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Calne & District League Cup Winners 1934-35

Calne & District League Cup Runners-up 1935-36

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Men's First Team Bassett Bulletin Welcome To Today's Game

GOOD AFTERNOON and welcome

to the Sustain Stadium here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground for this Uhlsport Hellenic League Premier Division fixture against Hartpury University in what is the first ever meeting between the two sides.

A warm welcome to all the players, management team, club officials and supporters from Hartpury who have travelled from Gloucestershire for today's game. We hope you all enjoy your short stay with us this afternoon on your first visit to the Sustain Stadium and we wish you a safe journey home. Hartpury have adapted well to life in the Premier Division and will be a young side full of running who will definitely appreciate the pitch here at the Sustain Stadium. We will certainly need to be at our very best to get anything out of today's game. That said we come into today's game on the back of an excellent 5-1 local derby win over Malmesbury Vics in midweek and Sam will no doubt be looking to build on that victory.

Today is a very special occasion for the club as we welcome the family of the late Chris Kirkland to today's game as we officially open the Chris Kirkland stand in honour of the man who did so much for football and sport in general in the town of Royal Wootton Bassett. A very warm welcome to Chris' wife Maureen, along with several members of the Kirkland family, who are present with us today for this official opening of the stand. The official cutting of the ribbon to the stand will take place at 2:30PM. A big thank you to Swindon Town legend Don Rogers, who was also very close to Chris, for agreeing to assist with today's celebrations.

Today's programme contains a number of tributes from individuals who were both close friends of Chris and also benefited immensely from the football related activities he introduced into the town.

There is a tribute from Vice Chairman Pete Yeardley who worked with Chris initially in delivering Football in the Community, and then the Holland tours and the five/six-aside tournaments and became a close friend to Chris. The Club's tribute has been prepared by Press Officer Stuart Smedley, who attended some of the earliest Football in the Community fun weeks and coaching sessions. He then went on one of the earliest Holland tours when Chris and Pete brought the trip into the football club, having been initially run as a school trip. Stuart later went on one of the tours as one of the adult helpers and still has those Holland Projects that earned him the "Mr Chris" award on a couple of occasions from those early tours as an U12 and U13.

We have also received a card with a message from Holland from the Warren family, an English family who have lived in the Hague for many years, who befriended Chris as a result of those Holland tours. Paula Warren was responsible for some of those wonderful cakes celebrating "friendship through

football" that became synonymous with the Holland tour.

Finally, today's programme includes a moving tribute from Jon Holloway, Director of Community, Swindon Town FC Community Foundation who perhaps benefitted most from Chris championing of football in the school when the PE department no longer gave it the emphasis and support that had been the case when I attended the school. Jon was part of a very successful school side run by Chris and went on to sign for Swindon Town where he has recently been honoured by the Professional Football Association for his services to football. Jon clearly benefitted as a player from the coaching from Chris but I also strongly believe that Chris also instilled in him some of the traits that he has taken into the wonderful work he has gone on to do for the Swindon Town FC Foundation.

My personal memories of Chris not only include the Holland football tours, six-a-sides, the refereeing of games I played in and school lessons (Chris taught some of my A Level Economics lessons) but also the wonderful sporting dinners he organised. I still have the signed menu at home on the wall from when Alan Ball gave a very moving speech about his father at the De Vere Hotel. Pete talks about Chris opening doors through the contacts he has made in football over the years. One example I would like to share with you today in this programme is the fact that Chris was able to get two articles published in QPR programmes, the team I support, when QPR were in what is now the Premier League back in Season 1987-88. The games were against Coventry and Liverpool. Not sure who he knew at the club to get them in the programme but they are a great read and I have shared them with you in today's programme. Interestingly the Liverpool game featured three players who would come to play for Swindon, Alan McDonald, David Kerslake and Steve McMahon. Not sure if Chris was at the game but if he had been I am sure he would have been selling Swindon FC to them. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us today as we fondly remember Chris with this official opening.

Looking at our other teams, the Development Team are without a game today with scheduled opponents Larkhall Athletic Dev involved in a Somerset Senior Cup game and their next game will be a week today when they are home to Park United. Following last Sunday's win in the FA Cup, the Women's side get their league season underway when they make the short journey over to Purton n a repeat of their first league fixture of last season. In the corresponding fixture lats season Bassett returned with all three points and Adam will be hoping for a repeat of that result tomorrow. Purton opened their league campaign last week, losing 3-1 at St Vallier.

Enjoy the game and the day, whatever the result.

Mark

Chairman's Chat Paul Gerrish



GOOD AFTERNOON. It's pleasure to welcome our supporters along with the players, officials supporters from Hartpury University FC to the Sustain Stadium today for Premier this Hellenic League fixture where we will be celebrating the opening of the Chris

Kirkland Stand.

We are delighted that so many of Chris' family are here to join us on a special day for the club. Admission is on a 'pay-what-youwant' basis with all the proceeds going to Chris' family to donate to a worthy cause.

The club felt it important to mark everything Chris did for the club and wider community and decided that naming our new, self-funded stand would be an appropriate tribute. Chris was instrumental in developing the Community Soccer programme at the club and a driving force behind the annual Youth section tours to Holland, establishing the relationships that we have with our sister clubs.

You will be able to read heartfelt tributes throughout the programme and website from those who worked alongside Chris, both here and at Swindon Town.

My personal memories stretch back to Wootton Bassett Comprehensive (we weren't

Royal then!) when he joined as Deputy Head. Always approachable and always with a smile and an encouraging word. He would often be seen pounding the streets around Lydiard, no doubt keeping fit for the next time he would have the opportunity to officiate a game. Then when my son was old enough, he became Football Grandad, a role he held for so many children at Community soccer. He was very encouraging when I set up a new youth team in Brinkworth and always wanted to know how we were progressing. His enthusiasm never waned at Swindon Town often heard before he was seen selling No doubt, Portsmouth also programmes. benefitted when he moved South. The last time I saw him he was here at the club checking out our new facilities. missed by so many, but so many more are benefitting from his contribution to the club and community.

On the pitch, Sam and the team bounced back from their defeat at Corsham with an emphatic 5-1 win over Malmesbury Vics, the Women progressed in the WFA Cup also with a 5-1 win at Ross but the Dev team fell to a narrow 1-0 defeat against Bemerton in a game dominated by a referee and his cards!

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

Thank you for your continued support.

UP THE BASS

Paul







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A Tribute to Chris Kirkland

From RWBTFC prepared by the Club's Press Officer

In 2011, when bestowed Royal status, our town adopted a new motto: "We honour those who serve".

Prior to this afternoon's fixture we as a football club will be honouring Chris Kirkland - an individual who served Wootton Bassett, and in particular the town's sporting community, with distinction - by officially opening the new stand that will bear his name.

The club are honoured that Chris' wife Maureen, along with several members of the Kirkland family, are present with us today to officially open the stand.

A hugely inspirational figure who made a remarkable contribution to sporting life in Royal Wootton Bassett and the wider community, Chris sadly passed away in March 2022.

Through his infectious enthusiasm, passion for sport and a generosity of spirit that knew no ends, he bequeathed an incredible legacy which continues to benefit the town and our football club to this day.

For our football club, the Community Football programme that Chris ran for many years in the town helped develop a vast number of players and enabled the club to establish and grow its youth section in the late 1990s and early 2000s. Indeed, most players who featured for the club's youth teams in those years acquired their first formal experience of learning how to play football at the Community Football sessions and Soccer Fun Weeks that Chris organised. As a result, many within this generation affectionately knew Chris as 'Football Grandad'.

While a teacher at Wootton Bassett School, Chris established the Holland Tour, with the first organised in 1988. The tours then became an annual event and, since 2002, have been organised through our club. For all those fortunate enough to have been able to take part, whether through the school or the club, the Holland Tours represent the most cherished memories of youth football and ones that will last a lifetime. Thanks to Chris' efforts and the links that have been forged with the likes of SV Loosduinen, FC 's-Gravenzande, FC Dordrecht, EBOH and SC Monster among others, strong, enduring friendships have been

made with those at the clubs that we have visited over the years.

Chris also organised summer youth tournaments, the template for which the club adopted in 2001. And over the next decade, our club's six-a-side event grew into one of the leading, most popular tournaments held in Wiltshire.

Beyond the football club, Chris' tireless efforts and generosity benefited others in our community. Through initiatives such as the Mad March Hare Fun Run and the sporting dinners that he organised, as well as the numerous marathons which he completed, Chris helped raise significant funds for the town's schools and sports clubs. He also organised tournaments for local primary schools around the town's annual carnival, with these helping generate a meaningful sense of community spirit.

