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

First Team Honours

Wiltshire Senior Cup Winners **1998-91, 2000-01**

Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up **1902-03, 1903-04, 1987-88**

Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up **2009-10, 2012-13**

Hellenic League Div 1 Cup Winners **1989-90, 1993-94**

Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Runners-up **1994-95**

Wiltshire County League Division 1 Champions **1987-88**

Wiltshire County League Runners-up **1905-06**

Wiltshire County League Senior Cup Winners **1983-84**

Wiltshire County League Division 2 Champions **1984-85**

Wiltshire County League Division 2 Runners-up **1978-79**

Wiltshire County League Subsidiary Cup Winners **1978-79**

Wiltshire League Division 1 Champions **1958-59**

Calne & District League Champions **1931-32, 1934-35, 1935-36**

Calne & District League Runners-up **1930-31**

Calne & District League Cup Winners **1934-35**

Calne & District League Cup Runners-up **1935-36**

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

Vale of White Horse League Cup Winners **1933-34**

Reserve/Dev Team Honours

Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Champions **2021-22**

Hellenic League Reserves Division 2 West Champions **1994-95**

Wiltshire County League Division 4 Runners-up **1982-83**

Wiltshire County League Junior Cup Runners-up **1984-85, 1988-89, 2012-13**

Vale of White Horse League Cup Winners **1953-54**

Chippenham & District League Division 2 Champions **1957-58**

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Men's First Team Bassett Bulletin

Welcome To Tonight's Game

GOOD EVENING and welcome to the Sustain Stadium here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground for this UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division fixture against Mangotsfield United. A warm welcome to all our visitors who have made the journey from Mangotsfield, we hope you enjoy your short stay with us this evening and we wish you a safe journey home.

The two sides met in our first game of the season in the prestigious FA Cup competition on August the 5th when Mangotsfield edged it thanks to a penalty and an injury time goal as we pushed for an equaliser which would have taken the game to a replay. Hopefully we can reciprocate the excellent hospitality we received at the FA Cup game.

Mangotsfield were the better side in the first half of that cup game but for me second half we took the game to them but without creating too many chances in the final third. When we did get behind a well marshalled defence we were unable to find a way past a very could keeper for this level. The 2-0 defeat for us saw Mangotsfield progress to the Preliminary Round where they met Ascot United on Saturday on the 3G pitch next to the racecourse. Mangotsfield's interest in the competition was ended by last season's FA Vase winners who ran out 5-1 winners.

Whilst we have only been in the same league as Mangotsfield United for one complete season we have now met four times with Bassett having won twice and Mangotsfield twice, including a penalty shoot out defeat to them in last season's Wiseman's Floodlit Cup after it had finished 0-0 at the end of 90 minutes.

In addition to those two FA Cup games played this season, Mangotsfield have played three games in the league, drawing 0-0 with Fairford Town in their opening game, losing 2 -1 to our local rivals Highworth Town and then beating Bristol based side Thornbury Town 4-1 in their last league game. We saw in the cup game what a good side Mangotsfield were and our 100% winning record in the league from our opening two

games is likely to be severely tested tonight.

Our last home game saw us come from behind to secure an excellent 2-1 win over a very good Slimbridge side who are likely to be there or thereabouts come the season end. We followed that up with a 4-0 away win at Wantage, a ground which has not been a happy hunting ground over the years, although we have now won twice on the bounce there. Those two wins mean we currently sit in sixth place in the table with games in hand over all the teams above us in the table.

The Development side have made a decent start to the season winning two of the three games they have played so far. A 6-2 opening day win over Shrewton United was followed by a 4-2 away defeat to Wroughton. On Saturday they returned to winning ways with a 5-0 away win against a side that they had lost to three times last season. This coming Saturday they are home to Larkhall Athletic Development who, at the time of writing have played just one game, defeating the reigning champions Trowbridge Town 3-1. This season the Development side are permitted to enter the Wiltshire Senior Cup and they have been drawn at home to Blunsdon in the FA's most prestigious cup competition whose winners include the like's of Swindon Town.

The Women's side get their league season underway in just over a week's time when they travel to Purton. One of a number of downsides of their disappointing relegation last season is that no information has been collated on any of their scheduled opponents this coming season and as a result, given current time constraints, is likely going to have to be shorter programme this coming season and unlikely to be winning any prizes.

Enjoy the game and hopefully we will be celebrating another win to maintain are 100% winning start in league games.

Mark

Chairman's Chat



Good evening. It's a pleasure to welcome our supporters along with the players, officials and supporters from Mangotsfield United FC to the Sustain Stadium this evening for this Hellenic Premier League fixture.

The game tonight gives us an opportunity to avenge our recent FA Cup defeat. At the time of writing, Mangotsfield had not played their next round fixture against last year's FA Vase winners Ascot. Hopefully they got a good result and are keeping the Hellenic flag flying.

Results and performances since the FA Cup exit have been good; a come from behind win against a good Slimbridge team was followed by a comprehensive 4-0 victory at Wantage. Early days, but we are the only team with a 100% league record!!!

The only blot on the record on Tuesday was Sam's two yellow cards. The first was probably deserved but the second for a 'bit of banter' was a bit harsh. However, with the directives coming down to referees, Sam is going to have to curb his undeniable enthusiasm. The interesting thing will be to see how long the new referee powers are enforced and the level of consistency.

The Dev team began their Wilts Premier League season with an emphatic 6-2 win against Shrewton but lost to Wroughton 4-2

on Tuesday evening. They face a busy start to the season and will have played 14 games in both the league and cups by the end of September. Early signs are that it is going to be a very competitive league again this season.

The game against Shrewton saw the team field three brothers – Ben, Euan and new signing Max Spackman. I'm not sure if it is a first for the club, but certainly not a common occurrence. I don't think there are any more to come!

The Women's team should have played their final friendly on Sunday against Oxford City before their season starts with an away game against neighbours Purton on 3rd September. Adam has pretty much finalised his squad and is looking forward to the season ahead – a little less travelling than last season, I'm sure the trips to Cornwall will not be missed! Hopefully they will finish pre-season with a win after having watched the Lionesses bring home the silverware

Finally, thanks to everyone who has sponsored any of the players / managers– there are still available if you are interested. Details are in the programme. Please contact me if you are interested in any of our sponsorship opportunities.

Thank you for your support. I hope you enjoy the game and look forward to seeing you again soon.

Paul

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Steve Green's Player Portrait

TOMMY OULDRIDGE



Opponents History

Mangotsfield United

The 2023/24 season will be Mangotsfield's second season playing at step 5 following 22 seasons as a Southern League club, which includes the voided 2019/20 and 20/21 seasons. After thirteen seasons in the "Pitchin In" Southern Football League Division One South previously finishing 9th in 2009/10, 3rd in 2010/11, (but losing the play-off semi-final, 1-3 to Frome Town), 14th in 2011/12, 13th in 2012/13, 11th in 2013/14, 10th in 2014/15, 14th in 2015/16, 8th in 2016/17, & 16th in both 2017/18 and 2018/19, following the 2 year "Covid gap" Mangotsfield finished 18th (out of 19 teams) in 2021/22 and were automatically relegated into the Hellenic League Premier Division.

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

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

In 1991, the club, managed by Harold Jarman and assisted by Terry Rowles, achieved regional glory by taking the (then) Great Mills League Premier Division title, ahead of runners-up Torrington. Disappointingly, they were denied promotion to the Southern League as the ground failed to meet the grading requirements and there followed several lean seasons as the team disbanded. Under newly-elected Chairman Richard Davis, however, off the pitch, things were improving. Terry Rowles returned to manage the club himself in 1995 and kept them in the spotlight by consistently finishing in the top three-four in the Great Mills/Screwfix League and an appearance in the FA Vase semi-final (losing to Clitheroe), but their ambitions of promotion and Southern League football were always thwarted by the continual success of Taunton and Tiverton Town. It was considered very important to establish a sound working base, improve ground facilities and secure a long-term tenure on their Cossham Street ground.

In earlier years, the Roger Pullin / Richard Davis partnership had seen many improvements take place,

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

The Management duo made promotion their priority in 2004/05 and the club headed the table for most of the campaign, eventually taking the Division One West title with a 21 match unbeaten run. After 28 seasons at Western League level, the club had spent just five campaigns at Southern League level before reaching the Premier Division. In April/May 2005, Roger Pullin left the club and Mike Richardson took over as Chairman, with a new Board.

As detailed at the start of this article Mangotsfield enjoyed life in the Southern League finishing most season's around mid table, but have struggled financially during the last few years. Sometimes now referred to as "The Mangos", the 2020/21 campaign, started with Glyn Ashton, at the helm. He had previously been in charge of the U18s Floodlit Youth side, but took over as temporary Manager in 2019/20, after the sudden departure of Manager Ollie Price, and bought in almost his entire U18s squad. Glyn Ashton returned to his role of managing the U18/Reserve team for the 2021/22 season as Ray Johnston, along with assistant Terry Moore, took over the first team management role but Glyn returned to the hot seat following the departure of Ray and Terry following some disappointing performances and results. The club, however, were unable to "avoid the drop" finishing in 18th place in a league of 19 teams.

The summer of 2021/22 has been a busy one for the club as Chairman Mike Richardson has been replaced by Steve Brown, a new committee has been formed, and with a new commercial team in place the club are about to enter an exciting new era in it's history

At the start of last season a new management team, headed by John Allen, previously of Tool Station outfit Keynsham Town, took charge with a mix of experienced players, that John bought in, along with the young players already at Mangotsfield. Unfortunately results didn't go as well as expected as the players struggled to "gel", so Glyn Ashton stepped into the lead role yet again. The team were in 18th place just before Christmas but eventually finished in 11th place and won the Wiseman Lighting Cup in the process. Mangotsfield will play in the Hellenic Premier Division for the 2023/24 season and will be looking to improve on the mid table finish last season and are hopeful for some major ground improvements for next season.

Opponent's Pen Pics

Mangotsfield United

Glyn Ashton Manager. Has managed the first team in the previous three seasons, albeit not as the full time manager. Last season he stepped back into the helm as other managers departed, He managed about half of the squad through the youth system up to U18's level.

Matt Curry Assistant Manager/Coach. Joined Mangotsfield as part of Glyn Ashton's coaching staff. Last season he worked with both previous managers following the re-appointment of Glyn. Matt remains an important part of the management team with lots of experience at youth level so will get the most out of the younger players within the squad

Matt Doe Coach. Matt combines his first team role with coaching the Under 18's. Matt provides an important link between the youth and the senior sections and has a very promising coaching career ahead of him.

John House Kit Man. Part of the furniture at Mangotsfield. Played for "The field" as a youngster and has helped manage the team years ago. A stalwart of the club who seems to know someone at each and every club we play! A key member of the management team

Jordan Anstey - a versatile player who normally plays at Centre Half but can play as Full Back or in Midfield. Jordan came up through the ranks at Keynsham and was a key player at that club. Jordan's solid performances helped to make the instrumental change of fortunes last season, and as a coach himself can contribute to the team in many other ways

Will Ashton - Son of Manager Glyn and a product of our youth system and attended SGS until 2022. Has spent a large proportion of last season on loan at AEK Boco but was recalled towards the latter half of the season. A versatile left footer who can play at Full Back or in Midfield and has excellent delivery from set plays.

