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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 Today's Game

GOOD EVENING and welcome to the Sustain Stadium here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground for this UHlsport Hellenic League Marsh Challenge League Cup fixture against Roman Glass St George. A warm welcome to all our visitors who have made the journey along the M4 from Bristol for the second time this month, we hope you enjoy your short stay with us this evening and we wish you a safe journey home.

We have now played tonight's opponents five times previously and we now have the better record after our recent narrow 1-0 league win here, with two victories to us and just the one for Roman Glass, with two draws in those five games.

Like ourselves Roman Glass are going well in the league and currently occupy seventh place in the table, three points and four places below ourselves having played one game more than us.

Last time here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground we ran out narrow 2-1 winners over Longlevens in the FA Vase thanks to a couple of penalties from Alfie Presley. That victory sees us through to the Third Round Proper for the third season running where we will meet Bridgwater United who are flying at the top end of the Western League. Sam and the team will look to make history on December 2nd when we will look to progress to the 4th Round for the first time in our history.

Before that we have this cup game here this evening followed by a trip to Westfields for a league fixture. It is important that we keep fighting on all fronts as the two league cup competitions offer the best chance of silverware for us and it is a long time since the first team won any silverware or even took part in a cup final. Hopefully we will be at our best to ensure we progress in this cup.

Saturday saw us lose 4-0 at Worcester City who look cast iron certainties to win the

UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division this season. Saturday's game was played in front of a massive crowd of 825, which is just a different level to all other teams in the league. No doubt Corsham Town will claim that they will challenge Worcester all the way for that title but I cannot see beyond Worcester for that title myself.

Since the last programme the Development side have played two games, both of which unfortunately have ended in defeat against Shrewton United and Wroughton. Saturday's encounter with Wroughton saw Simmo's side take the game to Wroughton but Bassett lacked that cutting edge up front, failing to take their chances and then falling to two late goals that gave a somewhat flattering score in Wroughton's favour. I have to say some of the football played by the Development Team at times on the 3G surface is of a very high standard and Simmo really has the team well organised. The side just lacks an out-and-out goal scorer at the moment. It is a bit of a mystery to me why some of the players such as Nat Bell and Spencer Bowen are not getting a proper chance in the first team, with a run of starting appearances as they look ready for it in my opinion. Hopefully they will feature in tonight's game and if they play well are then given another opportunity in the big games coming up.

Since the last programme, the Women's team have defeated local rivals Purton to put themselves very much in the title race. The division is looking really tight now and it could be that promotion is decided on goal difference at the end of the season and it will be important for Adam's side to make sure they match the score some of the others have achieved against the bottom sides.

Enjoy the game and hopefully we will be celebrating a win to maintain our interest in this cup competition.

Mark



Chairman's Chat

Paul Gerrish

GOOD EVENING, it's a pleasure to welcome our supporters along with the players, officials and supporters from Roman Glass St George FC once more to the Sustain Stadium tonight, this time for a League Cup fixture.

The League game two weeks ago was certainly entertaining and resulted in a hard-fought victory for us. I am sure tonight's teams will be different from the previous game but hopefully the game will be equally enjoyable and with a similar result. Unlike the League fixture, both teams come in to the game on the back of defeats on the road, Roman Glass at Westfields and ourselves at champions elect Worcester City but I am sure both teams will be delighted with their season so far.

In between the two Roman Glass fixtures, we have once again progressed to the 3rd Round of the FA Vase, the third consecutive season in which we have done so. Our reward is probably as tough a tie as we could have had; Western Premier League leaders Bridgewater Town, at least we have a home draw. Tickets for the game are available in the bar this evening and information regarding other opportunities to buy in advance will be announced on our

social media channels shortly. Let's try to get as many in the Sustain as possible.

The Development team, despite dominating their last two fixtures, have fallen to defeat against resurgent Shrewton and Wroughton. They will be looking to turn things around this week when they visit Ludgershall for a cup game.

Our youthful Floodlight team have been equally impressive in their recent performances beating FC Chippenham after somehow losing to Kingsdown.

The Women took local bragging rights with victory over Purton to maintain pressure on Poole and Stockwood in what is proving to be a very tight league.

Thank you for your continued support, it is greatly appreciated, especially as we lead in to a very full schedule of fixtures in December.

Up the Bass.

Paul

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The Gaffer Talking to



Sam Collier talking to Your Sport Swindon ahead of Saturday's trip to Worcester City.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town boss Sam Collier admitted his side will relish the chance of going up against a team he believes are destined to win the Hellenic Premier Division title this season, writes George Nash.

Bassett travel to high-flying Worcester City on Saturday hoping to back up their impressive 2-1 victory in the FA Vase last weekend – a win that saw Collier's side reach the third round for the third successive season.

Alfie Presley scored both goals as Bassett edged past fellow Hellenic league outfit Longlevens to set up a mouth-watering tie with Bridgwater on 2 December.

Collier said: "We're absolutely over the moon to be in the next round.

"We were relatively poor in the first half and got away with it a little bit.

"But in the second half we were a lot brighter and got the penalty but then gave away a bit of a freak sloppy goal.

"It looked as if it was going to go to penalties but we scored within 25-seconds of the restart.

"As a club we are delighted to be in the next

round. It's a great achievement to again be in the last 64 of a nationwide competition.

"The draw has not been overly kind to us but when you get to this late stage in the competition that's what you've got to expect.

"We'll park the FA Vase now and focus on the league and the other cups we're in."

Collier's team will face arguably their toughest test of the season so far when they make the trip to Worcester on Saturday.

But it will be something of a free hit, with all the pressure on their opponents, according to the Bassett boss.

Collier added: "I believe Worcester will win this league at a canter with the quality they've got.

"Any team that gets 800 people watching at this level of football, other teams just won't be able to live with them.

"They've got vast experience all over the pitch so they're a big proper non-league club.

"So it's a bit of a free hit for us. I don't imagine anyone will give us a prayer or a hope going there but it's an opportunity for us and the pressure is off us a little bit after picking up good results elsewhere recently.

"So we're looking forward to having a go at the big boys."

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Opponent's History

Roman Glass St George



The club Roman Glass St George is the result of an amalgamation between Bristol St George and Roman Glass. Bristol St George was formed in 1882 and is the oldest club in Bristol. They were founder members of the GFA in 1886 and won the GFA Senior Challenge Cup on two occasions 1894 and 1895 beating Eastville Rovers 3-1 on the first occasion.

The club also entered the FA Cup in 1891 and the inaugural FA Amateur Cup in 1894. The current ground at Bell Hill was opened with a match between a Bristol & District XI and the English champions Aston Villa in 1894. In 1897 the club turned professional and spent two seasons in the Birmingham & District League. The club reverted to amateur status in 1901 and continued that way until joining the Western League in 1928. In 1935 after struggling financially they dropped out and joined the Bristol & District League once again. They won the first division only once in 1949/50 but were always a leading team until they became founder members of the Bristol Premier Combination in 1957. St George played in this league winning it five seasons in succession from 1963/64 season to 1967/68 until they joined the Gloucestershire County League on its formation in 1968.

The Sixties was the Golden era for the club as in addition to winning these league titles they also managed to win the

Gloucestershire Senior Amateur Cup, five times which included four successive seasons. Success was also found in the FA Amateur Cup when they regularly took on the top amateur clubs in the Country such as Hendon, Dagenham, Hayes and Leytonstone in front of crowds numbering thousands. St George won the County league in 1969/70 and was runners-up twice before a gradual decline in fortunes until in 1987 the club were expelled from the league due to sub standard facilities. A return to the Premier Combination saw a brief improvement resulting in winning the Premier Division in 1992/93. With no promotion gained the club nosedived and were in danger of folding when Roman Glass stepped in.



















































Roman Glass originated as a street team called Wyndham Wanderers in 1960 and played in the Bristol Church of England League and then joined the Bristol & District League in 1974. The club enjoyed moderate success gradually climbing the leagues and in 1980 changed its name to Roman Glass. The club began to decline until in 1990 Roger Hudd took over as manager and steered them to win the Division 4 title the club continued to improve gaining successive promotions until the amalgamation in 1995.

Roman Glass St George in the Premier Combination immediately gained success, winning promotion to the Premier Division that season and then winning that league in 1998/99 season to earn promotion to the County League. The club won the County league in 2001/02 and then season 2006/07 which resulted in promotion to the Toolstation (Western) League, a league the club last played in, in 1935.

Following Promotion to step 5 of the pyramid Roman glass st George FC had 2 Seasons in the Toolstation Western league Premier division and now due to the restructure, compete in the Hellenic Premier division.