Through all that he did, Chris' efforts helped in more than just a material way. He was a true champion of the idea of sport for all and was a keen supporter of girls' and women's football. More broadly, he made sure that there were opportunities to play and learn the beautiful game for all young players in the area regardless of their ability. Seeing sport – and football in particular – as a way to help develop life skills, the only things that Chris insisted on when you played were that you had fun and, most importantly, demonstrated a good attitude, commitment and effort.

To honour Chris we have decided to name the new stand, whose purchase was self-funded by the club, in his memory as a lasting gesture of thanks for all that he did for the club and local sporting community, toward which he selflessly dedicated a significant part of his life.

Huge thanks also go to Bristol City forward Scott Twine and his father - and long-time club sponsor - Steve Twine for funding the whole cost of the foundations and base of the stand.

While starting his career with Bassett's youth section, one of Scott's earliest football memories is attending a Soccer Fun Week organised by Chris in August 2005. A sign of the talent Scott possessed, he was awarded five stars in the Soccer Star Challenge.



Above: Jonny Aitkenhead & Stuart Smedley presenting Chris with a Bassett shirt on the Holland 2003 Tour. **Below left:** Chris presenting trophies at one of the Club's six-a-side tournaments. **Below right:** Steve and Scott Twine who funded the foundations and base of the Chris Kirkland stand.







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A Tribute to Chris Kirkland

From Deputy Chairman Peter Yeardley

The Legend Chris Kirkland. A more inspiring person I have yet to meet!

I am privileged and humbled to call him a family friend and indeed mentor. His standards were extremely high, and he was held in the highest esteem by his many peers and acquaintances alike.

His contagious personality opened doors and provided countless opportunities for so many in the community. He asked for nothing in return apart from a smile and to show the ultimate respect for others.

After sharing some 22 trips to Holland with Chris there are countless stories and anecdotes I could share, each and everyone filled with joy and humour. Only Chris could get the late and great Bobby Robson to stop first team training at PSV and instruct his players to meet and sign autographs for the Wootton Bassett Tour party.

To us he was "Sir Chris" but the Dutch called him "The Pope" – because he could open doors and provide opportunities that others couldn't.

His personality was infectious and indeed contagious – despite very little sleep and

numerous coach journeys the tours became the must do event on the football calendar each year.

His planning and attention to every small detail ensured the tours were an enormous success and even to this day his many friends in Holland remember him fondly.

For those that didn't know him the history of CK and his immeasurable contribution to the sporting community in Royal Wootton Bassett can be read elsewhere in this programme.

For me personally I take great comfort that in his latter years, and having moved back to Portsmouth, Chris devoted his time with those that mattered most – Maureen and his beloved family.

Thank you, Chris, for all that you have done and I sincerely hope that this dedicated stand will be a lasting and fitting tribute to you here at RWB.

As you would always say with a twinkle in your eye – "I have an idea Pete"

Your friend

Peter Yeardley







Above: Chris arranging for Bobby Robson to sign for the children on the 1999 School Holland Tour. **Below:** Chris with Pete and the team managers on the 2006 Club Holland Tour.





Picture above and below right courtesy of Swindon Town FC Community Foundation





A Tribute to Chris Kirkland

From Jon Holloway, Director of Community, Swindon Town FC Community Foundation

I first got to know Mr Kirkland as my teacher and Deputy Head Teacher at Royal Wootton Bassett secondary school before Chris and his wife Maureen spent many seasons volunteering at Swindon Town FC.

Chris was a true inspiration and amazing man. I was extremely lucky to have Chris teach me at school and his energy, enthusiasm and love of football was clear to see for everyone who came into contact with him. It was well known that during Mr Kirkland's lessons, you'd only have to mention football and that was it, the rest of the lesson was taken up discussing everything about football.

Chris arranged many football tours to Holland for local players and these trips created life long memories for hundreds of children. I was lucky enough to attend five Holland tours and I have so many fond memories from these tours of playing the matches at the great venues, to the chips and mayonnaise served up after each match, to meeting Chris's good friend Sir Bobby Robson and the times we were allowed to roam the streets of Amsterdam unaccompanied by adults!! These were just a few of the many amazing memories that will stay with me for ever.

As like many children growing up, football was a huge part of our lives and now looking back on my school days, Chris always went above and beyond to offer me and many children those extra opportunities representing the school in local, regional, and national football competitions, as well as allowing us to get out of school to play in Swindon and Wiltshire Schools matches. When we did reach the latter stages of the national school's competition, Chris taught us the importance of being fit and having the endurance to run longer distances, so he'd give up his lunch breaks to take our football team road running around the streets of Bassett as extra training for the players.

To have a role model like Chris, when going through my school years, was very special and his positive energy shined through at all times. Chris certainly played a large part in helping me achieve my dream of signing for Swindon Town FC.

I continued to see Chris on a regular basis with him and Maureen volunteering at Swindon Town FC. Quite often we would hear Chris before actually seeing him as he was well known selling his match day programmes with his loud shout out of "Programmes, get your programmes"!!

Even when Chris received the devasting news of his illness, he continued to remain so positive and upbeat, which epitomised the great man he was.

When Chris informed us that his doctors had told him that he may only have a few weeks left to live, with Chris's agreement we put out a social media post about Chris. This post received hundreds a messages and memories of lives that Chris had impacted. On our weekly catch up calls, Chris often told us how much he and his family took huge pleasure and comfort from reading these special messages and memories that people had written about Chris

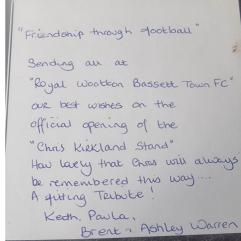
It was lovely for Chris to know how special he was, and how fondly he will always be remembered for the amazing impact he made on so many people. I think it's a touching tribute that the football club are naming a new stand after Chris, and I will look forward to watching a match in the "Chris Kirkland Stand" and remember Chris and his wonderful smile.



A Message From Holland

From Keith, Paula, Brent & Ashley Warren (Friends of Chris from the Holland Tours)





Above: Card the club received from the Warren family. **Below:** The ceremonial cutting of the cake made by Paula on one of the tours. Those who have been on the Holland Tours will know that cakes are a key part of the trips, not only the cakes made in Holland but also those baked by the mums, with flapjack a particular favourite of Chris and the managers on tour. **Right:** Montage of programmes from Holland Tours arranged by Chris.









Above left: Chris leads out the two teams at FC Dordrecht in 2005. **Above right:** Chris at Sparta Rotterdam's ground in 2008 **Below:** Another ceremonial cutting of the cake this time with Jan van der Deijl who was key organiser for the tours on the Dutch side.





Above: Chris faces the press at Sparta Rotterdam. **Below:** Chris with Nigel Deane who, along with Pete Yeardley, were the key organisers working alongside Chris for the club's tours to Holland.



"FOOTBALL IS BUT A GAME"

(The first of an occasional series of expert views from Chris Kirkland, Ex–Football Combination Referee and Linesman).

For most supporters of League Clubs the match official receives very little recognition and is only discussed when a controversial penalty is awarded against their team or when one of their players is sent off. Your match official today has reached the top in terms of refereeing as it is the ambition of all referees when they start to reach the League list. Old Trafford, Anfield, Highbury, Villa Park, Loftus Road are all venues that referees wish to officiate at with Wembley coming top of the list. Unfortunately for many referees these venues remain just a 'figment of the imagination' as most referees remain on County and Local Leagues in cities and towns.

What are the differences between refereeing on the League list and at County or local level?

1. Pitches

An appointment to a game out in the country can be quite an experience. You arrive to discover that the pitch lines are faulty — a heavy downpour and you have no markings or they have been done with creosote — even worse and illegal! Moreover, some line markings give you the impression that the person responsible for making them out had 'one too many' the night before as the lines zig-zag. It can also come as no surprise to find that the height of the grass can on occasions almost hide the ball, whilst the local village grounds are often grazing lands belonging to farmers who let their cattle roam freely during the week with obvious results. In cities it is not unusual to have 20 pitches on one site and a 'roving' groundsman responsible for these 20 pitches plus other grounds so that the attention they receive can be minimal from one match to the next.

In contrast clubs with artificial pitches like QPR and Luton have no such problems and are able to play virtually every day of the year in most weathers.

2. Atmosphere

A crowd of 10–20,000 at a League match creates a special kind of atmosphere that a group of three people and a dog can never challenge or create at a village game. You also find that any comments passed by this select band of supporters and by players in the game can be heard by everyone – there is no escape.

