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First Team Honours

Wiltshire Senior Cup Winners 1998-99, 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 Division 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

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

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GOOD AFTERNOON

welcome to the Sustain Stadium here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground for this Uhlsport Hellenic League fixture against Mangotsfield United. This is our fouth straight home game with two more to come in a hectic start to the season here at the Sustain Stadium. A warm welcome back to all our visitors who have made the journey along the M4 from Bristol, for the second time in just over a week, we hope you enjoy your brief stay with us this afternoon and we wish you a safe journey home.

Eight days ago when the two sides met in the FA Cup the two teams produced an enjoyable and close encounter with Bassett just edging it by the odd goal in three to make it through to the Preliminary Round. Mangotsfield went very close to taking us to a replay a shot at the very end of the game, with that shot coming back off the crossbar and being cleared to safety.

It has now been confirmed that the Preliminary Round tie against Didcot will take place next Saturday afternoon, Didcot refusing to move it to either the Friday or Sunday to avoid the cricket taking place here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground. The game will kick off at the traditional time of 3PM. Admission will be £8 for adults and £5 for concessions. In the event of a draw, a replay will take place at Didcot's Loop Meadow Stadium on Tuesday 20 August, 7.45pm kick off.

Both teams come into tonight's game on the back of midweek wins in the league. On Tuesday we had a comfortable 4-0 win over struggling Brimscombe & Thrupp with Alfie Presley helping himself to a hat-trick, Tyrone Tucker-Dixon with the other goal. The same night Mangotsfield were winning 3-0 away at Thornbury Town and currently sit just above us in the league table on goal difference.

Some of the results in midweek were very interesting and I suspect few would have predicted that Slimbridge would lose at

Tuffley Rovers. It looks already that it is going to be a very tight and competitive league this season with just Roman Glass St George, Highworth Town, Fairford Town and Corsham Town sitting on maximum points, with Corsham and Fairford also only having played the one game! A roundup of the midweek games in the Hellenic Premier Division is included in today's programme. Today also sees the return of the Non-League Paper article.

Whilst the first team were securing that second win of the season on Tuesday night the Development Team bounced back from Saturday's defeat at Pewsey to win 4-0 at home against Blunsdon. With Pewsey trashing much fancied Trowbridge Town the same night, Saturday's defeat against Pewsey was not such a bad result as Pewsey, under the management of former Bassett players Mark Field and Liam Edmondson, already look like they are the team to beat. With space to fill in the programme, today's edition includes a full roundup of the midweek games in the Wiltshire Senior League.

Today's programme also includes all the results in Zone 7 of the FA Cup, which is the regional zone that we are currently in, together with the scheduled fixtures in the Preliminary Round for this zone.

There are again details of the club's Premier League Fantasy Football competition in today's programme. At the time of writing there are currently 182 participants so far in this season's competition. The aim is to try and beat last season's total of 225 entries so please enter if you have not already done so.

Don't forget we are back here again on Tuesday night when current league leaders Roman Glass St George are our visitors.

Enjoy the game and hopefully we can extend our winning run to three games.

Mark

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Chairman's Chat Paul Gerrish

GOOD AFTERNOON. It's a pleasure to once again welcome our supporters along with the players, officials and supporters from Mangotsfield United FC to the Sustain Stadium today this time for a Hellenic Premier League fixture.

As so often happens, this game comes on the back of our FA Cup fixture last week where we came out 2-1 victors in an entertaining match that could easily have resulted in a replay had their late strike not cannoned of the crossbar. I'm sure they will be looking to get revenge this afternoon.

Both sides got their seasons up and running midweek after opening day defeats. Mangoes defeated local rivals Thornbury while we put four past Brimscombe in a somewhat one-sided affair. We will be looking to build on that result ahead of tricky fixtures against Roman Glass in the league and Didcot Town in the FA Cup.

One thing that we can take for granted today is that the pitch will be immaculate and big thanks goes to Andy Clinch for providing us with one of the best playing surfaces in the league and county. In fact, ahead of the game on Tuesday somebody asked my if it was an artificial surface! Call me old school, but I think football is a game that should be played on grass but so many teams are now looking to lay 4G pitches to ensure games

are not lost to the weather and with the additional bonus of bringing in revenue. We already have artificial pitches at Roman Glass, Hereford Pegasus, Worcester Raiders and Cirencester Town. With our visitors today in the process of having theirs installed and Highworth Town laying theirs next season that will be 30% of the teams in the league playing their home fixtures on 4G pitches.

Elsewhere at the club, the Development also played a home game on Tuesday night (ironically on the 4G pitch!) and also opened their account with a 4-0 victory over Blunsdon. They will be looking to build on that today as they travel south to play Salisbury Development team

Thank you all for your continued support, it is greatly appreciated. We look forward to seeing you soon.

UP THE BASS

Paul







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MANGOTSFIELD UTD A BRIEF HISTORY

The 2024/25 season will be Mangotsfield's third season playing at step 5 following 22 seasons as a Southern League club, which includes the voided 2019/20 and 20/21 seasons. After thirteen season's in the "Pitchin In" Southern Football League Division One South previously finishing 9th in 2009/10, 3rd



in 2010/11, (but losing the play-off semi-final, 1-3 to Frome Town), 14th in 2011/12, 13th in 2012/13, 11th in 2013/14, 10th in 2014/15, 14th in 2015/16, 8th in 2016/17, & 16th in both 2017/18 and 2018/19, following the 2 year "Covid gap" Mangotsfield finished 18th (out of 19 teams) in 2021/22 and were automatically relegated into the Hellenic League Premier Division.

There has been football in the village since 1888 and four years later, Mangotsfield FC became a founder member of the Bristol & District League (later to become the Western Football League in 1895) but the club folded after 10 years. From 1898 until the 1950s, Mangotsfield FC was disbanded and subsequently reformed on several occasions. In January 1951, the parent club dispensed with the Reserve X1 for financial reasons leaving many local players without a team to play for. These players decided to form a new club in the village and at the start of the 1951-52 season, the newly-established Mangotsfield United FC was entered into the Bristol & District League, Division VII. They achieved five successive promotions and gained entry to the Bristol & District Premier Combination in 1957. The club remained there until 1972-73, when it was accepted in to the Western League.

The Club became established in the Western League during the 1970's and despite being relegated to the first division in 1981-82, "The Field", as they were affectionately known, bounced straight back the following season and under the guidance of the charismatic Ralph Miller, who as Chairman, undertook the task of improving the ground and its facilities, became a force in the Premier, mainly featuring in the leading positions.

In 1991, the club, managed by Harold Jarman and assisted by Terry Rowles, achieved regional glory by taking the (then) Great Mills League Premier Division title, ahead of runners-up Torrington. Disappointingly, they were denied promotion to the Southern League as the ground failed to meet the grading requirements and there followed several lean seasons as the team disbanded. Under newly-elected Chairman Richard Davis, however, off the pitch, things were improving.

Terry Rowles returned to manage the club himself in 1995 and kept them in the spotlight by consistently finishing in the top three/four in the Great Mills/Screwfix League and an appearance in the FA Vase semi-final (losing to Clitheroe), but their ambitions of promotion and Southern League football were always thwarted by the continual success of Taunton and Tiverton Town. It was

considered very important to establish a sound working base, improve ground facilities and secure a long-term tenure on their Cossham Street ground.

In earlier years, the Roger Pullin / Richard Davis partnership had seen many improvements take place, with the installation of Conference-style floodlights and at the end of the 2003/04 season, the Cossham Street end of the ground was covered, together with new toilet blocks and social club improvements. Ex player Andy Black returned to the club as Manager in 1999 and guided the club to promotion to the Dr. Martens Southern League and three successful campaigns. The 2003/04 campaign did not go too well and just before Christmas, Black was replaced by Martyn Grimshaw. Towards the end of the campaign, Nigel Webb came in as his Assistant, but the club could only finish in 13th place, which was not high enough for the planned re-structuring of the Pyramid.

The Management duo made promotion their priority in 2004/05 and the club headed the table for most of the campaign, eventually taking the Division One West title with a 21 match unbeaten run. After 28 seasons at Western League level, the club had spent just five campaigns at Southern League level before reaching the Premier Division. In April/May 2005, Roger Pullin left the club and Mike Richardson took over as Chairman, with a new Board. As detailed at the start of this article Mangotsfield enjoyed life in the Southern League finishing most season's around mid table, but had struggled financially during the last few years.

Sometimes now referred to as "The Mangos", the 2020/21 campaign, started with Glyn Ashton, at the helm. He had previously been in charge of the U18s Floodlit Youth side, but took over as temporary Manager in 2019/20, after the sudden departure of Manager Ollie Price, and bought in almost his entire U18s squad. Glyn Ashton returned to his role of managing the U18/Reserve team for the 2021/22 season as Ray Johnston, along with assistant Terry Moore, took over the first team management role but Glyn returned to the hot seat following the departure of Ray and Terry following some disappointing performances and results. The club, however, were unable to "avoid the drop" finishing in 18th place in a league of 19 teams.

In the summer of 2021/22 Chairman Mike Richardson was replaced by Steve Brown, a new committee was formed, and with a new commercial team in place the club started to enter an exciting new era in it's history.

With Glyn Ashton taking over (once again), following the short managerial spell of John Allen and Josh Bruton, "The Field" eventually managed to finish in 11th place in the Hellenic Premier Division in their first season at that level. Last season an expected higher finishing league place was not achieved as the team finished in 13th place, albeit in a much stronger season.

Following a few years hard work behind the scenes the management committee finally got the news that funding and planning permission for a 3G pitch at Cossham Street had finally been granted. Work started on the ground in early July and it is hoped that the new facilities will be ready for the beginning of November.



Today's Opponents Mangotsfield United

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Season	League & Division	FAC	FAT	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Top Scorer
2009/10	Southern 1SW	4QR	PRE	42	19	5	18	77	67	62	9 out of 22	Info not found
2010/11	Southern 1SW	2QR	PRE	40	26	7	7	79	48	85	3 out of 21	Info not found
2011/12	Southern 1SW	PRE	2QR	40	14	7	19	62	66	49	14 out of 21	Info not found
2012/13	Southern 1SW	1QR	PRE	42	15	10	17	53	61	55	13 out of 22	Info not found
2013/14	Southern 1SW	2QR	2QR	42	18	7	17	65	62	61	11 out of 22	Info not found
2014/15	Southern 1SW	1QR	2QR	42	20	7	15	73	58	67	10 out of 22	Info not found
2015/16	Southern 1SW	1QR	2QR	42	12	12	18	59	65	48	14 out of 22	Info not found
2016/17	Southern 1SW	PRE	PRE	42	21	7	14	73	69	70	8 out of 22	Info not found
2017/18	Sourthern 1W	PRE	PRE	42	10	11	21	53	86	41	16 out of 22	Info not found
2018/19	Southern 1S	PRE	1QR	38	11	4	23	64	78	37	16 out of 20	Info not found
2019/20	Southern 1S	1QR	EPR	29	8	4	17	46	65	28	17* out of 20	Info not found
2020/21	Southern 1S	PRE	2QR	7	0	0	7	4	20	0	20* out of 20	H. Simons 2
2021/22	Southern 1S	1QR	2QR	36	7	6	23	42	91	27	18 out of 19	W. Nderemani 4
2022/23	Hellenic Premier	EP	2nd#	38	15	4	19	58	70	49	11 out of 20	J. Crosbie 19
023/24	Hellenic Premier	PRE	1st [#]	38	13	9	16	59	59	48	13 out of 20	J. Crosbie 37
	Т	otals		560	209	100	251	867	965	* Position	on at time that Covid-	19 resulted in season bein

#FA Vase Won:Drew:Lost Ratio 298 100 251 867 955 *Position at time that Covid-19 resulted in season being curtailed 44.8%