Today's Opponents






Roman Glass St George This Season

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	Score	Away Team
HLP	18/11/23 15:00	Westfields 	3 - 2	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	14/11/23 19:45	Hereford Lads Club 	2 - 4	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	07/11/23 19:45	Royal Wootton Bassett Town 	1 - 0	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	04/11/23 15:00	Worcester Raiders 	2 - 4	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	01/11/23 19:45	Roman Glass St George 	2 - 0 (HT 1-0)	 Mangotsfield United
HLP	28/10/23 15:00	Roman Glass St George 	0 - 3	 Cinderford Town
FLC	25/10/23 19:45	Roman Glass St George 	1 - 1 (Pens 5-4, HT 1-1)	 Corsham Town
FAW	21/10/23 15:00	Fairford Town 	2 - 1 (HT 0-1)	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	06/10/23 19:45	Longlevens AFC 	0 - 1	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	03/10/23 19:45	Corsham Town 	0 - 1 (HT 0-0)	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	30/09/23 15:00	Roman Glass St George 	4 - 1	 Lydney Town
CC	27/09/23 19:45	Roman Glass St George First 	2 - 0	 Forest Green Rovers Reserves/U23 - GFA C
FAW	23/09/23 15:00	Hengrove Athletic 	0 - 4	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	20/09/23 19:45	Roman Glass St George 	2 - 3	 Highworth Town
FLC	12/09/23 19:45	Cripping Sodbury Town 	0 - 9	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	09/09/23 15:00	Perthore Town 	0 - 3	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	05/09/23 19:45	Wantage Town 	0 - 3 (HT 0-2)	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	02/09/23 15:00	Slimbridge 	1 - 6	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	29/08/23 19:45	Thornbury Town 	3 - 1	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	23/08/23 19:45	Roman Glass St George 	2 - 2 (HT 2-0)	 Brimscombe & Thrupp
FAC	19/08/23 15:00	Bristol Manor Farm 	4 - 1	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	12/08/23 15:00	Roman Glass St George 	0 - 2	 Fairford Town
FAC	09/08/23 19:45	Roman Glass St George 	5 - 2	 Lydney Town
FAC	05/08/23 15:00	Lydney Town 	1 - 1	 Roman Glass St George
HLP	02/08/23 19:45	Roman Glass St George 	0 - 1 (HT 0-1)	 Corsham Town

Today's Opponents

Roman Glass St George Stats

Roman Glass St George Season 2023-24

		Apps	Goals 	Discipline Table			
				Yellow 	Red 	2Y Red 	Sin Bin 
1	Harvey Tierney	19		1			
2	Jack Spark	17	2				
3	Josh Dempsey	17					
4	Lewis Leigh-Gilchrist	17	3				
5	Rhys Sarson	17	5				
6	Conor Hartley	16	1	3			
7	Joshua Jenkins	16	1				
8	Aidan Sanfelice	15		3			
9	Charlie Saunders	15	5	4			
10	Laurent Davis Wilson	15	7	3			
11	Shea Bennington-Mannings	14	12	3			
12	Loui Ward	11	3				
13	Miles Ferguson	11		3			
14	Joseph Cattermole	10					
15	Thomas Anthony	10		1		1	
16	Michael Bryant	9		2			
17	Keith Kearney	8		1			
18	Jamarni Langlais	5					
19	Bevan Cross	3					
20	Shacquille Smith	3					
21	Alexander Monks	2					
22	Harry Walker	2					
23	Jack Freeman	2		1			
24	Luke Smith	2		1			
25	Andrew Gurney	1					
26	Caleb Summerfield	1					
27	Chigozie Ude	1		1			
28	Dominic Oakes	1					
29	George Brimson	1					
30	Hasankafi Ibrahim	1					
31	James Kenway	1					
32	Josh Brace	1					
33	Lewis Hutchinson	1					
34	Luke Newman	1					
35	Oscar Pearce	1					
36	Steven Fitzpatrick	1					
37	Sean Keet	1					



Previous Encounters

Roman Glass St George

2

RWBTFC Wins

2

Draws

1

RGStG
Wins

Season	Date	Comp	Match Details
2021-22	10-Aug-21	League	<p>Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2 Roman Glass St George 2</p> <p>Bassett Scorers: N/A</p> <p>Bassett Team: Ellis, Miller, Corcoran, Dodson, Ockwell, Taylor, Gallagher, Bampton, Griffin, Ouldrige, Wrona. Subs: Moore, Chilcott</p>
2021-22	29-Sep-21	League	<p>Roman Glass St George 4 Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1</p> <p>Bassett scorers: Griffin, Gallagher</p> <p>Bassett Team: Cavanagh, Miller, Dodson, Corcoran, Robinson, Ockwell, Gallagher, Bampton, Griffin, Ouldrige, Mills. Subs: Wrona, McIntosh, Davidson</p>
2022-23	1-Oct-22	League	<p>Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1 Roman Glass St George 1</p> <p>Bassett Scorers: Griffin</p> <p>Bassett Team: Collier, Partridge, Spalding, Corcoran, Bampton, Robinson, Presley, Ouldrige, Whelan, Bennett, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Gallagher, Wrona, Griffin</p>
2022-23	1-Apr-23	League	<p>Roman Glass St George 1 Royal Wootton Bassett Town 3</p> <p>Bassett scorers: Pagliaroli 2, Jones</p> <p>Bassett Team: Crowther, H.Walters, M.Jones, Corcoran, Taylor, Robinson, Presley, Pagliaroli, Jones, Gallagher, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Griffin, Timbrell, Bowen, Ouldrige</p>
2023-24	7-Nov-23	League	<p>Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1 Roman Glass St George 0</p> <p>Bassett scorers: Chilcott</p> <p>Bassett Team: Brown, Partridge, Spalding, Corcoran, Bampton, Presley, Packer, Ouldrige, Chilcott, Gallagher, K.Robinson. Subs: Bennett, Pagliaroli</p>



Action from the 1-0 win over Roman Glass St George earlier this month
(pictures courtesy of Steve Green).



Today's Opponents

Roman Glass St George

Roman Glass St George Historical Record - Last 15 Seasons												
Season	League & Division	FAC	FAV	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Top Scorer
2008/09	Western League Div 1	N/a	N/a	38	8	15	15	58	77	39	16 out of 20	N. Baird 10
2009/10	Western League Div 1	N/a	N/a	38	5	11	22	38	72	26	18 out of 20	N. Baird 14
2010/11	Western League Div 1	N/a	N/a	36	10	6	20	43	76	36	15 out of 19	P. Coles 11
2011/12	Western League Div 1	N/a	N/a	36	13	10	13	48	51	49	8 out of 19	P. Coles 11
2012/13	Western League Div 1	N/a	2QR	40	9	10	21	49	76	37	17 out of 21	K. Rendall 16
2013/14	Western League Div 1	N/a	2QR	42	16	5	21	78	91	53	12 out of 22	P. Coles 14
2014/15	Western League Div 1	N/a	2QR	42	7	15	20	39	74	36	20 out of 22	S. Bhaker/A. Hamilton-Dunn 14
2015/16	Western League Div 1	N/a	1QR	40	11	7	22	71	95	40	18 out of 21	A. Hamilton-Dunn/ K.Oni 18
2016/17	Western League Div 1	N/a	2QR	42	16	4	22	72	96	52	15 out of 22	K. Oni 19
2017/18	Western League Div 1	N/a	2QR	42	28	9	5	120	49	93	2 out of 22	R. Radford 26
2018/19	Western League Prem	EP	1st	38	8	8	22	55	85	32	17 out of 20	R. Radford 20
2019/20	Western League Prem	PR	3rd	29	12	4	13	62	47	40	10* out of 21	R. Radford/T. Simpson 17
2020/21	Western League Prem	EP	1st	12	7	0	5	19	15	21	8* out of 21	B. Bament 9
2021/22	Hellenic League Prem	PR	1QR	38	20	3	15	67	49	63	10 out of 20	N. Plummer 26
2022/23	Hellenic League Prem	1QR	2nd	38	19	7	12	76	47	64	6 out of 20	L. Gilchrist 17

Totals **551 189 114 248 895 1,000** * Position at time that Covid-19 resulted in season being curtailed

Won:Drew:Lost Ratio **34.3% 20.7% 45.0%**

	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	31.1%	23.2%	45.7%
Western League Div 1	396	123	92	181	616	757	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	31.1%	23.2%	45.7%
Western League Premier Div	79	27	12	40	136	147	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	34.3%	15.2%	50.6%
Hellenic League Premier Div	76	39	10	27	143	96	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	51.3%	13.2%	35.5%

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

Roman Glass St George

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GROUND

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MAJOR HONOURS

Western League Premier
Division Runners-up 1893-94,
1894-95 and 1898-99

Western League Division One
Runners-up 1902-03

Gloucestershire County
League Winners
1969-70, 2001-02, 2006-07

Gloucestershire County
League Runners-up
1968-69, 1972-73

Bristol Premier Combination
Prem Div Winners 1992-93

Runners-up 1990-91

Bristol Premier Combination
Div One Winners 1963-64,
1964-65, 1965-66, 1966-67,
1967-68, 1988-89

Gloucestershire Senior
Challenge Cup Winners
1893-94, 1894-95

Gloucestershire Senior
Amateur Cup Winners
1931-32, 1938-39, 1952-53,
1960-61, 1963-64, 1965-66,
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Last Season Home v Roman Glass St George



Saturday 1st October 2022

Jeepers keepers! Management duo seal deserved point against leaders

**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1
Roman Glass St George 1**

Management duo Sam Collier and Alan Griffin came to the rescue for Royal Wootton Bassett Town as they both contributed to unbelievable late drama that saw their side claim a deserved point against Hellenic League Premier Division leaders Cribbs at the Sustain Stadium.

Griffin came off the bench to head Bassett level with eight minutes to go. But his goal seemed set to be for nothing when Cribbs earned a last minute penalty. However, Collier - forced to don the gloves for the afternoon – parried Joe Hillard's spot kick to ensure Bassett did not come away empty-handed from a game in which they more than matched their high-flying opponents.

That Collier found himself between the sticks was certainly not in the manager's plans. An injury crisis at Hungerford Town meant regular 'keeper Matt Crowther received a call up from his parent club late on Friday. With no other 'keeper registered, Collier was forced into a desperate search to sign an emergency shotstopper. The Bassett boss contacted around thirty 'keepers to try and entice them to play. However, for various reasons his search was unsuccessful.

The plan then was to start Griffin - who had produced heroics when taking over the gloves against Hereford Lads Club last season - in goal. However, Collier's assistant was returning from holiday and unlikely to make it to the ground in time from Bristol Airport.

Desperate times therefore called for the most desperate of measures as Collier signed himself on and pencilled his name next to the number one on the teamsheet. It was certainly not the ideal solution when facing a side in fine form and still yet to taste defeat in the league.

In the end though, it would all turn out fine. Well, just about.