Keane Ashwood - An energetic midfielder who was at Chipping Sodbury last season. Will add extra options to Glyn's line ups.

Liam Atwell- Previously at Bristol Telephones. He took time away from the beloved game to focus on his personal Training career, but has decided to make a comeback to the game with "The Field".

Sam Bainbridge - A robust centre half who has impressed during pre season. A product of our youth setup and has been promoted from our U18s squad.

Harvey Baker - An experienced player at this level who has played for The Field at Southern League level. Despite living locally Harvey has had spells with Chipping Sodbury, Shepton Mallet and more recently Bradford Town.

Luke Bence - A product of our youth system and current SGS student. Luke is a strong and quick centre half who as spent a large proportion of last season on loan at Hallen, but was recalled to the squad by Glyn and played an important role in the team

Matt Binding - Defender who is a sports lecturer at SGS college. Played for "The Field" at Southern League level. Despite his young years he coaches some of our younger player as part of his full time job. Very quick centre half who's good in the air and can play out.

Jaydn Crosbie - Another local youngster who was a part of the SGS Football Programme. Talented striker who works tirelessly for the team. He is quick, has a great first touch, is good in the air has now added regular goals to his game. Made his debut with The Field at Southern League level.

Nick Crouchier - after a stint across the pond coaching, nick finds himself bak on home soil and donning the gloves.

Issac Flynn Another local youngster who has been with the club since the age of 12 and spent two years as part of the SGS Football Programme. A very quick attacking player with a powerful left foot who can play in wide areas as well as central.

Ben Ford Another product of our youth set up and currently part of the Bath College Football Programme where he has regularly been involved with Bath City first team. Can play in either full back positions or in midfield. Has a very promising future ahead.

Jakob Glover - Goalkeeper who made his debut for Mangotsfield's first team at just 16 years old. Has been involved with Mangotsfield United Youth set up since the age of 4 and is a Mango through and through. Also had two years as part of the SGS Football Programme. Has now made the number one jersey his own.

Kerem Karakus - A strong and powerful striker with an eye for goal and great technique. Has played for our U18's and remains part of the SGS Football Programme. Currently gaining more experience with Stoke Gifford but has a big future with Mangotsfield.

Kyrese Morrison – A quick and strong player who can play at full back, wing back or on the wing. Currently part of the SGS Football Programme. Played for The Field in the Southern League and has had spells with Bath City and Highworth Town this season before returning to Mangotsfield in December

Rohan Nelson - 18 year old who was released by Bristol City at the end of last season after spending 4 years with their youth academy. He looked a very promising signing but unfortunately broke his leg in a pre season friendly, but will hopefully be available before the end of the season.

Jack Nunn - A promising youngster and versatile midfielder. The youngest member of the squad who has broken through the ranks and continues his development

Josh Pandorfini - A versatile attacking player who has made the switch from Chipping Sodbury this season.

Harley Purnell - In his second spell at Mangotsfield, previously playing for the Mangos in 2011/12 making 34 appearances. The 33 year old central midfielder brings a wealth of experience to the club and as our captain is helping our younger players develop

Owen Ridler - Although one of our younger players "Rids" has been with the club the longest joining at the age of 4! A versatile player who operates mainly in central midfield, but can play a variety of the positions. Great close control and passing range and pops up with the odd goal or two!

Ben Shepherd - Played for our U18s squad last season and is making the step up to senior football. A robust forward who enjoys a physical battle

Louis Short - Yet another product of our successful youth setup. Had a brief spell at Odd Down last season, but back in the Maroon and Sky blue now.

Ashton Trott - young goalkeeper who has been with the club since the age of 8. A capable shot stopper who gained experience at Wick FC last season.

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

Tom Warren in his mid 30's, very experienced centre back. Has a wealth of knowledge at this level and higher. Was player coach at Larkhall Athletic last season. Tom originally played for the Mango's back in the 2005/06 season before returning for three seasons ten years later. Has also played for Yate Town, Bridwater Town, Melksham Town to name just a few.

James White - Joins us this season from Ashton & Backwell. "Jimmer" looks a real good addition in the centre of the park



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Previous Encounters

Mangotsfield United



2

RWBTFC Wins

0

Draws

2

Mangotsfield
United Wins

Season	Date	Comp	Match Details			
2022-23	2-Aug-22	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	1	Mangotsfield United	0
Bassett Scorers: Presley						
Bassett Team: Crowther, Chilcott, Spalding, Corcoran, Bampton, Presley, Taylor, Ouldrige, Gallagher, Robinson, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Elms, Bennett, Wrona						
2022-23	20-Sep-22	League	Mangotsfield United	1	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2
Bassett scorers: Ouldrige, Hobson-McVeigh						
Bassett Team: Crowther, Chilcott, Spalding, Partridge, Bampton, Robinson, Taylor, Ouldrige, Whelan, Bennett, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Beeden, Gallagher, Wrona						
2022-23	6-Dec-22	Floodlit Cup	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	0	Mangotsfield United	0
			Bassett Scorers: n/a		Mangotsfield Utd won on penalties	
Bassett Team: Crowther, Partridge, H. Walters, Corcoran, Talmash, Robinson, Jones, Bennett, Gallagher, Taylor, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Beeden, Collier, Griffin, McCrae						
2023-24	5-Aug-23	FA Cup	Mangotsfield United	2	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	0
Bassett scorers: n/a						
Bassett Team: Pickering, H.Walters, Partridge, Bampton, Spalding, Taylor, Ouldrige, Wrona, Moore, Gallagher, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Griffin, Timbrell, F. Walters						





Action from last season's league encounter at the Sustain Stadium won 1-0 by Bassett thanks to an Alfie Presley goal



Today's Opponents

Mangotsfield United

Mangotsfield United Historical Record - Last 15 Seasons												
Season	League & Division	FAC	FAT	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Top Scorer
2008/09	Southern Premier	2QR	1QR	42	10	6	26	39	80	36	22 out of 22	Info not found
2009/10	Southern 1SW	4QR	PRE	42	19	5	18	77	67	62	9 out of 22	Info not found
2010/11	Southern 1SW	2QR	PRE	40	26	7	7	79	48	85	3 out of 21	Info not found
2011/12	Southern 1SW	PRE	2QR	40	14	7	19	62	66	49	14 out of 21	Info not found
2012/13	Southern 1SW	1QR	PRE	42	15	10	17	53	61	55	13 out of 22	Info not found
2013/14	Southern 1SW	2QR	2QR	42	18	7	17	65	62	61	11 out of 22	Info not found
2014/15	Southern 1SW	1QR	2QR	42	20	7	15	73	58	67	10 out of 22	Info not found
2015/16	Southern 1SW	1QR	2QR	42	12	12	18	59	65	48	14 out of 22	Info not found
2016/17	Southern 1SW	PRE	PRE	42	21	7	14	73	69	70	8 out of 22	Info not found
2017/18	Southern 1W	PRE	PRE	42	10	11	21	53	86	41	16 out of 22	Info not found
2018/19	Southern 1S	PRE	1QR	38	11	4	23	64	78	37	16 out of 20	Info not found
2019/20	Southern 1S	1QR	EPR	29	8	4	17	46	65	28	17* out of 20	Info not found
2020/21	Southern 1S	PRE	2QR	7	0	0	7	4	20	0	20* out of 20	H. Simons 2
2021/22	Southern 1S	1QR	2QR	36	7	6	23	42	91	27	18 out of 19	W. Nderemani 4
2022/23	Hellenic Premier	EP	2nd*	38	15	4	19	58	70	49	11 out of 20	J. Crosbie 19

* FA Vase Totals 526 191 93 242 789 916 * Position at time that Covid-19 resulted in season being curtailed
 Won:Drew:Lost Ratio 36.3% 17.7% 46.0%

	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	23.6%	12.7%	63.6%
Southern League Div 1 South	110	26	14	70	156	254	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	23.6%	12.7%	63.6%
Southern League Div 1 South West	332	145	62	125	541	496	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	43.7%	18.7%	37.7%
Southern League Div 1 West	42	10	11	21	53	86	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	23.8%	26.2%	50.0%
Southern League Premier	42	10	6	26	39	80	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	23.8%	14.3%	61.9%
Hellenic League Premier	38	15	4	19	58	70	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	39.5%	10.5%	50.0%

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

2022-2023 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Cribbs	38	32	4	2	94	15	100
2 Malvern Town	38	29	5	4	110	45	92
3 Corsham Town	38	28	7	3	97	31	91
4 Worcester Raiders	38	23	7	8	103	48	76
5 Royal W. Bassett Town	38	19	8	11	67	50	65
6 Roman Glass St George	38	19	7	12	76	47	64
7 Westfields	38	18	10	10	67	42	64
8 Hereford Pegasus	38	18	5	15	69	68	59
9 Brimscombe & Thrupp	38	14	10	14	75	62	52
10 Wantage Town	38	14	8	16	70	67	50
11 Mangotsfield United	38	15	4	19	58	70	49
12 Longlevens AFC	38	12	6	20	54	63	42
13 Fairford Town	38	12	5	21	54	66	41
14 Shrivenham	38	11	5	22	42	94	38
15 Lydney Town	38	10	7	21	47	91	37
16 Thornbury Town	38	10	5	23	49	76	35
17 Hereford Lads Club	38	10	4	24	47	83	34
18 Tuffley Rovers	38	9	6	23	48	84	33
19 Bradford Town	38	7	6	25	45	93	27
20 Chipping Sodbury Town	38	6	9	23	42	119	27

Today's Opponents

Mangotsfield United

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GROUND

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MAJOR HONOURS

Southern League Division 1
West Champions 2004-05

Western League Premier Div
Champions 1990-91

Gloucestershire FA (South)
Senior Amateur Cup Winners
1968-69, 1975-76

Gloucestershire Senior Cup
2002-03, 2012-13, 2013-14

Gloucestershire Challenge
Trophy Winners 1984-85, 1986-
87, 1990-91, 1993-94, 1996-97,
1999-2000

Somerset Premier Cup
Winners 1997-88

Bristol & District League
Champions

Division 2 (1955-56)

Division 3 (1954-55)

Division 4 (1953-54)

Division 6 (1952-53)

Division 7 (1951-52)

Hellenic League Floodlit Cup
Winners 2022-23

CHAIR NAME

Steve Brown

CLUB SECRETARY

David Jones

MANAGER










Glyn Ashton



Last Season

League Results	SEASON 2022-23	
	Home	Away
Bradford Town	W 4 - 2	W 1 - 0
Brimscombe & Thrupp	W 1 - 0	L 1 - 4
Chipping Sodbury Town	D 2 - 2	L 0 - 3
Corsham Town	L 0 - 3	L 0 - 2
Cribbs	L 0 - 2	L 1 - 2
Fairford	W 2 - 1	W 1 - 0
Hereford Lads Club	W 1 - 0	W 3 - 1
Hereford Pegasus	L 1 - 2	L 1 - 2
Longlevens	D 2 - 2	W 2 - 0
Lydney Town	W 2 - 0	W 4 - 2
Malvern Town	L 1 - 2	L 2 - 7
Roman Glass St George	L 0 - 2	D 1 - 1
RWBTFC	L 1 - 2	L 0 - 1
Shrivenham	L 1 - 2	W 3 - 2
Thornbury Town	L 0 - 1	W 5 - 1
Tuffley Rovers	W 4 - 2	W 2 - 0
Wantage Town	L 1 - 3	W 2 - 0
Westfields	L 1 - 5	D 2 - 2
Worcester Raiders	L 2 - 5	L 1 - 2

This Season

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	Away Team
FAC	19/08/23 15:00	Ascot United 	5 - 1 (HT 3-0)  Mangotsfield United
HLP	15/08/23 19:45	Mangotsfield United 	4 - 1 (HT 1-0)  Thornbury Town
HLP	12/08/23 15:00	Highworth Town 	2 - 1 (HT 1-0)  Mangotsfield United
FAC	05/08/23 15:00	Mangotsfield United 	2 - 0  Royal Wootton Bassett Town
HLP	01/08/23 19:45	Fairford Town 	0 - 0 (HT 0-0)  Mangotsfield United



Last Home League Game v Mangotsfield United

Tuesday 2nd August 2022

Fruitful start as Bassett squeeze past Mangos

**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1
Mangotsfield United 0**

Opening day success has been rare for Royal Wootton Bassett Town in recent seasons. But Sam Collier's side made sure they were quick off the mark to start the 2022-23 Hellenic League Premier Division campaign as an impressive performance helped Bassett to a narrow 1-0 victory against Mangotsfield United.