Southern League Div 1 South	110	26	14	70	156	254	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	23.6%	12.7%	63.6%
Southern League Div 1 South West	332	145	62	125	541	496	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	43.7%	18.7%	37.7%
Southern League Div 1 West	42	10	11	21	53	86	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	23.8%	26.2%	50.0%
Hellenic League Premier	76	28	13	35	117	129	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	36.8%	17.1%	46.1%

Unfortunately it has not been possible to find top goalscorer information, as has previously been the case with the Southern League

2023-2024 Season									
UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division									
	Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts		
1 Worcester City (P)	38	32	5	1	120	31	101		
2 Corsham Town	38	24	10	4	80	33	82		
3 Highworth Town	38	22	7	9	73	40	73		
4 Royal W. Bassett Town	38	23	4	11	65	50	73		
5 Cinderford Town (P)	38	20	6	12	65	57	66		
6 Slimbridge	38	19	8	11	81	62	65		
7 Roman Glass St George	38	20	2	16	73	62	62		
8 Fairford Town	38	17	10	11	59	49	61		
9 Hereford Pegasus	38	16	7	15	77	73	55		
10 Worcester Raiders	38	15	8	15	58	61	53		
11 Pershore Town	38	14	8	16	79	69	50		
12 Westfields	38	14	7	17	68	68	49		
13 Mangotsfield United	38	13	9	16	59	59	48		
14 Tuffley Rovers	38	13	9	16	55	62	48		
15 Brimscombe & Thrupp	38	10	8	20	56	92	38		
16 Longlevens AFC	38	10	6	22	47	78	36		
17 Hereford Lads Club	38	8	8	22	43	65	32		
18 Thornbury Town	38	8	5	25	43	79	29		
19 Lydney Town	38	8	5	25	63	103	29		
20 Wantage Town (R)	38	7	2	29	34	105	23		

Mangotsfield Uto	d Last S	eason
	SEASON	2023-24
League Results	Home	Away
Brimscombe & Thrupp	W 4 - 1	W 2 - 0
Cinderford Town	L1-3	L 0 - 1
Corsham Town	L 1 - 2	L 0 - 1
Fairford Town	L 0 - 5	D 0 - 0
Hereford Lads Club	W 3 - 1	W 2 - 1
Hereford Pegasus	D 2 - 2	L 2 - 3
Highworth Town	D1-1	L 1 - 2
Longlevens	W 2 - 1	W 1 - 0
Lydney Town	W 4 - 3	W 2 - 1
Pershore Town	L 1 - 2	W 3 - 0
Roman Glass St George	L 2 - 4	L 0 - 2
RWBTFC	D 0 - 0	L 0 - 1
Slimbridge	L1-2	D1-1
Thornbury Town	W 4 - 1	L 0 - 1
Tuffley Rovers	D1-1	W 3 - 0
Wantage Town	D 0 - 0	W 5 - 1
Westfields	D1-1	L 0 - 3
Worcester City	L1-3	L 2 - 5
Worcester Raiders	D 3 - 3	W 3 - 0

Today's Opponents Mangotsfield United



Club Honours

1984/1985, 1985/1986

Winners 2022/23

Southern League-Division One West Champions 2004/2005 Western League - Champions 1990/91 Runners up 1999/2000 Western League Division One -Runners up 1982/83

Cup Honours FA Vase semi finalists 1995/96 Western League Challenge Cup Winners 1973/74. Finalists 1986/87 Somerset Premier Cup Winners 1987/88 Finalists 1988/89,1995/96, 2005/2006 Gloucester Senior Cup Winners 2002/03, 2012/13,2013/14 Gloucester FA Trophy winners 1984/85, 1986/87, 1990/91, 1993/94, 1996/97, 1999/2000, 23/24 Gloucestershire Senior Amateur Cup (South) Winners1968/69, 1975/76 Finalists1972/73 **Bristol Premier Combination Winners** 1968/69 Bristol & District League winners DIv 7 51/52, Div 6 52/53, Div 4 53/54, Div 3 54/55, Div 2 Rothmans National Cup Finalists 1977/78 Hungerford Invitation Cup winners 1974/75 Hanham Invitation Charity Shield winners

Hellenic League-Wiseman Lighting Cup

Mangotsfield United Cossham Street, Mangotsfield, Bristol. BS16 9EN 0117 9560119 Club Officials

Club President - M Richardson
Vice Presidents - P Brown, M Hamilton,
P Selway, P McKeown, A Williams,
Chairman - S Brown
Football Secretary - S Brown
Commercial Manager - R Iles
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Club Shop Manager - R Loftus
Website/ Social media - S Lecrass, S Brown
Matchday Programme - S Lecrass
Safety Officer - M Hamilton
Club Photographer - M Preedy

Additional Committee Members:

R Bishop, T Hannan, D Jenkins, N McKeown, T Roberts, M Tucker





Today's Opponents

Mangotsfield United 24/25



1. Ellis Parker (GK)

Joined "The Field" from Cinderford Town. Has also played for Slimbridge AFC and Chippenham Town Academy. Was on the Bristol City books as a youth player. Played for Mangotsfield Juniors U10s before training at Bristol Inner City Academy.



2. Stuart Tovey

A very experienced defender who has spent much of his career playing in the Southern League with Bristol Manor Farm, Paulton Rovers Chippenham Town & Larkhall Athletic. A tough tackling defender and natural leader to guide our younger players.



3. Jeffrey Barimah

Italian born Left back. 21 years old this season and is a product of the SGS college set up. Will look to gain his right to be a part of the starting eleven. Talented player who will only improve with experience. Rejoins us from a spell at Bristol manor Farm last season



4. Tom Warren

37 year old centre back who has plenty of experience of non league football.has played fo Cheltenham Town. Larkhall, Yate Town, Bridgwater and Almondsbury to name a few. despite his years still a regular first X1 choice.



5. Luke Bence

A product of our youth system and local SGS college. Luke is a strong and quick centre half was recalled to the squad by Glyn for last seaon after having time at Hallen to gain experience. Luke played an important role in the team last season and will be a key player this season.



6. Aaron Parsons

Vastly experienced at Southern League level. He 26 year oʻd center back was at Yate Town last season, has played for the likes of Larkhall Athletic, Melksham, Weston super Mare and Swindon Super Marine, will add strength to our back line.



7. Harley Purnell

Has played for Yate Town Chippenham and Bristol Manor Farm, so brings a wealth of experience to the club The 34 year old central midfielder is In his second spell at "The Field". As our captain he continues to help our younger players develop



8. Joe Porton

21 year old Welshman who joins "The Mangos" for the coming season Played for Melksham Town last season. Central midfielder who was on the Bristol City books. Played for City at U18s and U21s and represented his country at U17s level in 2019



9. George Neill

28 year old who returns to the Mangos squad following a successful season at Slimbridge AFC last season, scoring 20 goals in 35 appearances. Has played for Mangotsfield at Southern League level.



10. James White

"Jimmer" joined the Field last season and and quickly made himself part of the first choice starting X1. Midfield player who has experience at this level of football. Previous clubs include Bristol Manor Farm, Hallen and Almondsbury.



11. Marcus Kelly

Another player who has played for the Field at Southern League level. played 21 games last season , scoring twice for the field last season. Striker who normally makes an impact from the bench.



12. Archie Morris

Defender who joins us from Welton Rovers. Has also played for Bath based Odd Down.

Today's Opponents





14. Micheal BarrySorry still awaiting bio



15. Mercea Ilea
.Romanian born, aka 'Big
Mike' is no-nonsense centrehalf who has come through
the SGS College programme,
and he impressed whilst
playing for Hengrove
Athletic before joining "The
Field' in August 2019.



16 Jason Nderemani
Like his older brother Wayne
a product of our strong
youth set up, as bothhave
come up through the ranks.
Has played for the Mangos at
southern League level and
also Almondsbury and
Tytherington Rocks.



17. Ben Shepherd
A robust forward who like
many of our players has been
with the club for many years
through our youth setup and
has been given the
opportunity to represent
"The Mangos" at senior level.



18. Will Ashton
Son of manager Glyn. Has
made himself a first choice
member of the squad and
can play just about anywhere
on the pitch. Versatile left
footer who has an excellent
delivery from set pieces. Has
come up through our youth
section and SGS college.



19. Jack Ball
Joins us from his second
spell at Melksham Town.
Striker who has also played
for Paulton Rovers at
Southern League level.
started his career at Yeovil
Town and is a consistant goal
scorer



20. Dominic Anderson Joins "The Field from local club Cadbury Heath. made 26 appearances for the Heath last season scoring five goals in the process. Has Also played for Oldland Abbotonians



Jeremy Agyemang Sorry Still awaiting bio



Levi Brown Sorry still awaiting bio



Issac Flynn
Product of our youth section
and has been involved with
Mangotsfield from the age of
12. Pacy player who is not
afraid to take a player on. Has
a powerful left foot and can
play down the wing or is just
as comfortable in a central
role,



Kerem Karakus
A strong and powerful striker
with an eye for goal and
great technique. Has played
for our U18's and was part of
the SGS Football
Programme. Was on loan at
Stoke Gifford for most of last
season but has a big future
with Mangotsfield.



Rohan Nelson
Was on the Bristol City books
until released at the age of
177. Broke his leg during pre
season in 2022, but
managed to rejoin our squad
at the later stages of last
season.



Previous Encounters Mangotsfield United





1Draws

Mangotsfield
United Wins

Season	Date	Comp	Ma	atch	Details		RWBT Result
2022.23	2-Aug-22	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	1	Mangotsfield United	0	Won
2022.23	20-Sep-22	League	Mangotsfield United	1	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2	Won
2022.23	6-Dec-22	FL Cup	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	0	Mangotsfield United	0	Lost
					Mangotsfield won on penalties		
2023.24	5-Aug-23	FA Cup	Mangotsfield United	2	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	0	Lost
2023.24	22-Aug-23	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	1	Mangotsfield United	0	Won
2023.24	24-Feb-23	League	Mangotsfield United	0	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	0	Drew
2024.25	2-Aug-24	FA Cup	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2	Mangotsfield United	1	Won



Steve Green captures action from the 1-0 home win in the first ever game between the sides



Featured Game v Mangotsfield United



2022-23

6-Dec-22 Floodlit Cup

Royal Wootton Bassett Town

Mangotsfield United

Bassett Scorers: n/a

Mangotsfield Utd won on penalties

Bassett Team: Crowther, Partridge, H. Walters, Corcoran, Talmash, Robinson, Jones, Bennett, Gallagher, Taylor, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Beeden, Collier, Griffin, McCrae

On This Day in History **UK Prime Minister** Rishi Sunak



Top of UK Singles Chart Anti Hero - Taylor Swift

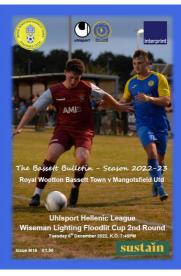
Top of UK Album Charts This Is What I Mean - Stormzy



Top Film in Cinemas Top Gun - Maverick



In the News on This Day Indonesian Government passes a new criminal code outlawing sex outside marriage





Last Home League Game v Mangotsfield United

History maker and flying Finn deliver Cup revenge

A historic Jack Hobson-McVeigh goal and Finn Hopkins winner helped Royal Wootton Bassett Town on their way to exacting Emirates FA Cup revenge over Mangotsfield United as Sam Collier's side prevailed 2-1 in their extra preliminary round encounter.

Against a Mangotsfield side who knocked Bassett out at the same stage last season, it was always set to be a tough contest. And that proved to be the case with both sides enjoying chances in an entertaining contest where any outcome seemed possible.

In the end though, Bassett's quick start and young starlet Finn Hopkins' bundled second half winner saw the hosts prevail and book a preliminary round date with Southern League Didcot Town.