3. Reception

At Football League level referees and linesmen must be at the ground at least 2 hours before the kick-off and in some cases referees are asked to make an overnight stay so a decision can be made on the state of the ground. In contrast a referee should arrive at local and County League grounds 30 minutes before the kick-off. When you arrive at the ground it is customary to see the players helping Club officials erect the nets and in some cases the goal-posts; there is no welcoming cup of tea that greets officials at Football League Clubs. Indeed you can often be welcomed just before the kick-off when you are presented with the match ball for the game. I should state that some of my most pleasant memories as a referee has been the appreciation of my performance and presence at the many village and council recreation grounds I have refereed at.

Dressing Rooms

The splendid facilities available at Football League Clubs are not surprisingly unmatched at many venues where soccer is played. I have been asked to change in a variety of places – pubs, converted railway carriages, tin sheds, barn, church halls, village halls, school halls, and the groundsman's hut amongst nets, posts, mowers and marking machines.

Access

On many occasions I have spent much time in locating village grounds only to discover that they are down some unmarked lane hidden from view and known to a few.

I have albeit briefly tried to reveal some of the contrasts between football at League level and that which is played on the local park or village green. I should add that what I feel is important is the playing of the game and enjoyment by the participants. If this can be achieved and the referee is a contributory part of such an outcome, football will continue to be our 'national game'.

"FOOTBALL IS BUT A GAME"

(The second of an occasional series of expert views from **Chris Kirkland**, Ex-Football Combination Referee and linesman.)

MATCH POSTPONED

The month of January 1988 brought a number of postponements to League matches and in one match at Swindon the game was abandoned in the 72nd minute through 'fog'.

What are the factors referees should take into consideration before declaring a pitch unsuitable for play or for the match to be abandoned?

The first consideration of the referee is for the **safety** of the players – hard ruts and sharp edges and frozen surfaces make playing dangerous with the risk of injury. Patches of ice would also present hazardous and unsafe conditions and along with heavy falls of snow cause a match to be postponed. A pitch covered with a light fall of snow could be passed fit providing the lines were cleared and there were **no** sharp edges or ruts beneath the snow. Clubs with artificial surfaces face no such problem – the snow is swept off the pitch and the match proceeds as normal!

A second consideration is whether the game, if it were to proceed, would not turn into a farce with players slipping all over the place unable to control themselves or the ball. Some spectators would say that some players cannot achieve this when conditions are normal!

A third consideration facing a referee is whether having agreed to allow the game to be played he would be in a position to control proceedings and that he could complete the match. In the former case the referee in charge of the Swindon v. Bradford City fixture felt that visibility was so poor that he was unable to control the game in accordance with the Laws. In the latter instance a pitch already waterlogged at the start of a game would not get better with rain continuing to fall heavily.

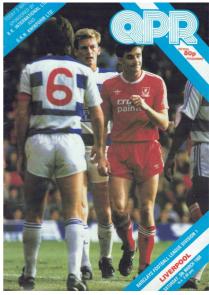


Another factor which can influence a referee particularly one who is on the Football League and where spectators are likely to watch the match in considerable numbers is the safety of the approach areas to the ground and the terraces.

Under the Laws of the Game the referee has discretionary power to stop the game for any infringement of the Laws and to suspend or terminate the game whenever by reasons of the elements, interference by spectators or other cause he deems such stoppage necessary (Law 5 section (d)). In Law 1 under section Advice to Referees, it states that "if through bad weather or negligence the state of the ground is such that it may endanger the players refuse to sanction play".

The officials' task is not an easy one when considering whether to postpone or abandon a match but whatever decision is made it is based upon the various considerations mentioned and many years of involvement in the game.

Two articles that Chris wrote and had published in the Match Day Programme of Queens Park Rangers for their Division One (what is now the Premier League) games against Coventry City and Liverpool back in Season 1987-88.





Hartpury University Historical Record														
Season	Season League & Division FAC FAV Pld Won Drew Lost For Agst Pts Position Top Scorer													
2020/21	Hellenic Div 2 West		5	3	1	1	16	13	10	4* out of 14	A. Goulty 9			
2021/22	Herefordshire County		20	20	0	0	117	10	60	1 out of 11	K. Baidoo 26			
2022/23	Hellenic Division 1			36	25	7	4	100	22	92	2 out of 19	L. Robinson 25		
2023/24 Hellenic Division 1					29	5	2	116	20	92	2 out of 19	K. Baidoo 33		
	Totals			97	77	13	7	349	65	* Position	at time that Covid-19 res	ulted in season being curtailed		

Won:Drew:Lost Ratio		79.4%	13.4%	7.2%						
	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst				
Hellenic Division 2 West	5	3	1	1	16	13	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	60.0%	20.0%	20.0%
Herefordshire County League	20	20	0	0	117	10	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hellenic League Division 1	72	54	12	6	216	42	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	75.0%	16.7%	8.3%

2023-202	2023-2024 Season												
UHLSPORT Hellenic	Leag	jue E	Divi	sior	ı On	е							
	Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts						
1 Hartpury University	36	29	5	2	116	20	92						
2 Malmesbury Victoria	36	26	5	5	87	32	83						
3 Clanfield 85	36	26	3	7	87	38	81						
4 Sporting Club Inkberrow	36	20	6	10	79	41	66						
5 Devizes Town	36	19	6	11	87	54	63						
6 FC Bristol	36	20	3	13	91	71	63						
7 F C Stratford	36	17	7	12	70	48	58						
8 Calne Town	36	18	4	14	74	61	58						
9 Shortwood United	36	15	8	13	68	59	53						
10 Abingdon United	36	17	1	18	64	62	52						
11 Tytherington Rocks	36	15	2	19	58	69	47						
12 Cheltenham Saracens	36	13	7	16	51	64	46						
13 Stonehouse Town	36	12	8	16	63	73	44						
14 Southam United	36	13	3	20	57	92	42						
15 Newent Town	36	10	7	19	60	83	37						
16 Kidlington Res	36	8	5	23	44	87	29						
17 Long Crendon	36	7	3	26	44	93	24						
18 Chipping Sodbury Town	36	5	6	25	28	103	21						
19 Moreton Rangers	36	5	5	26	35	113	20						



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GROUND

Hartpury University Stadium, Hartpury University, Gloucester, GL19 3BE

MAJOR HONOURS

Hellenic League Division One Champions 2023-24

Hellenic League Division One Runners Up 2022-23

Herefordshire County League Premier Division Champions 2021-22

Herefordshire County League Senior Cup Winners 2021-22

Herefordshire County Cup Winners 2021-22

CHAIRMAN

Marc Richards

CLUB SECRETARY

Martin Longworth

MANAGER

Martin Longworth

Hartpury University FC are a young club having only been formed as recently as 2020 based out of Hartpury College in Gloucester. They started life in one of the Hellenic Division Two's during the second covid season, when the season was brought to a premature end they sat fourth in the table after playing just five games.

The following season. Season 2021-22 saw them move to the Herefordshire County League. The reason for selecting Herefordshire Gloucestershire was probably because it would provided a much quicker route to Step 6 given the already pyramid Gloucestershire. A smart move on their part as they won all 20 of their league fixtures and also lifted the League Cup and County Cup in a fantastic which season. saw promoted to Hellenic League Division One ahead of the 2022-23 Season.

Their first season at Step 6 saw them continue to impress, losing just four of their 36 finished as thev runners-up behind Pershore Town, qualifying for the end of season play-offs. A 4-0 semi final win over FC Stratford saw them through to the play-off final where they met Milton game against United. The Milton ended 2-2 meaning penalties were required to settle matters. Unfortunately for Hartpury it was Milton United who prevailed in the penalty shoot out meaning

Hartpury were to spend a second season in Division One. Having gone so close in their first season at Step 6 they made no mistake the following season, winning the Division One title finishing nine points second clear of placed Malmesbury Victoria to secure automatic promotion to the Premier Division.

They have adapted well to Step 5 and at the time of writing have lost just two of their opening six games. winning three of them to sit in ninth place in the table, those wins coming against Lydney Town. Tuffley Rovers and Pershore Town. Their defeats in the league came away at Slimbridge, never an easy place to visit, and then on Tuesday night at home to Worcester Raiders

They also safely navigated two rounds of the FA Cup, beating Risborough Rangers in the Preliminary before securing an impressive 5-1 away win at Fairford Town in the Preliminary Round. They eventually went out of the cup at the First Qualifying Round stage last Saturday, beated 2-0 by Western League side Nailsea and Tickenham.















