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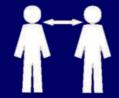
# MARGATE FOOTBALL CLUB

# welcomes you to tonight's game

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On arrival wash your hands or
use the hand sanitiser.
Avoid shaking hands and close contact
with others.



Follow social distancing guidelines at all times.

Do not arrange to meet in large groups.



Only visit the club if you are feeling well. If you feel unwell go home immediately.



Follow Government guidelines.





# Welcome



# Hello and good evening. Competitive football is back at Hartsdown Park!

And so is our match day magazine – but for the moment only in digital format.

It may have been 6 months since we last played a meaningful game at home, but we are all ready and delighted to welcome the players, staff, and supporters from Hayes and Yeading for tonight's FA Cup 1<sup>st</sup> Round Qualifier.

The 2020/2021 season is sure to go down in history with the delayed start, increased midweek games, no FA Cup replays and COVID-19 risk assessment and guidelines at all grounds and all levels of football. Whilst the completion of this season is anything but certain we hope that everyone visiting HDP tonight enjoys the game, gets behind the team, and follows the safety announcements that you will hear over the tannoy.

After a turbulent preseason Jay and the players travelled to Brightlingsea Regent for the first competitive game in the newly sponsored Pitching-In Isthmian Premier League. The match ended with a first victory and 3 well deserved points after debut goals from Luke Carey and Toby Bancroft.

The FA Cup produced some magical moments for the Gate last season; beating Concord 3-1 at home and going to Salisbury and securing a 4-2 win were particular highlights and everyone at the Club will be hoping tonight is the start of another great FA Cup adventure! A reminder that under the new rules this season if the scores are tied at fulltime the game will go straight to penalties.

Whether you are a returning veteran, an occasional visitor, or a first-time guest we would like to thank everyone for their support and enthusiasm for Margate FC during what has undoubtedly been a difficult few month. I hope you all enjoy the match tonight and get home safely afterwards.

You do not have to wait long for the next match at HDP as Carshalton will be the visitors on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September in the Pitching-In Isthmian League, kick off is at 15:00.

#### #TimeForHeroes

# Next Away Travel



#### **Leatherhead FC**

Sat 3rd October 2020 3pm kick-off

#### Club Address:

Guildford Rd, Fetcham, Leatherhead KT22 9AS

### **Next Home Game**



#### Carshalton Athletic FC

Sat 26th September 2020 3pm kick-off



# From the Manager

#### Good evening,

It's great to be back at Hartsdown after what feels like an eternity without competitive football, let me be the first to welcome Paul Hughes, his players, staff and supporters to Margate this evening.

Tonight's FA cup opponents Hayes and Yeading finished strongly last season and we will have to be at our best to overcome them. That being said the lads have trained well, fitness levels are good and we are ready for the match!

It was great to start the league season with a win on Saturday, I was pleased with the debut goals for Luke and Toby and I honestly thought we should've scored a few more in the first half.

We rode our luck a little after the break but overall I believe we deserved the three points.

I hope you all enjoy the game tonight and I look forward to seeing you again on Saturday.

Cheers.

Jay

# From the Chairman

#### Good evening everybody,

I hope you have all kept well and safe through this COVID-19 situation and are looking forward to this evenings match and an exciting, yet different season ahead.

It is now time to get going with some serious matches, starting with tonight's FA Cup game against Hayes and Yeading. An important game for both teams as we start our cup journey after only one competitive league game. I have fond memories of last years little cup run and it would be great to replicate that again this season!

It has been a difficult and unrewarding start for Jay and his team in our pre-season friendlies. The uncertainty surrounding the start of the league and the difficultly in finding the right recruits lead to some below par performances, but the recent acquisitions of 6 new players including Chris Sessegnon, George Lamb and Luke Carey have bolstered the ranks and the team showed what they can achieve with good performances against Ramsgate and Dover.

I was very pleased when supporters were allowed to return to watch football at grassroots levels and I hope with the hard work the club officials have made to ensure Hartsdown Park is a safe environment we can set the benchmark for the return of supporters across the national league system and above. There really is nothing more rewarding than hearing the fans cheering on Jay and the team!

Finally, I would like to wish all our visitors this evening a pleasant time at Hartsdown. Keep well and have a safe journey home.

#### **Terry Painter**

Chairman



# PARTNERS WITH



# GVC is delighted to announce that the new sponsor of the, Isthmian, Northern Premier and Southern Leagues - is Pitching In.

Pitching In, is a new Grassroots Sports Investment Programme that has today been launched by GVC, the multi-national sports-betting and gaming group which owns Ladbrokes and Coral.