Bassett had found themselves trailing at half time following a Collier error (and, admittedly, a huge slice of luck for the visitors) seven minutes before the interval.

After George Kellow weaved past two defender to open up space on the right, he delivered a cross into the box which the Bassett boss failed to hang on to. Collier then sought to make amends and clear with his feet. But after connecting with a strong swing of his left foot, the ball bounced straight off forward Jack Fillingham and into the net.

The goal meant the visitors were ahead despite not having had a proper shot – let alone one on target – in the opening period.

Up until then, it had been an evenly-matched contest,

though Bassett arguably shaded things. Indeed, it was the hosts who had produced the only three shots on goal of the half, all of which fell to Matt Bennett. The forward dragged the first narrowly wide of the left post after latching onto a Luke Whelan through ball, before seeing a low shot from the edge of the area comfortably held on the dive by Rob Brown. After spinning past defender Ryan Crouch, he then skewed wide with his left foot when the better option would perhaps have been to square to Whelan.

Falling behind in the circumstances could have been terminal for Bassett. Yet, Cribbs – functional, well organised but, for a team at the top of the table, not anything overly special – did not take control of the match. Instead, they stayed in the same gear as they had played during the opening period, refused to commit more men forward and seemed content with their one goal lead.

To Bassett's credit, a strong performance from the back four frustrated the visitors and helped protect Collier.

Cribbs did finally produce some efforts on goal after the restart though, but the 'keeper was equal to them all. On the hour, he dived low to his left to deny Lewis Hedges after the midfielder twisted and turned to fashion space to shoot from twenty yards out. Minutes later, he was almost caught of his line but recovered to bat a snap Fillingham shot around the post. Then with ten minutes to go he was equal to substitute Owen Punsellie's low drive after an incisive Cribbs counter attack.

At the other end, Bassett continued to probe, but to no avail. Griffin was therefore thrown into the fray with quarter of an hour left - and the substitution soon paid dividends.

With 85 minutes on the clock Jack Hobson-McVeigh swung a quick free kick into the box that caught Cribbs off guard. Bailey Gallagher was unable to control and shoot, but he was able to reclaim possession and worked with Gio Wrona to keep the ball in the left corner. Gallagher then passed to left back Louis Spalding who swung in a superb cross, which Griffin powerfully headed into the bottom corner of the net.

It was a goal that Bassett's quality of play and effort deserved. However, they seemed set to lose after a free kick deep in Cribbs territory came to nothing and the visitors were allowed to break. Out of desperation, Hobson-McVeigh dragged down Steve Murray in the box, earning the midfielder a straight red card.

Defender Hillard stepped up to take the penalty but, aiming to place the ball in the bottom left corner, he saw his weak attempt tipped away by Collier before Griffin thumped clear for good measure.

Bassett's management duo won't be there on the pitch to bail the team out every week – but, in the team's hour of need, they delivered in dramatic style.



This Season Home v Roman Glass St George



Tuesday 7th November 2023

Defence shatterproof as ten man Bassett edge out Roman Glass

**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1
Roman Glass St George 0**

Scott Chilcott scored the only goal of the game three minutes into the second half as Royal Wootton Bassett Town recorded an impressive 1-0 victory at home against Roman Glass St George.

Sam Collier's side withstood significant first half pressure against their fellow Hellenic League Premier Division playoff hopefuls, with great saves from 'keeper Rob Brown at the beginning and end of the half helping keep the visitors at bay.

Chilcott then struck shortly after the restart with a cross-cum-shot from the right that flat out deceived visiting 'keeper Josh Dempsey, fortuitously scoring what proved to be the game's only goal.

Bassett's advantage was slender though - and, making things tougher against testing opponents, the hosts were reduced to ten men moments after going ahead as Dave Bampton received a second yellow card.

But, demonstrating the team's resolve and with the defence marshalled brilliantly by captain Adam Corcoran, Bassett dug deep as Roman Glass were frustrated for the remainder of the match.

Bassett's fourth win in a row in the league, the result opens up a four point gap over fourth place Worcester Raiders who have played two games more.








It also helps set Bassett up well for their next league encounter - a challenging trip to leaders Worcester City, which follows Saturday's Isuzu FA Vase second round tie against Longlevens.

In form, Collier and his team will be eyeing up both those games with relish.



Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <p>Harry Pickering</p>	<p>Pickering is a highly-rated young goalkeeper who joins Bassett this season from Melksham Town. A player who has represented Wiltshire at Under 18 level, his performances helped Melksham Under 18s finish as unbeaten winners of the Wiltshire League Floodlit Division in 2018-19. That year he also made his debut for Melksham Reserves in the Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division before serving as their first choice keeper in each of the last three seasons, as well as being backup for their first team in the Southern League.</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 Shrivenham, he re-joined Bassett in the summer of 2015 and has been with the club since. He is a player whose performances have seemed to get better and better over time too. The 2021-22 campaign was without doubt his best in Bassett colours, with the defender going on to earn both Manager's and Players' Player of the Year awards. A quality striker of the ball and danger at set pieces, he has also contributed 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 Shrivenham 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>







Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <p>Scott Chilcott</p>	<p>Dependable full back entering his 3rd season with Bassett after joining from Shrivenham. Consistent performer who is tough in the tackle and willing to get forward to help out in attack. Primarily a right back, but can also perform effectively at centre half, as well as centre forward when required. Player with plenty of Hellenic experience, initially beginning his career as a forward, featuring for Highworth Town Res before establishing himself as a first team regular with Malmesbury Vics in 2013-14. He spent the following 3 seasons with Fairford, featuring 30 times in their 2016-17 Div One West title winning campaign. After a year with Pewsey in 2017-18, he moved to Shrivenham where he played the next 3 years before joining Bassett. In his first season at Bassett, he played in 26 games. He then added 31 appearances last season, scoring three goals in a 4 game spell when plugged into a forward role.</p>	<p>Mike Price</p>
 <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 class 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>	

Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <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>	Ethan Price
 <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 28 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 of 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>	Hello Loveli Photography
 <p>Tommy Ouldrige</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>	AFC Mannington
 <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 18 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>	Matt Paul

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PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <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>Connor Waldon</p>	<p>Waldon is a well-travelled forward with professional experience who joins Bassett this season. A player who came through the ranks at Swindon Town, Waldon made eight appearances for the Robins - including three starts - between 2013 and 2015. He also had numerous loan spells during his time at Swindon, including in the National League with Tamworth, Gloucester City and Brackley Town. Following his release, Waldon joined Swindon Supermarine (where he had also been on loan), and over the course of three spells with Marine he scored 34 goals in 73 matches. Waldon has also had spells with Mangotsfield United and North Leigh in the Southern League while he has featured for Highworth Town, Shrivenham and Chipping Sodbury Town in the Hellenic League.</p>	Phil Hall
 <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>	John & Kath Fellows
 <p>Sam Collier (Manager)</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 have 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 Thatcham Town among others.</p>	Phil Hall
 <p>Lee Beavis (Coach)</p>	<p>Beavis is a new addition to joins Bassett's Men's First Team management team for this season. A strong defender in his playing days, Beavis featured for Bassett during the first half of the 2006-07 season under then-manager Paul Burke. He also played for Devizes Town, Calne Town, Melksham Town and Malmesbury Victoria among others.</p>	

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Match Report

Longlevens (FAV) (H)



Saturday 11 November 2023

Presley penalty double makes it a third round hat trick

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2 Longlevens 1

Royal Wootton Bassett Town advanced to the Isuzu FA Vase third round for a third consecutive year courtesy of a hard earned 2-1 victory over Hellenic League Premier Division rivals Longlevens.

Alfie Presley was the hero for Bassett, twice holding his nerve and converting from the penalty spot as Sam Collier and his side's recent love affair with this national competition continued.

After twenty years in which Bassett had never advanced beyond the second round, Collier has guided Bassett to the last 64 three years running, enjoying unprecedented success given the club's previous Vase travails.

As with last year's win on penalties away at Wellington, Bassett were forced to earn their place in third round with Longlevens pushing their hosts all the way.

Always tricky opponents, the Gloucester-based outfit were the last team to beat Bassett in competitive action at the Sustain Stadium back in February.

And after a first half in which they were the better team, the visitors entered the interval with their tails up, perhaps confident of ending Bassett's lengthy home unbeaten run.

Although neither side had broken the deadlock, Longlevens enjoyed much the better opportunities.

A double chance fell to the visitors just after ten minutes with Cam Williams seeing an effort from the edge of the box blocked before Shaun O'Connor fizzed wide from the rebound.

Presley soon had the ball in the net for Bassett though play had already been halted for offside.

Indeed that was the best the hosts could muster.

Instead the visitors continued to be more creative, with Shiyak Sutherland shooting across the face of goal, Jack Beardsell firing over and Tyreece

Briscoe forcing a save - albeit a comfortable one - from Rob Brown.

Within five minutes of the restart Longlevens hit the post as Cam Williams stole possession deep inside Bassett territory, cut inside from the left and shot at goal.

Soon enough though they were behind. A rare foray forward from Bassett ended with Scott Chilcott being bundled over by Ollie Long. And Presley stepped up to the spot, confidently firing into the bottom right corner as he sent Mateusz Wieczorek the wrong way.

The goal finally ignited Bassett who finally started to find their groove.

They still had to be wary of their opponents though.

On the hour the ever dangerous Brad Martin rising to meet a corner with a powerful header that fortunately was straight at Brown.

Fifteen minutes later the same player shot on the turn from the edge of the area, with a deflection taking the ball narrowly wide. The resulting corner caused panic in the box and Jack Beardsell rattled the bar with an off balance effort.

A pair of chances then fell to Bailey Gallagher at the other end, with the tricky winger first forcing Wieczorek to parry the ball away for a corner before he struck narrowly wide from twenty yards.