The visiting Mangos, newly relegated to the Hellenic League after more than two decades at Southern League level, were an unknown quantity for Bassett going into the match. But given the club's pedigree, there was a solid expectation that they would be a strong, competitive side.

That proved to be the case - particularly in the latter stages of the opening half when Mangotsfield really came to the fore.

But Bassett stood firm against their visitors. And Alfie Presley's composed finish ten minutes into the second half ultimately proved enough to ensure that the hosts took all three points from an intriguing contest.

Bassett started the match with intent but, aside from a penalty appeal that was turned down, failed to really test Ashley Clarke in the Mangotsfield goal. The home side's best chance of the half then came around the half hour mark when Presley skewed wide as Bassett countered following a defensive lapse.

By this point though it was Mangotsfield who were in the ascendancy, with the visitors having already seen a deflected effort graze the woodwork. Moments after Presley's miss, they were almost ahead too as a stunning volleyed effort seemed as though it



was destined to open the scoring, but Bassett 'keeper Matt Crowther pulled off an outstanding acrobatic save to tip the ball around the post.

Going into half time goalless with both teams having enjoyed spells of pressure, the game was finely poised. And it's outcome would soon be decided.

Ten minutes after the restart, an incisive Bassett break had the Mangotsfield backline on their heels. It did initially appear as though the attack would be snuffed out as imposing centre half Michael Grist went to ground to challenge Bailey Gallagher inside the visitors' penalty area following Tommy Ouldrige's dangerous diagonal pass. However, fortunately for Bassett, the ball fell into Gallagher's feet and, with Clarke drawn from his line, he squared for Presley to slot home.

Bassett now had the wind in their sails, but a second goal was not forthcoming. That made for a somewhat nervy finish to the match. However, with Collier's side defensively sound, Mangotsfield were unable to fashion anything of note despite the extra men they were throwing forward.





Last Away Game

v Mangotsfield United

Saturday 5 August 2023

Positive display bears no fruit as Mangos edge through

**Mangotsfield United 2
Wootton Bassett Town 0**

For the first time in four years, Royal Wootton Bassett Town exited the Emirates FA Cup at the extra preliminary round stage following a 2-0 defeat in a closely fought tie away against Mangotsfield United.

A first half penalty and stoppage time sucker-punch were enough for Mangotsfield to book their place in the preliminary round as, despite a positive performance, Sam Collier's side were unable to make any kind of breakthrough.

It was just the final, crucial end product that the visitors were missing. For large parts of the game Bassett were the better team, but the inability to put away their chances proved costly.

Indeed there was a portent of what was to come after just two minutes when Tom Moore broke through in behind the home defence only to be denied by Mangotsfield custodian Nick Croucher.

The game settled into an even contest, but the hosts were able to land the first blow midway through the opening half after Harry Walters was adjudged to have brought down left winger Isaac Flynn.

It seemed a soft, harsh penalty award, though Walters later admitted it was a definite foul. Either way, Mangotsfield were not complaining and Jadyne Crosbie just about managed to squeeze his spot kick beneath debutant 'keeper Harry Pickering to open the scoring.

It was then close to being 2-0 shortly before half time but Pickering kept out Owen Ridler's effort.



Bassett again had the opening chance of the second half. An almost carbon copy of his earlier opportunity, Moore was able to get in behind the Mangotsfield defence as he latched onto a great through ball but could not find a way past Croucher.

At the other end, Dave Bampton's late, assured challenge was enough to knock Crosbie off his stride and prevent a potential second for the hosts.

Midway through the half substitute Alan Griffin then headed narrowly over from a Louis Spalding cross.

By now Bassett were pushing forward for an equaliser, leaving space for Mangotsfield to threaten on the break and Marcus Kelly almost was able to capitalise from a counter but fired wide.








Kelly went one better in injury time though, steering in a rebound after Pickering had initially made a decent save.

It's therefore Mangotsfield who will go onto visit either Ardley United or Ascot United who drew their tie.

For Bassett it will be an even longer wait to get their league campaign started after Roman Glass St George's contest at Lydney Town ended all square. Bassett's league opener will now be Saturday 12 August at home against Slimbridge.

Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <p>Harry Pickering</p>	<p>Talented young goalkeeper on loan from Melksham Town. Came through the Youth Section at Melksham playing for their Under 18 team in the Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League from where he progressed to Melksham Town Reserves in the Premier Division of the Wiltshire Senior League. Great shot stopper who commands his area.</p>	
 <p>Louis Spalding</p>	<p>Highly talented full back entering his 2nd season with Bassett. Skilful, quick, an outstanding defender & a player who always looks to get forward. Was named Manager's & Players' Player of the Year following a standout debut season. Played 47 times, scoring a hugely impressive 10 goals, including a long range stunner in the FA Cup against Reading City, a last minute winner at home against Tuffley Rovers & a brace away at the same opponents. With Swindon Town as a youth, before joining Cirencester on loan in 17-18 making 11 appearances, before signing with the Centurions after his release from Swindon. With Cirencester in 18-19, featuring 38 times for the League runners-up in Southern League Div 1 South. He then joined Swindon Supermarine, appearing in 38 games in the curtailed 2019-20 Season, 10 matches a season later and 4 times in 21-22.</p>	<p>John & Kath Fellows</p>
 <p>Harry Walters</p>	<p>Full back who is quick, keen to get forward, impressive on the ball and a solid man-marker who made an impressive impact after making his First Team debut last season. Made his first appearance in senior football with Stratton Juniors in 2020-21, featuring 12 times for them in the Wiltshire League Premier Division. He started the subsequent campaign with Stratton before transferring to Bassett, playing 14 times as the Development team were crowned Wiltshire League champions. Continued to impress with the Dev side at the start of last season, and it wasn't long before Sam Collier drafted him into the First Team squad. Made his debut in a Floodlit Cup win against Cribbs and went on to make 19 appearances.</p>	
 <p>Adam Corcoran</p>	<p>Bassett's current longest serving player and captain, now entering his 12th season with the club, having reached the 300 appearance mark last season. 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. He 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 Shrivvenham, 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 15 goals in his 316 Bassett appearances.</p>	<p>Mark Smedley</p>
 <p>David Bampton</p>	<p>Aggressive and tough in the tackle, yet elegant and composed in possession, highly experienced player who has played at the highest level of non-league. Capable of playing either in the centre of defence or midfield, entering his 4th season with Bassett, having played 85 times, scoring 4 goals since joining in 20-21. Started his career with Swindon Town, captaining their youth team before going on to make 4 First Team appearances in 2002-03. After his release in the summer of 2004, he joined Conference side Tamworth and during a 4-year spell at the club received a call-up to the England National C team. After spending 2008-09 with Worcester City he moved to Supermarine in the summer of 2009 and was part of their squad that reached the FA Cup 2nd round. Forced to stop playing due to a back injury during the 2014-15 campaign but he returned to action in 2017-18, splitting his time between Shrivvenham and Supermarine over the course of 3 seasons before moving to Bassett.</p>	
 <p>Jack Hobson-McVeigh</p>	<p>Experienced, cultured central midfielder, entering his 2nd 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. A New Zealand national who represented his country in the 2009 U17 World Cup in which he scored a spectacular goal against Turkey, helping the Kiwis reach the last 16. Has played at the highest level in his home country too. Moved to Germany in 2016 and played as high as the fifth tier with Dusseldorf West and SC Union Nettetal. He then moved to England, joining Malmesbury in 20-21 after a brief spell with Cirencester Town. In his first season with Bassett, Hobson-McVeigh scored 5 times in 36 games.</p>	<p>Steve Green</p>
 <p>Scott Chilcott</p>	<p>Dependent full back entering his 3rd season with Bassett after joining from Shrivvenham. 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 Shrivvenham 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 last season, scoring three goals in a 4 game spell when plugged into a forward role.</p>	<p>Mike Price</p>








Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <p>Jowan Partridge</p>	<p>Recent graduate of Bassett's U18 team. Extremely talented young defender who is comfortable at either centre half or half back. Calm and assured when in possession, an excellent distributor of the ball and his anticipation and ability to read the game make him an ultra-composed defender. Joined Bassett's U18 side in 2021-22 and quickly stood as a star player and his performances earned the attention of Men's First Team manager Sam Collier, making his debut as a substitute in an FA Vase win against Downton before appearing twice more. Last season saw him earn his first start in an away win at Mangotsfield and in all he featured 29 times and was named Bassett's Young Player of the Year, the defender also narrowly missed out on selection for English Schools FA U18 Schoolboys' squad, reaching the final trial.</p>	
 <p>Kai Robinson</p>	<p>An unsung hero of the team. An energetic, tough-tackling central midfielder who is entering his 7th year with Bassett. Initially joined the club at the start of the 17-18 season and was one of Bassett's leading appearance makers that year, playing 36 times and scoring once. His appearances were more limited over the next 4 seasons. However over the past 18 months Robinson has played a key role in the heart of midfield. His performances over 43 games in 22-23 earning him joint Manager's Player of the Year honours. Has played 132 times for Bassett, scoring twice. Initially joined Bassett from Wantage Town, with whom he gained Southern League experience during the Alfredians' difficult 16-17 campaign.</p>	
 <p>Sonny James</p>	<p>A highly talented young defender who will be pushing for a regular First Team berth in the new season. Capable of playing at both centre half and full back, he is a composed defender who can also distribute the ball well. Was a key member of the Under 18 team that finished as Wiltshire League Floodlit Division runners-up in each of the last two seasons. And in 2022-23 he made his First Team debut as a substitute in a home win against Tuffley Rovers before appearing three further times from the bench. Also spent part of last season playing in the USA for the Allen Community College Red Devils at National Junior College Athletic Association level.</p>	
 <p>Spencer Bowen</p>	<p>A talented young player who is aiming to break through and establish a regular place in the First Team this season. A left-sided player capable of playing either in defence or midfield, he possesses great skill and is a strong passer of the ball. Starred for Bassett's U18 side as they finished as Wiltshire League Floodlit Division runners-up last season. Earning both Manager's and Players' Player of the Year awards, he made 20 appearances, scoring one goal. He also featured twice for the Development team before making his First Team debut as a substitute in a 3-0 home win against Hereford Pegasus. Bowen went on to make another five appearances from the bench.</p>	
 <p>Chris Taylor</p>	<p>A vastly experienced central midfielder who is entering his 4th season with Bassett. A classy operator, who is supremely confident on the ball, possesses excellent distribution and superb fitness, he has featured 81 times, scoring twice, since making his Bassett debut in 2020-21. Joined Bassett after 4 years at Highworth, during which he helped them achieve promotion to the Southern League. However, it is with Swindon Supermarine that he spent most of his career. An England U15 international in his youth, he featured 4 times for Swindon Town in 2002-03 before being released in 2006. He then joined Supermarine making 355 appearances over the course of 9 seasons. He has also played for Newport County, Maidenhead Utd, Cirencester Town, Hungerford Town and Australian side Dandenong Thunder.</p>	
 <p>Tom Moore</p>	<p>A gifted, young attacking midfielder who re-joins Bassett this season, having spent the past year and a half at university in Manchester. A player with a superb attitude and willingness to improve his game, he possesses great pace, a willingness 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 3 goals in 11 appearances.</p>	
 <p>Bailey Gallagher</p>	<p>Graduate of Bassett's youth section. 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 pace, Gallagher is exceptionally difficult to defend against and he also has the knack for producing spectacular goals. Impressed in his first full season playing at Hellenic Prem level, Bassett's leading outfield appearance maker in 2021-22, he featured 44 times, scoring 9 goals. Last season he added another 7 goals in 47 matches.</p>	<p>Ethan Price</p>

Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <p>Matt Jones</p>	<p>Dynamic, versatile player now in his 2nd season with Bassett. Primarily an attacking midfielder - playing either centrally or on the left side, he is also an accomplished performer in a deeper midfield role as well as at left back. Strong, skilful, good in the air & possessing a turn of pace. Jones is the complete package. He finished as Bassett's 22-23 Golden Boot winner with 17 goals in 29 appearances. Has experience playing at a higher level. As a youth he was with Swindon Town making one appearance as a substitute against Rotherham in 13-14. The following year he had loan spells with Wantage, Chippenham and Farnborough. Following his release from Swindon, he joined Chippenham, and starred as they won the 16-17 Southern League Premier title. He then had spells with Cirencester, Farnborough, Hungerford and Weston-super-Mare before joining Bassett.</p>	
 <p>George Staten</p>	<p>Returning to the club this year after being away at university, Staten is a talented player who is a product of Bassett's youth section. Possessing great pace and a great left foot, he is capable of playing either in midfield or at full back. Staten made his debut in senior football with Bassett in 2017-18. Spending the majority the season playing for the Development team, he scored three goals, while winning the Manager's Player of the Year award. His impressive displays were enough to earn a call-up to the first team towards the end of the campaign. In all he made five appearances, winning man of the match on his debut against Abingdon United. A year later he scored six goals in 17 Development team appearances and was again named as Manager's Player of the Year. Staten briefly appeared for the Development side in 2022-23 too, playing three times.</p>	<p>Hello Loveli Photography</p>
 <p>Tommy Ouldridge</p>	<p>A mercurial attacking midfielder entering his 3rd full season with the club. Capable of playing on either wing or through the middle. Talented player who possesses great skill, the ability to pick out any pass, an excellent delivery and an eye for goal. Came through Swindon Town's youth system but never made a first team appearance. Released by Swindon after loan spells at Chippenham and Cirencester in 17-18. Started the 18-19 campaign with Hungerford before moving back to Cirencester where he spent the majority of the next 2 seasons. Played 6 times for Bassett in 20-21, scoring 3. A season later, he featured 41 times, scoring 7. Injuries frustrated him last season, but still made 30 appearances, contributing 5 goals.</p>	<p>AFC Mannington</p>
 <p>Flynn Walters</p>	<p>Promising young forward who made his Men's First Team debut last season. Skilful, with good pace and an assured finisher, he was a part of the Under 15 Floodlit team who finished as Wiltshire League Floodlit Division runners-up in each of the last two seasons. He registered twice in 13 games for the U18s in 2021-22 before playing a more significant role in 2022-23 as he scored eight times in 21 games. His performances saw him earn a place in the club's senior Men's sides last season too. Walters featured five times for the Development team and made his First Team debut as a substitute against Chipping Sodbury Town, scoring the final goal to cap a 4-1 victory.</p>	<p>Matt Paul</p>
 <p>Sam Packer</p>	<p>Cultured midfielder with the ability to change the outcome of a game. Re-joins Bassett having moved back to the UK after a period abroad. A tenacious player with clever movement, an eye for a pass and a willingness to take opponents on, he is capable of turning the game from defence to attack very quickly. Initially joined Bassett in 2011 from Highworth, where he had been a key feature of their successful reserve team. After a strong start to the 2011/12 season, he left for then-Southern League Abingdon Utd. There he played a vital role in helping them survive relegation. In the summer of 2012 he moved to Cirencester Town. With the Centurions he featured 21 times, scoring 4 goals but returned to Bassett the following season, making 13 appearances and scoring once, before moving to Shrivenham for 2014/15. He was back with Bassett a season later, scoring 4 goals in 40 appearances before adding 6 in 32 games in 2016/17. In 2017/18 - his last full season with Bassett - he registered his best haul of goals yet, scoring ten times in 22 matches. Overall, Packer has played 159 times for Bassett, scoring 31 times.</p>	
 <p>Sam Collier</p>	<p>Bassett manager since taking the role in January 2018. In 2018-19, his first full season in charge, he guided the team to 10th in the Hellenic Premier Division - at that point, the club's highest ever finish. Bassett exceeded that record last season with a 5th place finish. Bassett has also set records in national cup competitions under his stewardship, with Collier's sides equalling the club's best FA Cup run in 2020-21 and going further than ever before in the FA Vase, reaching the 3rd round in both 2021-22 and 2022-23. This is Collier's 2nd job in management after he served as Shrivenham player-manager from 2014 to 2015. As a player, he has made 159 appearances for Bassett, scoring 71, finishing as top scorer in 2009-10, when Bassett earned promotion to the Hellenic Premier Division, and 2010-11. Collier has played in almost every other position for Bassett - 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 Thattham Town among others.</p>	<p>Phil Hall</p>
 <p>Alan Griffin</p>	<p>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 2021-22 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 2016-17 promotion winning squad that saw the Bluebirds earn National League South status. In 2018-19 he hit 26 goals for Cirencester as they finished runners-up in Southern League Division One South. Joined Bassett after splitting the 2019-20 season between Melksham Town and Malmesbury Victoria. Griffin also has prior managerial experience having spent time in charge of Malmesbury.</p>	<p>John & Kath Fellows</p>

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Match Report

Slimbridge (H)

Saturday 12 August 2023

Jones makes Swans pay the penalty - at the second attempt

**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2
Slimbridge 1**

The late start to Royal Wootton Bassett Town's Hellenic League Premier Division campaign was worth the wait. Eventually.

Sam Collier's side came from behind to record a rare victory against Slimbridge, with goals from Tommy Ouldrige and Matt Jones ensuring a 2-1 win after George Neill had given the visitors a half time lead.

In the end it was a deserved victory for Bassett, with an inspired second half display helping overcome not only strong, impressive opponents, but also a first half performance that, while strong at the back, lacked any real conviction in the final third.

At half time, Collier and his team would have been forgiven for thinking that it wasn't going to be their day.

After Harry Pickering had saved well to deny Rudi McKinnon, Bassett passed up a golden opportunity to strike the decisive first blow when Jones' struck the post with his first penalty of the day.

To make matters worse, ten minutes later Slimbridge were ahead. A decisive counter saw the visitors break forward in numbers, and a move involving McKinnon, Marley Thomas and Sam Blackie eventually ended with the latter teeing up Neill who fired into the top corner with a fine first time finish.

Bassett's response was rather timid and they were spared their blushes eight minutes before the break when Neill headed over after being picked out by Myron Turner's cross with Pickering in no man's land.

The home side did force a save from Ellis Parker in the Slimbridge goal shortly before

the interval, but it came from Tom Moore's rather hopeful long range effort, with the visiting 'keeper tipping over.

Bassett thus went into the interval a goal down, but they came out fighting with Jones firing narrowly over shortly after the interval.

Jack Smith then shot wide at the other end. But Bassett were the side on top and they were soon on terms.

On 55 minutes Bailey Gallagher stood up a fine cross from the right wing which Ouldrige guided home with a perfectly placed header at the far post.

Bassett were then almost in front with a quickfire second but full back Louis Spalding saw an effort deflected just wide.

They remained on top though and their persistence paid off with quarter of an hour to go when Gallagher won a rather soft penalty. Despite having missed earlier, Jones stepped up to do the honours again, and this time he blasted past Parker, sending the 'keeper the wrong way.

Slimbridge, already temporarily down to ten men due to a sin bin, felt aggrieved by the decision and were soon permanently a man down when Ben Pricor earned a second yellow card.

That helped limit the chances of Slimbridge getting back on level terms, though Pickering did have to be alert to keep out Tyler Jagers in injury time.

Bassett thus start the second season in a row with a league win. Now's the time to turn that into a winning streak, beginning with Tuesday's visit to Wantage Town.