The partnership covers all three leagues that make up Steps 3 & 4 of the National Leagues System, who market themselves collectively as the Trident Leagues.

England footballing legend Stuart Pearce, who played for Wealdstone FC for five years at the start of his long and illustrious career, has been appointed as the official Pitching In ambassador.

Stuart Pearce, ambassador for the Pitching In programme, says:

"I am delighted to be taking up the role of ambassador for Pitching In, as I'm passionate about the importance of investing in grassroots sports and in developing young talent. I started out playing for Wealdstone FC before joining Coventry City so I understand how important funding is to the non-league game. Grassroots football is facing huge challenges at the moment and many clubs are struggling to stay afloat. GVC's Pitching In investment will help make a big difference to hundreds of clubs and thousands of players across the country."

Pitching In has been set up with the objective of supporting, protecting and encouraging grassroots sports in the UK through a range of initiatives.

In addition to financial support, a key focus of the partnership will be to facilitate and encourage members of the community to become volunteers, and do some pitching in of their own. A Pitching In volunteering scheme will be established to link GVC's Ladbrokes and Coral shop colleagues with their local clubs.

In the weeks ahead Pitching In and the Trident Leagues will be announcing further initiatives to provide financial support and opportunities for all the 226 clubs (rising to 240 in 2021).

For more information on Pitching In please visit www.gvc-plc.com/pitchingin



And so we are back to competitive football at Hartsdown Park as we welcome Hayes and Yeading in this year's FA Cup First Qualifying Round following a six and half month break. Despite calls from so called expert football pundits that non league clubs should be excluded from this years competition to allow the likes of Liverpool, Manchester United and Tottenham to play the Third Round in October to save facing a backlog of fixtures. Better still scrap the European competitions as travel restricted overseas and with no crowds allowed at the "elite" levels less travel would save the glory boys money they keep crying out they need in these times.

I am sure I can say without contradiction that when I wrote my last match day programme notes back in the first week in March for the Wingate game I raised the point of the impact of the COVID 19 virus not realising how much it would affect every day life and not just football. The social media experts on Facebook and Twitter, who know so much more than everyone else, bemoaning the Government measures put into place limiting meeting up in large groups. They are there for a reason as we try to resume a normal life. With common sense we will return to how we were, I mean it has started already with Emmerdale returning to six times a week!

These are still strange times with, as previously mentioned, no crowds allowed at Premier, Championship, Leagues One or Two or National League matches and these groups more reliant on the television money deals signed with Sky, BT and the like. The only saving grace was that many of last seasons Premiership games were shown on terrestrial programmes like the BBC and Pick so we were able to get our football fix, whilst Margate was closed, even if it Burnley or Aston Villa, the latter who only stayed up due to Michael Olivier's dodgy Hawkeye watch and VAR failing miserably in doing their job properly with the ghost goal that Sheffield United scored. Changes to the referee's checking system may help, as long as the VAR referees are watching the football screens and not Coronation Street as they must have been doing at the Sheffield United – Aston Villa game.

Allowing crowds into non league games is a must, as long as the fans stick to the guidelines set out by the Government and applied by the club to ensure any second wave of the virus does not result in another lockdown and termination of the season again. However at least six clubs at Margate's level and below have gone to the wall due to the virus including Droylsden Football Club who were once a feeder club to Manchester City. Maybe the elite clubs could help? I think we know the answer to that. Bit like asking the BBC to pay Match of the Day's Jug Ears what he is actually worth and not £1.3 million annually, even after a pay cut of £400,000.

So welcome back, keep smiling and stay safe as we hope you enjoy your live football.

Membership of the Supporters Club for the 2020/21 is open to everyone at the existing prices of £7 for adults, £5 for concessions and the £1 special child membership so ask at our hut for details of this and anything else supporter based. Please look out for more details on the club website, our Facebook page and the notice board down by our hut at the turnstiles.

Remember to get behind the team with your support at games, taking part in the 50/50 Draw, joining the Supporters Club and generally spreading the word about Margate Football Club

THIS IS YOUR CLUB: HELP US HELP THEM FOR YOU.

