	EPr	Radstock Town	A L 1 - 2
1939-40	Pr	Frome Town (War)	A P - P	2012-13	EPr	Calne Town	H W 4 - 2
1946-47	EPr	Dilton Rovers	H W 5 - 1	Pr	Hamworthy United	H W 1 - 0	
Pr	Swindon GWR Corinthians	A L 1 - 5	QR1	Highworth Town	H W 3 - 1		
1947-48	EPr	Pewsey Vale	H L 0 - 2	QR2	Dorchester Town	A L 0 - 4	
1948-49	EPr	Swindon BR Corinthians	A L 3 - 6	2013-14	EPr	Totton & Eling	H L 0 - 2
1949-50	EPr	Warminster Town	H L 4 - 5	2014-15	EPr	Brockenhurst	A W 3 - 0
1950-51	EPr	Spencer Moulton	H W 2 - 1	Pr	Bradford Town	A L 1 - 2	
Pr	Devizes Town	A L 0 - 4	2015-16	EPr	Bracknell Town	H L 0 - 2	
2004-05	Pr	Exmouth	A L 2 - 3	2016-17	EPr	Andover Town	A L 2 - 5
2007-08	EPr	Highworth Town	A D 0 - 0	2017-18	EPr	Crawley Green	H L 1 - 2
EPr	Highworth Town	H W 2 - 1	2018-19	EPr	Leighton Town	A W 1 - 0	
Pr	Bracknell Town	H W 2 - 1	Pr	Lydney Town	H D 0 - 0		
QR1	Brockenhurst	A D 1 - 1	Pr	Lydney Town	A L 3 - 5		
QR1	Brockenhurst	H L 1 - 5	2019-20	EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	H D 1 - 1	
2008-09	EPr	Flackwell Heath	A D 1 - 1	EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	A L 0 - 1	
EPr	Flackwell Heath	H L 1 - 6	2020-21	EPr	Chipping Sodbury T (W4-1 pens)	H D 2 - 2	
2009-10	EPr	Westbury United	H D 2 - 2	Pr	Didcot Town	A W 2 - 1	
EPr	Westbury United	A W 3 - 2	QR1	Cinderford T (Won 6-5 pens)	A D 2 - 2		
Pr	Brockenhurst	H L 0 - 1	QR2	Oxford City	H L 1 - 2		
2010-11	EPr	Bradford Town	A D 1 - 1	2021-22	EPr	Thornbury Town	A W 4 - 0
EPr	Bradford Town (W4-3 pens)	H D 3 - 3	Pr	Ardley United	H D 2 - 2		
Pr	Almondsbury UWE	A W 1 - 0	PrR	Ardley United	A L 1 - 3		
QR1	Hamble ASSC	A D 1 - 1	2022-23	EPr	Windsor	H D 1 - 1	
QR1	Hamble ASSC	H L 0 - 2	EPrR	Windsor	A W 2 - 0		
			Pr	Reading City	H W 3 - 1		
			QR1	Paulton Rovers	H L 2 - 4		

Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC



Tuffley Rovers FC



Matthew Crowther 1
Jowan Partridge 2
Louis Spalding 3
Kai Robinson 4
Adam Corcoran 5
Jack Hobson McVeigh 6
Matt Bennett 7
Chris Taylor 8
Alfie Presley 9
Matthew Jones 10
Bailey Gallagher 11
Steve Robertson 12
Tommy Ouldrige 14
Gio Wrona 15
Jon Beeden 16
Alan Griffin 17
Dave Bampton 18
Harry Walters 19
Joshua Timbrell 20

Dugout Team

Manager: Sam Collier
Assistant: Alan Griffin
Coach: Mark Simpkins
Therapist: Kara Gregory

Luke Merchant
Callum McGuirk
Warren Mann
Mark Pritchett
Macauley Herbert
Sammie Hicks
Dominik Kent
Henry Birkett
Harrison Iddles
Ryan Dobbins
Tomos Shyamapant
Shane Bradley
Paul Azubilla
Yeshaya Lomotey
Liam Smith
Mason Lewis

Dugout Team

Manager: Neil Mustoe
Assistant: Ritchie Warden
GK Coach:
Therapist: Ashleigh Watson

Match Officials

Referee: Darren McMillan
Assistant 1: Graham Pugh
Assistant 2: Andy Davies

Next Home Games

11-Feb-23 v Hereford Lads Club (UHlsport Hellenic League Prem) K.O. 3:00PM