Action from our 2-1 home win over Slimbridge
(pictures courtesy of Steve Green)



RWBTFC HELLENIC LEAGUE STATS

LEAGUE RECORD, MANAGERS, TOP SCORERS

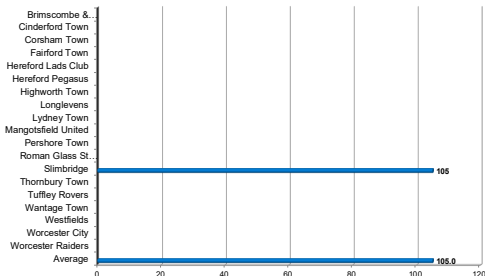
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Season	Div	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Manager	Top Scorer
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York 25
1990/91	1	30	11	8	11	32	36	41	8 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1991/92	1	32	10	8	14	45	59	38	12 out of 17	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1992/93	1	30	8	6	16	40	53	30	12 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1993/94	1	34	15	8	11	65	57	53	9 out of 18	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1994/95	1	38	18	5	15	67	68	59	9 out of 20	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent/Darren Jell
1995/96	1	34	12	9	13	50	64	45	10 out of 18	Kevin Maloney	Scott Vincent
1996/97	1	32	9	8	15	37	50	35	11 out of 17	Kevin Maloney	Ian Curtis/Gary Ashford 8
1997/98	1	32	12	6	14	67	58	42	10 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart/Peter Dearlove 10
1998/99	1	32	17	7	8	64	43	58	5 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart 17
1999/00	1	28	15	7	6	54	32	52	3 out of 15	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart
2000/01	Prem	38	14	10	14	54	60	52	13 out of 20	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart 25
2001/02	Prem	42	11	9	22	39	75	42	19 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Mark Vaughan 14
2002/03	Prem	40	10	10	20	36	70	40	15 out of 21	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 9
2003/04	Prem	42	11	5	26	38	73	38	16 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 16
2004/05	Prem	42	6	9	27	30	85	27	21 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley/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 Yeardeley 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	36	18	7	11	61	48	61	5 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 14
2023/24	Prem	2	2	0	0	6	1	6	6 out of 20	Sam Collier	Connor Waldon & Bailey Gallagher 2
Total		1,185	454	244	487	1,849	1,994	1,603			
Won:Drew:Lost Ratio		38.3%	20.6%	41.1%							
	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts				
Premier Division	577	185	113	279	776	1,087	665	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	32.1%	19.6%	48.4%
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%

* At time season 2019-20 was suspended due to Covid-19

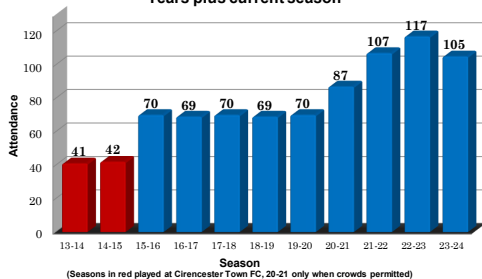
Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2021/22	341 v Corsham Town
Average Hellenic Attendance 2022/23	116 (up from 107 in 21/22)
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)

CROWDS

RWBTFC League Attendances - Season 2023-24



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



Match Report

Wantage Town (A)

Tuesday 15 August 2023

Waldon double helps Bassett waltz past Wantage

**Wantage Town 0
Royal Wootton Bassett Town 4**

Royal Wootton Bassett Town made it two wins from two to start their Hellenic League Premier Division campaign after an emphatic 4-0 victory away against Wantage Town.

New signing Connor Waldon led the way, scoring twice as Sam Collier's side eased their way to another three points.

Saturday's win against Slimbridge was a nailbiter, with Bassett forced to come from behind.

However, Waldon opened his account midway through the opening period to ensure that this time Bassett would be playing from in front - a position from which they never looked back.

Good work down the left between Louis Spalding and Tommy Ouldrige opened up space for the latter to deliver a ball into the

box, which Waldon controlled before sitting his marker down and firing into the roof of the net.

Bailey Gallagher then doubled Bassett's advantage as half time neared. Ouldrige was again involved, delivering a sublime cross for Gallagher who volleyed home.

Waldon netted his second of the night to make it 3-0 around the hour mark when he was on hand to slot into the net after Mitchell Larman could only parry from a long range Gallagher drive.

The scoring was finally completed fifteen minutes from time when substitute Tom Moore got in on the act, bundling in a rebound after Adam Corcoran had initially seen his header saved by Larman.

It could certainly have been a greater margin of victory for Bassett but for some otherwise sloppy finishing. However, Collier will have few complaints given the size of the win - with the clean sheet an added bonus.

Bassett now have a weekend off to rest their legs before next Tuesday's home test against Mangotsfield United.



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Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd	1	2	3	4	5	6
Sat 05-Aug	Mangotsfield Utd (FAC Ex. Prelim)	A	L 0 - 2	190	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	H. Walters	Bampton	Ouldr
Sat 12-Aug	Slimbridge	H	W 2 - 1	105	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Ouldr
Tue 15-Aug	Wantage Town	A	W 4 - 0	66	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Ouldr
Tue 22-Aug	Mangotsfield United	H								
Sat 26-Aug	Hereford Pegasus	H								
Mon 28-Aug	Highworth Town	A								
Tue 05-Sep	Corsham Town	A								
Sat 09-Sep	Tuffley Rovers	A								
Thur 14-Sep	Swindon Supermarine (FLC1)	H								
Tue 19-Sep	Fairford Town	A								
Tue 26-Sep	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A								
Sat 30-Sep	Pershore Town	H								
Tue 03-Oct	Thornbury Town	H								
Sat 07-Oct	Lydney Town	A								
Tue 10-Oct	Thornbury Town	A								
Sat 14-Oct	Longlevens	H								
Tue 17-Oct	Roman Glass St George	H								
Sat 21-Oct	FA Vase 1st Rnd Proper									
Sat 28-Oct	Hereford Lads Club	H								
Sat 04-Nov	Cinderford Town	A								
Sat 11-Nov	Worcester Raiders	H								
Sat 18-Nov	Worcester City	A								
Sat 25-Nov	Westfields	A								
Sat 02-Dec	Tuffley Rovers	H								
Sat 09-Dec	Pershore Town	A								
Sat 16-Dec	Lydney Town	H								
Sat 23-Dec	Longlevens	A								
Wed 27-Dec	Highworth Town	H								
Sat 30-Dec	Hereford Pegasus	A								
Mon 01-Jan	Hereford Lads Club	A								
Sat 06-Jan	Cinderford Town	H								
Sat 13-Jan	Worcester Raiders	A								
Sat 20-Jan	Worcester City	H								
Sat 27-Jan	Westfields	H								
Sat 03-Feb	Roman Glass St George	A								
Sat 10-Feb	Slimbridge	A								
Sat 17-Feb	Wantage Town	H								
Sat 24-Feb	Mangotsfield United	A								
Sat 02-Mar	Corsham Town	H								
Tue 08-Mar	Fairford Town	H								
Sat 16-Mar	Brimscombe & Thrupp	H								

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



MEN'S FIRST TEAM SEASON 2023-24



6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15	16	16
Griffin	Taylor	Wrona	Moore	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Griffin	Timbrell	F.Walters		
Griffin (1)	Taylor	Jones (1)	Moore	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Robinson	Packer	Waldon		
Griffin	Taylor	Jones	Waldon (2)	Gallagher (2)	Hobson-McVeigh	Robinson	Packer	Moore	Chilcott	Griffin

Shield (County Cup), BICC - Challenge Cup



Season 2023-24

Appearances & Goals Statistics

Season 2023-24						RWBTFC Career	
	Appearances	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	Bailey Gallagher	3		3	2	96	18
2	David Bampton	3		3		88	4
3	Chris Taylor	3		3		84	2
4	Thomas Ouldrige	3		3	1	78	16
5	Louis Spalding	3		3		50	10
6	Jack Hobson-McVeigh	3		3		39	5
7	Jowan Partridge	3		3		35	
8	Harry Pickering	3		3		3	
9	Tom Moore	2	1	3		14	3
10	Adam Corcoran	2		2		308	15
11	Matthew Jones	2		2	1	32	19
12	Connor Waldron	1	1	2	2	2	2
13	Sam Packer		2	2		161	31
14	Kai Robinson		2	2		134	2
15	Alan Griffin		2	2		72	22
16	Giorgio Wrona	1		1		206	24
17	Harry Walters	1		1		21	
18	Scott Chilcott		1	1		58	3
19	Joshua Timbrell		1	1		16	
20	Flynn Walters		1	1		2	1



Season 2023-24

Hellenic League Tables

2023-2024 Season							
UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division							
	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Worcester Raiders	4	3	1	0	6	0	10
2 Hereford Lads Club	4	2	1	1	7	2	7
3 Pershore Town	3	2	1	0	7	2	7
4 Worcester City	3	2	1	0	7	2	7
5 Corsham Town	3	2	1	0	6	2	7
6 Royal W. Bassett Town	2	2	0	0	6	1	6
7 Brimscombe & Thrupp	3	1	2	0	8	4	5
8 Fairford Town	3	1	2	0	3	1	5
9 Slimbridge	3	1	1	1	6	4	4
10 Mangotsfield United	3	1	1	1	5	3	4
11 Cinderford Town	4	1	1	2	11	10	4
12 Westfields	3	1	1	1	6	6	4
13 Highworth Town	3	1	1	1	2	4	4
14 Hereford Pegasus	3	1	1	1	4	7	4
15 Longlevens AFC	4	1	0	3	7	14	3
16 Tuffley Rovers	3	0	1	2	3	6	1
17 Roman Glass St George	2	0	0	2	0	3	0
18 Thornbury Town	2	0	0	2	3	9	0
19 Wantage Town	2	0	0	2	1	9	0
20 Lydney Town	3	0	0	3	5	14	0

2023-2024 Season							
UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One							
	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 F C Stratford	5	4	1	0	8	0	13
2 Clanfield 85	4	4	0	0	17	1	12
3 Malmesbury Victoria	4	3	1	0	10	1	10
4 Devizes Town	4	3	0	1	13	4	9
5 Tytherington Rocks	4	3	0	1	11	6	9
6 Southam United	5	3	0	2	10	10	9
7 Hartpury University	4	2	1	1	10	6	7
8 Shortwood United	5	2	1	2	10	8	7
9 Stonehouse Town	5	2	1	2	7	7	7
10 FC Bristol	5	2	1	2	10	13	7
11 Sporting Club Inkberrow	4	2	0	2	10	6	6
12 Abingdon United	4	2	0	2	5	6	6
13 Kidlington Res	4	1	1	2	5	6	4
14 Calne Town	5	1	1	3	8	11	4
15 Cheltenham Saracens	5	1	1	3	6	12	4
16 Newent Town	5	1	1	3	5	13	4
17 Moreton Rangers	5	1	0	4	2	14	3
18 Long Crendon	4	0	1	3	5	13	1
19 Chipping Sodbury Town	5	0	1	4	3	18	1

League Cups Season 2022-23

Bluefin Sports Challenge Cup

HELLENIC LEAGUE BLUEFIN INSURANCE CHALLENGE CUP SEASON 2022-23

Preliminary Round

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

First Round

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

Second Round

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

Challenge Cup - Winners

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

Third Round

Cirencester Town Dev	0 - 2	Southam United
Cribbs	6 - 0	Wantage Town
Fairford Town	1 - 0	Corsham Town
Hartpury University	0 - 1	Bradford Town
Lydney Town	2 - 1	Westfields
Malvern Town	3 - 2	Milton United
Pershore Town	6 - 1	Long Crendon
Royal W. Bassett Town (4-2 pens)	1 - 1	Thornbury Town

Quarter Finals

Bradford Town	1 - 3	Cribbs
Fairford Town	1 - 2	Pershore Town
Malvern Town	0 - 1	Lydney Town
Royal W. Bassett Town	4 - 1	Southam United

Semi Finals

Cribbs	1 - 1	Pershore Town (3-4 on pens)
Lydney Town	3 - 2	Royal W. Bassett Town

Final

Pershore Town	5 - 0	Lydney Town
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BARELY 90 minutes (or should that be 110) into the new season and already football has found itself in the centre of a new storm. Strict instructions from the International Football Association Board (IFAB) to get tough on time wasting and tot up the exact minutes for substitutions, goal celebrations, injuries etc have gone down like a lead balloon among the professional game with stars such as Manchester City's Kevin De Bruyne and Manchester United defender Raphael Varane fearing that player welfare is at risk.

In the EFL on the opening day of the season, the average time added on was over 16 minutes, but for National League players, the need for compromise is all the more important. Clearly unaware of the storm that was to follow, National League clubs voted against increasing the number of substitutes used from three to five in the AGM of 2022, and again this summer.