#### Forty, Twenty, Ten—A look back in the MFC Archives

21st September 1970 When you consider the season started 5 weeks ago the fact we were already on game 11 shows how much non league players put in for their teams. Mixed fortunes in the league with wins against Telford, Worcester and Kettering (all clubs that tasted success since then in the top flight of Non League football, but have all since hit hard times, folding and having to reform at a lower level than us currently). Defeats came against Nuneaton, Chelmsford and home and away reversals against fellow Kent club Ashford. What does strike home though are the attendance figures for our matches, ranging from 855 to 2354 and the average for the five games at Hartsdown being 1430 fans. Oh how we could do with those numbers today. Tonight we faced Ashford for a fifth time already in the Southern League Cup First Round replay after the first two legs ended in a 2 – 2 aggregate score. This time we made no mistake running out 4 – 0 winners With player manager Gerry Baker getting a brace, to show he was over his dislocated shoulder, plus one each from David Jarman and the late Hughie Cochrane Played 8 Won 3 Drew 1 Lost 4 Goals For 12 Goals Against 16 Points 7

**19<sup>th</sup> September 1995** A new season and a new manager, in the shape of Karl Elsey after he took over from Bill Roffey in the summer. Starting with a 360 mile round trip to Trowbridge we also had a 400 miles trip to Weymouth and thankfully Cinderford and Waterlooville came to us. We also progressed in the FA Cup beating Corinthian Casuals 5-2 away. Tonight we were away to Erith and Belvedere and returned with three points and a 2-0 win thanks to goals from Martin Buglione (his fifth of the season already) and Paul Manning. It is noticed that the crowds have dropped off with the current home average being 257 only. Played 7 Won 2 Drew 1 Lost 4 Goals For 5 Goals Against 8 Points 7

**20<sup>th</sup> September 2005**. And we were back at Hartsdown Park after a couple of years playing at Dover and Ashford. Although the ground no longer had the old wooden stand or terracing down at the Tivoli Park Avenue end we had returned to our spiritual home. The fans seemed to like it with a gate of 1279 seeing our season opener win against Maldon and the beginning average home crowd was 993. On the field goals seemed to be at a bit of a premium with Margate scoring and conceding a goal a game apart from the FA Cup game at home to Cowes Sport where we hit four without a reply. Tonight we were away to Bromley and returned home with a 2 – 2 draw thanks to goals from Polish Daniel Sacha placing a curling free kick in on 73 minutes and Gavin McGowan hitting an injury time equaliser. Played 8 Won 1 Drew 6 Lost 1 Goals For 8 Goals Against 8 Points 9

## **Today's Opponents: HAYES & YEADING UNITED**

Hayes & Yeading United Football Club was created in May 2007 when the two clubs respective Chairmen, Derek Goodall and Philip Spurden agreed that the only way either club could continue, long term, at the level they were playing would be to join forces as a single entity.

Hayes FC was founded in 1909, as Botwell Misson, when Eileen Shackle, the teenage daughter of a wealthy land agent, encouraged the local youngsters to form a football team. The team was originally known as Botwell Mission, after the mission church that was built in memory of her grandfather, and that still stands today as part of the Hayes Library in Golden Crescent. Yeading FC was also founded with youth in mind beginning their existence in 1960 as Yeading Youth Club, started by brothers Ray and Carl Gritt.

By the time the two clubs were both in existence, Botwell Mission had changed its name to Hayes FC in June 1929 where having progressed through the Great Western Suburban League and the Spartan League they were then accepted into the Athenian League. In their first season at this level they reached the final of the FA Amateur Cup. This was notable for the fact that the club had started at the 1st qualifying round stage, and had played all its nine matches away from home, travelling an estimated 1,500 miles to places as diverse as Wisbech, Trowbridge, Stalybridge (where Northern Nomads played), and York for a semi-final against Bishop Auckland. The final was lost to Wycombe Wanderers by one goal to nil. The Athenian League was won for the only time in season 1956-57 on goal average over Finchley and the semi-final of the Amateur Cup was reached, losing to Bishop Auckland before a crowd of 32,000 at St James Park, Newcastle.

While the sixties were pretty lean for Hayes FC, the newly formed Yeading FC were starting to get noticed at a junior level, having moved to Warren Park in 1965. As Uxbridge League Premier Division Runners up in 1967 Yeading moved into the newly formed West Middlesex Combination Premier Division and having notched a league and couple double that same season joined the South West Middlesex League. That first season (1968/69) Yeading won the West Drayton Charity Cup, and more prestigiously the Middlesex Junior Cup for the first time while also securing the Division One Title. Further promotion led to back-to-back South West Middlesex Premier Division titles and in 1970/71 Yeading also won both the Middlesex Junior and Intermediate Cups. During the 1970s they won the latter five times and the former twice.

In 1971/72 Hayes FC were elected to the Isthmian League while Yeading FC earned promotion to the Middlesex League seeing Championship success in their first season (1971/72), scoring a record 122 goals in the process. Season 1972/73 saw Yeading sweep all four trophies - League and Cup - in the Middlesex League while over at Church Road Hayes FC hit the headlines with an FA Cup first round defeat of Football League side Bristol Rovers before taking Reading to a second round replay.