Hartpury University Season 2024-25

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5	Joshua	Roney	9								
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8	Nathan	Jenkins	8	1	1						
9	Solomon	Kent	8		1						
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13	Luke	Salter	7	2	1						
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17	Keon	Sanniola	5								
18	Renato	Prifti	4								
19	Ben	Baxter	1								
20	Joshua	Roddy	1								

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James Foster

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 experience having represented the likes of Abingdon United, Didcot Town, Hungerford Town, 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

Mike & Ethan Price



Dan Hill 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 awards in 2015-16 before moving to Brimscombe and Thrupp for the 2016-17 campaign. 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.

John Trollope



Louis Spalding

A highly talented young full back who is entering his 3rd season with Bassett, Skilful, guick, 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 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 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.

John & Kath Fellows



Adam

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 Division One West. After a brief spell with Shrivenham, he re-joined Bassett in the summer of 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.

John Trollope



Scott

Dependable full back entering his 4th season with Bassett after joining from Shrivenham. Consistent performer who is tough in the tackle and willing to get forward to help out in attack. Primarily a right back, but can also perform effectively at centre half, as well as centre forward when required. Player with plenty of Hellenic experience, initially beginning his career as a forward, featuring for Highworth Town Res before establishing himself as a first team regular with Malmesbury Vics in 2013-14. He spent the following 3 seasons with Fairford, featuring 30 times in their 2016-17 Div One West title winning campaign. After a year with Pewsey in 2017-18, he moved to Shrivenham where he played the next 3 years before joining Bassett. In his first season at Bassett, he played in 26 games. He then added 31 appearances in Season 2022-23, scoring three goals in a 4 game spell when plugged into a forward role. Last season saw him again featuring regularly with another 33 appearances and 2 goals. Unable to commit week in week out will feature when needed this season, playing also for Cricklade Town in the Witkshire Senior League.



Oliver

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. Follow 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 Didcot 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 ack 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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Pla	ıyer	Biography	Sponsor
	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 course 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, Maidenhead United, Cirencester 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 team, 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.	
	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 thirteen games. 22 appearances yielded 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. Boastling 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 Bassett.	Bridge Garage 01793 853299
	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 Football Alliance Cup - with Hopkins earning Player of the Match honours in the final - and also finished runners-up in South East Division One.	Mick Woolford

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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 Witlshire 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.

Mark Smedley



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.



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 tier of Welsh football too, having featured for Caldicot Town, Treowen Stars and Undy



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



Nick Warren (Coach) Warren joins Bassett's Men's First Team coaching staff this season after spending most of the past four years in charge of the club's Under 18 Floodlit team. Warren has been with the club for more than a decade, beginning as a manager in Bassett's youth section. He took over the Under 18 Floodlit team in 2020-21, guiding them to a sixth place finish in the Wiltshire League Floodlit Division. Bassett then achieved consecutive runners-up finishes under Warren's guidance in 2021-22 and 2022-23. He remained in charge of the team at the start of the 2023-24 campaign, stepping down from his role as manager part way through, though the Under 18s would again finish in second place. During Warren's tenure, numerous players have made the step up from the Under 18s into Bassett's Men's First and Development teams.



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

There was another full programme of ten games in the Premier Division of the Hellenic League in midweek on a night when **Royal Wootton Bassett Town** secured that 5-1 home win over near neighbours **Malmesbury Vics.** Two goals for Alfie Presley plus one apiece for Finn Hopkins, Bradley Pagliaroli and substitute Thomas Moore for Sam Collier's men. Bassett climbed up to 12th spot as a result of the win.

On Monday night league leaders **Hereford Pegasus** continued their great start to the 2024-25 Season with a 4-1 home win over **Slimbridge** who themselves had hit a double figure score in their last outing against Lydney Town. A goal in each half from Isaac Cooper and two late goals from Carlos Moreira did the damage for Pegasus, Jack Smith with what turned out to be a consolation goal for Slimbridge.

Corsham Town maintained their 100% winning record in the league to start the season with a 2-0 home win over Brimscombe & Thrupp and sit second in the table. They were made to work hard for the points by an improving Brimscombe side, Corsham scoring one in each half through Dylan Lewis and Jemar South-Thomas.

Roman Glass St George sit third after a 3-1 away win over Highworth Town on Wednesday night thanks to a first half hattrick from Niekell Plummer. Highworth pulled one back after the breakthrough former Bassett player Luke Whelan but the damage had been done in that first half as Roman Glass St George stayed two points behind leaders Hereford Pegasus with a game in hand following their fifth win in seven games and are one of four teams still unbeaten.

Sporting Club Inkberrow are another team who remain unbeaten in what is their inaugural season in the Premier Division and are up to fourth place in the table after securing a narrow 1-0 home win over **Lydney Town** who certainly shored up their

defence after last week's heavy defeat to Slimbridge. The winner for Inkberrow coming through Tom Emblem but Inkberrow's keeper Gabriel Bajrami picked up the man of the match award as Lydney pushed Inkberrow all the way.

Fairford Town made it two wins on the bounce with a 3-1 home success over Thornbury Town. First half goals from Cameron Thomson and Charles Holliday and a third from Joshus Blyth after the break did the damage for Fairford who sit fifth in the table but with at least one game in hand over all the teams above them with the exception of Corsham.

Mangotsfield United returned to winning ways after three successive 1-1 draws with a 3-0 away win at Cirencester Town, George Neill, Joseph Cattermole and Mircea llea with the goals.

Pershore Town joined Bassett in recording the biggest win in midweek, a 5-1 home success over **Longlevens**, to record their first win of the campaign. Two goals for Bailey Fuller, plus further strikes from Aidan Clark, Luke Carsley and William Beach.

First half goals from Cawley Cox and Sam Hunt were enough to give Westfields a 2-1 home win over Tuffley Rovers, Karnell Chambers with the Tuffley goal.

Today's opponents **Hartpury University** fell to a second defeat of the season going down 1-0 at home to **Worcester Raiders** thanks to a first half goal from Samuel Whitton.



Midweek Results

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07/09/24	Highworth Town		VS	¥	Sporting Club Inkberrow
07/09/24	Roman Glass St George		VS		Lydney Town
07/09/24	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		VS	HARTPURY	Hartpury University
07/09/24	Slimbridge		VS		Mangotsfield United
07/09/24	Thornbury Town		VS		Tuffley Rovers
07/09/24	Worcester Raiders	*	VS		Malmesbury Victoria

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Didcot Town Dev	V	Chalfont Wasps
Droitwich Spa	V	Southam United
Easington Sports	V	Bishops Cleeve Dev
Headington Amateurs	V	FC Stratford
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2007-08	Hungerford Town	2020-21	Kidlington Reserves
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ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN MEN'S FIRST TEAM SEASON 2024-25



Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15	16
Tue 30-Ju	l Fairford Town	H	L0-3	260	Jepson	Hill	Spalding	Taylor	Corcoran	Case	Presley	Pitt	Hopkins	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Peare	Ouldridge	Tucker-Dixon	Aitkenhead
Fri 02-Au	g Mangotsfield Utd (FAC EP)	H	W 2 - 1	220	Jepson	Hill	Spalding	Taylor	Corcoran	Case	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins (1)	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Pitt	Peare	Moore	
Tue 06-Au	g Brimscombe & Thrupp	H	W 4 - 0	122	Foster	Hill	Spalding	Taylor	Aitkenhead	Case	Presley (3)	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Pitt	Peare	Tucker-Dixon (1)	Moore
Sat 10-Au	g Mangotsfield United	H	L0-1	131	Foster	Hill	Pitt	Skittrall	Tucker-Dixon	Case	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Peare	Griffin	Walters		
Tue 13-Au	g Roman Glass St George	H	L 1 - 2	125	Foster	Hill	Pitt	Chilcott	Peare	Case	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Pagliaroli (1)	Moore			
Sat 17-Au	g Didcot Town (FAC Prelim)	H	L0-2	158	Foster	Hill	Pitt	Chilcott	Corcoran	Case	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Moore	Peare	Griffin	
Tue 20-Au	g Thornbury Town	A	W 2 - 1	110	Foster	Hill	Pitt	Symons	Corcoran	Case	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins (1)	Gallagher	Peare	Moore			
Tue 27-Au	g Corsham Town	A	L 1 - 5	156	Foster	Hill	Moore	Peare	Corcoran	Case	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Pagliaroli (1)	Tucker-Dixon			
Tue 03-Se	Malmesbury Vics	H	W 5 - 1	132	Foster	Hill	Walker	Peare	Corcoran	Case	Presley (2)	Ouldridge	Hopkins (1)	Gallagher	Pagliaroli (1)	Moore (1)	Wilkes	Tucker-Dixon	Ero
Sat 07-Se	Hartpury University	H																	
Sat 14-Se	Tuffley Rovers	A																	