The game remained on a knife edge - and it soon appeared as though a shootout was on the cards as Longlevens grabbed an equaliser with seven minutes remaining.

It was something of a gift too, with Harrison Iddles taking advantage of careless play from Brown - who was seeking to kill time after a Martin effort - by putting a challenge in on the 'keeper and poking home.

Brown was rescued four minutes later though. Bassett earned a second penalty as Long was guilty of a stamp on Gallagher off the ball that rightly earned the defender a straight red card. Presley once again took the honours and again sent Wieczorek the wrong way, this time steering into the bottom left corner to seal victory.

The man of the match's double sealed a hat trick of third round appearances. Now's the time for Bassett to finally overcome that hurdle and book a place in the last 32 of the Vase.



Match Report

Worcester City (A)



Saturday 18 November 2023

City class too much for Bassett

**Worcester City 4
Royal Wootton Bassett Town 0**

Royal Wootton Bassett Town's six game winning streak was brought to an emphatic end with a 4-0 defeat away against Worcester City.

Played in front of a bumper crowd of 825, City gave Sam Collier's third place side a demonstration of why they are clear title favourites - and how much further ahead they are of the rest of the pack.

To give credit to Bassett, the visitors held their own during the opening quarter of the match. However, that was the only spell in the game where they came close to matching their hosts. Bassett fell behind in that period too, conceding a ninth minute opener as Liam Lockett cut inside before firing low past Rob Brown.

It was then 2-0 midway through the half when a rebound fell in the box for Lockett, who created space to shoot and made no mistake.

While Bailey Gallagher soon forced an acrobatic save from Worcester 'keeper Haydn Whitcombe, the hosts were now in control. And Lockett came

close to a first half hat trick when he saw a shot cleared off the line after set up play from Dylan Hart.

The second half was then a one-sided affair - and the home side extended their lead to 3-0 before the hour mark when Kyle Belmonte's fizzing shot from the edge of the area just had the beating of Brown.

The Bassett 'keeper did well to deny Hart from a tight angle shortly after. Lockett then had a pair of chances to complete his hat trick but twice was unable to locate the target, first heading wide before shooting wide from beyond the area.

His team's fourth eventually arrived though - and it came in some style as Belmonte beat Brown with an audacious strike from near halfway.

The visitors got through to the end with no further salt being rubbed into their wounds, though Collier and his team were well beaten.

There is certainly no harm in falling to defeat against Worcester - so far this season just two teams, Tuffley Rovers and Westfields, have avoided that fate in the league. And with a handful key players missing and two debutants - Luke Softley and Dan McBeam - in the mix, it was never going to be the easiest of days.

Now's the time to bounce back and quickly start another winning streak.



RWBTFC HELLENIC LEAGUE STATS

LEAGUE RECORD, MANAGERS, TOP SCORERS

ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 35 YEARS + IN THE HELLENIC LEAGUE

Season	Div	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Manager	Top Scorer
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York 25
1990/91	1	30	11	8	11	32	36	41	8 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1991/92	1	32	10	8	14	45	59	38	12 out of 17	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1992/93	1	30	8	6	16	40	53	30	12 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1993/94	1	34	15	8	11	65	57	53	9 out of 18	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1994/95	1	38	18	5	15	67	68	59	9 out of 20	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent/Darren Jell
1995/96	1	34	12	9	13	50	64	45	10 out of 18	Kevin Maloney	Scott Vincent
1996/97	1	32	9	8	15	37	50	35	11 out of 17	Kevin Maloney	Ian Curtis/Gary Ashford 8
1997/98	1	32	12	6	14	67	58	42	10 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart/Peter Dearlove 10
1998/99	1	32	17	7	8	64	43	58	5 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart 17
1999/00	1	28	15	7	6	54	32	52	3 out of 15	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart
2000/01	Prem	38	14	10	14	54	60	52	13 out of 20	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart 25
2001/02	Prem	42	11	9	22	39	75	42	19 out of 22	Pete Yeardley	Mark Vaughan 14
2002/03	Prem	40	10	10	20	36	70	40	15 out of 21	Pete Yeardley	Geoff Swatton 9
2003/04	Prem	42	11	5	26	38	73	38	16 out of 22	Pete Yeardley	Geoff Swatton 16
2004/05	Prem	42	6	9	27	30	85	27	21 out of 22	Pete Yeardley/Chris Jones	Matty Bennett 10
2005/06	1W	34	17	10	7	58	30	61	5 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett 12
2006/07	1W	34	14	5	15	64	62	47	11 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett/Steve Yeardley 11
2007/08	1W	34	11	3	20	43	66	36	15 out of 18	Paul Burke	Richie Saunders 12
2008/09	1W	32	17	9	6	61	31	60	4 out of 17	Dave Turner	Shaun Terry 26
2009/10	1W	30	20	7	3	74	34	67	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 22
2010/11	Prem	42	13	7	22	55	87	46	15 out of 22	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 26
2011/12	1W	32	15	7	10	69	47	52	5 out of 17	Dave Turner	Matt Bow 18
2012/13	1W	30	22	3	5	75	40	69	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Mark Barnes 32
2013/14	Prem	38	11	12	15	60	60	45	14 out of 20	Jeff Roberts	Levi Cox 14
2014/15	Prem	38	14	9	15	66	80	51	11 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Dan Bailey 18
2015/16	Prem	38	12	5	21	50	86	41	15 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Steve Robertson 30
2016/17	Prem	34	15	3	16	61	64	45	11 out of 19	P. Braithwaite/R. Hunter	Steve Robertson 27
2017/18	Prem	38	11	6	21	44	85	39	15 out of 20	Richard Hunter/Sam Collier	Sam Collier 11
2018/19	Prem	36	14	7	15	66	71	49	10 out of 19	Sam Collier	TJ Bohane 20
2019/20	Prem	27	8	4	15	50	65	28	16* out of 19	Sam Collier	Callum Parsons 11
2020/21	Prem	8	1	4	3	8	12	7	15* out of 18	Sam Collier	TJ Bohane 11
2021/22	Prem	38	16	6	16	58	66	54	12 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alan Griffin & John Mills 16
2022/23	Prem	38	19	8	11	67	50	65	5 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 14
2023/24	Prem	16	10	1	5	27	26	31	3 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 5

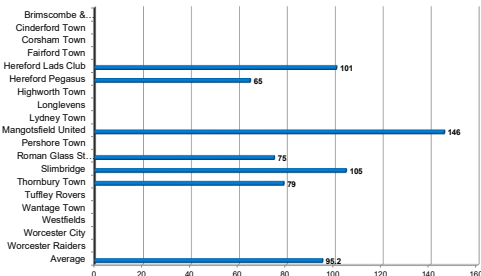
* At time season 2019-20 was suspended due to Covid-19

	Total	1,201	463	246	492	1,876	2,021	1,632	
Won:Drew:Lost Ratio		38.6%	20.5%	41.0%					
	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts		
Premier Division	579	186	114	279	782	1,089	669	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	32.1% 19.7% 48.2%
Division 1 West	226	116	44	66	444	310	392	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	51.3% 19.5% 29.2%
Division 1	380	151	87	142	623	596	540	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	39.7% 22.9% 37.4%

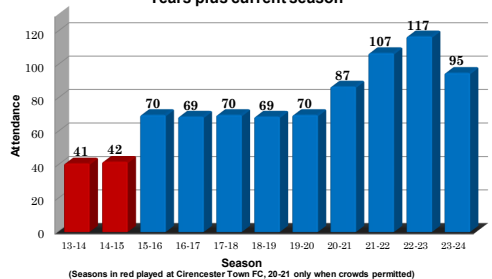
Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2022/23	220 v Malvern Town
Average Hellenic Attendance 2022/23	117 (up from 107 in 22/23)
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warmminster T (3/11/1945)

CROWDS

RWBTFC League Attendances - Season 2023-24



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



Club & Other News

HOLLAND TOUR FUNDRAISER AT CHRISTMAS LIGHTS EVENING

Our Under 12 Blue team will be present at the Royal Wootton Bassett Christmas Lights and Shopping Evening on Friday 1 December, raising money for this year's Youth Section Holland Tour.

They will be selling cakes, cookies, hot chocolate, sweet bags and Christmas cones, while there will be games and lots more at their stall.

Please do come along to the High Street from 5.30-8.30pm and support them.

HOLLAND TOUR BINGO FUNDRAISER - SATURDAY 9 DECEMBER

Royal Wootton Bassett Town will be hosting a bingo night on Saturday 9 December to help raise funds for this year's youth section Holland Tour.

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

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

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

A raffle, for which prize donations are sought, and children's games, will also be held on the night.

Donations can be left in the donations box in the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground clubhouse bar, or collection can be arranged by contacting Michelle McGeoch (see details below).

All donations are greatly appreciated.

For more information about the bingo fundraiser please contact Michelle McGeoch via email (mmcgeoch3@gmail.com) or by mobile (07384 720381).

We look forward to seeing you there!

GET WELL SOON ANDY CLINCH

All at Royal Wootton Bassett Town pass on their best wishes to groundsman Andy Clinch and hope for a speedy recovery after he recently suffered a heart attack.

We are pleased to report that Andy is now back at home with his family to continue his recovery after having a stent fitted.

An invaluable member of the Royal Wootton Bassett Sports Association staff, we look forward to welcoming Andy back to the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground in due course, where he has consistently produced outstanding playing surfaces for both the football club and Royal Wootton Bassett Cricket Club.

FIFA TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER - FRIDAY 19 JANUARY

Royal Wootton Bassett Town will be hosting a FIFA tournament to help raise funds for this season's youth section Holland Tour. This has been moved from its original date and will now take place on Friday 19 January.

The action will take place in the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground clubhouse, with those taking part asked to arrive for a prompt 5.30pm start.

