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First Team Honours

Wiltshire Senior Cup Winners 1998-99, 2000-01
Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up 1902-03, 1903-04, 1987-88
Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up 2009-10, 2012-13
Hellenic League Div 1 Cup Winners 1989-90, 1993-94
Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Runners-up 1994-95
Wiltshire County League Division 1 Champions 1987-88
Wiltshire County League Runners-up 1905-06
Wiltshire County League Senior Cup Winners 1983-84
Wiltshire County League Division 2 Champions 1984-85
Wiltshire County League Division 2 Runners-up 1978-79

Wiltshire County League Subsidiary Cup Winners 1978-79

Wiltshire League Division 1 Champions 1958-59

Calne & District League Champions 1931-32, 1934-35, 1935-36
Calne & District League Runners-up 1930-31

Calne & District League Cup Winners 1934-35

Calne & District League Cup Runners-up 1935-36

Swindon & District League Advertiser Cup Runners-up 1902-03, 1904-05

Vale of White Horse League Cup Winners 1933-34

Reserve/Dev Team Honours

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

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

GOOD EVENING and welcome to the Sustain Stadium here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground for this Uhlsport Hellenic League Premier Division fixture against Cirencester Town. Tonight's league meeting will be the first competitive league fixture between the two sides since way back in Season 1990-91 when the two sides met in the old Hellenic League Division One West.

A warm welcome to all the players, management team, club officials and supporters from Cirencester who have made the short trip over for tonight's game. We hope you all enjoy your short stay with us this evening and we wish you a safe journey home. Whilst for many in the Cirencester squad this will be their first game at the Sustain Stadium, there are a couple of familiar faces in the Cirencester squad who have only recently departed Bassett who will be very familiar with the surroundings here at the Sustain Stadium. It is special warm welcome back to both Dave Bampton and Jonny Aitkenhead who have both served this club well over the years. I am sure both will be very keen to make a point to Sam tonight that he should have given them more game time, this season in the case of Jonny, and last season in the case of Dave.

In total the two sides have met on just six occasions in the league, al of them coming at the end of the 1980's beginning of the 1990's when Bassett first joined the Hellenic League. Cirencester had the better of things, winning on two occasions, Bassett once and three games ending in a draw.

The first meeting was back in November 1988 and ended in a 2-2 draw, Colin Valters with both Bassett goals that day. Valters was again on the score sheet in our one and only win over Cirencester which came just ten days later, a Valters strike and one from Paul Harper giving us a 2-1 win. An extract from the programme from that game showing the anticipated starting lineups is included in tonight's programme.

Both games the following season ended in draws, 2-2 at Rylands Way and 1-1 in the

return. All three Bassett goals in the two fixtures were scored by Damon York. Season 1990-91 was the final season where the two sides met in the league, Cirencester edging two tight games by a solitary goal in each game.

Cirencester have not had the best of starts to life back in the Hellenic League after taking voluntary relegation from the Southern League at the end of last season. However, they have picked up in recent weeks and we will certainly need to be at our best if we are to return to winning ways and extended our unbeaten run to three games. After that 3-0 defeat to Hartpury on the special occasion of the opening of the Chris Kirkland Stand, we have lost 1-0 away at Tuffley Rovers, bounced back with an impressive 2-0 away win at near neighbours and rivals Highworth Town and then drawn with Hartpury in the return fixture. Hopefully we can make it three games unbeaten with a good result here tonight and start to climb the table.

Looking at our other teams, the Development Team have not had the best of starts to the season and have won just two games so far. One of those wins was the recent 1-0 home win over Park United but that was followed up last Saturday by a heavy defeat away at Calne Town Reserves, a side Bassett did the double over last season. The Dev Team are back in action on Saturday with a difficult looking away trip to Trowbridge Town, now managed by Wayne Thorne.

The Women's side in contrast have made a great start to the season and have won every game so far. This included a penalty shoot out win in the FA Cup last Sunday against higher league opposition which saw the ladies bag another £3,000 in prize money with a minimum further £1,000 to come in the next round. By the time you read these notes we will know who our opponents will be, as will also be the case for the men's first team in the FA Vase.. Hopefully both draws have been kind to us. Enjoy the game.

Mark



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RWBTFC



Cirencester Town FC was formed in 1889 and played amateur football in the Cirencester & District League, Cheltenham League and eventually the Gloucestershire Northern Senior League.

In the late '60s Cirencester joined the Gloucester County League, moving from there up to the Hellenic League in 1969. During that time, they had their first national cup run, reaching the 2nd round proper of the FA Amateur Cup. They won their first major piece of silverware, taking the Hellenic First Division Championship in 1973-74 to reach the Premier Division. Following a subsequent relegation, the modern phase of development was slowly established, with their Smithsfield ground being improved.

Season 1995-96 was the start of the new era. In partnership with Cirencester College. the club began the groundbreaking Football Academy programme. Developing rapidly, first under Dave Hockaday and when he moved as Youth Team Manager to Watford FC, followed by Steve Lowndes, Academy have been National College Champions in '97 and in '98, five times winners of the English Schools FA U19 Colleges Cup since 1998, and British Colleges Trophy Champions 4 times since '97. The youngsters have regularly reached the latter stages of the FA Youth Cup as the last remaining non-league club in that competition and in 2008-09 reached the third round proper before losing to Sunderland at the Stadium of Light. The success of the Academy has had the knock-on effect of providing CTFC with new blood and developing talent.

Off field, a long planning process led to the development of the Community Club phase led by Chairman Steve Abbley and implemented over 3 years by Business Manager Anna Kocherhan. In summer 2002 Brian Hughes succeeded Ray Baverstock as manager. At the same time the club, having invested the proceeds of the sale of Smithsfield in the Corinium Stadium at Kingshill, moved into their new facility and renamed as "The Centurions". This development was followed in November

2004 by the opening of The Arena, a state-of-the-art full size indoor training facility. We have now been awarded the FA's "Charter Standard Community Club" status and this summer we received the 2006 Gloucestershire FA Award for "Charter Standard Community Club of the Year", which was presented to Steve Abbley by Sir Geoff Hurst.

In May 2006, after four highly successful vears and having raised expectations at the club, Brian Hughes resigned as First Team Manager to be replaced by Neil Hards. Neil had taken a year out of football after his achievements at Winchester City where they gained "back-to-back" promotions and won the FA Vase in 2004. Unfortunately, despite some good early performances, the team lacked the necessary consistency, and a disastrous run of results after Christmas meant they finished in the relegation places. However, the club was later reprieved from relegation after a number of changes were made to club allocations in the non-league structure due to club mergers and other decisions.

Manager Adi Viveash left the Centurions to take up his role as Chelsea and Brian Hughes was again called upon to take up the hot seat as First Team manager. The 2009 – 10 seasons proved to be a very successful one with the Development squad winning the league in their first season and the first team gaining promotion via the play offs after 2 very good away wins both with late goals.

Manager Brian Hughes managed the clubs first season back in the Premier Division in 2010-2011 and the club finished 13th. Unfortunately, 2011-12 saw the heartbreak of relegation and our first year back in the South & West division saw us finish 10th in the table.

2013-2014 saw the club have its most successful season ever gaining automatic promotion back to the Southern League Premier by clinching the title on the last day of the season to beat Merthyr Town to the championship.



Brian Hughes worked with a small squad which managed to overturn a 9-point deficit and clinched the title last term by winning the last 7 games of the season whilst everyone else dropped points on the way.

2016-2017 saw changes at the helm after a poor start Brian Hughes was relieved of the manager's job and Charlie Griffin was installed as his replacement. The 2017-2018 saw a brand-new state of the art 3G pitch installed at The Corinium Stadium. After a slow start The Centurions missed out on a playoff spot on goal difference and disappoint was to follow last season after finishing runners up, promotion was denied via the play offs losing to Cinderford Town FC in the semi-final by 1 goal.

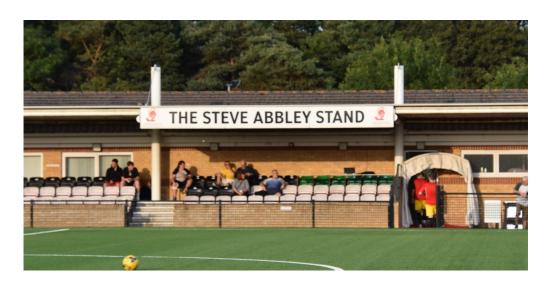
December 2019 saw another change with former North Leigh manager John Brough take the helm replacing Charlie Griffin after a disappointing start to the season. The change nearly had the desired effect as the Centurions climbed the table with a play off place in sight before the season was sadly cut short due to the current situation, we find

ourselves in relating to COVID 19.

The COVID-19 pandemic put paid to two seasons before we returned fully in 2021-2022. After a great league campaign, heartbreak again for the Centurions as we missed out on possible promotion losing in the play offs again.

2020-2024 was a new era for Ciren with the appointment of John Brough. John's first season ended in heartbreak with a loss in the playoffs, season 2 was curtailed due to COVID when the Centurions were league leaders. The last 2 seasons were extremely difficult after we were placed in the Central division, missing out on the playoffs both seasons by 1 point.