Bassett's evening began in perfect - and history-making - fashion.

In the ninth minute strong pressing from Alfie Presley and Tommy Ouldridge forced Mangotsfield to concede possession deep in their own territory. And Hopkins squared to Hobson-McVeigh, who from the left edge of the penalty arc teased a curling first time shot past an outstretched Ellis Parker into the bottom right corner.

Coming so early, the goal represented the joint -opening goal of this year's competition, with Great Yarmouth Town's Louie Duffield registering in the same minute of their Friday night tie against Kirkley and Pakefield.

Given the FA Cup had never started as early as 2 August, the pair also now have the distinction of netting the earliest goal in a season in the competition's history.

Yet, while an impressive and distinct piece of history to possess, Bassett's sole aim at the start of the evening was to progress and banish the disappointment of last season's loss to the Mangos.

Eventually Bassett got there, having to work hard for their win.

In a relatively even opening half, the visitors pulled level ten minutes before the break. Near the byline Michael Barry broke inside from the right and Chris Taylor clumsily felled him just inside in the area. It was a clear foul - albeit with questions as to whether contact started outside the box. Regardless, it was deemed a penalty, which Will Ashton coolly stroked past Sam Jepson who guessed correctly.

Bassett did have a great opportunity to restore their advantage before the interval. Hopkins rounded Parker and looked odds on to score. However, he was unable to get his shot off before the angle became too acute and placed into the side netting with a stabbed right foot attempt.

Shortly after the restart though, player of the match Hopkins got the goal his performance merited.

Mangotsfield had only just come close to taking the lead as James White's teasing free kick was headed narrowly wide of the right post by Aaron Parsons.

Play quickly switched to the other end though and, in the 52nd minute, strong play from Presley saw him shrug off the attentions of Parker - who had come off his line - and Parsons to retain possession after latching onto an Ouldridge through ball. He then squared across goal and Hopkins was on hand at the left post to scramble the ball across the line.

There was still plenty of time left to play and Mangotsfield did all they could to get on terms. And there was to be late drama as the visitors struck the bar deep into stoppage time. After initially winning a flick on from Parker's punt forward, substitute Ben Shepherd received a return pass from Jeremy Agyemang and hit a fine 25 yard drive that had Jepson beaten but crashed against the woodwork.

Fortune was thus on Bassett's side to prevent a replay.

After a disappointing opening to their league campaign, Collier and his team are now properly up and running in the new season.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town



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Mangotsfield United



RWBTFC Scorers:

Jack Hobson-McVeigh, Finn Hopkins

FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round

Friday 2nd August 2024, 19:45









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Player Biography Sponsor Foster is an experienced goalkeeper who joined Bassett towards the end of last season when he made five appearances, keeping three clean sheets - including against Highworth Town in the Hellenic League Premier Division playoff semi final. Foster brings significant Southern League Mike & Ethan Price experience having represented the likes of Abingdon United, Didcot Town, Hungerford Town, Foster Thatcham Town and North Leigh at that level. He was with Shrivenham in 2021-22 before serving as Wantage Town's number one a season later. Hill is a right back who joins Bassett this season from Cirencester Town. A dependable, solid performer, Hill brings plenty of Hellenic League Premier Division experience, as well as Southern League experience acquired in spells with the Centurions and Highworth Town, Hill made his debut in senior football in 2012-13 with Cirencester Town Development before moving to Fairford Town two seasons later. He earned the Reds' Players' Player and Young Player of the Year Dan ards in 2015-16 before moving to Brimscombe and Thrupp for the 2016-17 campaign. Hill John Trollope Hill quickly established himself as a key player for the Lilywhites, and was a part of the Brimscombe team that lifted the 2017-18 Gloucestershire Challenge Trophy and finished as Hellenic League Premier Division runners-up in 2018-19. He then joined Highworth ahead of the 2022-23 season, though would finish that campaign with Cinderford Town. Hill split last season between Cirencester and Fairford. A highly talented young full back who is entering his 3rd season with Bassett. Skilful, quick, an outstanding defender and a player who always looks to get forward, he was named Manager's and Players' Player of the Year following a standout debut season in 2022-23. Spalding played 47 times, scoring a hugely impressive ten goals. Among his goals was a long range stunner in the FA Cup against Reading City, a last minute winner at home against Tuffley Rovers and a brace away John & Kath Louis at the same opponents. Spalding enjoyed another excellent season in 2023-24, featuring 45 times while scoring three goals. With Swindon Town as a youth, Spalding joined Cirencester on loan in Spalding Fellows 2017-18. That year he made eleven appearances, before signing with the Centurions ahead of the following season after his release from Swindon. With Cirencester in 2018-19, Spalding featured 38 times as his side finished as runners-up in Southern League Division One South. He then joined Swindon Supermarine, appearing in 38 games in the curtailed 2019-20 Southern League Premier Division South campaign, ten matches a season later and four times in 2021-22. Bassett's current longest serving player and captain, Corcoran is entering his thirteenth season with the club, having reached the 300 appearance mark in 2022-23. Corcoran is an imposing central defender - with the ability to also play at full back when needed - who is composed on the ball and dominant in the air. A Cirencester Town Academy graduate, he initially joined Bassett in 2011-12 after brief spells with Fairford Town and Calne Town. Corcoran quickly established himself as a key part of Bassett's defence, and in 2012-13 helped the team to promotion from Adam John Trollope Division One West. After a brief spell with Shrivenham, he re-joined Bassett in the summer of Corcoran 2015 and has been with the club since. He is a player whose performances have seemed to get better and better over time too. The 2021-22 campaign was without doubt his best in Bassett colours, with the defender going on to earn 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 18 goals in his 352 Bassett appearances. A product of Bassett's youth system who returns to the club this season. Confident on the ball and not afraid to get stuck in, he is a no-nonsense defender capable of playing anywhere across the backline. Aitkenhead initially joined Bassett as an U10 and made his Men's First Team debut under Paul Burke in 2007-08. One of the few bright spots in an otherwise difficult campaign, he made 30 appearances in total, only for of which came from the bench. Aitkenhead moved to Hellenic Premier Division Shrivenham in 2008-09 and, over the course of two seasons, won two Jonny Player of the Year awards. He then switched to Highworth Town in the summer of 2010 and was a Mark Smedley member of the Worthians team that won the 2011-12 Hellenic League Challenge Cup, Aitkenhead Aitkenhead returned to Bassett aheard of the 2013-14 campaign though was limited due to injuries, before



returning to Highworth a season later. During his second spell with the Worthians, he was a key member of the team that reached the FA Vase semi finals and lifted the Wiltshire Senior Cup in 2014-15. Aitkenhead had a further spell with Bassett covering the 2016-17 and 2017-18 seasons. After a period living away from Wiltshire, he moved back to the area last year, and featured sparingly for Wantage Town and Brimscombe and Thrupp towards the end of last season.



Oliver Case

Another product of Bassett's youth section, Case re-joined the club in January 2024 and played a key role in the Men's First Team's late season playoff push. In all, he featured 14 times for Bassett last season. He scored two important goals - against Fairford Town and then in the playoff semi final against Highworth Town, with both proving to be match winners. An intelligent, composed player who is strong in the air, Case is an extremely impressive young centre half. After starting out his youth career with Bassett, Case Joined Swindon Town's Academy. Following his release, he joined Highworth in 2021-22 and, across two seasons, featured 62 times for the Worthians, scoring three goals. He joined Southern League Premier Division Diddot Town at the start of the 2023-24 campaign, playing 14 times before joining Bassett



McVeigh

An experienced, cultured central midfielder entering his 3rd season with Bassett having joined from Malmesbury Vics. Cool in possession with excellent distribution skills, the midfielder is also a threat from set pieces and has the knack for producing spectacular goals - as evidenced by his thunderous first-time strike against Southam United that earned him Bassett's 2022-23 Goal of the Season award. A New Zealand national and represented his country in the 2009 FIFA Under 17 World Cup in Nigeria in which he scored a spectacular goal against Turkey, helping the Kiwis Jack Hobson- reach the last 16. He has played at the highest level in his home country too, having appeared for Birkenhead United, Waitakere United, West Auckland Town, Team Wellington and WaiBop United. He moved to Germany in 2016 and played as high as the fifth tier Oberliga Niedderrhein with Dusseldorf West and SC Union Nettetal. He then moved to England, joining Malmesbury in 2020-21 after a brief spell with Cirencester Town. He scored 7 goals in 12 games that year including a goal against Bassett from beyond the halfway line - before registering the same number of goals in 36 appearances in 2021-22. In his first season with Bassett, Hobson-McVeigh scored five times in 36 games before adding seven goals in 37 appearances last season.

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Chris Taylor A vastly experienced central midfielder who is entering his fifth season with Bassett. A classy operator, who is supremely confident on the ball and possesses excellent distribution and superb fitness, Taylor has been a standout player during his time in blue and yellow - and last season earned a Manager's and Players' Player of the Year double. Overall, he has featured 115 times while scoring twice since making his Bassett debut in 2020-21. Taylor joined Bassett after four years at Highworth Town, during which he helped the Worthians achieve promotion to the Southern League. However, it is with Swindon Supermarine that Taylor has spent most of his career. An England Under 15 international in his youth, he featured four times for Swindon Town in 2002-03 before being released by the Reds in 2006. Taylor then joined Supermarine and made 355 appearances over the ourse of nine seasons. In that time he achieved promotion to the Southern League Premier Division in 2006-07 and was part of the Supermarine side that reached the FA Cup second round in 2010-11. Taylor has also played for Newport County, Maldenhead United, Circnestet Town, Hungerford Town and Australian side Dandenong Thunder.

Gordon Reeves



Tommy Ouldridge A mercurial midfielder who is entering his fourth full season with Bassett. While capable of playing in an advanced role both through the middle and out wide, Ouldridge settled into a deeper-lying position last season and continued to excel. He is an extremely talented player who possesses great skill, the ability to pick out any pass, an excellent delivery and an eye for goal. Ouldridge came through Swindon Town's youth system and was in and around the Robins' first leam, though never made an appearance. He was released by Swindon after loan spells at Chippenham Town and Cirencester Town during the 2017-18 season. He started the 2018-19 campaign with Hungerford Town before moving back to the Centurions where he spent the majority of the next two seasons. After also briefly featuring for Shrivenham in 2019-20, Ouldridge played six times for Bassett in 2020-21, scoring three goals. A season later, he featured 41 times, scoring seven goals. Injuries frustrated Ouldridge in 2022-23, but Ouldridge still made 30 appearances, contributing five goals. He was back to full fitness last season and enjoyed arguably his best season so far in blue and yellow, netting eight times in 47 outings in 47 outings.



Bailey Gallagher Graduate of Bassett's youth section, who made the step up to first team football three seasons ago after having consistently performed strongly for the club's Development team. A highly skilful attacking midfielder who can play on either wing, he boasts a great turn of pace and is not afraid to take players on. With his trickery and speed, Gallagher is exceptionally difficult to defend against and he also has the knack for producing spectacular goals. Gallagher made his Development team debut in 2018-19, while still featuring in Bassett's youth section, scoring four times in thirten games. 22 appearances yelledd seven goals in 2019-20 before he produced a return of six goals in nine Wiltshire League Premier Division matches in the abbreviated 2020-21 campaign. Gallagher then impressed in his first full season playing at Hellenic League Premier Division level. Bassett's leading outfield appearance maker in 2021-22, he featured 44 times, scoring nine goals. He added another seven goals in 47 matches in 2022-23 before scoring six times in 34 games last season.