FAC - FA Cup, FLC - Floodlight Cup, FAV - FA Vase, WPS - Wiltshire Premier Shield (County Cup), MCC - Challenge Cup







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RWBTFC Hellenic League Stats

Historic League Record, Managers, Top Scorers

				R۱	NBT	F.C.	36 Y	EARS	S IN THE H	ELLENIC LEAGUE	
Season	Div	Pld	Won	Drew		For	Agst	Pts	Position	Manager	Top Scorer
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York 25
1990/91	1	30	11	8	11	32	36	41	8 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1991/92	1	32	10	8	14	45	59	38	12 out of 17	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1992/93	1	30	8	6	16	40	53	30	12 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1993/94	1	34	15	8	11	65	57	53	9 out of 18	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1994/95	1	38	18	5	15	67	68	59	9 out of 20	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent/Darren Jell
1995/96	1	34	12	9	13	50	64	45	10 out of 18	Kevin Maloney	Scott Vincent
1996/97	1	32	9	8	15	37	50	35	11 out of 17	Kevin Maloney	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**	38	23	4	11	66	50	73	4 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 16
Tota	al	1,223	476	249	498	1,915	2,045	1,674	* At time se	ason 2019-20 was suspended o	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%

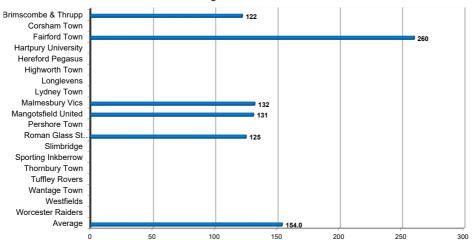
Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2023/24	934 v Cinderford Town
Average Hellenic Attendance 2023/24	166 (up from 117 in 23/24)
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)

Manager Records	- Up to E	na or Se	ason 20.	23-24				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		

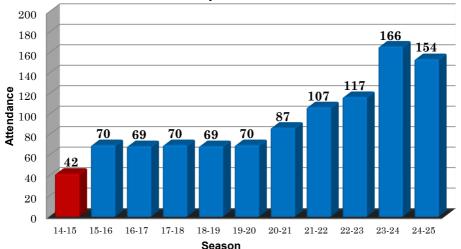
^{*} Temporary manager until end of Season 2004-05

First Team Attendance Statistics

RWBTFC League Attendances - Season 2024-25



RWBTFC Average Home League Attendances Last 10 Years plus current season



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

Season 2024-25

Appearances & Goals Statistics

	Season 2024-2	RWBTFC					
		Career					
	Appearances	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	Bailey Gallagher	9		9		136	21
2	Alfie Presley	9		9	5	122	47
3	Oliver Case	9		9		23	2
4	Dan Hill	9		9		9	
5	Finnlay Hopkins	9		9	3	9	3
6	Thomas Ouldridge	8	1	9		131	23
7	George Peare	5	4	9		9	
8	Ollie Pitt	5	2	7		7	
9	James Foster	7		7		12	
10	Tom Moore	1	6	7	1	26	6
11	Adam Corcoran	6		6		358	18
12	Jack Hobson-McVeigh	4		4	1	77	13
13	Tyrone Tucker-Dixon	1	4	5	1	5	1
14	Chris Taylor	3		3		118	2
15	Louis Spalding	3		3		95	13
16	Scott Chilcott	2		2		92	5
17	Brad Pagliaroli	3		3	3	73	35
18	Samuel Jepson	2		2		4	
19	Jonny Aitkenhead	1	1	2		70	7
20	Alan Griffin		2	2		99	24
21	Finlay Skittrall	1		1		2	
22	Michael Symons	1		1		1	
23	Flynn Walters		1	1		10	1
24	Junathain Walker	1		1		1	
25	Nelson Ero		1	1		1	
26	Mickey Wilkes		1	1		1	



Season 2024-25

Hellenic Premier League Table

2024-2025 Season											
UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division											
		Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts			
1	Hereford Pegasus	8	6	1	1	19	10	19			
2	Corsham Town	6	6	0	0	22	7	18			
3	Roman Glass St George	7	5	2	0	20	7	17			
4	Sporting Club Inkberrow	7	4	3	0	12	5	15			
5	Fairford Town	6	4	2	0	14	5	14			
6	Highworth Town	7	4	1	2	16	10	13			
7	Mangotsfield United	7	3	3	1	11	5	12			
8	Worcester Raiders	7	3	3	1	6	4	12			
9	Hartpury University	6	3	1	2	13	3	10			
10	Slimbridge	7	3	1	3	19	16	10			
11	Westfields	7	3	1	3	8	7	10			
12	Royal W. Bassett Town	7	3	0	4	13	13	9			
13	Tuffley Rovers	8	2	1	5	8	12	7			
14	Longlevens AFC	6	2	1	3	7	12	7			
15	Malmesbury Victoria	7	2	0	5	14	18	6			
16	Thornbury Town	7	2	0	5	11	16	6			
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	Pershore Town	7	1	2	4	12	15	5			
17	_	-		_	_		_	5 3			
17 18	Pershore Town	7	1	2	4	12	15	_			



Match Report v Malmesbury Vics





Five star Bassett punish Vics

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 5 Malmesbury Vics 1

Smarting after their 5-1 loss away at Corsham Town, Royal Wootton Bassett Town delivered the perfect response as Sam Collier's side recorded a thumping derby victory of their own by the same score at home against Malmesbury Victoria.

The result will hopefully serve as the kickstart that Bassett needed after a frustrating first month of the season.

After the August they had endured, this was a perfect start to September. And Bassett boss Collier will in particular be pleased about how ruthless his team were in forward areas with man of the match Finn Hopkins, two goal Alfie Presley, Brad Pagliaroli and Bailey Gallagher all finding their stride.

Hopkins opened the scoring early on, reacting quickest to coolly steer in from eight yards out after Pagliaroli had drove to the byline and cut the ball back.

While Malmesbury did get back on terms through Tom Wynn-Davis, Bassett then restored their deserved advantage before the break.

Gallagher served as the creator, with his cross from the right side taking a deflection and dropping into the path of Presley, who took two touches before firing in on the turn.

In his previous two appearances this season, Pagliaroli had already supplied two goals. And he kept up his goal-a-game ratio on the hour mark with a composed finish to make it 3-1.

Hopkins then joined him in scoring and providing an assist, splitting the Malmesbury defence with a through ball for Presley, who arrowed a first time dart into the bottom corner to put the outcome fully beyond doubt.

Four then became five late on. Gallagher drove inside from the right, swerving between and outmuscling two defenders before cutting back for Tom Moore to provide a crisp close range finish to cap off a fine evening's work.

A dominant performance led to a dominant win.

Here's hoping it serves as the start of a prolonged streak of good form.





League Cups Season 2024-5 Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup

HELLENIC LEAGUE FLOODLIT CUP SPONSORED BY WISEMAN LIGHTING SEASON 2024-25

	First Round	
Abingdon United	٧	Clanfield 85
Bishops Cleeve Dev	٧	Stonehouse Town
Chipping Sodbury Town	٧	Tytherington Rocks
Droiwich Spa	٧	Redditch Borough
Evesham United Dev	٧	Bewdley Town
FC Stratford	٧	Southam United
Kidlington Res	V	Swindon Supermarine Dev
Ludlow Town	٧	Wellington
Newent Town	٧	Gloucester City Dev
Shortwood United	٧	Cheltenham Saracens
Thame United A	٧	Didcot Town Dev
Wantage Town	٧	Carterton





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Wiltshire Premier Shield Season 2024-25



WILTSHIRE FA PREMIER SHIELD SEASON 2024-25

	First Rour	nd
Downton	V	Highworth Town
Malmesbury Victoria	V	Bemerton Heath Harlequins
Melksham Town	V	Laverstock & Ford
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	V	Westbury United
Swindon Supermarine	V	Corsham Town
Chippenham Town	bye	
Salisbury FC	bye	
Swindon Town	bye	

Wiltshire Premier Shield Season 2023-24

WILTSHIRE FA PREMIER SHIELD SEASON 2023-24

First Round						
Bemerton Heath Harlequins	1 - 1	Highworth Town (4-5 on pens)				
Corsham Town	1 - 1	Westbury United (3-4 on pens)				
Melksham Town	8 - 3	Laverstock & Ford				
Chippenham Town	bye					
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	bye					
Salisbury FC	bye					
Swindon Supermarine	bye					
Swindon Town	bye					