2024 voluntary relegation to the Hellenic league was taken due to the levels of travel required in the Southern League, we ended our 28 year stay. Following the departure of John Brough we appointed assistant manager and ex player James Mortimer-Jones.





Sam Ayres - Goalkeeper

Highly rated goalkeeper who made his Ciren first team debut in 2019 and earned the man of the match award that game. Spells at Malmesbury Victoria and xxxx before returned back to the Talent Hire Stadium in the summer.

Ronnie Newbury - Goalkeeper

Highly rated young goalkeeper with a big career ahead of him in non-league football. Brilliant shot stopper and will be pushing Sam Ayres all the way for the number 1 jersey this term

Jonny Aitkenhead- Defender

Signed from Royal Wootton Basset. Outstanding in the air and solid on the deck, he brings some much-needed steel to the heart of the Centurions defence. He is also a nuisance at set plays

Dave Bampton - Defender

Signed on the eve of the new season. The former Swindon Town, Tamworth, Swindon Supermarine and more recently Royal Wootton Bassett player is a tough tackling defender who is equally composed on the ball and brings a wealth of experience to the team

Jordan Morris - Defender

Signed from Forest Green Rovers in 2018 and has been at The Talent Hire Stadium ever since. One of the best left foots in the league, was sorely missed last season due to long term injury problems but back fit and raring to go

Lewis Thorne - Defender

Versatile defender signed from North Leigh. Comfortable on the ball and can play at either Right back or the Centre of defense.

Ethan Rose-Midfielder

Joined from Bishops Cleeve in the Summer having picked up the players player of the year award. The talented midfielder has a great engine, an eye for goal and is a great addition to the squad having impressed in preseason.

Jack Freeman - Midfielder.

Another player returning to the Centurions after spells at Cinderford Town FC and Brimscombe & Thrupp. He is a quality ball carrier who loves to spray the passes and loves to get forward when the opportunity arises.

Jack Horrell - Midfielder

Returns to the Talent Hire Stadium, having previously played briefly under Charlie Griffin before work commitments took him away. Joins from Worcester Raiders. The talented midfielder has a good football brain and a great array of passing

Finley Bell - Midfielder

An instant hit with the Centurions fans with his clever feet, endless endeavor and precise passing. Versatile and committed player who has a great array of passing and can unlock any defence.

Jayden Stratford - Midfielder

Jayden rejoin Ciren following a stint at Brimscombe & Thrupp last term. Previously part of our Youth Set up. A great prospect who has a great engine on him. Box to box midifiedler who will grab his fair share of goals this season.



Jerzy Marszalek- Midfielder

Exciting winger with bags of tricks and pace to burn. Previously at Wantage Town FC.

Oliver Rejek - Midfielder

Ollie began his career at Swindon Town and came through their Academy ranks before he was released in 2018. He then tried his luck in Spain with La Nucia before returning to England with Swindon Supermarine and spent last season with Highworth Town FC.

Jake Allan - Midfielder

Another player who has returned to Ciren having played for our Development Team for 2 seasons banging I n11 goals in only 33 appearances. Big strong striker who is dangerous in the box

Aidan Bennett - Striker

Aidan has been part of Cirencester Town since he was 6 years old and was one of only 2 players who remained at Ciren from last season following our voluntary relegation. Bags of pace, hardworking and unselfish. Comfortable on either foot with a powerful strike and scorer of some important goals over the years. Over 400 appearances for The Centurions and he is the club captain this season

Bonsa Teshome - Striker

Quick feet and the ability to deliver a telling cross. Likes to play out on the left and loves to be in the thick of the action.

Luca Robinson - Striker

Bundles of pace and oozes class with the ball at his feet. Likes to run at players and aim for the byline to deliver telling crosses. Currently on dual registration with Gloucester City after an impressive 2023-24 season at The Talent Hire Stadium

Ed Taylor - Striker

Part of our youth set up and the highly sought after striker is already attracting attention from National League clubs. A bright future ahead of him in the non-league game and more.

Management Team

James Mortimer-Jones-Midfielder / Assistant Manager

Jonah has taken over the reigns following the departure of John Brough in the summer for his first managerial role. The former Ciren player is no stranger to the dugout having been the assistant manager for the last 6 seasons and the club legend is eager to impress in the number 1 role

Tom Speers - 1st Team Coach

Tom managed at Slimbridge briefly during the 2022-23 season and is one of the most soughtafter coaches around with experience in the UK but also abroad having coached in Australia. A great addition to James Mortimer-Jones management team.

Kevin Sawyer - GK Coach

Big Kev needs no introduction having been one of non-leagues best goalkeepers around in a playing career that saw him play for the likes of Salisbury City FC, Leamington FC, Gloucester City and of course, Cirencester town FC where he started out as a 17 year old at our football Academy back in 1997.



Previous Meetings v Cirencester Town





3 Draws 2 Cirencester Wins

Season	Date	Comp	Match Details				Result
1988.89	9-Nov-88	Hellenic Div 1	Cirencester Town	2	Wootton Bassett Town	2	Drew
1988.89	19-Nov-88	Hellenic Div 1	Wootton Bassett Town	2	Cirencester Town	1	Won
1989.90	17-Feb-90	Hellenic Div 1	Wootton Bassett Town	2	Cirencester Town	2	Drew
1989.90	4-Apr-90	Hellenic Div 1	Cirencester Town	1	Wootton Bassett Town	1	Drew
1990.91	30-Mar-91	Hellenic Div 1	Cirencester Town	1	Wootton Bassett Town	0	Lost
1990.91	11-May-91	Hellenic Div 1	Wootton Bassett Town	0	Cirencester Town	1	Lost

TEAMS



Good afternoon and welcome once again to Rylands Way for the visit today of Cirencester Town, and we would like to extend a warm welcome to their players, officials and the supporters who may have made the short trip. This is the second time inside a fortnight that we have played Cirencester, our last encounter ending in a 2-2 draw, which gave Cirencester their first and only point of the season so far. With Cirencester holding a 2-0 lead at half time with two well taken goals, it was a spirited second half display with two goals from Colin Valters that earned Bassett the draw.

November hasn't started so well for the Club - we havn't been able to maintain the momentum set in October which saw the Clui climb quite a few places up the league table. Since our last home game against Kidlington which we won 4-3, Bassett has had some rather disappointing results. Apart from a 2-1 victory away to Pewsey in the Preliminary round of the Wilts Senior Cu they have only picked up one league point away to Cirencesterwhich I have previously mentioned. Defeats at the hands of Headington (1-2), league leaders, and highly placed Almondsburg (2-3) last Saturday, has halted the progress that the team was making. To rub salt into the wound, the team has again faller victim of injuries to quite a few key players, so the formular that Mick Woolford had managed to achieve during October has taken a dent and he will possibly need to call on one or two of the reserve team to fill the gaps.

I would like at this point to welcome our two latest signings. Alan Wilson from Oldacre and the return of Danny Groom, also from Oldacre who, as most of our regular supporters will remember was a regular member of the Bassett team a few seasons ago. It is hoped that both Alan and Danny will settle down quickly to the Bassett style of play and give good accounts of themsel wes.

Moving now the Reserve team. They are continuing to make progress in Wilts Div 3, and have now gone 5 games without defe and will be looking to maintain that run when they visit Pewsey this aftermoon in the Ghia Junior Cup. If they manage a win, i will see both Pewsey teams eliminated from cup competitions by both Bassett sides in the space of 2 weeks - lets wish them luc

Thanks once again for your support this afternoon and I hope that today sees Bassett back into winning ways, but most important, lets hope for a clean entertaining game of football.

BA

Extract from the programme for the one league game Bassett have won against Cirencester



		Leagu	e		Cup			Seaso	n		Caree	r
Name	App	Sub	Goals	App	Sub	Goals	Арр	Sub	Goals	App	Sub	Goals
Jonathan Aitkenhead	5	1	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	5	1	0
Jake Allen	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	4	0
Marcel Anie	4	2	0	1	0	0	5	2	0	5	2	0
Harley Arnold	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	2	0
Sam Ayres	6	0	0	2	0	0	8	0	0	14	1	0
David Bampton	5	2	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	5	2	0
Finley Bell	10	0	0	1	0	0	11	0	0	11	0	0
Aidan Bennett	11	0	2	2	0	0	13	0	2	361	101	86
Kyle Chester	3	0	1	1	0	0	4	0	1	4	0	1
Ogaga Edward	2	3	0	1	0	0	3	3	0	3	3	0
Jack Freeman	11	0	1	2	0	0	13	0	1	68	20	16
Ross Gabriel	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	21	38	14
Craig Graham	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	6	1
Charlie Hardiman	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Jack Horrell	9	0	1	1	0	0	10	0	1	21	3	1
Oakley James	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	4	0	1	4	0
Alfie Mann	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Jerzy Marszalek	1	4	1	1	1	0	2	5	1	2	5	1
Kian McNally	3	0	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	5	0	0
Jordan Morris	10	0	1	1	0	0	11	0	1	104	47	6
Ronnie Newberry	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	6	0	0
Oliver Rejek	9	1	1	2	0	0	11	1	1	11	1	1
Luca Robinson	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	28	8	4
Ethan Rose	9	2	1	2	0	0	11	2	1	11	2	1
Finlay Skittrall	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
Jayden Stratford	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	3	1	0
Thomas Suter	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Edward Taylor	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	2	2	0
Bonsa Teshome	2	3	0	1	0	0	3	3	0	3	3	0
Jesse Thompson	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Lewis Thorne	8	0	0	2	0	0	10	0	0	10	0	0

Note: Career totals are counted from the start of the 2007/2008 season.