As it stands, Steps 1-4 can only make three changes while Step 5 and 6 clubs are in line with the higher reaches of the game in being allowed five, in three windows. In retrospect, by voting against an increase in subs, the National League clubs have made their bed, so to speak, but in last Sunday's NLP, Chorley manager Andy Preece, Eastleigh boss Lee Bradbury and Dorking Wanderers striker Jason Prior all expressed the need for a rethink, and the opportunity to vote again – this time with the benefit of hindsight.

"If you're going to play an extra 20 minutes a game then our levels have to wake up," the vastly experienced Preece told us.

"Premier League players are moaning but they've got five subs – we've only got three. I don't get it anyway, but now I really just do not get it. It will lead to injuries. You're going to have to change the way you train so that players last that bit longer.

"But you can't just do that. You've got to have a long-term strategy with planning through pre-season.

"I just think for this season it could be dangerous for the players and put extra stress on them. With three subs you don't have that chance to take players off and rest.

When it's Saturday-Tuesday, that's when you're going to see the difference. If you're effectively playing another half of football in a few days it's going to take its toll. We've got to change it so that five subs can come on.

"The Premier League lads have got everything at their disposal — sports scientists and all things like that. If they're talking about it and they're worried about it, what chance have we got with only three subs?

"The sooner they look at it and do it, the safer it will be, the better it will be.

"It's something that needs to be addressed as quickly as possible. If it's five from five and that helps with budgets then so be it. Ideally it would be five from seven but I just think you need to have five. We have to protect our players."

Bradbury's Eastleigh lost points to a late, late Solihull Moors equaliser on the opening day and admits that

the added time changes the mindset of a manager in the dugout and his players on the field itself.

"They are trying to make it fair for everyone and for the supporters to see more football, trying to stay a step ahead of the game but where do you stop," Bradbury told us.

"It does affect the way you think a little bit, you no longer just have to get to 90 minutes, you probably have to get to 100 now.

"You are thinking about your substitutions – when you are bringing them on after 85 minutes they might have 15 minutes to play so you don't want to make your changes too early.

"With three substitutions at this level and with the amount of time that we are now likely to see added on, it is hard to get through and we probably need more substitutions. I wouldn't be surprised if most other managers said that.

"We would like to be able to make more changes but you have to keep one up your sleeve."

Prior too, has beef with the new rules. Dorking are one of a handful of clubs who operate in the top-flight on a hybrid three-day-a-week training regime, and Prior insists the extra playing time makes it even more difficult for them to compete with the league's full-timers.

"This new added time rule madness needs addressing," the striker said after Wanderers conceded a 99TH MINUTE winner to title favourites Chesterfield on the opening day. "[Playing] 94/95 minutes is hard enough on your body and is what everyone is used to. Twenty minutes added time is a joke. Saturday/Tuesday that could be an extra half of football!

"Imagine a cup game with extra time! The people implementing the rules clearly haven't considered the impact on the players and the inevitable higher injury rate. If this is going to carry on, allowing five subs is a must. If it's not broken, don't TRY and fix it.

"It's as simple as book anyone at any point in the game for obvious time wasting and go back to normal."

Prior's certainly got a point too. As the row rumbles on at Premier League HQ, there's little thought that has gone into the welfare of players at Steps 1-4 who may find themselves playing an extra half of football a week at times, often after a day's hard graft in their daytime jobs. It's clear a five sub rule will help ease a real dilemma for both player and clubs, and voices such as Preece, Bradbury and Prior need to be heard. The National League has the power to bring this level of football in line with the rest, if that's what their member clubs desire this time. Whatever they decide, however, it's highly unlikely that the constitution will change mid-season. That then leaves the onus with the players on the pitch and the matter at hand... timewasting. The IFAB directive has been brought in for a reason so, ultimately this season, players and managers are just going to have to wear it and get on with it!

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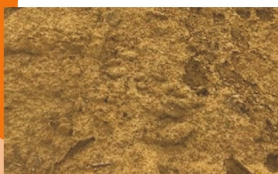
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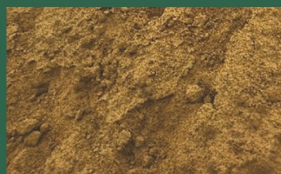
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1995-96	Bicester Town
1996-97	Abingdon United
1997-98	Swindon Supermarine
1998-99	Tuffley Rovers
1999-00	Swindon Supermarine
2000-01	Swindon Supermarine
2001-02	Fairford Town
2002-03	Tuffley Rovers
2003-04	Slimbridge
2004-05	Almondsbury Town
2005-06	Slimbridge
2006-07	Wantage Town
2007-08	Kidlington
2008-09	Marlow United
2009-10	Shortwood United
2010-11	Holyport
2011-12	Binfield
2012-13	Ardley United
2013-14	Brimscombe & Thrupp
2014-15	North Leigh
2015-16	Ascot United
2016-17	Lydney United
2017-18	Binfield
2018-19	Ardley United
2019-20	<i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i>
2020-21	<i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i>
2021-22	<i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i>
2022-23	Mangotsfield United



Last season's winners Mangotsfield United

RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team

Season 2023-24

ROYAL W. BASSETT TOWN FC DEV - SEASON 2023-24 FIXTURES & RESULTS CORSHAM PRINT WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sat 12-Aug-23	Shrewton United	H	League	W 6 - 2	Lartey 2, Bell 2, B.Spackman, F.Walters
Tue 15-Aug-23	Wroughton	A	League	L 2 - 4	E. Spackman, H.Walters
Sat 19-Aug-23	Frome Collegians	A	League	W 5 - 0	Lartey, B.Spackman, Mesas, Pettifer, Head
Sat 26-Aug-23	Larkhall Athletic Dev	H	League		
Tue 29-Aug-23	Melksham Town Res	A	League		
Sat 02-Sep-23	Ludgershall Sports	A	League		
Tue 05-Sep-23	Kingsdown	H	League		
Sat 09-Sep-23	Amesbury Town	H	League		
Tue 12-Sep-23	Blunsdon	H	WSC		
Sat 16-Sep-23	Salisbury Dev	A	League		
Tue 19-Sep-23	Blunsdon	H	League		
Sat 23-Sep-23	Kintbury Rangers	H	League		
Tue 26-Sep-23	Shrivenham	H	League		
Sat 30-Sep-23	Pewsey Vale	A	League		
Sat 07-Oct-23	Devizes Town Res	A	FT Cup		
Sat 14-Oct-23	Odd Down (Bath)	A	League		
Sat 21-Oct-23	Malmesbury Vics Dev	H	League		
Sat 28-Oct-23	Trowbridge Town	H	League		
Sat 04-Nov-23	Calne Town Res	A	League		
Sat 11-Nov-23	Shrewton United	A	League		
Sat 18-Nov-23	Wroughton	H	League		
Sat 02-Dec-23	Frome Collegians	H	League		
Sat 09-Dec-23	Kingsdown	A	League		
Sat 16-Dec-23	Salisbury Dev	H	League		
Sat 06-Jan-24	Blunsdon	A	League		
Sat 13-Jan-24	Ludgershall Sports	H	League		
Sat 20-Jan-24	Melksham Town Res	H	League		
Sat 27-Jan-24	Fountain Trophies Cup Rnd 3		FT Cup		
Sat 03-Feb-24	Amesbury Town	A	League		
Sat 10-Feb-24	Kintbury Rangers	A	League		
Sat 17-Feb-24	Odd Down (Bath)	H	League		
Sat 24-Feb-24	Larkhall Athletic Dev	A	League		
Sat 02-Mar-24	Calne Town Res	H	League		
Sat 09-Mar-24	Malmesbury Vics Dev	A	League		
Sat 16-Mar-24	Pewsey Vale	H	League		
Sat 23-Mar-24	Trowbridge Town	A	League		
Sat 30-Mar-24	Shrivenham	A	League		

Goalscorers

	League	WSC	FT Cup	Total
Kevin Lartey	3			3
Nathaniel Bell	2			2
Ben Spackman	2			2
Manuel Mesas	1			1
Euan Spackman	1			1
Chris Head	1			1
Flynn Walters	1			1
Zach Pettifer	1			1
Harry Walters	1			1

13	0	0	13
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RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team

Season 2023-24

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Season 2023-24

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Wroughton	3	2	1	0	9	2	7
2 Blunsdon	3	2	1	0	8	3	7
3 Royal W. Bassett Town Dev	3	2	0	1	13	6	6
4 Kintbury Rangers	3	2	0	1	10	4	6
5 Pewsey Vale	2	2	0	0	4	0	6
6 Ludgershall Sports	3	2	0	1	5	6	6
7 Malmesbury Victoria Dev	3	1	1	1	4	2	4
8 Shrivenham	2	1	0	1	5	3	3
9 Larkhall Athletic Dev	1	1	0	0	3	1	3
10 Amesbury Town	2	1	0	1	3	1	3
11 Trowbridge Town	2	1	0	1	4	5	3
12 Calne Town Res	3	1	0	2	3	8	3
13 Kingsdown	2	0	2	0	2	2	2
14 Odd Down (Bath) Dev	2	0	1	1	2	4	1
15 Shrewton United	2	0	1	1	3	7	1
16 Frome Collegians	3	0	1	2	2	9	1
17 Melksham Town Res	3	0	0	3	4	11	0
18 Salisbury Dev	2	0	0	2	0	10	0

Frome Collegians 0

Royal W. Bassett Town 5

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development picked up their second win of the season with a comfortable 5-0 success away at Frome Collegians to move third in the table. Last season Frome had defeated Bassett three times, twice in the league by large margins and also in the Fountain Trophies Cup but there was to be no repeat in this season's first meeting of the two sides.

With the normal management team not available for the game, Gavin Cook and player George Lance were put in temporary charge of the visitors, and they oversaw an impressive performance that avenged those three defeats last season. The five goals were shared around the team with Kevin Lartey, Ben Spackman, Mani Mesas, Zach Pettifer and Chris Head all scoring one each. Head normally plays for the Veterans' side in midweek and is the latest Vets' player to take advantage of the relaxation of the eligibility rules which allows him to play in both competitions.

RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM

Season 2023-24 Fixtures

Date	Opponents	H/A
03-Sep	Purton	A
10-Sep	Longwell Green (FAC Q1)	A
17-Sep	Frome Town	H
24-Sep	Ridgeway	A
01-Oct	Stockwood Wanderers	H
08-Oct	Bath City	A
15-Oct	Weymouth	H
22-Oct	Pen Mill	A
29-Oct	Poole Town	H
05-Nov	Poole Town	A
12-Nov	Purton	H
19-Nov	Shaftesbury	A
26-Nov	Frome Town	A
03-Dec	Ridgeway	H
10-Dec	Stockwood Wanderers	A
17-Dec	Bath City	H
14-Jan	Weymouth	A
21-Jan	Shaftesbury	H
28-Jan	Pen Mill	H

FAC = Women's FA Cup, WCC = Wilts County Cup

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

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Torquay United	18	13	4	1	46	18	43
2 Bristol Rovers	18	13	3	2	59	23	42
3 Forest Green Rovers	18	12	2	4	50	22	38
4 Sherborne Town	18	10	2	6	31	22	32
5 Liskeard Athletic	18	7	4	7	38	39	25
6 Bishops Lydeard	18	6	3	9	33	39	21
7 Warminster Town	18	5	3	10	18	35	18
8 Ilminster Town	18	6	0	12	24	51	18
9 Poole Town	18	1	6	11	23	46	9
10 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	18	2	3	13	22	49	9



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RWBTCF U18 Floodlit Team

Season 2023–24

Royal Wootton Bassett Town U18

Season 2023-24 - Under 18 Floodlit League - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League

	Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Thur	07-Sep-23	Tuffley Rovers	H	FA YC		
Mon	11-Sep-23	Bristol Manor Farm	A	League		
Thur	21-Sep-23	Bradford Town	A	League		
Thur	28-Sep-23	Wims 11	H	League		
Thur	05-Oct-23	Radstock Town	A	League		
Thur	19-Oct-23	Melksham Town	H	League		
Mon	30-Oct-23	Kintbury Rangers Yth	A	League		
Thur	09-Nov-23	Kingsdown Lions	H	League		
Fri	17-Nov-23	FC Chippenham	A	League		
Thur	23-Nov-23	Calne Town	A	League		
Thur	30-Nov-23	Bristol Manor Farm	H	League		
Thur	07-Dec-23	Bradford Town	H	League		
Fri	15-Dec-23	Wims 11	A	League		
Thur	18-Jan-24	Radstock Town	H	League		
Thur	25-Jan-24	Melksham Town	A	League		
Thur	01-Feb-24	Kintbury Rangers Yth	H	League		
Tue	06-Feb-24	Kingsdown Lions	A	League		
Thur	22-Feb-24	FC Chippenham	H	League		
Thur	29-Feb-24	Calne Town	H	League		

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

	Kintbury Rangers	RWBT	Calne Town	Radstock Town	Bishops Cannings	Melksham Town	Kingsdown Lions	Bradford Town	Warminster Town	AFC Aldermaston	Home Games					Total		
											Pld	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts	Goals
1 Kintbury Rangers		2-1 1-3	2-1 5-2	2-2 2-0	5-0 2-2	2-1 4-1	5-0 3-0	3-2 2-0	8-0 W-L	3-0 7-0	9 8	1	0	32	7	25	58:15	47
2 Royal W.B. Town	3-1 1-2		3-1 1-1	3-5 0-1	3-1 2-1	7-0 2-1	5-3 3-2	5-1 1-0	5-1 2-2	4-2 3-0	9 8	0	1	38	15	24	53:25	41
3 Calne Town	2-5 1-2	1-1 1-3		3-2 2-3	1-0 3-0	3-0 3-1	6-3 5-2	5-2 6-2	2-0 5-0	W-L W-L	9 7	1	1	23	13	22	49:26	40
3 Radstock Town	0-2 2-2	1-0 5-3	3-2 2-3		2-0 1-5	0-2 5-2	9-1 2-0	4-1 5-2	7-0 3-1	W-L 2-1	9 6	0	2	26	8	21	53:27	40
5 Bishops Cannings	2-2 0-5	1-2 1-3	0-3 0-1	5-1 0-2		4-1 6-2	6-1 1-4	3-1 1-2	8-0 2-2	W-L 5-2	9 6	1	2	29	11	19	45:34	26
6 Melksham Town	1-4 1-2	1-2 0-7	1-3 0-3	2-5 2-0	2-6 1-4		3-0 0-1	5-1 3-0	5-0 5-4	5-3 W-L	9 4	0	5	25	24	12	37:45	24
7 Kingsdown Lions	0-3 0-5	2-3 3-5	2-5 3-6	0-2 1-9	4-1 1-6	1-0 0-3		3-3 3-3	3-3 1-4	3-3 4-2	9 1	1	7	16	43	4	35:64	15
8 Bradford Town	0-2 2-3	0-1 1-5	2-6 2-5	2-5 1-4	2-1 1-3	0-3 1-5	3-3 3-3		1-1 D-D	W-L	9 1	2	6	11	28	5	22:50	13
9 Warminster Town	L-W 0-8	2-2 1-5	0-5 0-2	1-3 0-7	2-2 0-8	4-5 0-5	4-1 3-3	D-D 1-1		W-L	9 1	3	5	13	21	6	18:60	11
10 AFC Aldermaston	0-7 0-3	1-3 2-4	L-W L-W	1-2 L-W	2-5 L-W	2-4 3-5	L-W 1-4	2-4 0-1	L-W 3-0	W-L	9 1	0	9	5	21	0	14:38	3



**CORSHAM PRINT SENIOR LEAGUE U18 CUP
SEASON 2023-24**

First Round

Kintbury Rangers	v	Wims 11
FC Chippenham	v	Kingsdown
Bradford Town	bye	
Bristol Manor Farm	bye	
Calne Town	bye	
Melksham Town	bye	
Radstock Town	bye	
Royal W. Bassett Town	bye	

Quarter Finals

Bradford Town	v	Calne Town
FC Chippenham or Kingsdown	v	Royal W. Bassett Town
Kintbury Rangers or Wims 11	v	Radstock Town
Melksham Town	v	Bristol Manor Farm

Semi Finals

	v	
	v	

Final

	v	
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RWBTFC Vets' (Over 35) Team

Season 2023-24

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Vets

Season 2023-24 - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League - Vets North Wilts Division

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Wed 16-Aug-23	Nomads	H	League	W 4 - 1	Newton 2, Howse, Shaw
Wed 06-Sep-23	Stratton Juniors	H	League		
Tue 12-Sep-23	Swindon Rovers	A	League		
Tue 19-Sep-23	Coate	A	League		
Wed 27-Sep-23	Chiseldon	H	League		
Tue 10-Oct-23	Stratton Juniors	H	WSC		
Tue 24-Oct-23	Blunsdon	A	L Cup		
Wed 08-Nov-23	AFC Swindon	H	League		
Wed 15-Nov-23	Swindon Old Boys	A	League		
Tue 21-Nov-23	Cricklade Town	A	League		
Wed 29-Nov-23	Redhouse	H	League		
Tue 12-Dec-23	Nomads	A	League		
Wed 03-Jan-24	Penhill United	H	League		
Wed 17-Jan-24	Stratton Juniors	A	League		
Wed 31-Jan-24	Swindon Rovers	H	League		
Wed 28-Feb-24	Coate	H	League		
Tue 12-Mar-24	Blunsdon	H	League		
Tue 19-Mar-24	AFC Swindon	A	League		
Wed 27-Mar-24	Chiseldon	A	League		
Wed 03-Apr-24	Swindon Old Boys	H	League		
Sun 07-Apr-24	Penhill United	A	League		
Wed 17-Apr-24	Redhouse	A	League		
Wed 24-Apr-24	Cricklade Town	H	League		
Tue TBA	Blunsdon	A	League		

Goalscorers

	League	Cup	Total
Jeremy Newton	2		2
Steve Shaw	1		1
Steve Howse	1		1

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Vets North Wiltshire Division Season 2023-24

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Penhill United	1	1	0	0	4	0	3
2 Royal W. Bassett Town	1	1	0	0	4	1	3
3 Swindon Old Boys	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
4 Redhouse	1	0	1	0	2	2	1
5 Chiseldon	1	0	1	0	2	2	1
6 Swindon Rovers	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
7 AFC Swindon	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
8 Cricklade Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Coate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Blunsdon	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
11 Nomads	1	0	0	1	1	4	0
12 Stratton Juniors	1	0	0	1	0	4	0

**WILTSHIRE FA COUNTY VETERANS' CUP
SEASON 2023-24**

First Round

AFC Swindon	v	Chiseldon
Amesbury Junior Badgers	v	Devizes Town
Calne Town	v	Blunsdon
Chippenham Town Yth	v	Swindon Old Boys
Corsham Town	v	Durrington
Melksham Town	v	Redhouse
Redlynch & Woodfalls	v	Penhill United
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	v	Stratton Juniors
Bradford Town	bye	
Coate	bye	
Cricklade Town	bye	
Nomads	bye	
Swindon Rovers	bye	
Trowbridge Town Tigers	bye	
Warminster Town	bye	
Westbury United	bye	

**VETERANS' LEAGUE CUP
SEASON 2023-24**

Holders: Melksham Town

First Round

Blunsdon	v	Royal W. Bassett Town
Calne Town	v	Nomads
Chippenham Town	v	Cricklade Town
Devizes Town	v	Coate
Radstock Town	v	Chiseldon
Swindon Old Boys	v	Swindon Rovers
Trowbridge Town Tigers	v	Amesbury Junior Badgers
Westbury United	v	Bradford Town
Melksham Town	bye	
Durrington	bye	
Penhill United	bye	
Corsham Town	bye	
Stratton Juniors	bye	
Redhouse	bye	
Swindon Rovers	bye	
Warminster Town	bye	

RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup - Season 2022-23

Our Road To Wembley

EMIRATES FA CUP ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN 2022-23							
Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money		
					Winner	Losers	
6-Aug-22	Extra Preliminary Round	v Windsor	H	D 1 - 1	£1,125	£375	
9-Aug-22	Extra Prelim. Round Replay	v Windsor	A	W 2 - 0			
20-Aug-22	Preliminary Round	v Reading City	H	W 3 - 1	£1,444	£481	
3-Sep-22	First Qualifying Round	v Paulton Rovers	H	L 2 - 4	£2,250	£750	
17-Sep-22	Second Qualifying Round	v Gosport Borough	A		£3,375	£1,125	
1-Oct-22	Third Qualifying Round	v Hampton & Richmond B.	A		£5,625	£1,875	
15-Oct-22	Fourth Qualifying Round	v Torquay	A		£9,375	£3,125	
5-Nov-22	First Round	v Derby County	H		£36,000		
26-Nov-22	Second Round	v Newport County	A		£60,000		
7-Jan-23	Third Round	v Barnsley	H		£100,000		
28-Jan-23	Fourth Round	v West Ham United	H		£120,000		
1-Mar-23	Fifth Round	v Manchester United	A		£225,000		
18-Mar-23	Sixth Round	v Fulham	H		£450,000		
22-Apr-23	Semi-Final	v Brighton		Wembley	£1,000,000	£500,000	
3-Jun-23	Final	v Manchester City (Winners)		Wembley	£2,000,000	£1,000,000	
Total Prize Money Won						£3,319	

Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC - Emirates FA Cup Record

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

RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup - Season 2023-24

Our Road To Wembley

EMIRATES FA CUP ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN 2023-24

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
					Winner	Loser
5-Aug-23	Extra Preliminary Round	v Mangotsfield United*	A		£1,125	£375
19-Aug-23	Preliminary Round	v Ascot United*	A		£1,444	£481
2-Sep-23	First Qualifying Round	v			£2,250	£750
16-Sep-23	Second Qualifying Round	v			£3,375	£1,125
30-Sep-23	Third Qualifying Round	v			£5,625	£1,875
14-Oct-23	Fourth Qualifying Round	v			£9,375	£3,125
4-Nov-23	First Round	v			£41,000	
2-Dec-23	Second Round	v			£67,000	
6-Jan-24	Third Round	v			£105,000	
27-Jan-24	Fourth Round	v			£120,000	
28-Feb-24	Fifth Round	v			£225,000	
16-Mar-24	Sixth Round	v			£450,000	
20-Apr-24	Semi-Final	v		Wembley	£1,000,000	£500,000
25-May-24	Final	v		Wembley	£2,000,000	£1,000,000
Total Prize Money Won						£375