Mike & Ethan Price



Alfie Presley A hugely talented attacking midfielder who re-joined Bassett in October 2023 after brief spells with Corsham Town and Abingdon Utd at the start of the season. Boasting skill, speed and strength, the willingness to take defenders on and expert delivery, his performances have seen him earn Player of the Year awards for Bassett in three different seasons. In 2019-20 Presley was crowned both Manager's Player and Players' Player of the Year, while he earned back-to-back Supporters' Player of the Year prizes in 2022-23 and 2023-24. Presley is a player who has the ability to play effectively across the entire front line - be that out wide or as a number nine or ten. He also has an eye for goal, netting 42 times in 113 appearances for Basset.



Ollie Pitt Pitt is a goalscorer with a prolific record in the Hellenic League Premier Division who joins Bassett this season from Brimscombe and Thrupp. An assured finisher, Pitt is also a set piece specialist, who knows how to find the net and tee up his teammates to score from deadball situations. Pitt began his senior career with Cirencester Town, scoring 50 goals in 125 games for their Development team from 2009-10 to 2013-14, while also making a dozen appearances for the Centurions' first team. Pitt joined Brimscombe part way through the 2013-14 campaign and, over the course of eleven seasons scored 109 goals in 350 games. He twice netted more than 20 goals in a season (2016-17 and 2017-18) and was a key member of the Lilywhites side who finished as Hellenic League Premier Division runners-up in 2018-19. Pitt also had a brief spell with Corsham Town two seasons ago.



George Peare Peare is a centre forward who joins Bassett this season after splitting the 2023-24 campaign between Brimscombe and Thrupp. A powerful target man who is strong in the air and an assured finisher, Peare adds further to Bassett's attacking options this season. After initially featuring for Bibury, Peare played for Cirencester's Development team from 2013 to 2016, largely featuring as a defender. A move to the opposite end of the pitch has proven to be fruitful though, and he has been a regular Hellenic League scorer for the likes of Fairford Town - with who he registered eleven goals in 2021-22, Corsham Town and Malmesbury Victoria.



Finnlay Hopkins Hopkins is a highly talented young forward who joins Bassett from near neighbours Shrivenham this season. Hopkins was a standout player for Shrivenham in their inaugural Wiltshire League Premier Division campaign last season, finishing as joint top scorer with 12 goals in 24 games. Hopkins has also enjoyed success with the Swindon Town Foundation's C6 team, based at Commonweal School. Featuring for them in each of the past three seasons, in 2023-24 he was part of the Swindon team that won the Community and Education Footbal Alliance Cup - with Hopkins earning Player of the Match honours in the final - and also finished runners-up in South Fast Division One

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Flynn Walters

Walters is a promising young forward who made his Men's First Team debut two seasons ago. Skillful, with good pace and an assured finisher, he was a part of the Under 18 Floodlit team who finished as Witshire League Floodlit Division runners-up in 2021-22 and 2022-23. He registered twice in 13 games for the Under 18s in 2021-22 before playing a more significant role a season later, scoring eight times in 21 games. Walters' performances saw him earn a place in the club's senior Men's sides too. In 2022-23, Walters featured five times for the Development team and made his Men's First Team debut as a substitute against Chipping Sodbury Town, scoring the final goal to cap a 4-1 victory. Last season he featured eight times for the Men's First Team, while netting nine times in 19 games for the Development side.



Finlay Skittrall

Skittrall is a young midfielder who has signed for Bassett's Men's First Team this season after a number of impressive performances for last season's Under 18 Floodlit team. Skittrall scored twice while also providing a handful of assists for the Under 18s as Bassett finished as runners-up in the Wiltshire League Floodlit Division. Skittrall also made his debut for Bassett's Development team last vear.



Tyrone Tucker-Dixon

Tucker-Dixon is an explosive winger who joins Bassett this season having finished the 2023-24 campaign with Cinderford Town. A direct player with great pace and an eye for goal, as well as with the Foresters Tucker-Dixon has gained Hellenic League experience with the likes of Bishops Cleeve, Roman Glass St George and Hallen and has appeared for numerous Southern League clubs including Melskham Town and Evesham United. Ticket-Dixon has playing experience in the third lier of Welsh football too, having featured for Caldicot Town, Treowen Stars and Undy Athletic



Alan Griffin

A high quality target man who enjoyed a distinguished playing career in non-league football. Now entering his 2nd season as Bassett's assistant manager. Initially joined for the 21-22 season as a player, scoring 16 times in 32 appearances before joining the coaching staff. While taking on his current role, Griffin has continued to play, featuring 38 times last season (34 appearances coming from the bench) and adding 5 goals. As a player, Griffin is an assured finisher, strong in the air and capable of effectively holding up the ball. He made a prolific start to his playing career with Corsham in the Western League, and soon moved onto Southern League football, plying his trade with Cirencester, Chippenham, Gloucester City, Mangotsfield Utd, S.Supermarine and Bristol Manor Farm. He spent most of his career with Chippenham and was part of their 16-17 promotion winning squad that saw the Bluebirds earn National League South status. In 18-19 he hit 26 goals for Cirencester as they finished runners-up in Southern League Division One South. Joined Bassett after splitting the 19-20 season between Melisham Town and Malmebsury Victoria, Griffin also has prior managerial experience having spent time in charge of Malmesbury.

John & Kath Fellows



Thomas Moore

Moore is a gifted, young attacking midfielder who re-joined Bassett last season, having spent time at university in Manchester. A player with a superb attitude and willingness to improve his game, he possesses great pace, the desire to take players on and is an excellent crosser of the ball. Moore was with Swindon Town as a youth and was offered a scholarship in 2019 before his release. Moore then joined Bassett for the 2021-22 season and made a strong impression, scoring three goals in eleven appearances. Last year he netted twice in eight games.



Sam Collier (Manager)

Collier has served as Bassett manager since taking the role, initially on an interim basis while still also a player, in January 2018. In 2018-19, his first full season in charge, Collier guided the team to 10th in the Hellenic League Premier Division - at that point, the club's highest ever finish. Bassett then exceeded that record with a 5th place finish in 2022-23. Last season Bassett went one better, finishing 4th while also reaching the Hellenic League Premier Division promotion playoff final. Bassett have also set records in national cup competitions under Collier's stewardship, with his sides equalling the club's best FA Cup run in 2020-21 and going further than ever before in the FA Vase, reaching the third round in 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24. This is Collier's second job in management after he served as Shrivenham player-manager from February 2014 to 2015. As a player, Collier has made 160 appearances for Bassett. Mainly featuring as a striker, he has scored 71 goals, finishing as top scorer in 2009-10, when Bassett earned promotion from Hellenic League Division One West, and 2010-11. Collier has played in almost every other position for Bassett too though - including as goalkeeper, making a last minute penalty save in 2022-23 to preserve a point against eventual champions Cribbs. During his playing career, he also featured for Purton, Abingdon United, Cirencester Town, Wantage Town and Thatcham Town among others.

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Hellenic Premier Division Midweek Roundup

After Tuesday night's games **Highworth Town** sat top of the table as the only side that had won both of their opening games at that stage. In front of a big crowd of 162 at **Cirencester Town**'s Corinium Stadium Highworth had taken a 2-0 lead thanks to two goals from Dan Grieve but Jesse Thompson pulled one back for Cirencester 17 minutes from time. Cirencester pushed for an equaliser, but Highworth held out to claim all three points to make it two wins from their opening two games.

Both **Sporting Inkberrow** and **Hereford Pegasus** had opened their seasons with wins against Tuffley Rovers and Lydney Town respectively and were both looking to make it two wins on the spin. However, a goal for each side saw them have to share the points following a 1-1 draw.

Joining Sporting Inkberrow and Hereford Pegasus on four points were **Westfields** after a 2-0 win over **Pershore Town** with both goals coming in the second half through Ben Brooks and James Hancocks. Once again there was another big crowd at this game with 203 in attendance.

After the frustration of seeing their opening fixture against Longlevens abandoned in injury time due to a power failure whilst leading 1-0, **Worcester Raiders** had another frustrating evening when they failed to score at home against **Lydney Town**. Whilst failing to score they did manage to keep a clean sheet to ensure at least a point but will probably view it as two points dropped. It appears that the league have decided the abandoned game needs to be replayed, something we ourselves have experienced in recent seasons.

After losing that opening league game against Fairford Town, Royal Wootton Bassett Town followed their FA Cup win over Mangotsfield United with a comfortable 4-0 win over Brimscombe & Thrupp. Star of the show was Alfie Presley who helped himself to a hat-trick, substitute Tyrone Tucker-Dixon with the other Royal Wootton

Bassett Town goal.

Having lost both their opening league game against Corsham and that FA Cup fixture against Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2-1, **Mangotsfield United** bounced back to record their first win of the season, a 3-0 away win at **Thornbury Town** on Tuesday night. All three goals came in the second half. Will Ashton opened the scoring just before the hour mark. James White then doubled the lead ten minutes later before Joseph Cattermole added a third a minute from time to make sure of the points.

Tuffley Rovers had an impressive 3-0 win over **Slimbridge** in front of the night's biggest crowd. There were 210 in attendance Glevum Park to witness a first win of the season for Tuffley and their first win over Slimbridge since 2011. Karnell Chambers scored twice with the other Tuffley goal coming courtesy of a Bradley Bevan header.

It was a good night in the FA Cup for Hellenic League sides with Corsham Town defeating Combined Counties side Burnham 2-0 thanks to first half goals from Dylan Lewis and Javier Blazquez and Longlevens winning away at Spartan South Midlands League side Winslow United after extra time. The two winning Hellenic sides join fellow League sides Fairford Town, Hellenic Hartpurv University, Lydney Slimbridge, Roman Glass St Westfields, Worcester Raiders and ourselves in the Preliminary Round set to take place a week today.

There was just the one game on Wednesday night and it involved two sides who had both won their opening league game, **Malmesbury Victoria** and **Roman Glass St George**, with both teams looking to join Highworth Town at the top of the table on maximum points. Four unanswered goals for Roman Glass saw them move top above Highworth on goal difference. Two goals for Laurent Davis-Wilson plus further goals from Lewis Leigh-Gilchrist and Rhys Sarson.

Midweek Results

HLP	07/08/24	Roman Glass St George		4 - 0	117	Malmesbury Victoria
HLP	06/08/24	Cirencester Town	9	1 - 2 (HT 0-1)		Highworth Town
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HLP	06/08/24	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	(1)	4 - 0	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp
HLP	06/08/24	Sporting Club Inkberrow	¥	1-1	3	Hereford Pegasus
HLP	06/08/24	Thornbury Town	*	0 - 3		Mangotsfield United
HLP	06/08/24	Tuffley Rovers		3 - 0		Slimbridge
HLP	06/08/24	Westfields	T	2 - 0	1	Pershore Town
FAC	06/08/24	Winslow United		1 - 3 (AET)		Longlevens AFC
HLP	06/08/24	Worcester Raiders	×	0 - 0		Lydney Town

Today's Fixtures

Brimscombe & Thrupp		VS		Fairford Town
Cirencester Town	A	VS		Malmesbury Victoria
Corsham Town		VS		Highworth Town
Hereford Pegasus	3	VS	*	Worcester Raiders
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Lydney Town		VS		Tuffley Rovers
Pershore Town	1	VS	¥	Sporting Club Inkberrow
Roman Glass St George		VS		Thornbury Town
Royal Wootton Bassett Town		VS	Ø	Mangotsfield United
Slimbridge		VS	HARTPURY	Hartpury University

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League Cups Season 2024-25 Marsh Challenge Cup

HELLENIC LEAGUE MARSH CHALLENGE CUP SEASON 2024-25

First Round - Saturday 7th September 2024							
Abingdon United	V	Ardley United Dev					
Aston Clinton Res	V	Wantage Town					
Bewdley Town	V	Bourton Rovers Dev					
Carterton	V	Swindon Supermarine Dev					
Chipping Sodbury Town	V	Cheltenham Saracens					
Didcot Town Dev	V	Chalfont Wasps					
Droitwich Spa	V	Southam United					
Easington Sports	V	Bishops Cleeve Dev					
Headington Amateurs	V	FC Stratford					
Holmer Green Dev	v	Woodstock Town					
Kidlington Res	v	Long Crendon Dev					
Ludlow Town	V	Evesham Dev					
Newent Town	V	Wellington					
Prestwood	V	Clanfield 85					