Excludes statistics from Saturday's game against Highworth Town

First Team Squad Pen Pics & Sponsors

Player Biography Sponsor



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 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.

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

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.

First Team Squad Pen Pics & Sponsors

Pla	yer	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 2002-05 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, Maldenhead 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 Bassetts 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 Wilshire League Premier Division matches in the abbreviated 2020-21 campaign. Gallagher then impressed in his first full season playing at Hellenic League Premier Division level. Bassett's leading outfield appearance maker in 2021-22, he featured 44 times, scoring nine goals. He added another seven goals in 47 matches in 2022-23 before scoring six times in 34 games last season.	Mike & Ethan Price
	Alfie Presley	A hugely talented attacking midfielder who re-joined Bassett in October 2023 after brief spells with Corsham Town and Abingdon Utd at the start of the season. Boasting skill, speed and strength, the willingness to take defenders on and expert delivery, his performances have seen him earn Player of the Year awards for Basset 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 Willishire 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 Class 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 Athletic



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

John & Kath Fellows



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.

Mick Woolford

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Hellenic Premier Division Saturday's Roundup

The main focus this week for teams in the Uhlsport Hellenic League was in the FA Vase with just three league games played.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town picked up a useful point on the road, drawing 1-1 away at Hartpury University, a side who had outplayed us completely just two weeks earlier. Alfie Presley putting us 1-0 up six minutes before half time but Hartpury getting the equaliser ten minutes after the restart through Solomon Kent.

Westfields had an emphatic 11-0 away win at struggling Brimscombe & Thrupp. Daniel Stoneman was the star of the show scoring six times including two in the final two minutes of the game. Ben Brooks was also in goal scoring form helping himself to a hattrick with further goals from Cawley Cox and Archie Muirhead.

The final league game featured today's opponents **Cirencester Town** who made the short trip over to **Highworth Town** and gave a good account of themselves against Paul Braithwaite's side. Connor Mattimore giving Highworth a 1-0 half time lead but Highworth did not make sure of the points until the 95th minute when Rhys Wells followed up a Matt Cheetham effort and fired in to finally make sure of the points for the home side.

It was a mixed bag of results for the 11 Premier Division sides involved in the FA Vase with six progressing to the next round and five going out. The one all Premier Division tie was on Friday night at **Thornbury Town** where the home side were 2-0 winners over **Malmesbury Victoria**.

Two sides, **Worcester Raiders** and Lydney Town needed penalties to ensure their progress. At the end of 90 minutes Worcester Raiders and Abbey Hutton United were all square at 1-1, Emmanuel Olaloko with the Raiders goal, but the Raiders won 6-5 in the penalty shoot out.

Lydney Town and Oldland Abbotonians finished 2-2 at the end of 90 minutes but

Lydney prevailed 4-3 in the penalty shootout to progress to the First Round Proper.

In contrast **Mangotsfield United** were on the wrong end of a penalty shootout outcome in their game with Hellenic Division One side Stonehouse Town after it had also finished 2 -2 at the end of normal time, Michael Barry and Joseph Cattermole with the United goals.

Roman Glass George had no such issues in their game with Hellenic Division One side Cheltenham Saracens hitting five unanswered goals to progress to the next round.

Fairford Town were also comfortable winners over former Hellenic side Raeding City who now play in the Combined Counties League, 4-1 the score in this one.

The final side to make it through to that First Round Proper where we will enter the competition for the first time this season were **Hereford Pegasus** who were 3-2 winners away at Uttoxeter Town, two goals for Harry Pitman and one for Carlos Moreira in the Pegasus win.

Sporting Inkberrow lost 2-0 away at Heather St Johns, whilst **Tuffley Rovers** were beaten 3-1 away at Western League Bitton.

The final Hellenic Premier Division side to exit the competition were **Slimbridge** who lost a tight affair against Devizes Town by the odd goal in three, Callum Dark with the Slimbridge goal.



Saturday's Results

FAV	21/09/24	Abbey Hulton United		1 - 1 (Pens 5-6)	*	Worcester Raiders
FAV	21/09/24	Bitton		3 - 1 (HT 1-1)		Tuffley Rovers
HLP	21/09/24	Brimscombe & Thrupp	0	0 - 11		Westfields
FAV	21/09/24	Cheltenham Saracens		0 - 5		Roman Glass St George
FAV	21/09/24	Devizes Town		2-1		Slimbridge
FAV	21/09/24	Fairford Town	(P)	4 - 1		Reading City
HLP	21/09/24	Hartpury University	HARTPURY	1 - 1 (HT 0-1)		Royal Wootton Bassett Town
FAV	21/09/24	Heather St Johns		2 - 0	¥	Sporting Club Inkberrow
HLP	21/09/24	Highworth Town		2 - 0	9	Cirencester Town
FAV	21/09/24	Lydney Town		2 - 2 (Pens 4-3)		Oldland Abbotonians
FAV	21/09/24	Mangotsfield United		2 - 2 (Pens 3-4)		Stonehouse Town
FAV	21/09/24	Uttoxeter Town		2 - 3	8	Hereford Pegasus
FAV	20/09/24	Thornbury Town		2 - 0	THE STATE OF THE S	Malmesbury Victoria

Midweek Fixtures

HLP	24/09/24	Fairford Town		VS		Highworth Town
HLP	24/09/24	Hartpury University	HARTPURY	VS	3	Hereford Pegasus
HLP	24/09/24	Lydney Town		VS	A STATE OF THE STA	Longlevens AFC
HLP	24/09/24	Malmesbury Victoria		VS		Mangotsfield United
HLP	24/09/24	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		VS	9	Cirencester Town
HLP	24/09/24	Slimbridge		VS	*	Worcester Raiders
HLP	24/09/24	Thornbury Town		VS		Corsham Town
HLP	24/09/24	Tuffley Rovers		VS	1	Pershore Town
HLP	24/09/24	Westfields		VS	A	Sporting Club Inkberrow
HLP	25/09/24	Roman Glass St George		VS	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp

Marsh

League Cups Season 2024-25 Marsh Challenge Cup

HELLENIC LEAGUE MARSH CHALLENGE CUP SEASON 2024-25

	First Round	1
Abingdon United	7 - 0	Ardley United Dev
Aston Clinton Res	3 - 4	Wantage Town
Bewdley Town	6 - 0	Bourton Rovers Dev
Carterton (4-2 pens)	3 - 3	Swindon Supermarine Dev
Chipping Sodbury Town	2 - 3	Cheltenham Saracens
Didcot Town Dev	2 - 1	Chalfont Wasps
Droitwich Spa	W - L	Southam United
Easington Sports Dev	1 - 4	Bishops Cleeve Dev
Headington Amateurs	Aban	FC Stratford
Holmer Green Dev	3 - 5	Woodstock Town
Kidlington Res	W - L	Long Crendon Dev
Ludlow Town	W - L	Evesham Dev
Newent Town	1 - 9	Wellington
Prestwood	1 - 1	Clanfield 85 (3-4 pens)

	Second Roun	nd
Bishop Cleeve Dev	V	Headington or FC Stratford
Carterton Town	v	Bewdley Town
Didcot Town Dev	v	Clanfield 85
Droitwich Spa	v	Cheltenham Saracens
Kidlington Res	v	Woodstock Town
Redditch Borough	v	Gloucester City Dev
Shortwood United	v	Stonehouse Town
Taplow United	v	Mortimer
Tytherington Rocks	v	University of Bristol
Wantage Town	v	Abingdon United
Watlington Town	v	Thame United A
Wellington	V	Ludlow Town



Challenge Cup - Winners

1998-99	Burnham	2011-12	Highworth Town
1999-00	Swindon Supermarine	2012-13	Oxford City Nomads
2000-01	Carterton Town	2013-14	Ascot United
2001-02	Gloucester United	2014-15	Ardley United
2002-03	Yate Town	2015-16	Flackwell Heath
2003-04	Didcot Town	2016-17	Bracknell Town
2004-05	Didcot Town	2017-18	Bracknell Town
2005-06	Didcot Town	2018-19	Ascot United
2006-07	Hungerford Town	2019-20	Not awarded due to Covid-19
2007-08	Hungerford Town	2020-21	Kidlington Reserves
2008-09	Almondsbury Town	2021-22	Cribbs
2009-10	Ardley United	2022-23	Pershore Town
2010-11	Holyport	2023-24	Corsham Town