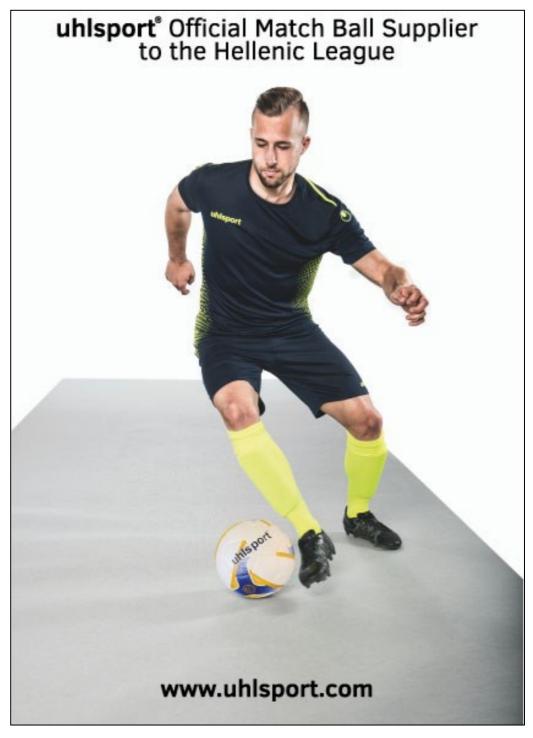
Quarter Final						
Chippenham Town W - L Swindon Town						
Highworth Town	2 - 2	Royal W. Bassett Town (3-4 on pens)				
Melksham Town	3 - 4	Swindon Supermarine				
Salisbury FC	L - W	Westbury United				

Semi Finals					
Chippenham T (Won 5-4 on pens)	Westbury United				
Swindon Supermarine	3 - 2	Royal W. Bassett Town			

	Final	
Chippenham Town	4 - 3	Swindon Supermarine



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RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup - Season 2024-25

Our Road to Wembley

EI	MIRATES FA CUP ROAD TO	O WEN	IBLEY FOR ROYAL W	OOTTON	BASSETT 1	OWN 2024-2	5
Date	Round		Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Mo	oney
						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	L 0 - 2	£1,444	£481
31-Aug-24	First Qualifying Round	٧	Taunton Town	Α		£2,250	£750
14-Sep-24	Second Qualifying Round	v	Poole Town	Α		£3,375	£1,125
28-Sep-24	Third Qualifying Round	٧				£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	٧					
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 comp	petition		Total Prize Money \	Von			£1,606

		Royal Wootton E	Basse	ett 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	L0-2		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	L 1 - 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				Pr	Lydney Town	Α	L 3 - 5
	QR1	Brockenhurst	Α	D1-1		2019-20	EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	Н	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Brockenhurst	Н	L1-5			EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	Α	L 0 - 1
2008-09	EPr	Flackwell Heath	Α	D 1 - 1		2020-21	EPr	Chipping Sodbury T (W4-1 pens)	Н	D 2 - 2
	EPr	Flackwell Heath	Н	L1-6			Pr	Didcot Town		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				Pr	Ardley United		D 2 - 2
	EPr	Bradford Town (W4-3 pens)	Н	D 3- 3			PrR	Ardley United	Α	L 1 - 3
	Pr	Almondsbury UWE	Α			2022-23	EPr	Windsor	Н	
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	Α	D 1 - 1			EPrR	Windsor	Α	W 2 - 0
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	Н	L0-2			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	L 0 - 2

RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup - Season 2024-25

What Was Our Zone on Road To Wembley

First Qualifying Round - Zone 5

Willand Rovers 1-0 Brixham

Hartpury University 0-2 Nailsea & Tickenham

Havant & Waterlooville 3-0 Wallingford & Crowmarsh

Easington Sports 1-1 Frome Town

Replay: Frome Town 2-1 Easington Sports

Plymouth Parkway 4-1 Baffins Milton Rovers

Gloucester City 2-0 Paulton Rovers

Tiverton Town 0 - 3 Wimborne Town

Basingstoke Town 1-3 Sholing

Fleet Town 2-4 AFC Stoneham

Gosport Borough 4-0 Andover New Street

Barnstable Town 1-2 Larkhall Athletic Dev

Hungerford Town 1-0 Yate Town

Bideford Town 0-1 Melksham Town

Banbury United 2-0 Dorchester Town

Taunton Town 3-0 Didcot Town

Westbury United 3 - 1 AFC Totton

Tavistock 0-1 Winchester City

Merthyr Town 3-2 Cribbs

Bishops Cleeve 1-1 Laverstock & Ford

Replay: Laverstock & Ford 1-2 Bishops Cleeve

Swindon Supermarine 1-1 Poole Town

Replay: Poole Town 2-0 Swindon Supermarine

Second Qualifying Round Draw - Zone 5

Poole Town v Taunton Town
Frome Town v Larkhall Athletic

Wimborne Town v Weston Super Mare

AFC Stoneham v Salisbury

Nailsea & Tickenham v Chippenham Town

Truro City v Brackley Town

Oxford City v Willand Rovers

Bath City v Merthyr Town

Sholing v Weymouth

Bishops Cleeve v Torquay United

Winchester City v Hungerford Town

Plymouth Parkway v Westbury United

Melksham Town v Banbury United

Gosport Brough v Gloucester City

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	L 1 - 2
2016-17	QR2	Thame Utd	Н	L 2 - 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	L 1 - 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

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A Result	Prize M	loney
				Winner	Loser
24-Aug-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	npetition	Total Prize	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	P
115	Brimscombe & Thrupp	9	HEL	Р	v	Roman Glass St. George	9	HEL	P
116	Oldland Abbotonians	9	WST	P	v	Cirencester Town	9	HEL	P
117	Malmesbury Victoria	9	HEL	P	v	Longlevens	9	HEL	P
118	Hallen	10	WST	1	v	Portishead Town	9	WST	P
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	P



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RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM



Season 2024-25

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Women's Team								
Seas	Season 2024-25 - South West Regional Women's League Division 1 North							
	Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers		
Sun	01-Sep-24	Ross Juniors (FAC QR1)	Α	FAC	W 5 - 1	Gulliver 3, Bach, Whitehouse		
Sun	08-Sep-24	Purton	Α	SWRL				
Sun	15-Sep-24	Downend Flyers	Н	SWRL				
Sun	22-Sep-24	Ilminster Town (FAC QR2)	Н	FAC				
Sun	29-Sep-24	Stockwood Wanderers	Н	SWRL				
Sun	06-Oct-24	Paulton Rovers	Α	SWRL				
Sun	13-Oct-24	Bitton	Α	SWRL				
Sun	20-Oct-24	Cirencester Town	Н	SWRL				
Sun	27-Oct-24	Bath City	Α	SWRL				
Sun	03-Nov-24	Gloucester City	Н	SWRL				
Sun	10-Nov-24	St Vallier	Α	SWRL				
Sun	17-Nov-24	Blunsdon	Н	WCC1				
Sun	24-Nov-24	Purton	Н	SWRL				
Sun	01-Dec-24	Downend Flyers	Α	SWRL				
Sun	08-Dec-24	SGS OlvestonUtd	Н	SWRL				
Sun	15-Dec-24	Stockwood Wanderers	Α	SWRL				
Sun	05-Jan-25	Paulton Rovers	Н	SWRL				
Sun	12-Jan-25	Bitton	Н	SWRL				
Sun	19-Jan-25	Cirencester Town	Α	SWRL				
Sun	26-Jan-25	Bath City	Н	SWRL				
Sun	02-Feb-25	Gloucester City	Α	SWRL				
Sun	09-Feb-25	St Vallier	Н	SWRL				
Sun	18-Feb-25	Corsham Town	Α	SWRL				
Sun	TBA	SGS OlvestonUtd	Α	SWRL				
Sun	TBA	Corsham Town	Н	SWRL				
		Goalscorers	League	Cup	Total			
		Hannah Gulliver		3	3			
		Kat Bach		1	1			
		Grace Whitehouse		1	1	_		

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. WOMEN 2024-25						
Date Round		Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize N	loney
					Winner	Loser
1-Sep-24 First Qualifying Round	٧	Ross Juniors	Α	W 5 - 1	£1,800	£450
22-Sep-24 Second Qualifying Round	V	Ilminster Town	Н		£3,000	£750
13-Oct-24 Third Qualifying Round	V				£4,000	£1,000
3-Nov-24 First Round	V				£6,000	£1,500
24-Nov-24 Second Round	V				£8,000	£2,000
8-Dec-24 Third Round	v				£35,000	£9,000
12-Jan-25 Fourth Round	v				£54,000	£13,000
9-Feb-25 Fifth Round	v				£80,000	£20,000
9-Mar-25 Quarter-Final	v				£90,000	£22,500
13-Apr-25 Semi-Final	v				£160,000	£40,000
18-May-25 Final	v		Wemble	у	£430,000	£108,000
* Still in competition		Total	Prize Money Wo	n So Far		£1,800

RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM

Season 2024-25

Ross Juniors



1 – 5

Royal Wootton Bassett Town



RWBTFC Scorers:

Hannah Gulliver (3), Kat Bach, Grace Whitehouse

FA Women's Cup Qualifying Round 1

Ross-on-Wye Sports Centre

Sunday 1st September 2024, 14:00

Sunday 1 September 2024

Ross Juniors 1 Royal W. Bassett Town 5 FA Cup 1st Qualifying Round

Hannah Gulliver's afternoon may have ended prematurely as injury forced her off before the break. But the Royal Wootton Bassett Town forward still had more than enough time to play a pivotal role in determining the outcome of her side's Adobe Women's FA Cup first qualifying round tie away at Ross Juniors, scoring a hat trick in an eventual 5-1 victory.