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2001-02	Gloucester United	2014-15	Ardley United
2002-03	Yate Town	2015-16	Flackwell Heath
2003-04	Didcot Town	2016-17	Bracknell Town
2004-05	Didcot Town	2017-18	Bracknell Town
2005-06	Didcot Town	2018-19	Ascot United
2006-07	Hungerford Town	2019-20	Not awarded due to Covid-19
2007-08	Hungerford Town	2020-21	Kidlington Reserves
2008-09	Almondsbury Town	2021-22	Cribbs
2009-10	Ardley United	2022-23	Pershore Town
2010-11	Holyport	2023-24	Corsham Town

League Cups Season 2023-4 Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup

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Preliminary Round								
Brimscombe & Th (Won 4-2 pens)	1 - 1	Moreton Rangers						
Cheltenham Saracens	4 - 0	Gloucester City Dev						
Chipping Sodbury Town	0 - 9	Roman Glass St George						
Corsham Town (Won 7-6 pens)	1 - 1	Devizes Town						
Evesham United Dev	0 - 10	Southam United						
FC Bristol	0 - 4	Mangotsfield United						
Hartpury University	4 - 5	Cinderford Town						
Hereford Lads Club	W - L	FC Stratford						
Longlevens (Won 6-5 pens)	3 - 3	Malmesbury Victoria						
Newent Town	3 - 5	Lydney Town						
Pershore Town	5 - 1	Hereford Pegasus						
Shortwood United	1 - 1	Calne Town (Won 4-3 pens)						
Sporting Club Inkberrow	7 - 1	Bishops Cleeve Dev						
Stonehouse Town	1 - 5	Tuffley Rovers						
Thornbury Town	5 - 2	Tytherington Rocks						
Westfields	3 - 5	Worcester City						

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Cheltenham Saracens	4 - 3	Cinderford Town
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Didcot Town Dev	0 - 3	Kidlington Res
Fairford Town	0 - 1	Clanfield 85
Hereford Lads Club	0 - 7	Brimscombe & Thrupp
Highworth Town	1 - 4	North Leigh Res
Long Crendon	0 - 6	Oxford City Dev
Lydney Town	0 - 2	Worcester Raiders
Pershore Town	4 - 2	Longlevens
Roman Glass St G (5-4 pens)	1 - 1	Corsham Town
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	3 - 0	Swindon Supermarine Dev
Slimbridge	2 - 0	Sporting Club Inkberrow
Southam United	1 - 3	Mangotsfield United
Tuffley Rovers (5-4 pens)	2 - 2	Thornbury Town
Wantage Town	0 - 2	Abingdon United

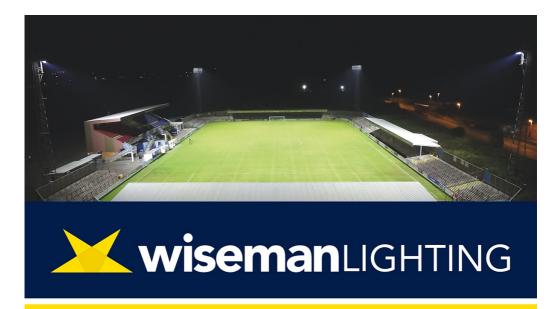
Second Round								
Abingdon United (Won 4-2 on pens)	2 - 2	Chinnor						
Kidlington Res	1 - 2	Oxford City Dev						
Mangotsfield United	1 - 2	Roman Glass St George						
North Leigh Res	3 - 4	Brimscombe & Thrupp						
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2 - 1	Clanfield 85						
Tuffley Rovers	1 - 2	Slimbridge						
Worcester City	4 - 2	Cheltenham Saracens						
Worcester Raiders	0 - 4	Pershore Town						

Quarter Finals										
Brimscombe & Thrupp	4 - 1	Pershore Town								
Oxford City Dev	0 - 0	Abingdon United (Won 4-3 on pens)								
Roman Glass St George	1 - 0	Royal Wootton Bassett Town								
Slimbridge	0 - 2	Worcester City								

Semi Finals								
Roman Glass St George 5 - 2 Abingdon United								
Worcester City	3 - 0	Brimscombe & Thrupp						

Final - Winners Worcester City (7-2 on aggregate)									
Worcester City	2 - 1	Roman Glass St George (1st Leg)							
Roman Glass St George	1 - 5	Worcester City (Second Leg)							

Floodlit C	up - Winners
1994-95	Cinderford Town
1995-96	Bicester Town
1996-97	Abingdon United
1997-98	Swindon Supermarine
1998-99	Tuffley Rovers
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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	Brimscombe & 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
2022-23	Mangotsfield United
2023-24	Worcester City



PROUD SPONSORS OF THE UHLSPORT HELLENIC LEAGUE FLOODLIT CUP



Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup Winners Season 2023-24

Worcester City

(picture courtesy of the Uhlsport Hellenic League)



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RWBTFC Hellenic League Stats

Historic League Record, Managers, Top Scorers

RWBT F.C. 36 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 D		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	lan 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 Yeardley	Mark Vaughan 14
2002/03	Prem	40	10	10	20	36	70	40	15 out of 21	Pete Yeardley	Geoff Swatton 9
2003/04	Prem	42	11	5	26	38	73	38	16 out of 22	Pete Yeardley	Geoff Swatton 16
2004/05	Prem	42	6	9	27	30	85	27	21 out of 22	Pete Yeardley /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 Yeardley 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	38	19	8	11	67	50	65	5 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 14
2023/24	Prem**		23	4	11	66	50	73	4 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 16
Total 1,223 476 249 498 1,915 2,045 1,674 * At time season 2019-20 was suspended due to Covid-19											

Won:Drew:Lost Ratio 38.9% 20.4% 40.7% ** Excludes play-off game

	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts			
Premier Division	617	209	118	290	848	1,139	742	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	33.9%	19.1% 47.0%
Division 1 West	226	116	44	66	444	310	392	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	51.3%	19.5% 29.2%
Division 1	380	151	87	142	623	596	540	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	39.7%	22.9% 37.4%

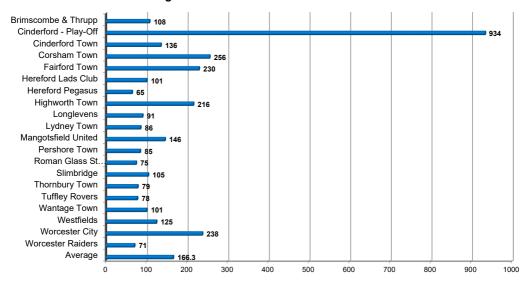
Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2023/24	934 v Cinderford Town
Average Hellenic Attendance 2023/24	166 (up from 117 in 23/24)
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)

Manager Records								Win	Honours Won
	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Ratio	
Dave Turner	166	87	33	46	334	239	294	52.4%	Twice Hellenic Division One West Runners-up
Dave Warren	64	29	13	22	131	101	100	45.3%	Wiltshire Senior Cup Winner
Barry Giles	66	29	17	20	108	92	104	43.9%	Wiltshire Senior Cup Winner
Sam Collier	196	82	35	79	322	341	281	41.8%	Hellenic Premier Division Play-off Runners-up
Rich Hunter	58	24	7	27	93	115	76	41.4%	
Paul Burke	102	42	18	42	165	158	144	41.2%	
Mick Woolford	222	86	50	86	351	349	308	38.7%	Twice Hellenic Division 1 Cup Winner & Runner-up onc
Paul Braithwaite	79	27	14	38	121	173	95	34.2%	
Kevin Maloney	66	21	17	28	87	114	80	31.8%	
Jeff Roberts	38	11	12	15	60	60	45	28.9%	
Pete Yeardley	154	36	31	87	136	278	139	23.4%	
Chris Jones*	12	2	2	8	7	25	8	16.7%	
	1.223	476	249	498	1.915	2.045	1.674		

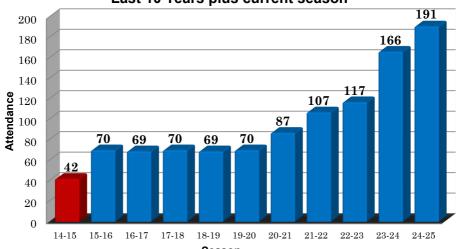
^{*} Temporary manager until end of Season 2004-05

First Team Attendance Statistics

RWBTFC League Attendances - Season 2023-24



RWBTFC Average Home League Attendances Last 10 Years plus current season



Season (Season in red played at Cirencester Town FC, 20-21 only when crowds permitted)

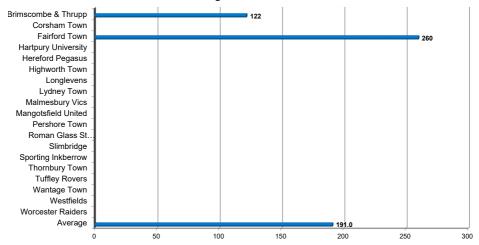
Season 2024-25

Appearances & Goals Statistics

	Season 2024-2	5			
	Appearances	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals
1	Bailey Gallagher	3		3	
2	Chris Taylor	3		3	
3	Alfie Presley	3		3	3
4	Louis Spalding	3		3	
5	Jack Hobson-McVeigh	3		3	1
6	Oliver Case	3		3	
7	Dan Hill	3		3	
8	Finnlay Hopkins	3		3	1
9	Thomas Ouldridge	2	1	3	
10	Ollie Pitt	1	2	3	
11	George Peare		3	3	
12	Adam Corcoran	2		2	
13	Samuel Jepson	2		2	
14	Jonny Aitkenhead	1	1	2	
15	Tom Moore		2	2	
16	Tyrone Tucker-Dixon		2	2	1
17	James Foster	1		1	

RWE	BTFC									
Career										
Apps	Goals									
130	21									
118	2									
116	45									
95	13									
76	13									
17	2									
3										
3	1									
125	23									
3										
3										
354	18									
4										
70	7									
21	5									
2	1									
6										

RWBTFC League Attendances - Season 2024-25



Season 2024-25

Hellenic Premier League Table

2024-2025 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division													
UHLSPORT Hellenic L	<u>eagu</u> Pld	W W	emic D	<u> </u> L	<u>VISI</u> F	on A	Pts						
1 Roman Glass St George	2	2	0	0	10	1	6						
2 Highworth Town	2	2	0	0	5	2	6						
3 Sporting Club Inkberrow	2	1	1	0	3	1	4						
4 Westfields	2	1	1	0	2	0	4						
5 Hereford Pegasus	2	1	1	0	3	2	4						
6 Malmesbury Victoria	2	1	0	1	8	4	3						
7 Fairford Town	1	1	0	0	3	0	3						
8 Mangotsfield United	2	1	0	1	4	2	3						
9 Royal W. Bassett Town	2	1	0	1	4	3	3						
10 Tuffley Rovers	2	1	0	1	3	2	3						
11 Corsham Town	1	1	0	0	2	1	3						
12 Hartpury University	1	0	1	0	0	0	1						
13 Worcester Raiders	1	0	1	0	0	0	1						
14 Lydney Town	2	0	1	1	1	2	1						
15 Pershore Town	2	0	1	1	3	5	1						
16 Slimbridge	2	0	1	1	3	6	1						
17 Longlevens AFC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						
18 Thornbury Town	2	0	0	2	1	6	0						
19 Cirencester Town	2	0	0	2	2	8	0						
20 Brimscombe & Thrupp	2	0	0	2	0	12	0						

Match Report v Brimscombe & Thrupp

Royal Wootton Bassett Town



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RWBTFC Scorers:

None

Hellenic League Premier Division Tuesday 6th August 2024, 19:45

Presley picks apart Brimscombe with first half hat trick

Royal Wootton Bassett Town got off the mark in the 2024-25 Hellenic League Premier Division with a 4-0 victory against early strugglers Brimscombe and Thrupp.