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%

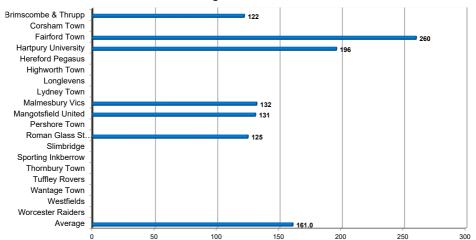
Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2023/24	934 v Cinderford Town
Average Hellenic Attendance 2023/24	166 (up from 117 in 23/24)
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)

Manager Records								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		

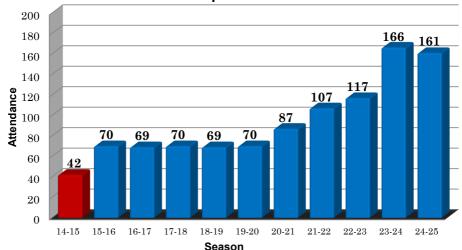
^{*} Temporary manager until end of Season 2004-05

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	5				BTFC reer	
	Appearances	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	Alfie Presley	13	, to Gab	13	7	126	49
2	Oliver Case	13		13	•	27	2
3	Thomas Ouldridge	12	1	13		135	23
4	George Peare	8	5	13		13	-
5	Bailey Gallagher	11		11		138	21
6	Finnlay Hopkins	11		11	3	11	3
7	Tom Moore	2	9	11	1	30	6
8	Adam Corcoran	10		10		362	18
9	James Foster	10		10		15	
10	Dan Hill	10		10		10	
11	Ollie Pitt	5	5	10		10	
12	Tyrone Tucker-Dixon	1	5	6	1	6	1
13	Brad Pagliaroli	5		5	3	75	35
14	Chris Taylor	4		4		119	2
15	Jack Hobson-McVeigh	4		4	1	77	13
16	Chalmers Phin	3	1	4		4	
17	Louis Spalding	3		3		95	13
18	Junathain Walker	3		3		3	
19	Noah Coates	3		3		3	
20	Alan Griffin		3	3		100	24
21	Mickey Wilkes		3	3		3	
22	Scott Chilcott	2		2		92	5
23	Samuel Jepson	2		2		4	
24	Chris Zebroski	2		2	1	2	1
25	Jonny Aitkenhead	1	1	2		70	7
26	Jowan Partridge	1		1		81	4
27	Finlay Skittrall	1		1		2	
28	Michael Symons	1		1		1	
29	Zach Pettifer	1		1		1	
30	Joel Manning-Butler	1		1		1	
31	Flynn Walters		1	1		10	1
32	Nelson Ero		1	1		1	

Season 2024-25

Hellenic Premier League Table

2024-2025 Season												
UHLSPORT Hellenic L				er D	ivisi	on						
	Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts					
1 Corsham Town	9	8	1	0	26	9	25					
2 Roman Glass St George	10	7	3	0	27	11	24					
3 Hartpury University	11	6	3	2	24	8	21					
4 Mangotsfield United	10	6	3	1	18	7	21					
5 Hereford Pegasus	11	6	1	4	20	15	19					
6 Highworth Town	11	6	1	4	19	15	19					
7 Westfields	11	5	3	3	25	10	18					
8 Sporting Club Inkberrow	10	5	3	2	17	10	18					
9 Fairford Town	8	4	4	0	17	8	16					
10 Tuffley Rovers	11	5	1	5	13	13	16					
11 Worcester Raiders	10	3	5	2	8	7	14					
12 Slimbridge	10	4	1	5	25	24	13					
13 Royal W. Bassett Town	11	4	1	6	16	18	13					
14 Pershore Town	10	3	2	5	22	16	11					
15 Malmesbury Victoria	9	2	1	6	14	21	7					
16 Thornbury Town	10	2	1	7	15	23	7					
17 Longlevens AFC	9	2	1	6	9	19	7					
18 Cirencester Town	11	2	1	8	11	29	7					
19 Lydney Town	10	1	2	7	7	34	5					
20 Brimscombe & Thrupp	10	1	0	9	6	42	3					



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	٧	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	V	Carterton





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Wiltshire Premier Shield Season 2024-25



WILTSHIRE FA PREMIER SHIELD SEASON 2024-25

First Round									
Downton	V	Highworth Town							
Malmesbury Victoria	٧	Bemerton Heath Harlequins							
Melksham Town	٧	Laverstock & Ford							
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	V	Westbury United							
Swindon Supermarine	٧	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) 3 - 3 Westbury United								
Swindon Supermarine	3 - 2	Royal W. Bassett Town						

	Final	
Chippenham Town	4 - 3	Swindon Supermarine



ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN MI

	Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd		2	3	4	5	1
Tue	30-Jul	Fairford Town	Н	L0-3	260	Jepson	Hill	Spalding	Taylor	Corcoran	Ca
Fri	02-Aug	Mangotsfield Utd (FAC EP)	Н	W 2 - 1	220	Jepson	Hill	Spalding	Taylor	Corcoran	Са
Tue	06-Aug	Brimscombe & Thrupp	Н	W 4 - 0	122	Foster	Hill	Spalding	Taylor	Aitkenhead	Ca
Sat	10-Aug	Mangotsfield United	H	L 0 - 1	131	Foster	Hill	Pitt	Skittrall	Tucker-Dixon	Ca
Tue	13-Aug	Roman Glass St George	Н	L 1 - 2	125	Foster	Hill	Pitt	Chilcott	Peare	Са
Sat	17-Aug	Didcot Town (FAC Prelim)	H	L0-2	158	Foster	Hill	Pitt	Chilcott	Corcoran	Ca
Tue	20-Aug	Thornbury Town	A	W 2 - 1	110	Foster	Hill	Pitt	Symons	Corcoran	Ca
Tue	27-Aug	Corsham Town	A	L 1 - 5	156	Foster	Hill	Moore	Peare	Corcoran	Ca
Tue	03-Sep	Malmesbury Vics	H	W 5 - 1	132	Foster	Hill	Walker	Peare	Corcoran	Ca
Sat	07-Sep	Hartpury University	H	L0-3	196	Foster	Hill	Walker	Peare	Corcoran	Ca
Sat	14-Sep	Tuffley Rovers	A	L0-1	104	Foster	Partridge	Walker	Phin	Corcoran	Са
Wed	18-Sep	Highworth Town	A	W 2 - 0	201	Foster	Pettifer	Phin	Peare	Corcoran	Са
Sat	21-Sep	Hartpury University	A	D 1 - 1	55	Manning-Butler	Taylor	Phin	Peare	Corcoran	Ca
Tue	24-Sep	Cirencester Town	H								
Sat	28-Sep	Lydney Town	H								
Tue	01-Oct	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A								
Sat	05-Oct	Slimbridge	A								
Sat	12-Oct	Longlevens	Н								
Sat	19-Oct	FA Vase First Round									
Sat	26-Oct	Hereford Pegasus	Н								
Tue	29-Oct	Westbury United (WPS1)	H								
Sat	02-Nov	Sporting Club Inkberrow	H								
Sat	09-Nov	Worcester Raiders	A								
Sat	16-Nov	Westfields	Н								
Sat	30-Nov	Tuffley Rovers	H								
Tue	03-Dec	Mangotsfield United	A								
Sat	07-Dec	Lydney Town	A								
Sat	14-Dec	Slimbridge	H								
Sat	21-Dec	Longlevens	A								
hurs	26-Dec	Corsham Town	Н								
Sat	28-Dec	Pershore Town	Н								
Wed	01-Jan	Hereford Pegasus	A								
Sat	04-Jan	Sporting Club Inkberrow	A								
Sat	11-Jan	Worcester Raiders	Н								
Sat	18-Jan	Roman Glass St George	A								
Sat	25-Jan	Thornbury Town	Н								
Sat	01-Feb	Malmesbury Vics	A								
Sat	08-Feb	Fairford Town	A								
Sat	15-Feb	Highworth Town	Н								
Sat	22-Feb	Cirencester Town	A								
Sat	01-Mar	Westfields	A								
	TBA	Pershore Town	A								



EN'S FIRST TEAM SEASON 2024-25



	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15	16	17
se	Presley	Pitt	Hopkins	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Peare	Ouldridge	Tucker-Dixon	Aitkenhead	
se	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins (1)	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Pitt	Peare	Moore		
se	Presley (3)	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Pitt	Peare	Tucker-Dixon (1)	Moore	
se	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Peare	Griffin	Walters			
se	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Pagliaroli (1)	Moore				
se	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Moore	Peare	Griffin		
se	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins (1)	Gallagher	Peare	Moore				
se	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Pagliaroli (1)	$Tucker\hbox{-}Dixon$				
se	Presley (2)	Ouldridge	Hopkins (1)	Gallagher	Pagliaroli (1)	Moore (1)	Wilkes	Tucker-Dixon	Ero	
se	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Gallagher	Pagliaroli	Moore	Pitt	Tucker-Dixon	Phin	Wilkes
se	Presley	Ouldridge	Hopkins	Moore	Coates	Pitt	Wilkes	Peare	Griffin	
se	Presley (1)	Ouldridge	Zebroski (1)	Coates	Pagliaroli	Moore				
se	Presley (1)	Ouldridge	Zebroski	Gallagher	Coates	Moore	Pitt			



7- FA Vase, WPS - Wiltshire Premier Shield (County Cup), MCC - Challenge Cup





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Match Report v Hartpury University (Home)















Students school Bassett

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 0 Hartpury University 3

Saturday 7th September 2024

Royal Wootton Bassett Town may have been riding a high after their 5-1 midweek derby victory against Malmesbury Victoria. But Sam Collier's were quickly brought back down to earth as they suffered an emphatic 3-0 home defeat against Hartpury University.