Open to those aged 6-16, the tournament costs just £10 to enter, with the entry fee guaranteeing each player a minimum of three matches. All players will also receive a hot dog and drink. NxtGen-VR have kindly agreed to sponsor the event and will be showcasing their virtual reality gaming technology for free.

Prizes will be available for the tournament winners.

60 places are available. To secure your place please contact Stacey Cooper via email (bal3.stacey.cooper@gmail.com) or mobile (07917 562726).

Please note that payment is required to secure entry - so book early to avoid disappointment!



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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	Ouldrige
Sat 12-Aug	Slimbridge	H	W 2 - 1	105	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Ouldrige
Tue 15-Aug	Wantage Town	A	W 4 - 0	66	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Ouldrige
Tue 22-Aug	Mangotsfield United	H	W 1 - 0	146	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Sat 26-Aug	Hereford Pegasus	H	W 1 - 0	65	Pickering	Partridge	Wheeler	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Mon 28-Aug	Highworth Town	A	L 0 - 1	242	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Wheeler	K.Robinson
Tue 05-Sep	Corsham Town	A	L 1 - 7	250	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Wheeler	Bampton	Chilcott
Sat 09-Sep	Tuffley Rovers	A	W 2 - 1	74	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Thur 14-Sep	Swindon Supermarine (FLC1)	H	W 3 - 0	143	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Tue 19-Sep	Fairford Town	A	W 4 - 2	105	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Packer
Sat 30-Sep	Pershore Town	A	L 2 - 3	161	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran (1)	Chilcott	K.Robinson
Tue 03-Oct	Thornbury Town	H	D 2 - 2	79	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Sat 07-Oct	Lydney Town	A	L 0 - 2		Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Tue 10-Oct	Thornbury Town	A	W 2 - 1	70	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Chilcott	Bampton	Presley
Sat 21-Oct	Elburton Villa (FAV1)	H	W 2 - 1	105	Brown	Partridge	Wrona	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Sat 28-Oct	Hereford Lads Club	H	W 2 - 1	101	Brown	Partridge	Spalding (1)	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Wed 01-Nov	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A	W 3 - 1	65	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Tue 07-Nov	Roman Glass St George	H	W 1 - 0	75	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Sat 11-Nov	Longlevens (FAV2)	H	W 2 - 1	129	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Sat 18-Nov	Worcester City	A	L 0 - 4	825	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	McBeam	Softley
Tue 21-Nov	Roman Glass St George (MCC)	H								
Sat 25-Nov	Westfields	A								
Tue 28-Nov	Highworth T or Bemerton H (WPS2)	A								
Sat 02-Dec	Bridgwater Town (FAV3)	H								
Sat 05-Dec	Clanfield (FLC 2)	H								
Sat 09-Dec	Pershore Town	H								
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								
Tue 16-Jan	Tuffley Rovers	H								
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								
TBA	Cinderford Town	A								
TBA	Longlevens	H								
TBA	Worcester Raiders	H								

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MEN'S FIRST TEAM SEASON 2023-24



	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15	16	16
idge	Taylor	Wrona	Moore	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Griffin	Timbrell	F.Walters		
ge (1)	Taylor	Jones (1)	Moore	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	K.Robinson	Packer	Waldon		
idge	Taylor	Jones	Waldon (2)	Gallagher (2)	Hobson-McVeigh	K.Robinson	Packer	Moore	Chilcott	Griffin
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r (1)	Taylor	Ouldridge	Waldon	Pagliaroli (1)	Jones (2)	Stewart	Chilcott	Hobson-McVeigh		
nsion	Packer	Ouldridge (1)	Waldon	Jones	Hobson-McVeigh	H.Walters	Wrona	Stewart	Griffin	
nsion	Packer	Ouldridge	Waldon	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Chilcott (1)	Stewart	F. Walters	Wrona	
nsion	Stewart	Ouldridge	Wrona	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	F. Walters	Collier	Griffin		
y (1)	Packer (1)	Ouldridge	Wrona	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Stewart	H. Walters	Timbrell	Sheppard-Cozens	
ey	Packer (1)	Chilcott	Waldon	Gallagher (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Ouldridge	Z.Robinson	Timbrell		
ey	Packer	Ouldridge	Waldon (1)	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Chilcott	Taylor	Wrona		
y (2)	Packer (1)	Ouldridge	Waldon	Gallagher	Taylor	Chilcott	Z.Robinson	H. Walters	Griffin	
ey	Packer	Ouldridge	Chilcott (1)	Gallagher	K.Robinson	Bennett	Pagliaroli			
y (2)	Timbrell	Ouldridge	Chilcott	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Griffin	H. Walters			
ey	Packer	Ouldridge	Chilcott	Gallagher	Timbrell	H. Walters				

field (County Cup), MCC - Challenge Cup



Season 2023-24

Appearances & Goals Statistics

Season 2023-24						RWBTFC Career	
	Appearances	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	Jowan Partridge	20		20		52	
2	Louis Spalding	18		18	2	65	12
3	Thomas Ouldridge	15	3	18	2	93	17
4	Adam Corcoran	17		17	1	323	16
5	David Bampton	17		17		102	4
6	Bailey Gallagher	15	1	16	4	109	20
7	Sam Packer	13	2	15	4	174	35
8	Harry Pickering	14		14		14	
9	Connor Waldon	12	2	14	4	14	4
10	Scott Chilcott	8	6	14	2	71	5
11	Jack Hobson-McVeigh	11	2	13	1	49	6
12	Kai Robinson	9	2	11		143	2
13	Chris Taylor	9	1	10		91	2
14	Alan Griffin		10	10		80	22
15	Joshua Timbrell	3	6	9		24	
16	Matthew Jones	8		8	4	38	22
17	Giorgio Wrona	4	3	7		212	24
18	Harry Walters	1	6	7		27	
19	Alfie Presley	6		6	5	86	29
20	Robert Brown	6		6		6	
21	Tom Moore	3	3	6	1	17	4
22	Akeem Stewart	2	4	6		6	
23	Flynn Walters		4	4		5	1
24	Owain Wheeler	3		3		3	
25	Brad Pagliaroli	2	1	3	3	68	32
26	Toby Thorp		3	3		3	
27	Matt Bennett	1	1	2		232	69
28	Spencer Bowen		2	2	1	8	1
29	Zak Robinson		2	2		2	
30	Kyle Gibbs	1		1		1	
31	Luke Softley	1		1		1	
32	Daniel McBeam	1		1		1	
33	Sam Collier		1	1		160	71
34	Jack Sheppard-Cozens		1	1		1	

Season 2023-24

Hellenic League Tables

2023-2024 Season							
UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division							
	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Corsham Town	19	12	5	2	48	19	41
2 Worcester City	15	13	1	1	50	11	40
3 Royal W. Bassett Town	16	10	1	5	27	26	31
4 Worcester Raiders	17	8	6	3	29	20	30
5 Highworth Town	14	9	2	3	26	16	29
6 Hereford Pegasus	17	9	2	6	34	34	29
7 Roman Glass St George	17	9	1	7	35	24	28
8 Slimbridge	17	8	3	6	32	30	27
9 Pershore Town	16	7	3	6	36	27	24
10 Mangotsfield United	17	7	3	7	32	27	24
11 Fairford Town	15	6	5	4	26	19	23
12 Cinderford Town	15	6	3	6	30	29	21
13 Westfields	18	6	2	10	33	38	20
14 Longlevens AFC	15	5	3	7	26	33	18
15 Hereford Lads Club	18	4	6	8	20	29	18
16 Brimscombe & Thrupp	15	4	4	7	21	29	16
17 Tuffley Rovers	16	4	3	9	17	33	15
18 Lydney Town	17	4	0	13	32	53	12
19 Thornbury Town	17	3	2	12	24	44	11
20 Wantage Town	17	2	1	14	15	52	7

2023-2024 Season							
UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One							
	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Clanfield 85	19	15	1	3	52	20	46
2 Malmesbury Victoria	19	14	3	2	41	15	45
3 Sporting Club Inkberrow	18	11	3	4	46	20	36
4 Hartpur University	14	11	2	1	42	12	35
5 Shortwood United	19	10	4	5	41	28	34
6 Devizes Town	20	10	2	8	48	38	32
7 FC Bristol	17	10	1	6	47	28	31
8 Tytherington Rocks	17	9	2	6	37	29	29
9 Calne Town	18	8	2	8	37	36	26
10 F C Stratford	17	7	4	6	29	19	25
11 Abingdon United	19	8	1	10	36	37	25
12 Stonehouse Town	18	6	4	8	27	34	22
13 Southam United	17	7	1	9	33	42	22
14 Cheltenham Saracens	17	4	3	10	21	36	15
15 Newent Town	15	3	4	8	19	38	13
16 Long Crendon	17	3	2	12	22	44	11
17 Kidlington Res	16	2	3	11	19	42	9
18 Moreton Rangers	17	2	3	12	17	51	9
19 Chipping Sodbury Town	18	2	3	13	13	58	9

League Cups Season 2023-24

Marsh Challenge Cup

HELLENIC LEAGUE MARSH CHALLENGE CUP SEASON 2023-24

Extra Preliminary Round

Abingdon United	2 - 1	FC Stratford
Bourton Rovers Res	0 - 2	Kidlington Res
Britwell	1 - 3	Chipping Sodbury Town
Calne Town	2 - 5	Stonehouse Town
Chalfont Wasps	3 - 0	Holmer Green Dev
Chalvey (WMC) Sports	1 - 13	Aston Clinton Res
Chinnor	1 - 2	Mortimer
Didcot Town Dev	10 - 0	Evesham United Dev
Easington Sports Dev	2 - 1	Thame United A
FC Beaconsfield	4 - 0	Ardley United Dev
FC Bristol	4 - 1	Clanfield 85
Gloucester City Dev	1 - 6	Long Crendon
Hartpury University	5 - 2	Headington Amateurs
Hazelmere Sports Crusaders	0 - 2	Tytherington Rocks
Letcombe (Won 4-2 pens)	1 - 1	Oxford City Dev
Malmesbury Victoria	4 - 2	Cheltenham Saracens
Newent Town	3 - 1	Devizes Town
Prestwood	3 - 3	Moreton Rangers (Won 4-3 pens)
Shortwood United	5 - 0	Shipston Excelsior
Swindon Supermarine Dev	3 - 0	University of Bristol 1'mural
Taplow United	3 - 1	Bishops Cleeve Dev
Watlington Town	4 - 2	Southam United