Alfie Presley led the way for Bassett, scoring a first half hat trick as Sam Collier's side found their attacking groove.

For Brimscombe, the result represents a second heavy league defeat in a row. A management change in preseason set back their preparations, and the Lilywhites opened with an 8-0 loss against Malmesbury Victoria. While busy strengthening their squad in the last week, Bassett still proved too much for their visitors on a night when the home side were in control throughout.

That level of control was largely thanks to last season's top scorer Presley, who opened his account for the season and then some.

Presley opened the scoring early from open play before netting from a pair of penalties awarded in quick succession midway through the opening period.

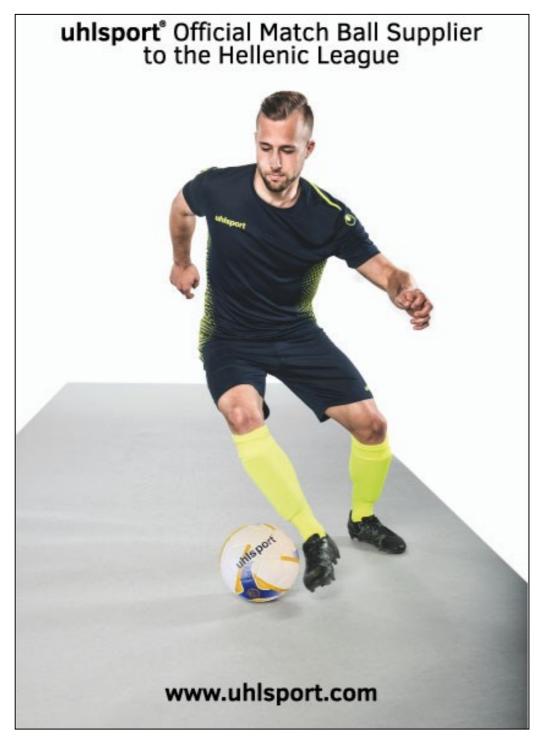
Tyrone Tucker-Dixon then made it 4-0 late in the second half.

After last week's heavy opening day defeat against Fairford Town, the cup win against Mangotsfield United and this victory against Brimscombe represent the response Bassett

needed.

There will certainly be tougher tests to come the upcoming home fixtures against Mangotsfield and Roman Glass St George being two of them. But, after last week's loss, Bassett can get to seven or even nine points by this time next week, that will represent a decent haul from their opening homestand..







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RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup - Season 2024-25

Our Road to Wembley

EMIRATES FA CUP ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN 2024-25										
Date Round			Opponents		Result	Prize Money				
						Winner	Loser			
3-Aug-24	Extra Preliminary Round	v	Mangotsfield United	Н	W 2 - 1	£1,125	£375			
17-Aug-24	Preliminary Round	v	Didcot Town	Н		£1,444	£481			
31-Aug-24	First Qualifying Round	v				£2,250	£750			
14-Sep-24	Second Qualifying Round	v				£3,375	£1,125			
28-Sep-24	Third Qualifying Round	v				£5,625	£1,875			
12-Oct-24	Fourth Qualifying Round	v				£9,375	£3,125			
2-Nov-24	First Round	v								
30-Nov-24	Second Round	v								
11-Jan-25	Third Round	v								
8-Feb-25	Fourth Round	v								
1-Mar-25	Fifth Round	v								
29-Mar-25	Sixth Round	v								
26-Apr-25	Semi-Final	v								
17-May-25	Final	v								
* Still in competition		Total Prize Money V	Von			£1,125				

		Royal Wootton E	asse	tt Tow	n F0	C - Em	nirate	es FA Cup Record		
Season	Rnd	Opponents		Result		Season	Rnd	Opponents		Result
1938-39	Pr	Wiltshire Mental Hospital	Α	L0-6		2012-13	EPr	Calne Town	Н	W 4 - 2
1939-40	Pr	Frome Town (War)	Α	P - P			Pr	Hamworthy United	Н	W 1 - 0
1946-47	EPr	Dilton Rovers	Н	W 5 - 1			QR1	Highworth Town	Н	W 3 - 1
	Pr	Swindon GWR Corinthians	Α	L1-5			QR2	Dorchester Town	Α	L 0 - 4
1947-48	EPr	Pewsey Vale	Н	L 0 - 2		2013-14	EPr	Totton & Eling	Н	L 0 - 2
1948-49	EPr	Swindon BR Corinthians	Α	L3-6		2014-15	EPr	Brockenhurst	Α	W 3 - 0
1949-50	EPr	Warminster Town	Н	L 4 - 5			Pr	Bradford Town	Α	L 1 - 2
1950-51	EPr	Spencer Moulton	Н	W 2 - 1		2015-16	EPr	Bracknell Town	Н	L 0 - 2
	Pr	Devizes Town	Α	L 0 - 4		2016-17	EPr	Andover Town	Α	L 2 - 5
2004-05	Pr	Exmouth	Α	L2-3		2017-18	EPr	Crawley Green	Н	L1-2
2007-08	EPr	Highworth Town	Α	D 0 - 0		2018-19	EPr	Leighton Town	Α	W 1 - 0
	EPr	Highworth Town	Н	W 2 - 1			Pr	Lydney Town	Н	D 0 - 0
	Pr	Bracknell Town	Н	W 2 - 1			Pr	Lydney Town	Α	L 3 - 5
	QR1	Brockenhurst	Α	D1-1		2019-20	EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	Н	D1-1
	QR1	Brockenhurst	Н	L1-5			EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	Α	L 0 - 1
2008-09	EPr	Flackwell Heath	Α	D1-1		2020-21	EPr	Chipping Sodbury T (W4-1 pens)	Н	D 2 - 2
	EPr	Flackwell Heath	Н	L 1 - 6			Pr	Didcot Town	Α	W 2 - 1
2009-10	EPr	Westbury United	Н	D2-2			QR1	Cinderford T (Won 6-5 pens)	Α	D 2 - 2
	EPr	Westbury United	Α	W 3 - 2			QR2	Oxford City	Н	L 1 - 2
	Pr	Brockenhurst	Н	L 0 - 1		2021-22	EPr	Thornbury Town	Α	W 4 - 0
2010-11	EPr	Bradford Town	Α	D1-1			Pr	Ardley United	Н	D2-2
	EPr	Bradford Town (W4-3 pens)	Н	D 3- 3			PrR	Ardley United	Α	L1-3
	Pr	Almondsbury UWE	Α	W 1 - 0		2022-23	EPr	Windsor	Н	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	Α	D1-1			EPrR	Windsor	Α	W 2 - 0
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	Н	L 0 - 2			Pr	Reading City	Н	W 3 - 1
2011-12	EPr	Radstock Town	Α	L1-2			QR1	Paulton Rovers	Н	L 2 - 4
						2023-24	EPr	Mangotsfield United	Α	L 0 - 2
						2024-25	Epr	Mangotsfield United	Н	W 2 - 1
							Pr	Didcot Town	Н	

RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup - Season 2024-25

Our Current Zone on Road To Wembley

Extra Preliminary Round - Zone 7

Portishead Town

Tuffley Rovers

Malmesbury Victoria

Reading City

Lydney Town

Burnham

0 - 1 Easington Sports

1 - 3 Kidlington

1 - 3 Slimbridge

3 - 2 Ardley United

5 - 1 Thornbury Town

3 - 3 Corsham Town

Brislington 0 - 2 Wallingford & Crowmarsh
Flackwell Heath 0 - 1 Aylesbury Vale Dynamos

Binfield 3 - 1 Wokingham Town
Longlevens 1 - 1 Winslow United
Cinderford Town 1 - 2 Nailsea & Tickenham
Virginia Water 4 - 2 Brimscombe & Thrupp

Ascot United 1 - 0 Milton United
Thame United 3 - 0 Aylesbury United
Oldland Abbotonians 2 - 4 Amersham Town
Highworth Town 0 - 1 Bishop's Cleeve
Roman Glass St. George 2 - 0 North Leigh
Fairford Town 7 - 0 Cirencester Town
Hartpury University 2 - 0 Risborough Rangers

Yate Town 2 - 0 Holyport

Berks County 1 - 4 Clevedon Town
Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2 - 1 Mangotsfield United

CribbsbyeDidcot TownbyeBeaconsfield TownbyeBristol Manor Farmbye

Preliminary Round - Zone 7

Easington Sports

Royal Wootton Bassett Town	٧	Didcot Town
Thame United	V	Beaconsfield To <mark>wn</mark>
Aylesbury Vale Dynamoes	٧	Corsham Town or Burnham
Cribbs	٧	Roman Glass St George
Amersham Town	٧	Clevedon Town
Wallingford & Crowmarsh	٧	Slimbridge
Reading City	٧	Nailsea & Tickenham
Kidlington	٧	Yate Town
Virginia Water	٧	Ascot United
Fairford Town	٧	Hartpury University
Longlevens or Winslow United	٧	Binfield
Bishops Cleeve	V	Lvdnev Town

Bristol Manor Farm

RWBTFC & The Isuzu FA Vase - Season 2023-24



Our Theoretical Road To Wembley

Date Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money		
				Winner	Loser	
26-Aug-23 First Round Qualifying	Bye			£550	£160	
23-Sep-23 Second Round Qualifying	Bye			£725	£225	
21-Oct-23 First Round Proper	Elburton Villa	Н	W 2 - 1	£825	£250	
11-Nov-23 Second Round Proper	Longlevens	Н	W 2 - 1	£900	£275	
2-Dec-23 Third Round Proper	Bridgwater Town	Н	L 2 - 2 (5-6 pens)	£1,125	£350	
13-Jan-24 Fourth Round Proper	Farnham	Α		£1,875	£600	
10-Feb-24 Fifth Round Proper	Deal Town	Н		£2,250	£725	
9-Mar-24 Sixth Round Proper	Lincoln United	Α		£4,125	£1,350	
30-Mar-24 Semi-final	Romford*	H/A		£5,500	£1,725	
11-May-24 Final (at Wembley)	Great Wakering Rovers	N		£30,000	£15,000	
* Still in competition	Total Prize N	loney Wo	n		£2,075	

RWBTFC F.A. Vase Record

2001-02	QR2	Calne Town	Н	W 3 - 2
	R1	St Blazey	Н	L 0 - 2
2002-03	QR2	Shortwood United	Α	L 1 - 5
2003-04	QR2	Bemerton Heath Harl's	Α	L 1 - 4
2004-05	QR1	Wellington	Α	L 0 - 4
2005-06	QR1	Christchurch	Н	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Christchurch	Α	L 0 - 1
2006-07	QR1	Shrewton United	Α	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Shrewton United	Н	L 2 - 3
2007-08	QR2	Bournemouth	Α	L 0 - 12
2008-09	QR1	Buckingham Athletic	Α	W 5 - 3
	QR2	Henley Town	Α	W 6 - 0
	R1	Kidlington	Н	W 3 - 2
	R2	Wimbourne Town	Α	L 0 - 4
2009-10	QR1	Hamble ASSC	Н	L 2 - 3
2010-11	QR2	Devizes Town	Α	W 4 - 0
	R1	Cadbury Heath	Α	L 1 - 2
2011-12	QR1	Shortwood United	Α	L 0 - 4
2012-13	QR1	GE Hamble	Α	L 0 - 6
2013-14	QR2	Odd Down	Α	L 0 - 7
2014-15	QR1	Cove	Α	W 3 - 2
	QR2	Abingdon United	Н	L 2 - 3