Bassett were second best throughout as the student side - well-organised and far sharper than their hosts - eased to victory.

Centre half Josh Roney's pair of headed goals from corners either side of half time got the visitors going while Luke Salter tapped in their third midway through the second period.

Hartpury's margin of victory could - and arguably should - have been greater too as the visitors dominated possession and proved a constant threat from set pieces.

The visitors made most of the early running, though lacked the cutting edge needed to make an early breakthrough.

Nathan Jenkins had the best of their early chances, coming close from consecutive Salter corners. First, he saw a low first time shot at the near post deflected wide Unmarked, he then rose to meet Salter's subsequent delivery with a firm header that was again blocked.

Riley McGregor was next to have a go for Hartpury. The ball was played into centre forward Riley Osborn who, with his back to goal, set the ball back for McGregor. He then produced a firm 20 yard drive that had James Foster beaten, but fortunately for Bassett his effort struck the right post.

An opening goal seemed imminent - but it almost went Bassett's way as midfielder Junathain Walker fashioned a chance out of nothing and saw a powerful long range drive sting the palms of visiting 'keeper Steve Sarkodie.

Otherwise, Bassett were reduced to trying to catch Hartpury on the break, though the visitors - with the legs in their team to quickly recover after losing the ball - were typically able to snuff out any danger.

Either way, Hartpury were clearly the more dangerous of the teams. And, shortly after a McGregor shot was palmed away, the first goal that had appeared inevitable arrived.

It came in first half stoppage time as Salter swung in another dangerous corner which an unmarked Roney met with a powerful header that he planted into the bottom corner.

Despite conceding, Bassett wouldn't have felt out of the game going into half time - and the hosts had an initial bright burst when play resumed, Tommy Ouldridge forcing Sarkodie into a diving save inside two minutes of the restart

But Hartpury quickly doubled their lead as they again exposed Bassett with a set piece. A sloppy spill from Foster saw him turn a Louis Manning shot around the post when the 'keeper should really have held on. Salter swung in the resulting corner and Roney was there at the far post to quide it over the line from six yards out.

Two goals to the good and with the contest panning out the way it was, that was as good as game, set and match.

Bassett had no response as Hartpury, while not hitting top gear, continued to threaten.

Their third eventually arrived with eighteen minutes to play. Substitute Tomas Shyamapant comfortably beat the offside trap to race onto Manning through ball played into the right channel. Racing in behind, he unselfishly squared to Salter who, with Foster drawn off his line, had the simplest of finishes into an empty net.

Bassett rung the changes with Chalmers Phin recently signed from Malmesbury Victoria, Ollie Pitt and Tom Moore all brought on to try and inject some form of attacking spark.

Hartpury began to ease off the gas and Bassett did have a few decent forays forward - with Phin and youngster Finn Hopkins showing some nice touches.

But there was to be no consolation. Instead Bassett were fortunate not to fall further behind.

Kian Kang saw an effort that deflected off Ollie Case loop inches over, while Shyamapant somehow contrived to head straight at Foster from a couple of yards out when he had the goal at his mercy. Salter then almost saw a third corner lead to a goal, but the luckless Jenkins saw Foster tip his shot over.

The final whistle ultimately arrived without any further damage being done to the scoreline.

That came as some relief on a forgettable afternoon on the pitch as Bassett slipped to a fifth league defeat of the young season - and their third by a margin of at least three goals.

Match Report v Tuffley Rovers (Away)

Tuff Time Continues

Tuffley Rovers 1 Royal Wootton Bassett Town 0

Saturday 14th September 2024

Royal Wootton Bassett Town's early season struggles continued as a Karnell Chambers goal on the stroke of half time saw Tuffley Rovers earn all three points.

As has become common in games between the teams, just a single goal determined the outcome of the contest.

But while Bassett had won five of the six most recent meetings between the teams by such a margin, this time they got a taste of their own medicine as Rovers prevailed by the odd goal.

The lively Chambers was clearly Rovers' biggest threat and was front and centre of the home side's attacking efforts during an opening period in which they were the better side.

It appeared as though his - and Tuffley's -early efforts would go unrewarded though as Chambers hit the post and saw a back post header go narrowly wide.

However, with half time imminent, Chambers got the breakthrough, cutting inside before coolly slotting beneath James Foster from the edge of the box.

Chambers' involved was curtailed temporarily early in the second period when sent to the sin bin. But Bassett were unable to take advantage of the extra man.

Instead they almost fell behind shortly after Tuffley were restored to their full compliment of players as Connor Walters became the second home player to hit the woodwork.

Foster then denied Chambers after he was played in by Kieran Alder.

Bassett rallied late on but were unable to conjure up the required equaliser.

And they had Foster to thank late on as he kept out another Chambers effort.

Close to a quarter of a way into the new campaign, Bassett certainly didn't envisage having just three wins to their name after last season's playoff exploits.







Match Report v Highworth Town (Away)



Derby late show delivers much needed win

Highworth Town 0 Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2

Tuesday 17th September 2024

Derby wins away from home always have a sweet flavour. And Royal Wootton Bassett Town's latest 2-0 triumph on the road against Highworth Town will have tasted that much better given the circumstances. Injuries have blighted Sam Collier's side for most of the season so far. And away against their local rivals, Bassett put out a team that had something of a makeshift feel. At the very least the side Bassett had out featured a number of players unfamiliar with one another.

Veteran journeyman forward Chris Zebroski - who until just a few days ago was assistant manager for Croydon Athletic in the Isthmian League - was making his Bassett debut. Also making his Men's First Team bow was defender Zach Pettifer, last season's Development team Manager's Player of the Year.

Alongside that pair, midfielder Chalmers Phin and defender Noah Coates were both making only their second starts in Bassett colours. Despite those circumstances, Bassett ground out the kind of result they and their manager have been desperate for. A pair of late goals did the trick.

Zebroski opened the scoring with quarter of an hour to go. Noah Coates' towering cross from the right bounced around the box, eventually falling to Tommy Ouldridge who fed Presley and from the byline he cut back for Zebroski to steer in first time from close range. Presley then sealed the points three minutes from time, confidently sweeping home from the penalty spot after Pagliaroli stole possession and was felled by Johns. Those two moments were the decisive ones in a game that otherwise produced limited chances for either side.

Bassett had the better of the game's opportunities in the first half though. Alfie Presley had fired against the bar before forcing a low save from Connor Johns. Then on the stroke of half time Brad Pagliaroli hit the post with a long range free kick.

Neither team was able to break the deadlock in the opening half though.

And a goalless draw - a result that would not really have benefited either team that much - seemed a strong likelihood for a large portion of the game. But, much to Bassett's delight, it didn't end that way as Collier and his team secured a third straight win on the Worthians' turf.





Match Report v Hartpury University (Away)

A Point To Be Pleased With

Hartpury University 1
Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1

Saturday 21st September 2024

Just a fortnight after an emphatic 3-0 home defeat against the side, a much improved Royal Wootton Bassett Town held on to claim a point in a 1-1 draw at Hartpury University.

Buoyed by the return of midfield talisman Chris Taylor after a lengthy layoff, Sam Collier's put in a battling display to earn what will no doubt be seen as a handy, valuable point against one of the Hellenic League Premier Division's form sides.

Given the outcome of their recent meeting in Wiltshire too, it's a result that at the start of the afternoon Bassett would have been more than happy to take.

Bassett had led in the match. Five minutes before half time, Chris Zebroski headed a long ball over the top into the path of Alfie Presley who produced a measured lob that had the beating of Steve Sarkodie in the hosts' net.

That goal arrived after a closely fought opening period which Hartpury had narrowly edged. However, unlike in Wiltshire, they were unable to make the breakthrough.

Their best two chances fell to Nathan Jenkins, but he first saw a well struck volley denied by a good save from debutant Bassett Joel Manning before shooting straight at the 'keeper after a beat interchange with Louis Manning opened up space to shoot.

Hartpury did get on terms soon after the restart. Manning charged down the left before crossing into the box with the ball eventually falling to Solomon Kent who fired in.