* Still in competition

Our Side Of The Draw

Zone 7 FA Cup Fixtures

Extra Preliminary Round

Game	Home Team	Level	League	Away Team	Level
119	Fairford Town	9	HELLP	1 - 1 Aylesbury United	8 SC1
				1 - 2	
120	Chalfont St. Peter	9	CCPN	1 - 3 Wallingford & Crowmarsh	9 CCPN
121	Mangotsfield United	9	HELLP	2 - 0 Royal Wootton Bassett T	9 HELLP
122	Ardley United	9	CCPN	1 - 1 Ascot United	8 IISC
				1 - 2	
123	Thame United	8	SC1	2 - 3 Bristol Manor Farm	8 SS1
124	Slimbridge	9	HELLP	2 - 3 Reading City	9 CCPN
125	Bishop's Cleeve	8	SS1	3 - 3 Thornbury Town	9 HELLP
				1 - 0	
126	Lydney Town	9	HELLP	1 - 1 Roman Glass St. George	9 HELLP
				2 - 5	
127	Cribbs	8	SS1	3 - 1 Longlevens	9 HELLP
128	Tring Athletic	9	SSMP	0 - 2 Nailsea & Tickenham	9 WSTP
129	Virginia Water	9	CCPN	2 - 0 Risborough Rangers	9 CCPN
130	Brimscombe & Thrupp	9	HELLP	1 - 4 Highworth Town	9 HELLP
131	Tuffley Rovers	9	HELLP	2 - 2 Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	9 SSMP
132	Hartpury University	10	HELL1	1 - 2 Holyport	9 CCPN
133	Clevedon Town	9	WSTP	2 - 1 Wantage Town	9 HELLP
134	Wokingham & Emmbrook	9	CCPN	1 - 0 Cinderford Town	9 HELLP
135	Easington Sports	9	UCPS	3 - 1 Burnham	9 CCPN
136	Kidlington	8	SC1	0 - 3 Flackwell Heath	9 CCPN

Preliminary Round

Game or	Home Team	Level	League	Away Team	Level	League
80	Flackwell Heath	9	CCPN	2 - 0 Cirencester Town	8	SC1
81	Holyport	9	CCPN	0 - 1 Yate Town	8	SS1
82	Aylesbury United	8	SC1	0 - 2 Clevedon Town	9	WSTP
83	Evesham United	8	SS1	2 - 0 Tuffley Rovers	9	HELLP
84	Virginia Water	9	CCPN	1 - 5 Cribbs	8	SS1
85	Easington Sports	9	UCPS	2 - 2 Reading City	9	CCPN
86	North Leigh	8	SC1	1 - 2 Bishop's Cleeve	8	SS1
87	Wokingham & Emmbrook	9	CCPN	0 - 2 Binfield	8	IISC
88	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	9	CCPN	0 - 1 Marlow	8	IISC
89	Nailsea & Tickenham	9	WSTP	0 - 3 Highworth Town	9	HELLP
90	Ascot United	8	IISC	5 - 1 Mangotsfield United	9	HELLP
91	Bristol Manor Farm	8	SS1	4 - 1 Roman Glass St. George	9	HELLP

RWBTFC & The Isuzu FA Vase - Season 2022-23

Our Road To Wembley

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. FA VASE 2022-23

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
					Winner	Loser
27-Aug-22	First Round Qualifying	Bye			£550	£160
24-Sep-22	Second Round Qualifying	Bye			£725	£225
22-Oct-22	First Round Proper	v Bridport	A	W 5 - 3	£825	£250
12-Nov-22	Second Round Proper	v Wellington	A	D 2 - 2 (W 5 - 4 Pens)	£900	£275
3-Dec-22	Third Round Proper	v Corsham Town	H	D 0 - 0 (L 3 - 4 Pens)	£1,125	£350
14-Jan-23	Fourth Round Proper	v Deal Town	H		£1,875	£600
11-Feb-23	Fifth Round Proper	v Brixham	H		£2,250	£725
11-Mar-23	Sixth Round Proper	v Peacehaven & Telcombe	A		£4,125	£1,350
1-Apr-23	Semi-final	v Ascot United (Winners)	H		£5,500	£1,725
21-May-23	Final (at Wembley)	v Newport Pagnell Town	N		£30,000	£15,000
Total Prize Money Won					£2,075	



RWBTFC F.A. Vase Record

2001-02	QR2	Calne Town	H	W 3 - 2	2015-16	QR1	Binfield	H	D 1 - 1
	R1	St Blazey	H	L 0 - 2		QR1	Binfield	A	W 4 - 3
2002-03	QR2	Shortwood United	A	L 1 - 5	QR2	Windsor FC	A	L 1 - 2	
2003-04	QR2	Bemerton Heath Harl's	A	L 1 - 4	2016-17	QR2	Thame Utd	H	L 2 - 4
2004-05	QR1	Wellington	A	L 0 - 4	2017-18	QR1	Fairford Town	H	W 3 - 1
2005-06	QR1	Christchurch	H	D 1 - 1	QR2	Codicote	H	W 5 - 0	
	QR1	Christchurch	A	L 0 - 1	R1	Amphill Town	H	W 2 - 1	
2006-07	QR1	Shrewton United	A	D 1 - 1	R2	Hordean	A	L 2 - 3	
	QR1	Shrewton United	H	L 2 - 3	2018-19	QR2	Bashley	H	L 0 - 4
2007-08	QR2	Bournemouth	A	L 0 - 12	2019-20	QR1	New College Swindon	A	W 7 - 0
2008-09	QR1	Buckingham Athletic	A	W 5 - 3	QR2	Tadley Calleva	A	L 0 - 1	
	QR2	Henley Town	A	W 6 - 0	2020-21	QR2	Stonehouse	A	W 1 - 0
	R1	Kidlington	H	W 3 - 2	R1	Camelford	H	W 4 - 0	
2009-10	R2	Wimbourne Town	A	L 0 - 4	R2	Bridgwater Town	A	L 1 - 2	
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	H	L 2 - 3	2021-22	QR1	Knaphill	H	W 1 - 0
2010-11	QR2	Devizes Town	A	W 4 - 0	QR2	Portishead Town	A	W 3 - 1	
	R1	Cadbury Heath	A	L 1 - 2	R1	Downton	H	W 4 - 0	
2011-12	QR1	Shortwood United	A	L 0 - 4	R2	Torpoint Athletic	H	W 2 - 0	
2012-13	QR1	GE Hamble	A	L 0 - 6	R3	Hamworthy United	H	L 1 - 3	
2013-14	QR2	Odd Down	A	L 0 - 7	2022-23	R1	Bridport	A	W 5 - 3
2014-15	QR1	Cove	A	W 3 - 2	R2	Wellington (W 5 - 4 pens)	A	D 2 - 2	
	QR2	Abingdon United	H	L 2 - 3	R3	Corsham T (L 3 - 4 pens)	H	D 0 - 0	



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Club & Other News

SPONSORSHIP PROSPECTUS

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Football Club are pleased to publish our Sponsorship Prospectus for the 2023-24 season.

The prospectus is available to read on the Club website.

In the Prospectus we outline details about our club, the various sponsorship opportunities - large and small - that are available, how the support of our sponsors and partners benefits our club and playing members, as well as the benefits we can offer to businesses and organisations.

All sponsorship is gratefully received, helping the club to support the more than 25 teams that we operate from Under 7s through to Veterans, as well as our community football schemes and annual Holland Tour for youth sides.

We are greatly indebted to our sponsors and partners for the vital support that they provide. Their valuable support is a critical part of our continuing success and ability to provide footballing opportunities within the local community.

Alongside the assistance provided by our workforce of volunteers, the club simply would not exist in its current form were it not for the generosity of our sponsors.

The club is always keen on developing further partnerships with businesses and organisations. And we hope that our Prospectus will convince others to become involved with the Royal Wootton Bassett Town Football Club story.

If you or your organisation are interested in any of the sponsorship opportunities available or would like further information about our club, please contact our Chairman Paul Gerrish (paul.gerrish@rwbffc.co.uk; 07946 629483).

YOUTH SECTION PRESS OFFICER SOUGHT

Royal Wootton Bassett Town are seeking a volunteer - be they a player, parent or supporter - to serve as 'Youth Section Press Officer' for the 2023-24 season.

The individual would be responsible for writing a weekly round-up of youth section games played in the North Wilts League and Wiltshire County Girls' League to be published on the website home page and the club's social media channels.

It is hoped that the opportunity would be of interest to a parent as well as any youth section members hoping to pursue a career in journalism, as it would be a great way for them to gain experience.

The round-up would cover games for the Under 12 to 18 age groups. Due to FA regulations, it is not possible to report the results and scorers in games for the Under 7 to 11 age groups.

Anybody interested in the role, or who would like more information, should contact club Press Officer Stuart Smedley by email.

THE BRADFORD TOWN MYSTERY

Somewhat bizarrely Bradford Town have disappeared completely from the UHlsport Hellenic League table for Season 2022-23 on FA Full Time. I know there had been a few run-ins between the club and the Hellenic League last season but it seems a bit extreme to wipe them from the record books with them having now moved across to the Toolstation Western League. It is proving problematic for completing statistics for our opponents when preparing programmes as all the games against Bradford Town have just disappeared. It also means the table on FA Full Time shows us as having finished seventh last season rather than fifth. One for Mulder & Scully to investigate me thinks.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC



Harry Pickering	1
Jowan Partridge	2
Louis Spalding	3
Chris Taylor	4
Adam Corcoran	5
Dave Bampton	6
Tommy Ouldrige	7
Jack Hobson McVeigh	8
Connor Waldon	9
Matthew Jones	10
Bailey Gallagher	11
Scott Chilcott	12
Kai Robinson	14
Tom Moore	15
Harry Walters	16
Flynn Walters	17
Harry Bunce	18
Alan Griffin	19
Josh Timbrell	20

Dugout Team

Manager: Sam Collier
Assistant: Alan Griffin
Coach: Lee Beavis
Therapist: Kara Gregory

Mangotsfield United FC



Nick Croucher
Stuart Tovey
Jordan Anstey
Tom Warren
Luke Bence
Kyrese Morrison
Harley Purnell
Owen Ridler
Jaydn Crosbie
Josh Pandolfino
Marcus Kelly
Issac Flynn
Kai Stenner
Keane Ashwood
Louis Short
Will Ashton

Dugout Team

Manager: Glyn Ashton
Assistant: Matt Doe
Assistant: Matt Curry
Therapist: Nikos Arvanitis

Match Officials

Referee:		Ashley Foster
Assistant 1:		Mark Niemirski
Assistant 2:		Shaun McCombie

Next Home Games

Sat 26-Aug-23

v Hereford Pegasus (UHSport Hellenic League Prem. Division) K.O. 3:00PM