Preliminary Round

Aston Clinton Res	4 - 1	Watlington Town
Chalfont Waps	1 - 4	Abingdon United
Didcot Town Dev	0 - 1	Letcombe
Easington Sport Dev	1 - 2	Stonehouse Town
FC Beaconsfield	4 - 3	Malmesbury Victoria
FC Bristol	4 - 1	Chipping Sodbury Town
Hartpury University	1 - 0	Long Crendon
Newent Town	1 - 4	Shortwood United
Sporting Club Inkberrow	1 - 2	North Leigh Res
Swindon Supermarine Dev	2 - 1	Kidlington Res
Taplow Utd	5 - 3	Mortimer
Tytherington Rocks	4 - 0	Moreton Rangers

First Round

Abingdon United	v	Wantage Town
Brimscombe & Thrupp	v	Worcester Raiders
Corsham Town	v	Thornbury Town
Fairford Town	v	FC Beaconsfield
FC Bristol	v	Westfields
Hereford Lads Club	v	Tuffley Rovers
Letcombe	4 - 2	North Leigh Res
Longlevens	v	Shortwood United
Mangotsfield United	v	Stonehouse Town
Pershore Town	v	Lydney Town
Royal W. Bassett Town	v	Roman Glass St George
Slimbridge	v	Hereford Pegasus
Swindon Supermarine Dev	v	Highworth Town
Taplow United	v	Aston Clinton Res
Tytherington Rocks	v	Hartpury University
Worcester City	v	Cinderford Town

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Aldershot Town is a football club with a pretty unique history.

Reborn in the spring of 1992 after the original Aldershot FC went out of business, the Shots have famously worked their way back up the Non-League pyramid, from Ryman Division Three all the way back into the Football League, where they stayed for five years until their off-the-field misery returned to haunt them.

Relegation back to the Conference in May 2013 coincided with the club re-entering administration and from there its been a struggle with the Shots treading water in the top-flight ever since.

In short, it's been a bit of a tough watch at the Recreation Ground (now EBB Stadium) over the years, so you can imagine the elation of the 1,278 hardy supporters who made the trip west to Swindon Town's County Ground last Saturday to watch one of the most bizarre FA Cup ties in the competition's history.

A goal to the good inside a minute, Tommy Widdrington's men scored again three minutes later and added a third after nine.

By half-time, it was 5-0 and within 13 minutes of the second half the lead had stretched to SEVEN, with Jack Barham celebrating his hat-trick goal in front of the dis-believing and joyous Shots fans going wild in the stands.

Even late braces from Swindon's Dan Kemp and Charlie Austin, to bring the score back to 7-4, couldn't take the shine off an occasion described by the club's co-founder, former secretary and fan of over 50 years, Graham Brookland, as the "most remarkable afternoon of football he had every experienced".

"It was barmy," Widdrington told us. "A bit of an unreal situation

"I have nothing but praise for the lads and the people that have come to this game in their hundreds.

"I am delighted for them as I am aware they have had some hard times of late and this is something to remember, it is a scoreline that you can't ignore.

"They players are fully deserving of today because they work so hard."

Aldershot's feat made it on to the front page of The NLP last week, but there were several other notable achievements which were equally as deserved.

Step 4 Ramsgate's march continued with a stunning 2-1 come-from-behind win over National League Woking, while Horsham held League One high-fliers Barnsley in a six-goal thriller at Oakwell on Friday night.

"It's just so pleasing that we can bring them back to our place," said delighted Hornets boss Dom di Paola. We can bring the town out and be allowed to let our supporters actually watch us in such a high-profile game."

And it was the same on Sunday too with Cray Valley Paper Mills winning the hearts of a nation after holding high-profile south-east London neighbours Charlton Athletic to a 1-1 draw at The Valley to become the second Step 4 club to book their place in the second-round draw.

A trip to Kent side Gillingham, not a million miles either from Cray Valley's Eltham base, now lies in wait for the winners of a tie which will surely add fuel to the debate surrounding the benefit of FA Cup replays to Non-League sides in particular.

"To a player they were unbelievable," said Millers boss Steve McKimm. "We were on a hiding to nothing but when you give belief to players anything can happen."

National League leaders Chesterfield continued to fly the Non-League flag by knocking out the highest-ranked team in the competition, Portsmouth, while Slough Town went mighty close to dumping Grimsby after player/boss Scott Davies rolled back the years with a stunning 30-yard free-kick.

It was another weekend which showed just why we love the FA Cup with its magic conjuring memories, as the likes of Aldershot, Ramsgate, Horsham and Cray Valley will tell you, that can last a lifetime.

Jon Couch

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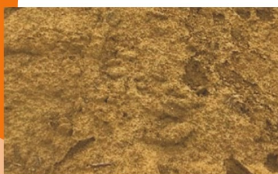
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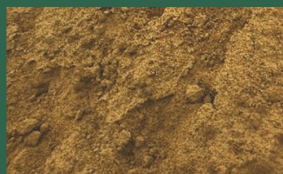
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Preliminary Round		
Brimcombe & Th (Won 4-2 pens)	1 - 1	Moreton Rangers
Cheltenham Saracens	4 - 0	Gloucester City Dev
Chipping Sodbury Town	0 - 9	Roman Glass St George
Corsham Town (Won 7-6 pens)	1 - 1	Devizes Town
Evesham United Dev	0 - 10	Southam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

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

Second Round		
Abingdon United	v	Chinnor
Kidlington Res	v	Oxford City Dev
Mangotsfield United	v	Roman Glass St George
North Leigh Res	v	Brimcombe & Thrupp
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	v	Clanfield 85
Tuffley Rovers	v	Slimbridge
Worcester City	v	Cheltenham Saracens
Worcester Raiders	v	Pershore Town



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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	L 1 - 2	Bell
Tue 29-Aug-23	Melksham Town Res	A	League	L 2 - 3	M.Spackman, Lartey
Sat 02-Sep-23	Ludgershall Sports	A	League	W 4 - 1	Bell, Smith, M.Spackman, Stewart
Tue 05-Sep-23	Kingsdown	H	League	W 1 - 0	Bell
Sat 09-Sep-23	Amesbury Town	H	League	L 3 - 4	Lartey, Pope, F. Walters
Tue 12-Sep-23	Blunsdon	H	WSC	L 1 - 2	Lartey
Sat 16-Sep-23	Salisbury Dev	A	League	W 4 - 0	Stewart 3, Bell
Tue 19-Sep-23	Blunsdon	H	League	W 2 - 0	Bell 2
Tue 26-Sep-23	Shrivenham	H	League	W 4 - 1	Spalding 2, Chilcott, H. Walters
Sat 30-Sep-23	Pewsey Vale	A	League	L 2 - 4	Lartey, Mason
Sat 07-Oct-23	Devizes Town Res	A	FT Cup	W 4 - 0	Bell 3, House
Sat 14-Oct-23	Odd Down (Bath)	A	League	W 8 - 0	Stewart 4, Ceko 2, H. Walters 2
Sat 21-Oct-23	Malmesbury Vics Dev	H	League	W 4 - 1	Bell 2, H.Walters, B. Spackman
Sat 28-Oct-23	Trowbridge Town	H	League	W 3 - 2	B.Spackman, H.Walters, Ferriera
Sat 11-Nov-23	Shrewton United	A	League	L 2 - 4	Capel, Mesas
Sat 18-Nov-23	Wroughton	H	League	L 0 - 3	
Sat 25-Nov-23	Ludgershall Sports	A	FT Cup		
Sat 09-Dec-23	Kingsdown	A	League		
Sat 09-Dec-23	Pewsey Vale	H	League		
Sat 16-Dec-23	Salisbury Dev	H	League		
Sat 23-Dec-23	Kintbury Rangers	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 4		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 23-Mar-24	Trowbridge Town	A	League		
Sat 30-Mar-24	Shrivenham	A	League		
Sat 06-Apr-24	Calne Town Res	A	League		

Goalscorers	League	WSC	FT Cup	Frome	Total
Nathaniel Bell	10		3		13
Ackee Stewart	8				8
Kevin Lartey	5	1		1	7
Harry Walters	6				6
Flynn Walters	2				2
Louis Spalding	2				2
Max Spackman	2				2
Bongumenzi Ceko	2				2
Ben Spackman	3			1	4
Ben Pope	1				1
Euan Spackman	1				1
Finley Smith	1				1
Nick Mason	1				1
Scott Chilcott	1				1
Alfonso Ferriera	1				1
Adam House			1		1
Chris Head				1	1
Manuel Mesas	2			1	3
Zach Pettifer				1	1
	48	1	4	5	58