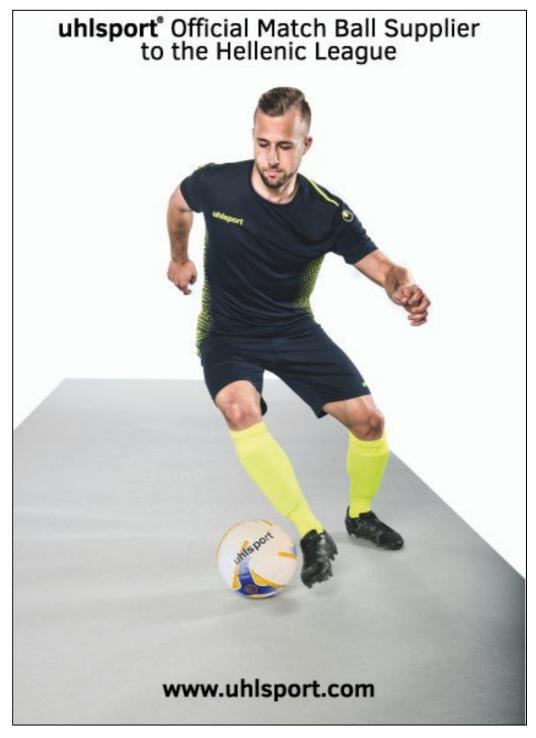
Hartpury then were the most threatening of the teams for the remainder of the match though the Bassett defence held firm despite the hosts exerting an increasing amount of pressure as the clock wound down.

That ensured Bassett gained a point that they will be content with. And with a pair of home games to come against Cirencester Town and Lydney Town - who Bassett should see themselves as favourites to beat - there's now the prospect of finishing September with ten points from twelve.









RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup - Season 2024-25

Our Road to Wembley

EN	EMIRATES FA CUP ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN 2024-25										
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	v	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	v	Amersham Town	н		£5,625	£1,875				
12-Oct-24	Fourth Qualifying Round	v				£9,375	£3,125				
2-Nov-24	First Round	v									
30-Nov-24	Second Round	v									
11-Jan-25	Third Round	v									
8-Feb-25	Fourth Round	v									
1-Mar-25	Fifth Round	v									
29-Mar-25	Sixth Round	v									
26-Apr-25	Semi-Final	v									
17-May-25	Final	v									
* Still in comp	petition		Total Prize Money V	Von			£1,606				

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

RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup - Season 2024-25 What Was Our Zone on Road To Wembley

Second Qualifying Round Results - Zone 5 Poole Town 2-3 Taunton Town Frome Town 0-1 Larkhall Athletic Wimborne Town 0-2 Weston Super Mare AFC Stoneham 1-7 Salisbury Nailsea & Tickenham 1-6 Chippenham Town Truro City 0-2 Brackley Town Oxford City 6-0 Willand Rovers Bath City 2-1 Merthyr Town Sholing 1-4 Weymouth Bishops Cleeve 3-0 Torquay United Winchester City 1-1 Hungerford Town Replay: Hungerford Town 0-1 Winchester City Plymouth Parkway 4-3 Westbury United Melksham Town 1-1 Banbury United Replay: Banbury United 2-3 Melksham Town Gosport Brough 2-2 Gloucester City Replay: Gloucester City 0-2 Gosport Borough Third Qualifying Round Draw Guiseley v Scunthorpe United Stockton Town v Chester Radcliffe v Bury Southport v Curzon Ashton Wythenshawe Town v Farsley Celtic Darlington v Gainsborough Trinity Warrington Rylands v Scarborough Athletic Spennymoor Town v Chorley Macclesfield v Witton Albion Buxton v Kidderminster Harriers Leiston v Hornchurch Haringev Borough v Lowestoft Town Shifnal Town v Hednesford Town Harborough Town v Leamington Biggleswade Town v Alfreton Town Royston Town v Peterborough Sports Biggleswade v Canvey Island St Ives Town v Kettering Town Rushall Olympic v Anstey Nomads Chelmsford City v Bromsgrove Sporting Gorleston v St Albans City Bishop's Stortford v Hereford Worksop Town v King's Lynn Town Salisbury v Bath City Cray Wanderers v Hastings United Chertsey Town v Ashford United Worthing v Dartford Winchester City v Weymouth Margate v Horsham Tonbridge Angels v Walton & Hersham Taunton Town v Amersham Town Sittingbourne v Plymouth Parkway Chatham Town v Slough Town Bishop's Cleeve v Chesham United Brackley Town v Ramsgate Herne Bay v Maidstone United Oxford City v Gosport Borough Carshalton Athletic v Melksham Town Boreham Wood v Larkhall Athletic Chippenham Town v Weston Super Mare

RWBTFC & The Isuzu FA Vase - Season 2023-24



Our Theoretical Road To Wembley

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. FA VASE 2023-24								
Date Round		Opponents	H/A Result		Prize Money			
					Winner	Loser		
26-Aug-23 First Round	l Qualifying	Bye			£550	£160		
23-Sep-23 Second Ro	und Qualifying	Bye			£725	£225		
21-Oct-23 First Round	l Proper	Elburton Villa	Н	W 2 - 1	£825	£250		
11-Nov-23 Second Ro	und Proper	Longlevens	Н	W 2 - 1	£900	£275		
2-Dec-23 Third Roun	d Proper	Bridgwater Town	н	L 2 - 2 (5-6 pens)	£1,125	£350		
13-Jan-24 Fourth Rou	nd Proper	Farnham	Α		£1,875	£600		
10-Feb-24 Fifth Round	l Proper	Deal Town	н		£2,250	£725		
9-Mar-24 Sixth Roun	d 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 We	embley)	Great Wakering Rovers	N		£30,000	£15,000		
* Still in competition		Total Prize	Money 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		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	D1-1
	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

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

The draw for the First Round Proper was made yesterday and by the time you read this programme our first opponents in this season's competition will be known.







RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM





Roy	Royal Wootton Bassett Town Women's Team							
Sea	son 2024-25	- South West Regional Wor			ivision 1	North		
_	Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp		Scorers		
	01-Sep-24	` ,	Α	FAC		Gulliver 3, Bach, Whitehouse		
	08-Sep-24		Α	SWRL		Baker, Brooks, OG		
		Downend Flyers	Н	SWRL		Elliott 2, Egerton, L.Goodright, Jefferies, Sommerville		
		Ilminster Town (FAC QR2)	Н	FAC	D 2 - 2	Bach, Elliott (Won 5-4 on pens)		
		Stockwood Wanderers	Н	SWRL				
		Paulton Rovers	Α	SWRL				
		FAC Third Qualifying Round		014/7:				
		Cirencester Town	Н	SWRL				
	27-Oct-24	•	A	SWRL				
		Gloucester City	Н	SWRL				
	10-Nov-24		A	SWRL				
	17-Nov-24		Н	WCC1				
	24-Nov-24		Н	SWRL				
		Downend Flyers	A	SWRL				
		SGS OlvestonUtd	Н	SWRL				
		Stockwood Wanderers*	A	SWRL				
		Staverton Rangers*	A	WCC2				
		Paulton Rovers	H	SWRL				
	12-Jan-25		Н	SWRL				
		Cirencester Town	A	SWRL				
	26-Jan-25		Н	SWRL				
	02-Feb-25	- ,	A	SWRL				
	09-Feb-25		Н	SWRL				
		Corsham Town	A	SWRL				
		Corsham Town	Н	SWRL				
Sun	02-Mar-25		A	SWRL				
	TBA	Bitton	Α	SWRL				
	* subject to resu	ult of First Round game v Blunsdon		_	.			
		Goalscorers	League		Total			
		Maddy Elliott	2	1	3			
		Hannah Gulliver		3	3			
		Kathryn Bach		2	2			
		Holly Baker	1		1			
		Caitlin Brooks	1		1			
		Laura Jefferies	1		1			
		Amber Egerton	1		1			
		Lucy Goodright	1		1			
		Cara Sommerville	1		1			
		Grace Whitehouse		1	1			
		Own Goals	1		1	-		

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY F	OR R	OYAL WOOTTON BASSE	TT TOV	VN F.C. WO	OMEN 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 T (Won 5-4 pens)	н	D 2 - 2	£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	ey	£430,000	£108,000
* Still in competition		Total Prize M	oney Wo	on So Far		£4,800

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Sunday 22 September 2024

Royal W. Bassett Town 2 Ilminster Town 2 Bassett won 5-4 on pens FA Cup 2nd Qualifying Round

2-1 down as the game entered stoppage time, Royal Wootton Bassett Town appeared on the verge of an agonising Adobe Women's FA Cup second qualifying round exit.

Despite having taken an early lead through Maddy Elliott, visitors Ilminster Town struck twice either side of half time through Jodi Cornwall and Aimee Kingdom to turn the tie around. And as time wound down their sights were firmly set on a place in the third and final qualifying round.

However, Bassett dug as deep as they could and in the third minute of added time Lucy Goodright delivered a fine ball into the box that Kat Bach headed home for 2-2.

There was little time for either team to find a winner after that, which meant penalties. And ultimately it was Bassett who progressed, snatching a 5-4 victory on spot kicks.