#### **FORM GUIDE**

DRAW v Taunton Town 1—1

DRAW v Cray Wanderers 2—2

> LOST v Wealdstone 2—5

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The eighties saw Hayes FC maintain their Isthmian League status year on year without much danger of movement up or down while Yeading FC had started their climb upwards at no mean rate of knots. The Ding moved from the Middlesex League to the Spartan League going unbeaten through 1986/87 and earning promotion to the Isthmian League Division Two South in the process. The turn of the decade saw Yeading hit the national headlines when they became the first Middlesex side to lift the FA Vase, having drawn at Wembley, they travelled to Leeds' Elland Road where they secured a 1-0 victory over Bridlington Town.



Season 1992/93 saw Yeading's meteoric rise through the leagues reach the Isthmian Premier, the first time neighbours Hayes FC and Yeading FC were to become rivals. This rivalry was to last until 1996 when Hayes FC reached the pinnacle of non-league football by winning the Isthmian League championship by one goal in a nail-biting finale which also involved Enfield, Yeovil Town and Boreham Wood. The club maintained a presence at this level for six seasons, including finishing in 3rd place in 1998-9, before suffering relegation for the first time in 2002 at which time Yeading FC had dropped out of the Isthmian Premier so the renewal of rivalry would have to wait.

Hayes FC were to become one of the founder members of the Conference South League and were soon joined by neighbours Yeading FC, renewing the rivalry for a couple of seasons before the biggest sporting news the area had seen for many years.....

#### Hayes and Yeading United FC - Merged rivals.

After a season of consolidation, the newly merged side took many people by surprise in 2008/09 when a late season Conference South record equalling run of 10 consecutive victories saw a play-off place earned. Looking dead and buried at 4-0 down after 50 minutes of the semi-final first leg, only a dreamer would have predicted a place in the final. Dreams do come true though and two late first leg goals and a 4-0 extra time victory in the second leg at Eastleigh saw the final reached. A tight final ensued but Hampton & Richmond Borough were seen off by the odd goal in five and promotion was achieved to the pinnacle of non-league football, the Blue Square Premier. United more than held their own in the top flight for the first two seasons but with a much reduced budget and 5 years of ground sharing due to the late completion of the Club's new stadium, United hit the relegation trap-door in April 2012 and again in April 2016 and April 2017 before beginning its life in a new Stadium in 2017/18, losing the promotion play-off semi-final to Cambridge City at season end before a switch to the Bostik League for 2018/19 saw United romp to the title and promotion with a 16 point advantage at season end.

#### **PLAYERS 2020/2021**



#### JACK SMITH - Goalkeeper

27 year-old goalkeeper who joined Hayes & Yeading during the summer of 2017 having impressed against United the previous season for Dunstable Town. Jack started out in the youth set up at Watford before moving to Swindon Town and then Hemel Hempstead Town, making his first team debut while still playing for the Tudors at under-18 level. While with the Tudors he made a handful of appearances for Dunstable Town and after leaving Hemel he signed for London Colney. This was followed by spells with Ware, Berkhamsted and London Colney again before settling at Dunstable Town last season where he made the number 1 shirt his own. In season 2018/19 Jack equalled coach Delroy Preddie's record number of clean sheets in a season and having surpassed Delroy's overall club clean sheet record last season, he now returns for a fourth campaign with United.

#### LIAM MCDEVITT - Defender (Captain)

25 year-old central defender who originally joined Hayes & Yeading in the summer of 2018 having spent the previous campaign in the Southern Premier with St Neots Town. Started out with Stevenage before moving to Hitchin Town and then Royston Town. After a handful of appearances for each he settled at Barton Rovers for several seasons, interspersed with a brief return to Royston. In the summer of 2016 Liam moved to St Ives Town where he spent a full season and faced United in the Southern League Cup final, being one of the home sides scorers in United's penalty shoot-out victory. From St Ives he switched to St Neots before joining United where he was a rock at the heart of the United defence as the Isthmian South Central title was won by a substantial margin. After a stand out season in United's defence during 2018/19, Liam opted to sign for Biggleswade Town during the summer of 2019 only to return to United before the end of August and was to have another stand out season having also been made Club Captain.

#### JACK WILLIAMS - Defender

23 year-old left-back who joined Hayes & Yeading in August 2019 having come through the youth system at Queens Park Rangers for whom he first played at age 9 before leaving the R's in January 2019. While at QPR he had a short loan spell in the National League South with Bishop's Stortford from March 2017 and this was followed by a loan spell with Wycombe Wanderers the next season where he made his professional debut in a Football League Cup tie against Fulham before making his league debut shortly after against Notts County.