2015-16	QR1	Binfield	Н	D1-1
	QR1	Binfield	Α	W 4 - 3
	QR2	Windsor FC	Α	L1-2
2016-17	QR2	Thame Utd	Н	L2-4
2017-18	QR1	Fairford Town	Н	W 3 - 1
	QR2	Codicote	Н	W 5 - 0
	R1	Ampthill Town	Н	W 2- 1
	R2	Horndean	Α	L 2- 3
2018-19	QR2	Bashley	Н	L 0 - 4
2019-20	QR1	New College Swindon	Α	W 7 - 0
	QR2	Tadley Calleva	Α	L 0 - 1
2020-21	QR2	Stonehouse	Α	W 1 - 0
	R1	Camelford	Н	W 4 - 0
	R2	Bridgwater Town	Α	L 1 - 2
2021-22	QR1	Knaphill	Н	W 1 - 0
	QR2	Portishead Town	Α	W 3 - 1
	R1	Downton	Н	W 4 - 0
	R2	Torpoint Athletic	Н	W 2 - 0
	R3	Hamworthy United	Н	L1-3
2022-23	R1	Bridport	Α	W 5 - 3
	R2	Wellington (W 5 - 4 pens)	Α	D 2 - 2
	R3	Corsham T (L 3 - 4 pens)	Н	D 0 - 0
2023-24	R1	Elburton Villa	Н	W 2 - 1
	R2	Longlevens	Н	W 2 - 1
	R3	Bridgwater T (5-6 pens)	Н	L2-2

RWBTFC & The Isuzu FA Vase - Season 2024-25

Our Road To Wembley

	THE ROAD TO WEMBLE	FOR ROYAL WOOTTON	BASSETT TOWN F.C. FA	/ASE 2024-25	
Date	Round	Opponents	H/A Result	It Prize N	
				Winner	Loser
24-Apr-24	First Round Qualifying		Bye	£550	£160
21-Sep-24	Second Round Qualifying		Bye	£725	£225
19-Oct-24	First Round Proper			£825	£250
9-Nov-24	Second Round Proper			£900	£275
7-Dec-24	Third Round Proper			£1,125	£350
11-Jan-25	Fourth Round Proper			£1,875	£600
1-Feb-25	Fifth Round Proper			£2,250	£725
1-Mar-25	Sixth Round Proper			£4,125	£1,350
29-Mar-25	Semi-final			£5,500	£1,725
11-May-25	Final (at Wembley)			£30,000	£15,000
* Still in con	netition	Total P	rize Money Won		

First Round Qualifying Draw Our Expected Initial Zone

	Zone 8								
111	Clanfield 85	10	HEL	1	v	Tadley Calleva	9	CC	PS
112	Sandhurst Town	9	CC	PS	v	Nailsea & Tickenham	9	WST	P
113	Milton United	9	CC	PN	v	Woodley United	10	CC	1
114	Stonehouse Town	10	HEL	1	v	Corsham Town	9	HEL	Р
115	Brimscombe & Thrupp	9	HEL	Р	v	Roman Glass St. George	9	HEL	P
116	Oldland Abbotonians	9	WST	Р	v	Cirencester Town	9	HEL	Р
117	Malmesbury Victoria	9	HEL	Р	v	Longlevens	9	HEL	Р
118	Hallen	10	WST	1	v	Portishead Town	9	WST	Р
119	Berks County	9	CC	PN	v	Calne Town	10	WST	1
120	Tytherington Rocks	10	HEL	1	v	Keynsham Town	10	WST	1
121	Reading City	9	CC	PN	v	Abingdon United	10	HEL	1
122	Hengrove Athletic	10	WST	1	v	Shirehampton	10	WST	1
123	Wantage Town	10	HEL	1	v	Bitton	10	WST	1
124	Wokingham Town	9	CC	PN	v	Cheltenham Saracens	10	HEL	1
125	Newent Town	10	HEL	1	v	Cadbury Heath	10	WST	1
126	Odd Down	10	WST	1	v	Brislington	9	WST	Р



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RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM

Season 2024-25



South West Regional Women's Football League Eastern Division Season 2023-24								
	Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts	
1 Poole Town	16	13	1	2	68	17	40	
2 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	16	12	2	2	52	18	38	
3 Purton*	16	9	3	4	36	25	29	
4 Bath City	16	7	6	3	34	21	27	
5 Stockwood Wanderers	16	7	4	5	44	39	25	
6 Weymouth*	16	5	5	6	39	26	19	
7 Shaftesbury Ladies *	16	4	1	11	22	46	12	
8 Frome Town *	16	3	0	13	19	47	8	
9 Ridgeway	16	1	0	15	5	80	3	

^{*} Points adjustment





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Previous League Winners

2023/24 - Ben Tomes (Toonali)

2022/23 – Joe Mitchell (Above Average Joes)

2021/22 – Andy Guppy (Pepe Pig)

2020/21 - Steven Astin (ABCDE FC)

2019/20 - Tim Hall (FC Eric Bantona)

2018/19 – Andy Guppy (Dirty Oars)

2017/18 - Mike Price (Cheesy Naan)

2016/17 - Andy Guppy (Dirty Oars)

2015/16 – Andy Guppy (Dirty Oars)

2014/15 – Andy Guppy (Dirty Oars)

2013/14 - Michael Case (Cupid Punts)

2012/13 – Sam Lawro (Top of the Perch -19)

2011/12 – Sam Lawro (19- Top Of Your Perch)

2010/11 – Josh Dimond (Liquidation FC)

RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team

Season 2024-25

ROYA	L W. BASSE	TT TOWN FC DEV - SEASON	l 2024	-25 FIXTU	RES & R	ESULTS	
CORS	HAM PRINT	WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGUI	E PRE	MIER DIV	ISION		
	Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers	
Sat	03-Aug-24	Pewsey Vale	Α	League	L 1- 3	Ferreira	
Tue	06-Aug-24	Blunsdon	Н	League	W 4 - 0	Walters 2,	Richards, Lance
Sat	10-Aug-24	Salisbury Dev	Α	League			
Wed	14-Aug-24	Kingsdown	Α	League			
Sat	17-Aug-24	Faringdon Town	Α	League			
Tue	20-Aug-24	Wroughton	Н	League			
Sat	24-Aug-24	Shrewton United	Н	League			
Sat	31-Aug-24	Bemerton Heath Harl Res **	Н	League			
Wed	04-Sep-24	Malmesbury Vics Dev	Α	League			
Sat	07-Sep-24	Larkhall Athletic Dev	Α	League			
Sat	14-Sep-24	Park United	Н	League			
Sat	21-Sep-24	Calne Town Res	Α	League			
Sat	28-Sep-24	Trowbridge Town	Α	League			
Sat	05-Oct-24	Faringdon Town	Α	FT Cup			
Sat	12-Oct-24	Melksham Town Res	Α	League			
Tues	15-Oct-24	Letcombe	Н	League			
Sat	19-Oct-24	Shrivenham	Н	League			
Sat	26-Oct-24	Wroughton	Α	League			
Sat	02-Nov-24	Shrewton United	Α	League			
Sat	09-Nov-24	Larkhall Athletic Dev	Н	League			
Sat	16-Nov-24	Kintbury Rangers	Α	League			
Sat	23-Nov-24	Kingsdown	Н	League			
Sat	23-Nov-24	FT Senior Cup 2nd Round					
Sat	30-Nov-24	Letcombe	Α	League			
Sat	07-Dec-24	Pewsey Vale	Н	League			
Sat	14-Dec-24	Shrivenham	Α	League			
Sat	21-Dec-24	Salisbury Dev	Н	League			
Sat	04-Jan-25	Calne Town Res	Н	League			
Sat	11-Jan-25	Bemerton Heath Harl Res	Α	League			
Sat	18-Jan-25	Faringdon Town	Н	League			
Sat	01-Feb-25	Park United	Α	League			
Sat	08-Feb-25	Malmesbury Vics Dev	Н	League			
Sat	15-Feb-25	Blunsdon	Α	League			
Sat	22-Feb-25	Trowbridge Town	Н	League			
Sat	01-Mar-25	Kintbury Rangers	Н	League			
Sat	08-Mar-25	Melksham Town Res	Н	League			

^{**} Subject to FA Cup, could be away to Bemerton depending on results and cup draws

Goalscorers	League	WSC	FT Cup		Total
Flynn Walters	2				2
Afonso Ferriera	1				1
George Lance	1				1
Dale Richards	1				1
					0
	5	0	0	0	5

Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Roundup 6/7 Aug

A busy night of action on Tuesday evening in the Premier Division of the Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League with eight games being played.

What looked to be the top match of the night was the game between Pewsey Vale and Trowbridge Town, who both won their opening games on Saturday, but it turned out to be a very one-sided affair with Pewsey hitting seven unanswered goals to make it two wins from two to open the season. Pewsey had the better of the opening 20 minutes and went in front after recent signing from Letcombe Josh Fowler dispossessed a Trowbridge defender in his own half and outpaced the defence down the left. His shot at the end of his run produced a fine save from Cameron Miller, but the ball fell right at the feet of a Brandon Vincent following up but his shot from point blank range was again well saved by the Trowbridge keeper. However, unfortunately for Trowbridge this time it fell nicely to James Guthrie who was following up and who made no mistake to add to the three goals he scored on Saturday. Pewsey then doubled their lead within a minute with an almost identical goal. Trowbridge again conceded possession in their own half straight from the kick-off to Rory England. The Pewsey youngster played a neat one two to get behind the Trowbridge back line, but his low powerful shot was saved by Miller but again he could only the parry the ball straight to Vincent and this time the Pewsey striker made no mistake to double his sides lead. Pewsey continued to press forward and just before the half hour mark a powerful shot from Fowler was well saved by Miller. Next up the influential Rory England had a shot from distance for Pewsey that went just over. It wasn't all oneway traffic though George Bendle had a shot saved by Louie Latouche and there was then a moment of controversy just before half time. Following a Trowbridge corner the ball was initially cleared but a powerful shot back in struck a Pewsey player with appeals for handball, which were waved away by the referee. Pewsey then broke down the righthand side through Fowler and he out paced the Trowbridge defence before cutting inside and then hitting a powerful shot into the bottom corner of the net for 3-0. Trowbridge had Josh Howlett sent to the sin-bin for disputing the non-award of the alleged handball which meant they would play the first nine minutes of the second half a man short.

Despite starting the half a man down, Trowbridge made a good start to the second half and had the better of the early exchanges. Three minutes in a header from Jake Samuel was saved by Latouche in the Pewsey goal with his feet and the follow up header from George Bendle was again saved and then cleared by his defence. Trowbridge had another great chance when keeper Latouche game rushing out to challenge Bendle but failed to clear, but the danger was averted by a great sliding tackle. Having survived the opening period when a man down without conceding Trowbridge continued to push to try and get a foothold back in the game. Twenty minutes from time Trowbridge had another good chance a ball into the box was met on the volley by Samuel but his effort went well over, and it remained 3-0. Having taken their foot off the gas Pewsey started to up their game again and they put the game beyond their opponents 15 minutes from time when another run down the left by Fowler was followed by a low powerful shot which was again only parried out by keeper Miller, this time into the path of Rory England who fired in for 4-0. It went from bad to worse for Trowbridge eight minutes from time a fine individual goal from England who picked the ball up in his own half beat two Trowbridge defenders and then cooly picked his spot to shoot past Miller for 5-0 to Pewsey. Almost straight away from the kick-off Trowbridge conceded possession in their own half and a defence splitting pass saw Fowler in the clear and he stroked the ball into the far corner of the net to make it 6-0 within a minute of that fifth goal.