A drama-filled afternoon, the two sides produced a thriller littered with chances. As the higher level team, it was perhaps little surprise that Ilminster produced the greater number. But they were unable to muster more than the two goals they eventually scored, with Bassett 'keeper Millie Powell in fine form.

Indeed the first opportunity of the match brought a save out of Powell as she raced off her line to tip wide.

At the other end, Caitlin Brookes saw a header from a Laura Jefferies corner go narrowly wide before visiting shotstopper Renee Marquis smothered at the feet of Elliott when she was through on goal.

Elliott soon had Bassett ahead though, picking up a pass from Bach before

producing a long range lob that beat Marquis with the game just twelve minutes old.

Ilminster quickly levelled as the always dangerous Cornwall found space on the edge of the area and made no mistake with a powerful effort.

That goal initiated a spell of significant Ilminster pressure which Bassett were able to weather

Powell diverted an Abi Locke shot onto the post with Darcy Cox able to clear the rebound away from danger. Kelly Nightingale then was in the right place at the right time to head a seemingly goalbound Cornwall shot over the bar.

A further two saves from Powell - the first to deny Cornwall again, the second to tip wide a long range Maisie Parker strike - kept the scores level at the break.

Nat Goodright came close to restoring Bassett's lead shortly after play resumed, hitting just wide from a Brookes layoff.

But it would be the visitors who grabbed the game's third goal with 52 minutes on the clock. Lannece Hole played a ball in behind the Bassett defence which Kingdon raced onto and she beat Powell before tapping in from close range.

The game continued to be a frantic, tense affair.

Bassett pushed to get back on terms but blocked efforts from Emma Sykes and Elliott seemed to be the best they could produce.

Ilminster came closest to adding to their tally with Ellie Orritt twice hitting just over - the second time from just a matter of yards out - and Kingdon narrowly missing the target with a free kick.

And those near misses eventually came back to haunt them.

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Bach summoned penalties with her stoppage time header.

The first four rounds of spot kicks then saw the teams produce eight perfect penalties. Sarah Smith, Hannah Billing, Cornwall and Parker scored for the visitors - who had the advantage of taking first. Sykes, Elliott, Bach and Natalie Goodright replied for Bassett.

It was essentially now sudden death and Ilminster immediately gave Bassett the opportunity to win the tie as Orritt blazed wide. Kelly Nightingale stepped up to take

Bassett's fifth spot kick and she made no mistake, coolly slotting home.

Bassett have now reached the third qualifying round three years in a row. The past two seasons have seen Bassett exit at that stage. Now the aim will be to finally progress a stage further and advance to the first round proper for the first time in club history.

Monday's draw is eagerly awaited.









RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team Season 2024-25

		TT TOWN FC DEV - SEASO				ESULTS
CORS	Date	WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGU				Coores
0-4		Opponents	H/A	Comp		Scorers
Sat	03-Aug-24	Pewsey Vale	A	League	L 1- 3	Ferreira
Tue	06-Aug-24	Blunsdon	Н	League		Walters 2, Richards, Lance
Wed	14-Aug-24	Kingsdown	Α	League	L 0 - 3	\A/-14
Sat	17-Aug-24	Faringdon Town	A	League		Walters
Tue	20-Aug-24	Wroughton	H	League		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	L0-1	14.00
Sat	14-Sep-24	Park United	Н	League		Withers
Sat	21-Sep-24	Calne Town Res	Α	League	L 0 - 5	
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	A	League		
Sat	22-Feb-25	Trowbridge Town	Н	League		
Sat	01-Mar-25	Kintbury Rangers	H	League		
Sat	08-Mar-25	Melksham Town Res	 H	League		
Sat	29-Mar-25	Malmesbury Vics Dev	A	League		
Sat	05-Apr-25	Salisbury Dev	A	League		
Sal	03-Apr-25	Salisbuly Dev	^	League		

RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team Cups Season 2024-25

WILTSHIRE FA COUNTY SENIOR CUP SEASON 2024-25

Cup Holders: Downton

	First Round						
Devizes Town	3 - 1	Salisbury Dev					
Second Round							
Amesbury Town	٧	Wroughton					
Calne Town	٧	Blunsdon					
Devizes Town	٧	Bradford Town					
Malmesbury Vics Dev	V	Park United					
Melksham Town Res	V	Pewsey Vale					
RWBT Dev	٧	Bemerton Heath Harl Res					
Shrewton United	٧	Warminster Town					
Trowbridge Town	V	Kingsdown					

FOUNTAIN TROPHIES CUP

SEASON 2024-25

Holders: Larkhall Athletic Dev

Preliminary Round					
Letcombe	6 - 2	Shrewton United			
Purton	0 - 4	Kingsdown Dev			

	First Round	
Bishops Cannings	٧	Devizes Town Res
Bradford Town Res	٧	Redhouse
Down Ampney	٧	Marlborough Town
Faringdon Town	٧	RWBT Dev
Kingsdown Dev	V	Kingsdown
Kintbury Rangers	V	Cricklade Town
Kintbury Rangers Dev	٧	Trowbridge Town
Lambourn Sports	٧	Shrivenham
Ludgershall Sports	L - W	Bemerton H. Harl Res
Malmesbury Vics Dev	V	Calne Town Res
Melksham Town Res	V	Blunsdon
Park United	٧	Stratton Juniors
Pewsey Vale Dev	٧	Letcombe
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 Division Season 2024-25							
Premier Divi	sion Se Pld	ason W	2024 D	- Z 5	F	Α	PTS
1 Kintbury Rangers	11	10	1	0	34	5	31
2 Wroughton	11	7	2	2	37	20	23
3 Pewsey Vale	11	7	1	3	39	18	22
4 Letcombe	9	7	0	2	21	6	21
5 Melksham Town Res	11	7	0	4	27	22	21
6 Calne Town Reserves	12	6	2	4	27	29	20
7 Trowbridge Town	11	6	1	4	20	17	19
8 Kingsdown	12	6	0	6	24	16	18
9 Park United	10	6	0	4	27	20	18
10 Bemerton H H Res	12	5	0	7	15	26	15
11 Shrewton United	11	4	1	6	28	17	13
12 Faringdon Town	10	4	0	6	19	24	12
13 Blunsdon	12	4	0	8	22	42	12
14 Royal W Bassett Town Dev	9	2	2	5	11	19	8
15 Salisbury Dev *	9	3	0	6	13	21	7
16 Shrivenham	9	1	3	5	10	17	6
17 Larkhall Athletic Dev *	8	1	1	6	8	23	2
18 Malmesbury Victoria Dev	8	0	0	8	8	48	0

^{*} Points deduction for failing to fulfill fixtures



Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Roundup 21 Sep

Kintbury Rangers maintained their unbeaten start to the season with a hard fought 1-0 away win against Salisbury Dev, with the game being played on the new 3G pitch at Sarum. Last week Kye Williams had been the star of the show at Letcombe, hitting a hat-trick and it was he who got the decisive goal again this week as well, capitalising on a defensive error ten minutes from time to give Kintbury all three points as they extended their lead at the top of the table to eight points.

With Letcombe otherwise engaged in Fountain Trophies First Round action, and due to results elsewhere, **Wroughton** moved up to second spot in the table with a 5-2 win over **Bemerton Heath Harlequins Res.** After scoring the initial goal Wroughton maintained the lead throughout the game even though they conceded a couple of goals at the other end. Two goals for both Jonathan Peachey-Score and Nathan Bebato, with Kassa Anderson getting the other Wroughton goal. The two for Peachey-Score sent him joint top of the Premier Division goal scoring chart with Pewsey's Josh Fowler on 14 goals.

Pewsey Vale are up into third spot after a 5-1 home win over bottom of the table Malmesbury Victoria Dev in a game switched to Pewsey due to the ongoing issues with the Malmesbury pitch, which hopefully will soon be over. There were two goals for Lewis Clarke, with leading scorer Josh Fowler also adding one more to his total to move onto 14 for the season, Andy Rossiter and Kieran Kiff with the other two Pewsey goals, Charlie Evatt with the consolation goal for Malmesbury.

Melksham Town Res slipped a couple of places in the table to fifth spot after they were beaten 2-1 away at **Park United**, Ben Pring and Ben Selman with the Park United goals, Kegan Smart with his sixth of the season in reply for Melksham.

Calne Town Res are the in-form team in the division, and they extended their unbeaten run to six games, five of which have been won, with a comprehensive 5-0 victory over near neighbours Royal Wootton Bassett Town Dev. There was a hat-trick for Jack Smith who took his tally for the season to eleven, Harry Stiles and Edward Summers with their first goals of the campaign with the other two Calne goals. The latest victory saw Calne climb a place in the table to sixth spot.