Adam Wood's side were deserved winners in the end as they progressed to the second qualifying round where they will host higher level opposition in the form of Ilminster Town.

Bassett's visit to Ross pitted them against tier seven opponents. But with the risk of being on the wrong end of an upset - Ross, playing in the Women's FA Cup for the first time, were certainly highly motivated to get something from the game, Bassett ultimately ensured they progressed with a comfortable win.

A bright start was eventually rewarded on the 15 minute mark when Gulliver stole possession before proceeding to round home 'keeper Imogen Stephens and slot home.

Gulliver then doubled Bassett's lead shortly after, firing in from a Kat Bach cross after the summer signing seized on a loose throw in from the hosts and delivered on a plate for her teammate.

Ross were putting up a strong fight though and soon reduced their arrears as Millie Mialsom got on the end of a corner to guide the ball into the net.

Bassett's two goal lead was soon restored though as

Gulliver bravely got on the end of a Laura Jefferies set piece delivery, poking in at the far post and picking up a knock in the process that would curtail her afternoon.

Another decisive moment soon arrived six minutes before the break as the hosts were awarded a penalty that Millie Powell brilliantly saved as she dived to her right side to preserve Bassett's advantage.

That put Bassett in a position of comfort going into the second half. And the visitors proceeded to exert greater control over the match.

But further goals did not initially seem forthcoming.

Maddy Elliott had two chances in quick succession early in the second half, the first being blocked by Stephens with Bach unable to convert the follow up before Elliott shot just wide.

Then with ten minutes to go substitute Jasmine Kennedy saw a shot from a Jefferies corner cleared off the line

Bach eventually provided Bassett's fourth with three minutes to go. Holly Baker drove forward before squaring to Lucy Goodright. Stephens kept out her shot with the rebound falling to Kennedy who snatched at the chance. The ball found Bach though and she made no mistake.

Four then became five in stoppage time as late substitute Grace Whitehouse steered home from another towering Jefferies corner.

A fine five goal performance and a place in the next round booked - it was pretty much the perfect way for Bassett to start their season.

Now to carry that form over into next week's league opener away at rivals Purton.

RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team Season 2024-25

ROYAL W. BASSETT TOWN FC DEV - SEASON 2024-25 FIXTURES & RESULTS						
CORS	HAM PRINT	WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGUI	E PRE	MIER DIVI	SION	
	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
Wed	14-Aug-24	Kingsdown	Α	League	L 0 - 3	
Sat	17-Aug-24	Faringdon Town	Α	League	L 1 - 3	Walters
Tue	20-Aug-24	Wroughton	Н	League	D 3 - 3	B. Spackman 2, Richards
Sat	24-Aug-24	Shrewton United	Н	League	D1-1	Lance
Sat	31-Aug-24	Bemerton Heath Harl Res	Н	League	L 0 - 1	
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		
Tue	01-Oct-24	Malmesbury Vics Dev	Н	League		
Sat	05-Oct-24	Faringdon Town	Α	FT Cup		
Tue	08-Oct-24	Bemerton Heath Harl Res	Н	WSC		
Sat	12-Oct-24	Melksham Town Res	Α	League		
Tue	15-Oct-24	Letcombe	Н	League		
Sat	19-Oct-24	Shrivenham	Н	League		
Wed	23-Oct-24	Larkhall Athletic Dev	Α	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	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		
Sat	29-Mar-25	Malmesbury Vics Dev	Α	League		
Sat	05-Apr-25	Salisbury Dev	Α	League		

RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team Cups Season 2024-25

WILTSHIRE FA COUNTY SENIOR CUP SEASON 2024-25 Cup Holders: Downton

	First Round						
Salisbury Dev	V	Devizes Town					
Second Round							
Amesbury Town	٧	Wroughton					
Calne Town	٧	Blunsdon					
Malmesbury Vics Dev	٧	Park United					
Melksham Town Res	٧	Pewsey Vale					
RWBT Dev	V	Bemerton Heath Harl Res					
Salisbury or Devizes Town	V	Bradford Town					
Shrewton United	V	Warminster Town					
Trowbridge Town	V	Kingsdown					

FOUNTAIN TROPHIES CUP

SEASON 2024-25

Holders: Larkhall Athletic Dev

Preliminary Round						
Letcombe	V	Shrewton United				
Purton	V	Kingsdown Dev				

	First Round	
Bishops Cannings	V	Devizes Town Res
Bradford Town Res	V	Redhouse
Down Ampney	V	Marlborough Town
Faringdon Town	V	RWBT Dev
Kingsdown Dev or Purton	V	Kingsdown
Kintbury Rangers	V	Cricklade Town
Kintbury Rangers Dev	V	Trowbridge Town
Lambourn Sports	V	Shrivenham
Ludgershall Sports	L - W	Bemerton H. Harl Res
Malmesbury Vics Dev	V	Calne Town Res
Melksham Town Res	٧	Blunsdon
Park United	V	Stratton Juniors
Pewsey Vale Dev	V	Letcombe or Shrewton
Salisbury Dev	V	Pewsey Vale
Shrivenham Dev	V	Larkhall Ath Dev
Wroughton	V	Bratton

RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team Season 2024-25

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League							
Premier Divi				-25			D-0
	Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	PTS
1 Kintbury Rangers	8	7	1	0	23	4	22
2 Letcombe	8	7	0	1	20	3	21
3 Melksham Town Res	9	7	0	2	26	19	21
4 Wroughton	8	5	2	1	27	12	17
5 Pewsey Vale	8	5	1	2	33	14	16
6 Bemerton H H Res	9	5	0	4	13	13	15
7 Park United	7	4	0	3	21	15	12
8 Kingsdown	9	4	0	5	17	14	12
9 Calne Town Reserves	9	3	2	4	15	24	11
10 Shrewton United	9	3	1	5	13	13	10
11 Trowbridge Town	8	3	1	4	14	15	10
12 Faringdon Town	8	3	0	5	13	19	9
13 Salisbury Dev	7	3	0	4	11	17	9
14 Shrivenham	8	1	3	4	9	15	6
15 Blunsdon	9	2	0	7	14	36	6
16 Royal W Bassett Town Dev	7	1	2	4	10	14	5
17 Larkhall Athletic Dev	6	1	1	4	7	17	4
18 Malmesbury Victoria Dev	5	0	0	5	6	28	0



Wiltshire Senior League

Premier Division Roundup 3/4 Aug

There was a limited schedule of midweek games in the Premier Division of the Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League but once again the fixtures provided more evidence that, with one or two exceptions there is very little between the teams this season, with just about everybody capable of beating everyone else.

That said there was little doubt who was going to win the game between Kintbury and Malmesbury **Development** on Tuesday night as two goals within the first ten minutes from Kye Williams and Jesse Bowers set Kintbury on their way to a comfortable 7-0 victory that sent them top of the table. Further first half goals from Theo Pennicot-Bowen and two from Jake Allan saw Kintbury lead 5-0 at the break. Allan completed his hat-trick early in the second half and a further goal from Aiden Maycock completed the scoring. The win for Kintbury saw them open up a one-point lead at the top of the table and they are now the only unbeaten side in the division.

Wroughton started the night unbeaten from their opening seven games but that unblemished record was ended by a 1-0 home defeat at the hands of a **Kingsdown** managed by former Wroughton manager Adrian Wilkinson. The all-important goal was scored by Joe English 12 minutes into the second half, picking up the ball from midway in the opponents half English spotted the Wroughton keeper off his line and lobbed him to put his side ahead. The closest Wroughton came to equalising was when they hit the bar but Kingsdown controlled things well as they had done for much of the game to run out deserved winners on the night to make it a happy return for both Wilkinson and a number of the Kingsdown players who had previously graced the Weir Field.