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 Kintbury Rangers	14	11	1	2	64	13	34
2 Amesbury Town	13	11	0	2	48	15	33
3 Pewsey Vale	12	10	0	2	26	7	30
4 Royal W. Bassett Town Dev	16	9	0	7	48	31	27
5 Shrewton United	18	8	1	9	49	50	25
6 Kingsdown	13	7	2	4	25	13	23
7 Melksham Town Res	13	7	2	4	31	24	23
8 Larkhall Athletic Dev	10	7	1	2	24	13	22
9 Wroughton	15	6	3	6	34	27	21
10 Blunsdon	14	6	2	6	25	24	20
11 Shrivenham	15	6	1	8	27	35	19
12 Trowbridge Town	12	5	3	4	25	16	18
13 Calne Town Res	14	4	4	6	24	39	16
14 Malmesbury Victoria Dev	17	4	3	10	24	47	15
15 Salisbury Dev	16	3	1	12	17	54	10
16 Ludgershall Sports*	13	3	0	10	15	44	9
17 Odd Down (Bath) Dev*	13	0	0	13	11	65	0
18 Frome Collegians							Record Expunged due to withdrawal

* Ludgershall Sports v Odd Down (Bath) Dev subject to FA review & excluded for now

Saturday 18 November 2023

Wroughton Do Double Over Bassett

Royal W. Bassett Town Dev 0 Wroughton 3

After four straight wins, Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development were beaten last week at Shrewton United and were looking to return to winning ways when they entertained Wroughton. A win for Royal Wootton Bassett would have seen them move into the top three but Wroughton had got the better of their opponents earlier in the season at the Weir Field and were looking to complete a league double. In an entertaining first half which saw both sides play some excellent passing football without creating too many clear-cut chances due to two well organised defences it was no surprise that the breakthrough came from a set piece. In the 33rd minute Wroughton midfielder Max Scholefield was going away from goal when a rash challenge from Zac Pettifer saw Scholefield upended in the box and referee Steven Brenchley had no hesitation in pointing to the spot for a blatant penalty. Captain Aaron Maximen took the spot kick, colly chipping the ball into the net sending the keeper the wrong way for 1-0 to the visitors. The home side Royal

Wootton Bassett responded to the set back and went close to equalising almost immediately when Nick Mason forced Ed Salsbury into a save but it remained 1-0 at the break. The home side came out for the second half determined to get back into the game and went close within two minutes of the restart. The lively Nathaniel Bell forcing Salsbury into a stunning tip over the bar from a shot from the edge of the box. Whilst Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development continued to push for an equaliser, they never really opened up a disciplined and well organised Wroughton back line. On 78 minutes Nick Mason had a header that went just over the bar but that was the closest they got to getting an equaliser. The game was put beyond them two minutes from time, an exquisite chip from Luke Saunders from the edge of the box making it 2-0 to Wroughton. There was still time for one more goal and again it went the way of Saunders, a defence splitting pass from Aaron Maximen put Saunders clear of the defence and he fired in for 3-0. Wroughton deserved the win for being more clinical in front of goal and for a well organised defence that frustrated the home side all afternoon, but the final score had something of a flattering look to it as it was a tight affair right until that second goal two minutes from time.

RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM

Season 2023-24

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Women's Team

Season 2023-24 - South West Regional Women's League Eastern Division

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sun 03-Sep-23	Purton	A	SWRL	W 3 - 0	Sykes 2, Davies
Sun 10-Sep-23	Longwell Green (FAC Q1)	A	FAC	W 14 - 0	Elliott 3, Davies 2, H. Gulliver 2, Jefferies 2, Morse 2, Goodright, Sykes, Topping
Sun 17-Sep-23	Frome Town	H	SWRL	W 5 - 1	Elliott 2, Baker, Gulliver, Green
Sun 24-Sep-23	Ridgeway	A	SWRL	W 7 - 0	Gulliver 3, Baker 2, Morse, Egerton
Sun 01-Oct-23	Stockwood Wanderers	A	FAC	W 7 - 2	Gulliver 3, Elliott 2, Goodright, Green
Sun 08-Oct-23	Bath City	A	SWRL	L 1 - 2	Jefferies
Sun 22-Oct-23	AFC Stoneham	H	FAC	L 0 - 1	
Sun 29-Oct-23	Poole Town	H	SWRL	L 1 - 5	Morse
Sun 05-Nov-23	Poole Town	A	SWRL	W 2 - 1	Jefferies, Goodright
Sun 12-Nov-23	Purton	H	SWRL	W 3 - 1	Burridge 2, N. Goodright
Sun 26-Nov-23	Frome Town	A	SWRL		
Sun 03-Dec-23	Ridgeway	H	SWRL		
Sun 10-Dec-23	Stockwood Wanderers	A	SWRL		
Sun 17-Dec-23	Westbury Youth	H	WCC 2		
Sun 17-Dec-23	Bath City	H	SWRL		
Sun 07-Jan-24	Stockwood Wanderers	H	SWRL		
Sun 14-Jan-24	Weymouth	A	SWRL		
Sun 21-Jan-24	Shaftesbury	H	SWRL		
Sun 04-Feb-24	Shaftesbury	A	SWRL		
Sun 11-Feb-24	Weymouth	H	SWRL		

Goalscorers	League	Cup	Total
Hannah Gulliver	4	5	9
Maddy Elliott	2	5	7
Caily Morse	2	2	4
Laura Jefferies	2	2	4
Natalie Goodright	2	2	4
Holly Baker	3		3
Emma Sykes	2	1	3
Laura Davies	1	2	3
Rosie Burridge	2		2
Lucia Green	1	1	2
Amber Egerton	1		1
Aly Topping		1	1
	22	21	43



THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 2023-24							
Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money		
					Winner	Loser	
10-Sep-23	First Qualifying Round	v Longwell Green	A	W 14 - 0	£1,800	£450	
1-Oct-23	Second Qualifying Round	v Stockwood Wanderers	A	W 7 - 2	£3,000	£750	
22-Oct-23	Third Qualifying Round	v AFC Stoneham*	H	L 0 - 1	£4,000	£1,000	
12-Nov-23	First Round	v Sticker Ladies	A		£6,000	£1,500	
26-Nov-23	Second Round	v Plymouth Argyle or Ilminster T*	A		£8,000	£2,000	
10-Dec-23	Third Round	v			£10,000	£2,500	
14-Jan-24	Fourth Round	v			£15,000	£3,750	
11-Feb-24	Fifth Round	v			£20,000	£5,000	
10-Mar-24	Sixth Round	v			£25,000	£6,250	
14-Apr-24	Semi-Final	v		Wembley	£50,000	£12,500	
12-May-24	Final	v		Wembley	£100,000	£50,000	
Total Prize Money Won					£5,800		

* Still in competition

RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM

Season 2023-24

South West Regional Women's Football League Eastern Division Season 2023-24

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Poole Town	9	7	0	2	43	13	21
2 Stockwood Wanderers	7	4	3	0	23	11	15
3 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	7	5	0	2	22	10	15
4 Bath City	8	4	3	1	15	12	15
5 Purton*	6	2	1	3	14	13	6
6 Shaftesbury Ladies	6	2	0	4	8	14	6
7 Weymouth*	7	1	3	3	16	15	5
8 Frome Town *	6	2	0	4	11	17	5
9 Ridgeway	8	0	0	8	2	49	0

* Points adjustment

Season 2023-24 Appearances

	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals
1 Hannah Gulliver	10		10	9
2 Millie Powell	10		10	
3 Jasmine Kennedy	9	1	10	
4 Darcy Cox	9	1	10	
5 Maddy Elliott	9		9	7
6 Natalie Goodright	9		9	4
7 Laura Jefferies	8	1	9	3
8 Honor Fraser	7	1	8	
9 Amber Egerton	6	2	8	1
10 Briony Hurd	6	2	8	
11 Kelly Nightingale	5	3	8	
12 Caily Morse	2	5	7	4
13 Holly Baker	6		6	3
14 Emma Sykes	4	2	6	3
15 Erin Hemsley	4	2	6	
16 Lucia Green	1	4	5	2
17 Aly Topping		5	5	1
18 Lucy Goodright		3	3	
19 Libby Davies	2		2	3
20 Neve Johnson	2		2	
21 Mollie Smith	1		1	
22 Ellie O'nions		1	1	
23 Nia Davies		1	1	
24 Rosie Burridge		1	1	2
25 Rosie Jones		1	1	

Total in SWRWFL*

Apps	Goals
99	27
48	
35	
10	
86	21
9	4
110	17
8	
99	13
8	
8	
18	6
73	12
78	7
6	
5	2
52	13
3	
34	59
17	
42	
31	2
17	
1	2
1	

RWBTFC 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	L 1 - 2	Smith
Mon 11-Sep-23	Bristol Manor Farm	A	League	L 0 - 5	
Thur 21-Sep-23	Bradford Town	A	League	W 7 - 1	Beavis 3, Smith, Westlake, Cranswick-Coates, Painter
Thur 28-Sep-23	Wims 11	H	League	W 5 - 2	Beavis 2, Hicks 2, Smith
Thur 05-Oct-23	Kintbury Rangers Yth	H	League	L 0 - 2	
Thur 12-Oct-23	Melksham Town	H	League	W 3 - 1	Beavis, Simpkins, Westlake
Thur 09-Nov-23	Kingsdown Lions	H	League	L 0 - 1	
Fri 17-Nov-23	FC Chippenham	A	League	W 3 - 1	Wright 2, Westlake
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		
Fri 12-Jan-24	FC Chipp'm or Kingsdown	A	L Cup		
Thur 18-Jan-24	Radstock Town	H	League		
Thur 25-Jan-24	Melksham Town	A	League		
Mon 29-Jan-24	Kintbury Rangers Yth	A	League		
Fri 09-Feb-24	Kingsdown Lions	A	League		
Thur 22-Feb-24	FC Chippenham	H	League		
Thur 29-Feb-24	Calne Town	H	League		
Thur 14-Mar-24	Radstock Town	A	League		

Goalscorers	League	Cup	Total
Joe Beavis	6		6
Rhys Westlake	3		3
Finley Smith	2	1	3
Beau Hicks	2		2
Jamie Wright	2		2
Ewan Painter	1		1
Noah Cranswick-Coates	1		1
Joseph Simpkins	1		1
Own Goals			0
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	18	1	19