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That was not to be the end of Trowbridge's miserable evening as they conceded again in injury time, a ball into the box from England was met on the volley by substitute Jake Collis to make the final score 7-0 and send Pewsey top of the early league table.

Another side to hit seven goals on Tuesday night and also record their second straight win were Ben Jarrett's Wroughton side. On Saturday Jonathan Peachey-Score had scored a hat-trick at Shrewton United and on Tuesday night he went one better netting four times in Wroughton's 7-2 win over Malmesbury Vics Development. Maximen also scored for the second game running with further Wroughton goals coming through Luigi Hernandez and Alex King and substitute Hammond. Lewis Edward Greenouff with the consolation goals for Malmesbury.

Letcombe also made it two wins from their opening two games with a comfortable 3-0 win over near neighbours Faringdon Town. They went in front on 25 minutes a long clearance from keeper Harry Whitehead was misjudged by his opposite number Jack Gibson in the Faringdon goal, Letcombe winger Xavi Diaz reacted quickest and his cross into the area was met by Ben Cleary who headed in for 1-0. Faringdon fell further behind ten minutes before the break, Josh Forth losing control in his own box giving Keiran Kerby a simple tap in for his third goal of the week. It remained 2-0 at the break. Any chance of Faringdon getting back into the game was effectively ended two minutes after the restart, Diaz capitalising on another error from Faringdon and running at the visitor's defence before firing past Gibson for 3-0. Two games, two wins and two clean sheets for Letcombe as they make a great start to their time in the Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League.

Park United got their tenure in the Premier Division off to a winning start with a 5-1 away win at Calne Town Reserves. Ben Pring led the way for Park, bagging a brace, with further goals coming from Lewis McCarron,

Zac Hillier and Jamie Norman, Jack Smith with the consolation goal for Calne.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town bounced back from their opening day defeat away at Pewsey with an impressive 4-0 home win over Blunsdon on the 3G at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground. They took the lead when a first time Mani Mesas ball into the box was turned in by Dale Richards on his returned from a couple of seasons at Malmesbury Vics. They went close to extending their lead when a Ben Spackman cross was headed onto the crossbar and then when a curling effort from Flynn Walters drew a great save from the Blunsdon keeper Luke Kuczynski. The home side were not to be denied though, Richards fed Walters who hit a superb dipping shot into the top corner of the net giving Kuczynski no chance to make it 2-0 at half time to Royal Wootton Bassett Town. The home side went close to extending their lead further in the second half when Walters hit the crossbar with another effort cutting in from the left. It was not all one-way traffic though and Blunsdon had claims for a penalty midway through the half when a player went down in the box, but these were waved away by the referee. The home side eventually extended their lead in somewhat fortuitous circumstances, a cross from the right from George Lance deceiving the Blunsdon keeper and ending up in the back of the net for 3-0. Flynn Walters then rounded off an impressive man of the match performance with another superb strike into the roof of the net from the edge of the box to make the final score 4-0 as Mark Simpkins' side picked up their first points of the season.

Bemerton Heath Harlequins opened their campaign in the Premier Division with a short trip up the road to take on near neighbours Salisbury Development. It was to be a winning start for Bemerton as goals from Liam Greenough and Joshua Hoey secured a 2-0 win over the young Salisbury side.

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Shrewton United bounced back from their opening day defeat at the hands of Wroughton with a comfortable 3-0 win over Larkhall Athletic Development. Shrewton went in front ten minutes before the break, a long clearance from keeper Sam Gates found Charlie Jackson who lobbed the Larkhall keeper to give his side a 1-0 lead at the break.

Shrewton then doubled their lead on the hour mark, a cross from Cameron Wildman was laid back by Sam Mortimer to Lewis Cross who netted for his third of goal of the season. It remained 2-0 until the last minute of the match when substitute Aidan Beardsley was put through one-on-one with the keeper and he made no mistake to make the final score 3-0 to Shrewton avenging the two defeats they suffered at the hands of Larkhall at the back-end of last season.

Last season's runners up Kintbury Rangers had been very disappointed when Larkhall Athletic cried off against them on Saturday but finally got their season up and running on Tuesday night when they entertained Shrivenham. It was to prove to be a tight affair from start to finish and with neither side able to make a breakthrough and the two teams had to settle for a point apiece.

The following night the two remaining sides, Melksham Town Reserves and Kingsdown were in action at the Oakfield Stadium. Both teams went into the game on the back of 3-1 wins on Saturday looking to preserve their 100% winning start to the season. That honour was to go to Melksham as a hat-trick from Elliot Haffenden and a second of the season from Sam Whitehead secured a 4-2 win for Justin Flowers side. Antonio Gerrish and Ollie While with the Kingsdown goals.

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Season 2024-25									
	Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	PTS		
1 Pewsey Vale	2	2	0	0	10	1	6		
2 Wroughton	2	2	0	0	11	4	6		
3 Letcombe	2	2	0	0	5	0	6		
4 Melksham Town Res	2	2	0	0	7	3	6		
5 Park United	1	1	0	0	5	1	3		
6 Royal W Bassett Town Dev	2	1	0	1	5	3	3		
7 Bemerton H H Res	1	1	0	0	2	0	3		
8 Shrewton United	2	1	0	1	5	4	3		
9 Kingsdown	2	1	0	1	5	5	3		
10 Trowbridge Town	2	1	0	1	1	7	3		
11 Kintbury Rangers	1	0	1	0	0	0	1		
12 Shrivenham	1	0	1	0	0	0	1		
13 Larkhall Athletic Dev	1	0	0	1	0	3	0		
14 Salisbury Dev	2	0	0	2	1	5	0		
15 Blunsdon	1	0	0	1	0	4	0		
16 Faringdon Town	2	0	0	2	0	4	0		
17 Calne Town Reserves	2	0	0	2	1	7	0		
18 Malmesbury Victoria Dev	2	0	0	2	3	10	0		



THE EUROS were – mostly – entertaining, Wimbledon was fine, the Olympics have been exciting...but a huge welcome back to the Non-League football season.

It feels like it's been a long summer. And that's because it has been. The majority of clubs finished their seasons in April. Those lucky few in the play-offs went on for another week or so but, largely, by the second week of May it was all done and dusted. Clubs had been promoted, cups lifted, Gateshead and Romford had tasted Wembley glory on Non-League finals day and the goalposts were down. But now we're back. Properly back (pre-season doesn't count). Over the last couple of weeks Step 5&6 leagues have kicked off, the FA Cup extra preliminary round has taken place and, this weekend, Steps 1-4 get their 2024-25 league campaigns up and running.

There's nothing quite like live, competitive, football. We've even already seen goal of the season contenders scored – check out Sam Bantick's strike from inside his own half for Tilbury against Buckhurst Hill in the FA Cup. Filling the pages of The Non-League Paper through the barren summer months is rarely a challenge. The beauty of football – and particularly Non-League football – is there is always something happening somewhere.

From former Weston-super-Mare loanee Ollie Watkins smashing in a semi-final winner as England reached the Euro 2024 final to the National League's new broadcast deal with DAZN, it's rarely quiet. There have been some eye-catching signings this off-season too. Charlie Austin has returned to his Non-League roots by joining AFC Totton. former Southampton and QPR striker began his career at Kintbury Rangers before playing for hometown club Hungerford Town and, later, Poole Town were he was spotted by Swindon Town back 2009. in Since then he's gone onto have a goal laden professional career - even earning a call-up to the England squad - before, aged 35, signing up at the Southern Premier South Stags.

There must be something in the Non-League water at Step 3 with another former Premier League scorer also making a similar switch – former Reading hitman Adam Le Fondre has signed on at FC United of Manchester after turning out for Neil Reynolds' side in preseason.

We've seen plenty go the other way too. Chris Conn-Clark won The Young Player of the Year Award at The NLP's National Game Awards back in May so it was nice to see the Altrincham ace land a move to Peterborough United. Posh have made a habit of finding some real gems in Non-League and Conn-Clark has the potential to be another.

How about the story of Marcus Wyllie? The 25-year-old was playing at Risborough Rangers a few years ago. Last season he hit 34 goals as Enfield Town won promotion to the National League South. Gillingham's Peter Taylor saw Wyllie in a friendly against Arsenal earlier in pre-season and just a few days later he was getting his medical at the League Two outfit. His rise is similar to Jack Hazlehurst. Also 25, the attacker only joined Chorley last summer from City of Liverpool, where he'd ripped it up for years. One season impressing in the National League North has seen Burton Albion swoop.

Two of the bigger stories of the summer have revolved around the future of clubs. Coalville Town resigned, at first completely, from the National League System before returning under new leadership in the United Counties League. And the long-running Southend United takeover was finally completed. The Shrimpers fans can start looking forward again.

As can we all with the new season here and nine months of action ahead of us. Good luck!

Matt Badcock
Editor at large
Non-League Paper

RWBTFC Vets' (Over 35) Team

Season 2024-25

Royal	Wootton Bassett Town Vets		
Seaso	n 2024 -25 Corsham Print Wiltshire Se	nior Le	ague - Vets North Wilts Division
Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp
Tue	03-Sep-24 Cricklade Town	Α	League
Wed	11-Sep-24 AFC Swindon	Н	League
Wed	18-Sep-24 Coate	Α	League
Wed	25-Sep-24 Swindon Rovers	Н	League
Wed	02-Oct-24 Chiseldon	Н	League
Wed	09-Oct-24 Stratton Juniors	Α	League
Wed	16-Oct-24 Veterans' County Cup		
Tue	22-Oct-24 Cricklade Town	Α	L Cup
Wed	30-Oct-24 No game due to Half Term		
Wed	06-Nov-24 Veterans' County Cup		
Tue	21-Nov-24 FS Swindon	Α	League
Wed	27-Nov-24 Intel	Н	League
Wed	04-Dec-24 Redhouse	Α	League
Wed	11-Dec-24 Penhill United	Н	League
Wed	08-Jan-25 Cricklade Town	Н	League
Tue	14-Jan-25 AFC Swindon	Α	League
Wed	22-Jan-25 Coate	Н	League
Tue	28-Jan-25 Swindon Rovers	Α	League
Wed	05-Feb-25 Chiseldon	Α	League
Wed	12-Feb-25 Stratton Juniors	Н	League
Wed	05-Mar-25 FS Swindon	Н	League
Wed	12-Mar-25 Intel	Α	League
Wed	19-Mar-25 Redhouse	Н	League
Wed	26-Mar-25 Penhill United	Α	League

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League									
Vets North Wiltshire Division Season 2023-24 - FINAL TABLE									
	Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	PTS		
1 Cricklade Town	18	14	3	1	42	7	45		
2 Redhouse	18	14	3	1	45	13	45		
3 Coate	18	14	2	2	51	9	44		
4 Penhill United	18	10	2	6	32	21	32		
5 Royal W. Bassett Town	18	8	1	9	32	36	25		
6 Chiseldon	18	7	2	9	27	41	23		
7 Swindon Rovers	18	5	3	10	22	32	18		
8 AFC Swindon	18	3	3	12	18	58	12		
9 Swindon Old Boys	18	3	0	15	27	37	9		
10 Stratton Juniors	18	1	3	14	15	57	6		
11 Blunsdon	Reco	rd Ex	ounge	d Due	to Wi	thdra	wal		
12 Nomads	Reco	rd Ex	ounge	d Due	to Wi	thdra	wal		



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Dan Hill		2
Louis Spal	ding	3
Chris Tayl	or	4
Adam Cord	coran	5
Oliver Case	9	6
Alfie Pres	ley	7
Jack Hobs	son-McVeigh	8
Finnlay Hop	kins	9
Tommy Ould	Iridge	10
Bailey Galla	agher	11
Ollie Pitt		12
George Pear	'e	14
Alan Griff	in	15
Tyrone Tuck	ker-Dixon	16
Jonathan Aitke	enhead	17
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