It was another close affair at Shrewton Recreation Ground where **Shrewton**

United's visitors were Salisbury **Development**. It started well for the visitors as they went in front with just 14 minutes on the clock, Jack Stacey capitalising on a defensive error to put his side ahead with what would turn out to be the winning goal. Shrewton thought they had equalised on the hour mark when Ben Jenks had the ball in the Salisbury net a flag from the referee's assistant saw the goal disallowed. Shrewton went close again six minutes later, leading scorer Lewis Cross forcing a save from the Salisbury keeper. Shrewton pushed hard for an equaliser, but the young Salisbury side continued to work hard to restrict the home side to half chances and successfully managed the closing stages of the game to secure three valuable points in an impressive display against their local rivals.

The third game on Tuesday night to be settled by a single goal margin was down in Salisbury where **Bemerton Heath Harlequins Reserves** entertained **Calne Town Reserves**. Twice Bemerton led thanks to goals from Liam Greenough and Sam O'Hagan but twice Calne came back to level matters up and then went in front for the first time with what proved to be the winner. There were two goals for Isaac Wain and one for Jack Smith in a 3-2 win that saw Calne move up into the top half of the table with their third win of the season

There was just the one game on Wednesday night with **Melksham Town Reserves** at home to **Blunsdon**. Melksham started the night four points behind leaders Kintbury and closed the gap to just a single point edging a seven goal thriller by the odd goal. Melksham led 4-1 with five minutes to go thanks to goals from Archie Newman, Kegan Smart, Liam Brooks and Leo Rendell, but two late Blunsdon goals caused a few nervous moments but Melksham held on to claim all three points and move level on points with second placed Letcombe.

DORKING WANDERERS owner Marc White took to the club's official twitter account on Monday afternoon following the FA Cup second round qualifying draw.

"Good luck to Horsham in the third qualifying round," joked the colourful Wands boss, who has taken the club from park football to the top of the Non-League Pyramid.

Since first entering the competition in 2013, Dorking are yet to reach the first round proper.

For the last two seasons – because of their then Step 1 status – White's side had a bye until the fourth round qualifying stage.

Last year, with just one win required to reach the first round, they were drawn away to...you guessed it, Horsham. The Step 3 Hornets beat them 2-0 and went on to earn a famous 3-3 draw against Barnsley and a televised replay.

They were then reinstated after their League One opponents were found to have played an ineligible player and had a second bite of the cherry against Sutton United.

So White, with his trademark humour, is expecting the worst for his side when they meet next weekend with the National League North and South clubs now entering the competition.

At the time of writing there are still some replays to be sorted but the latest draw has thrown up some intriguing games.

The first round is still three ties away but, over the coming weeks, eyes will widen as it gets nearer. For many clubs, even getting to this stage feels like making it.

How about Newcastle Town drawing former EFL side Scunthorpe United? The National League North leaders only dropped two

points in their first six games, but they haven't won an FA Cup tie since 2018. Newcastle, 15th in NPL West, beat Long Eaton United last Saturday. They've not reached the third qualifying round since 2010.

Nails & Tickenham hosting Chippenham Town is another tie that stands out. It's only Nailsea's second season in the competition, and they've landed a plum draw against a side three divisions above them. Having beaten Cinderford Town, Reading City and Hartpury University, they won't roll over against the Bluebirds.

West Didsbury & Chorlton welcoming Darlington catches the eye too, as does Shifnal Town hosting Redditch United, while Wessex League AFC Stoneham take on Step 2 Salisbury.

Talking of good cup runs, Maidstone United's run to the last 16 was the FA Cup story of last season. That adventure began at Steyning Town Community. This time it starts against fellow National League South Hampton & Richmond Borough.

Who will make it through to the third round qualifying? Other than Horsham, of course!



RWBTFC Vets' (Over 35) Team

Season 2024-25

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Vets						
Seaso	n 2024 -25 Co	rsham Print Wiltshire Se	nior Le	ague - Vet	s North	Wilts Division
Date	O	pponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Wed	04-Sep-24 Cr	ricklade Town	Α	League	L 1 - 2	Newton
Wed	11-Sep-24 AF	FC Swindon	Н	League		
Wed	18-Sep-24 Co		Α	League		
Wed	•	windon Rovers	Н	League		
Wed	02-Oct-24 Ch	hiseldon	Н	League		
Wed	09-Oct-24 St	tratton Juniors	Α	League		
Fri	18-Oct-24 Bi	ishops Cannings	Α	VCC		
Tue	22-Oct-24 Cr	ricklade Town	Α	L Cup		
Wed	30-Oct-24 No	o game due to Half Term				
Wed	06-Nov-24 Ve	eterans' County Cup				
Tue	21-Nov-24 FS	S Swindon	Α	League		
Wed	27-Nov-24 Int	tel	Н	League		
Wed	04-Dec-24 Re	edhouse	Α	League		
Wed	11-Dec-24 Pe	enhill United	Н	League		
Wed	08-Jan-25 Cr	ricklade Town	Н	League		
Tue	14-Jan-25 AF	FC Swindon	Α	League		
Wed	22-Jan-25 Co	oate	Н	League		
Tue	28-Jan-25 Sv	windon Rovers	Α	League		
Wed	05-Feb-25 Ch	hiseldon	Α	League		
Wed	12-Feb-25 St	tratton Juniors	Н	League		
Wed	05-Mar-25 FS	S Swindon	Н	League		
Wed	12-Mar-25 Inf	tel	Α	League		
Wed	19-Mar-25 Re	edhouse	Н	League		
Wed	26-Mar-25 Pe	enhill United	Α	League		

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League							
Vets North Wiltshire Division Season 2023-24 - FINAL TABLE							
	Pld	W	D		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	11 Blunsdon Record Expunged Due to Withdrawal						wal
12 Nomads	Reco	rd Ex	ounge	d Due	to Wi	thdra	wal

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Club Noticeboard

Adobe Women's FA Cup Second Qualifying Round -Sunday 22 September

After their victory against Ross Juniors, Royal Wootton Bassett Town will now host Ilminster Town in the Adobe Women's FA Cup second qualifying round. The tie will take place at the Sustain Stadium on Sunday 22 September (2pm kick off).

Bassett will be aiming to reach the third qualifying round for a third consecutive season - but will have to see off higher level opposition to do so. So please do make a date in your diary and come along to give Adam Wood and his side as much support as possible as they seek to enjoy further success on the national stage!

Last Weekend's Youth Section Results Sunday 1st September 2024

U18 - RWBT Blue 5 Croft Junior Blue 5

U15 - Ashton Keynes 9 RWBT Yellow 3

U12 - RWBT Blue 1 Cricklade Youth 1

Free Saturday Skills Sessions set to resume

Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC are pleased to announce that the Free Saturday Skills Sessions and Wildcats Girls' Football Centre, part of the club's community football offering, are set to resume on Saturday 7 September.

Sessions will take place from 9-10am on the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground AGP.

All attendees need to bring boots, shin pads, a drink and weather appropriate clothing.

Please be advised that the club are making changes to who can attend sessions.

The Free Skills Sessions are open for boys

and girls of all abilities aged 4-10 (Reception to Year 5).

The Wildcats Girls' Football Centre is open for girls of all abilities aged 4-11 (Reception to Year 6).

Parents/guardians who wish for their child to attend MUST complete the registration form available here in advance.

If the form has not been completed for your child, then they will not be able to attend.

Furthermore, due to safeguarding requirements, the club will be enforcing limits on the number of children who can attend each session.

For more information about the Saturday Skills Sessions please contact Simon Jones.

For more information about the Wildcats Girls' Football Centre please contact Samantha Wood.

Bingo Fundraiser - Saturday 28 September

Royal Wootton Bassett Town will be hosting a bingo night on Saturday 28 September to help raise funds for the club's youth section.

The event will take place in the clubhouse at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground. Those attending are asked to arrive at 7pm for a prompt start at 7.30pm.

All are invited to attend and bring along friends and family for what should be a great evening's entertainment.

There will be prizes on offer for those who win, with cash flyers for the grown-ups.

A raffle, for which prize donations are sought, will also be held on the night.

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Dan	Hill	2
Louis	Spalding	3
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Adam	Corcoran	5
Oliver	Case	6
Alfie	Presley	7
Junathain	Walker	8
Finnlay	Hopkins	9
Tommy	Ouldridge	10
Bailey	Gallagher	11
Ollie	Pitt	12
Jack	Hobson-McVeigh	14
Thomas	Moore	15
Tyrone	Tucker-Dixon	16
Bradley	Pagliaroli	17
Flynn	Walters	18
Scott	Chilcott	19
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