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League

Under 18 Floodlight Division Season 2023-24

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Bristol Manor Farm	4	4	0	0	14	2	12
2 Calne Town	6	4	0	2	13	8	12
3 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	7	4	0	3	18	13	12
4 Kingsdown	6	3	1	2	9	9	10
5 Kintbury Rangers Youth	4	3	0	1	19	4	9
6 Wims 11	6	3	0	3	17	20	9
7 Radstock Town	3	2	0	1	4	3	6
8 FC Chippenham	5	1	1	3	12	22	4
9 Melksham Town	6	1	0	5	10	23	3
10 Bradford Town	5	0	0	5	5	17	0

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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
Tue 29-Aug-23	Chiseldon	A	League	L 2 - 3	Newton, Lye-Owens
Wed 06-Sep-23	Stratton Juniors	H	League	W 3 - 1	Newton 2, Shaw
Tue 12-Sep-23	Swindon Rovers	A	League	W 3 - 2	Yeardeley 2, Collier
Tue 19-Sep-23	Coate	A	League	L 0 - 1	
Wed 27-Sep-23	Blunsdon	H	League	W 2 - 1	Newton, Simpkins
Wed 11-Oct-23	Stratton Juniors	H	WSC	W 6 - 1	Shaw, Newton, Richardson, Simpkins, Gould, King
Tue 18-Oct-23	Blunsdon	A	L Cup	W 6 - 1	Shaw 3, Newton, Yeardeley, King
Fri 03-Nov-23	AFC Swindon	H	League	L 0 - 1	
Wed 08-Nov-23	Redlynch & Woodfalls	H	WSC	L 0 - 1	
Tue 14-Nov-23	Cricklade Town	A	League	L 1 - 2	Wilson
Wed 22-Nov-23	Corsham Town	H	L Cup		
Wed 29-Nov-23	Redhouse	H	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		
Wed 13-Mar-24	Blunsdon	A	League		
Wed 20-Mar-24	AFC Swindon	A	League		
Wed 27-Mar-24	Chiseldon	H	League		
Wed 03-Apr-24	Swindon Old Boys	H	League		
Wed 10-Apr-24	Redhouse	A	League		
Wed 17-Apr-24	Swindon Old Boys	A	League		
Wed 24-Apr-24	Cricklade Town	H	League		
Wed 08-May-24	Penhill United	A	League		

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League

Vets North Wiltshire Division Season 2023-24

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Redhouse	9	8	1	0	25	8	25
2 Cricklade Town	9	7	1	1	18	3	22
3 Coate	6	5	1	0	10	3	16
4 Penhill United	8	5	0	3	15	11	15
5 Chiseldon	6	3	1	2	9	7	10
6 Royal W. Bassett Town	7	3	0	4	11	11	9
7 Swindon Old Boys	8	3	0	5	18	25	9
8 AFC Swindon	7	2	1	4	6	13	7
9 Swindon Rovers	7	0	2	5	8	13	2
10 Stratton Juniors	7	0	1	6	7	24	1
11 Blunsdon	6	0	0	6	3	12	0
12 Nomads - Record expunged following withdrawal from league							



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Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money		
					Winner	Loser	
6-Aug-22	Extra Preliminary Round	v Windsor	H	D 1 - 1	£1,125	£375	
9-Aug-22	Extra Prelim. Round Replay	v Windsor	A	W 2 - 0			
20-Aug-22	Preliminary Round	v Reading City	H	W 3 - 1	£1,444	£481	
3-Sep-22	First Qualifying Round	v Paulton Rovers	H	L 2 - 4	£2,250	£750	
17-Sep-22	Second Qualifying Round	v Gosport Borough	A		£3,375	£1,125	
1-Oct-22	Third Qualifying Round	v Hampton & Richmond B.	A		£5,625	£1,875	
15-Oct-22	Fourth Qualifying Round	v Torquay	A		£9,375	£3,125	
5-Nov-22	First Round	v Derby County	H		£36,000		
26-Nov-22	Second Round	v Newport County	A		£60,000		
7-Jan-23	Third Round	v Barnsley	H		£100,000		
28-Jan-23	Fourth Round	v West Ham United	H		£120,000		
1-Mar-23	Fifth Round	v Manchester United	A		£225,000		
18-Mar-23	Sixth Round	v 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	Hamworthy 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	Brackenhurst	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	Brackenhurst	A D 1 - 1	2019-20	EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	H D 1 - 1
	QR1	Brackenhurst	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	Brackenhurst	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

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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 Westfield	H		£2,250	£750	
16-Sep-23	Second Qualifying Round	v Lewes	H		£3,375	£1,125	
30-Sep-23	Third Qualifying Round	v Hampton & Richmond B	H		£5,625	£1,875	
14-Oct-23	Fourth Qualifying Round	v Aldershot Town*	A		£9,375	£3,125	
4-Nov-23	First Round	v Swindon Town	A		£41,000		
2-Dec-23	Second Round	v Stockport County*	H		£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	
* Still in competition					Total Prize Money Won		£375

Second Round Draw

AFC Wimbledon v Ramsgate	Gillingham v Charlton
Aldershot Town v Stockport County	Maidstone United v Barrow
Alfreton Town v Walsall	Newport County v Barnet
Blackpool v Forest Green Rovers	Notts County v Shrewsbury Town
Bolton Wanderers v Harrogate Town	Oxford United v Grimsby
Cambridge United v Fleetwood Town	Peterborough v Doncaster
York City v Wigan Athletic	Stevenage v Port Vale
Chesterfield v Leyton Orient	Sutton United v Barnsley
Crewe Alexandra v Bristol Rovers	Wrexham v Yeovil Town
Eastleigh v Reading	Wycombe Wanderers v Morecambe

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

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

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					Winner	Loser
26-Aug-23	First Round Qualifying	Bye			£550	£160
23-Sep-23	Second Round Qualifying	Bye			£725	£225
21-Oct-23	First Round Proper	Elburton Villa	H	W 2 - 1	£825	£250
11-Nov-23	Second Round Proper	Longlevens	H	W 2 - 1	£900	£275
2-Dec-23	Third Round Proper	Bridgwater Town*	H		£1,125	£350
13-Jan-24	Fourth Round Proper				£1,875	£600
10-Feb-24	Fifth Round Proper				£2,250	£725
9-Mar-24	Sixth Round Proper				£4,125	£1,350
30-Mar-24	Semi-final				£5,500	£1,725
6-Apr-24	Semi-final					
11-May-24	Final (at Wembley)				£30,000	£15,000
Total Prize Money Won						£1,725

* Still in competition

FA VASE DRAW: BASSETT TO HOST BRIDGWATER

Royal Wootton Bassett Town have been handed a home draw against Bridgwater United in the Isuzu FA Vase third round. The tie is set to take place at the Sustain Stadium on Saturday 2 December.

Admission will be £7 for adults, £4 for concessions and £3 for RWBTFC youth members.

Having reached the last 64 for a third year in a row courtesy of their 2-1 victory at home against Longlevens, Sam Collier and his side will now seek to avoid a repeat of the heartbreak they have suffered at the third round stage in the past two seasons.

In fact Bassett have narrowly fallen to sides who went on to reach the FA Vase semi finals, taking the lead only to lose 3-1 against Hamworthy United before defeat on penalties after a goalless draw against Corsham Town.

If they are to make it third time lucky and reach the fourth round though then Bassett will have to overcome a Bridgwater team who, currently sitting top of the Western League Premier Division, have enjoyed a flying start to their campaign. They carried their league form into their first foray in the Vase in the second round too, seeing off Longwell Green Sports 5-2.

The Robins are a side with great Vase pedigree too, having twice reached the fifth round - including last year when beaten by eventual winners Ascot United, while advancing to at least the third round in five of the last six seasons.

They have also gone at least as far as the fourth round in three consecutive years and will be gunning to extend that streak to four when they visit Wiltshire in early December.

A very tough contest is therefore in store for Bassett - perhaps the toughest draw Bassett could have had. But Collier and his team will do all they can to progress. Indeed Bassett pushed Bridgwater all the way when they met in Somerset at the Vase second round stage in 2020-21, with the Robins eking out a 2-1 victory.

Here's hoping that the teams' second ever meeting will see a different outcome as Bassett - going in as underdogs - aim to write more Vase history.

Up the Bass.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC



Roman Glass St George FC



Robert Brown	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
Alfie Presley	10
Bailey Gallagher	11
Scott Chilcott	12
Kai Robinson	14
Josh Timbrell	15
Harry Walters	16
Zak Robinson	17
Sam Packer	18
Alan Griffin	19
Harry Pickering	20
Spencer Bowen	21
Luke Softley	22
Daniel McBeam	23
Euan Spackman	24
Max Spackman	25

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

Josh Dempsey	1
Harvey Tierney	2
Loui Ward	3
Aiden Sanfelice	4
Jack Spark	5
Sean Keet	6
Connor Hartley	7
Charlie Saunders	8
Laurent Davis Wilson	9
Lewis Gilchrist	10
Shae Bennington-Mannngs	11
Rhys Sarson	12
Josh Jenkins	14
Tom Anthony	15
Shacquille Smith	16
Miles Ferguson	17
Mike Bryant	18
Keith Kearney	19

Dugout Team
Manager: Andy Gurney
Assistant: Anthony Beecham
GK Coach: Tom Goard
Therapist: Tom Goard

Match Officials

Referee:		Sam Lomas
Assistant 1:		Terry Cleasby
Assistant 2:		Paul Bower

Next Home Game

Sat 02-Dec-23

v Bridgwater Utd (FA Vase 2nd Round) K-off 3:00PM