The other form team in the division are **Trowbridge Town** who made it three wins on the bounce with a narrow 2-1 success at home against **Kingsdown**. Trowbridge led 1-0 at the break courtesy of an own goal, Connor McKay getting on the end of an Owen Pearce cross and seeing his effort come back off the post but then go in off a

Kingsdown defender. Trowbridge then doubled their lead 15 minutes from time, James Cox setting up Charlie Maddison who fired into the bottom corner of the net to make it 2-0. Kingsdown pulled one back late on through Joe English but that was to be the end of the scoring as Trowbridge secured that third straight win ahead of a midweek trip to Larkhall Athletic Dev.

Last week **Blunsdon** were on the wrong end of a late winner at Wroughton, this week it was their turn to benefit from such a late winner in their game against **Shrivenham**. Zach Bruce had put Blunsdon ahead in the first half, but Matty Horsell brought Shrivenham level on the stroke of half time. Blunsdon were then reduced to ten men 20 minutes from time when John O'Donoghue was shown a second yellow card. There were chances at both ends and just as it looked like the two sides would have to settle for a point apiece, Nick Craft headed in a winner in the final minute of the game for Blunsdon to give them all three points and open up a five-point gap between them and the bottom four.

A 3-1 home win is becoming something of a familiar result at Tucker Park this season as Faringdon Town recorded their fourth such result of the season, their latest victims being Larkhall Athletic Dev. Faringdon were ahead as early as the second minute of the game and it was a familiar name on the score sheet with Kyle Bowyer, who recently turned down an approach from another club, getting his ninth of the season. Mitchell Coombes then doubled Faringdon's lead with just 15 minutes on the clock. Larkhall pulled one back through an own goal and it remained just the one goal in it until the final minute of the game when Josh Lewis eased the home sides nerves with a third Faringdon goal to wrap up the points.

It was emotional afternoon at Letcombe where the club remembered their former player Jack Badger who sadly recently took his own life, with the club raising money for his family at the game. The afternoon saw Letcombe involved in the final Preliminary Round fixture in the Fountains Trophy Cup with Shrewton United the visitors. In a storming first half Letcombe led 5-0 at the break with Kieron Kerby and Ben Cleary both scoring twice, the other goal coming courtesy of an own goal. Shrewton United manager George Plank got a response from his side in the second half, as they pulled two goals back through recent signing Jack Vallis and Ben Spratt but, the damage had been done in that opening 45 minutes. Letcombe were to have the final say on the afternoon's proceedings, with Jordan Davies adding a sixth to make the final score 6-2. Letcombe will now be away to Pewsey Vale Dev in the next round.

HOW many times do you hear about the next Jamie Vardy? Everyone is on the look-out for the diamond in the rough who could be a lottery ticket to super stardom. What the Leicester City striker has achieved since leaving Fleetwood Town all those years ago – a Premier League title and appearances at major tournaments with England – is comic book stuff.

It's guaranteed there will be a handful of players playing Non-League football this weekend who will be playing in the Premier League or Championship in the very near future. The reality is there will be many more dreams that aren't realised. But that doesn't mean it ends there. And there are some pretty inspiring stories when it comes to the world of coaching.

You may have seen recently that Andy Mangan, promoted into the Football League with Accrington Stanley, Fleetwood Town and Tranmere Rovers, was on the verge of joining the coaching staff at Real Madrid! Anyone who has ever met Mangan will be able to tell you what a lively, bubbly character he is and how much he loves football. Mangan, the story goes, impressed Madrid boss Carlo Ancelotti's son Davide on their Pro Licence course and they wanted to take the current Stockport County coach to the Bernabeu. Frustratingly for Mangan, the move has fallen through because of a work permit. But his time will surely come.

NLP columnist – and former professional footballer – Gregor Robertson, wrote about Mangan's rise in last week's paper. Gregor highlighted how football has finally caught up to the idea that the best coaches aren't always the people who have been at the top in their playing days. It does, however, show, the levels former players can potentially

reach. Gregor talks about Anthony Barry – who played for Wrexham, Fleetwood Town and Forest Green in Non-League – and all he has achieved since hanging up his playing boots.

"To master the art of facing audiences, he had taken it upon himself to give talks and coach in a Liverpool prison, in schools. He even hired a presentation coach and joined a speakers' club," Gregor writes.

"A few years later, he was Paul Cook's assistant coach at Wigan Athletic, and the youngest member on the Pro Licence course with the FA. With the likes of Frank Lampard and Michael Carrick in his cohort, he knew he had to do something different to stand out. The dissertation he produced — The Undervalued Set Piece, for which he studied 16,380 throw-ins — did just that, earning him the class's top mark when he graduated.

"When Lampard was handed the Chelsea job, he gave Barry the chance of a lifetime too. And so began a remarkable journey, from Champions League glory to the Bundesliga and Bayern Munich with Thomas Tuchel, and a World Cup and Euros with Belgium and Portugal respectively alongside Roberto Martinez."

It's incredible to see how much Barry is achieving at the elite levels of the game and all credit to him.

So the question isn't just who is the next Jamie Vardy, but who is the next Anthony Barry?

RWBTFC Vets' (Over 35) Team Season 2024-25

Royal	Royal Wootton Bassett Town Vets						
Seaso	n 2024 -25 Corsham Print Wiltshire Se	nior Le	ague - Ve	ts North	Wilts Division		
Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers		
Wed	04-Sep-24 Cricklade Town	Α	League	L 1 - 2	Newton		
Wed	11-Sep-24 AFC Swindon	Н	League	W 9 - 0	Hall 4, King, Head, Connolly, Newton, Simpkins		
Wed	18-Sep-24 Nationwide	Α	League	D2-2	Connolly 2		
Wed	25-Sep-24 Swindon Rovers	Н	League				
Wed	02-Oct-24 Chiseldon	Н	League				
Wed	09-Oct-24 Stratton Juniors	Α	League				
Fri	18-Oct-24 Bishops Cannings	Α	VCC				
Tue	22-Oct-24 Cricklade Town	Α	L Cup				
Wed	30-Oct-24 No game due to Half Term						
Wed	06-Nov-24 Veterans' County Cup						
Tue	21-Nov-24 FS Swindon	Α	League				
Wed	27-Nov-24 Intel	Н	League				
Wed	04-Dec-24 Redhouse	Α	League				
Wed	11-Dec-24 Penhill United	Н	League				
Wed	08-Jan-25 Cricklade Town	Н	League				
Tue	14-Jan-25 AFC Swindon	Α	League				
Wed	22-Jan-25 Nationwide	Н	League				
Tue	28-Jan-25 Swindon Rovers	Α	League				
Wed	05-Feb-25 Chiseldon	Α	League				
Wed	12-Feb-25 Stratton Juniors	Н	League				
Wed	05-Mar-25 FS Swindon	Н	League				
Wed	12-Mar-25 Intel	Α	League				
Wed	19-Mar-25 Redhouse	Н	League				
Wed	26-Mar-25 Penhill United	Α	League				

ague Cup	Total
4	4
3	3
2	2
1	1
1	1
1	1
12 0	12
	4 3 2 1 1

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Vets North Wiltshire Division Season 2024-25							
	Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	PTS
1 Nationwide	3	2	1	0	6	2	7
2 Cricklade Town	2	2	0	0	16	2	6
2 Penhill United	2	2	0	0	12	2	6
2 Redhouse	2	2	0	0	10	3	6
2 EXIntel	3	2	0	1	10	4	6
6 Royal W. Bassett Town	3	1	1	1	12	4	4
6 Swindon Rovers	3	1	1	1	3	4	4
8 AFC Swindon	3	1	0	2	5	12	3
9 Chiseldon	3	0	1	2	1	4	1
10 Stratton Juniors	3	0	0	3	4	21	0
10 FS Swindon	3	0	0	3	4	25	0

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Youth Section News

Youth Section Photo Days 3rd and 4 October

Royal Wootton Bassett Town have partnered with Club Legends - one of the UK's leading youth sports photography agencies - for club photo days on Thursday 3 and Friday 4 October.

Club Legends will be taking individual player photos that will then be available to purchase, with various packs and designs available.

The photography session will take place in the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground clubhouse.

Players from the following teams / age groups are requested to attend at the following times:

Thursday 3 October Under 12 Blue: 18:00 Under 12 Yellow: 18:15 Under 15 Blue: 18:30 Under 15 Yellow: 18:45 Under 11 Blue: 19:00 Under 11 Yellow: 19:15 Under 14 Blue: 19:30 Under 14 Yellow: 19:45 Under 18s: 20:00

Friday 4 October Under 7 Blue: 18:00 Under 7 Yellow: 18:15 Under 13 Blue: 18:30 Under 13 Yellow: 18:45 Under 10 Blue: 19:00 Under 10 Yellow: 19:15 Under 16 Blue: 19:30 Under 16 Yellow: 19:4

Players are requested to wear their match kit.

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.

Donations can be left in the donations box in the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground clubhouse bar, or collection can be arranged by

contacting Stacey Cooper

(stace69 826@hotmail.com; 07917 567726).

All donations are greatly appreciated. We look forward to seeing you there!

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George	Peare	8
Bradley	Pagliaroli	9
Tommy	Ouldridge	10
Bailey	Gallagher	11
Ollie	Pitt	12
Thomas	Moore	14
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