Impressed at United last season making the left-back slot his own for the majority of the campaign and now returns for a second season with Paul Hughes' side looking to maintain that momentum.

#### RICO GRECO - Defender

18 year-old left sided player who signed for Hayes & Yeading in the summer of 2020 having been in the Academy at Barnet. Started out in the youth system at Luton Town from age 13 before switching to Barnet last season. Has showed well for United during pre-season and has been snapped up by Paul Hughes for this season's campaign.

#### SIJU ODELUSI - Defender

22 year-old defender who signed for Hayes & Yeading in March 2020 from Southern Premier Central side Leiston but was unable to make his debut before the lockdown occurred. Started out with Tilbury playing most of his football as a forward, although he could also play in midfield or in defence showing great versatility. He had a spell with Isthmian League North side Witham Town from January 2019 before joining Southern League Premier Division Central outfit Leiston in September 2019 after a short return spell back at Tilbury. It was at Leiston that he settled in as a central defender making 27 appearances for them in the last campaign. Stays with Hayes & Yeading for the new campaign and will be pushing for a regular place in the United side.

#### **CALLUM BUCKLEY - Defender**

24 year-old left sided full-back or central defender who joined Hayes & Yeading in December 2019 from National League South side Weymouth on a permanent deal having previously had a short loan spell with United in September 2019. Callum is a graduate of the AFC Bournemouth Academy who signed for Weymouth in the summer of 2017 having left the Cherries. While at Bournemouth he had loan spells with Eastbourne Borough and National League side Aldershot Town.

#### BAY DOWNING - Defender / Midfield

24 year-old Liverpool born wing-back or midfield player who signed for Hayes & Yeading in March 2020 from fellow Southern Premier South side Salisbury for whom he scored against United in the FA Trophy earlier in the campaign. Spent his early footballing years studying in Florida and playing for the University of Tampa where he set the school single-game

scoring record with five goals against Auburn-Montgomery in October 2016. On returning home to England he signed for Altrincham before moving south and joining Salisbury from whom he has signed for United. Was only able to make a single United appearance before lockdown but returns for the new campaign pushing for a regular place in Paul Hughes' side.

#### **DANNY PAPPOE - Defender / Midfield**

26 year-old central defender or defensive midfielder who signed for Hayes & Yeading in the summer of 2020 from Isthmian Premier side Carshalton Athletic. Started out in the youth system at Chelsea from age 13 and while with the Blues had loan spells with Colchester United and Kingstonian before signing for Brighton & Hove Albion in 2014. After the Seagulls he had brief spells with Hampton and Hemel Hempstead before a first spell overseas where he played in Germany for Berliner AK07. He returned to the UK firstly by returning to Hemel and then moving on to Crawley Town. Another spell overseas saw Danny join Maldivian side New Radient Sports Club before a return to Europe saw him sign for Romanian side ACS Foresta Suceava. Returning to the UK once more he signed for Dulwich Hamlet in 2018 before a loan spell saw him move to Carshalton Athletic the same season, a move made permanent last season.

#### **SCOTT DONNELLY - Midfield**

Vastly experienced ball playing central midfielder who joined Hayes and Yeading in late October 2017 from National League South side Chippenham Town. Started out with QPR, making his debut against Preston aged just 16 in October 2004. Went on to make more than a dozen appearances for the R's before being released whereby he signed for Wealdstone.

From Wealdstone he signed on with Aldershot Town where he made over 70 appearances before moving to Swansea City, making a solitary appearance for the Swans against Crystal Palace. He then spent 18 months on loan at Wycombe Wanderers before moving back to Aldershot and then to Farnborough from whom he joined Newport County before returning to Farnborough. From Farnborough this time he was to spend a couple of productive seasons with Havant & Waterlooville before returning to Farnborough. Started well for United with a double strike on his debut in a 3-1 victory over Cambridge City, before finding the net 21 times in United's Championship season in 2018-19 where he skippered the side to a landslide promotion. Briefly signed for Moneyfields during the summer of 2019 only to return to United midway through August and has now passed 100 appearances for United.

#### **SCOTT SHULTON - Midfield**

Experienced 30 year-old midfielder who joined United during the 2020/21 pre-season having been with fellow Southern Premier South side Chesham United last season. Started out with Wycombe Wanderers from where he had a couple of loan spells with Hendon before joining Ebbsfleet United in 2009 after which he spent a couple of season at Bishop's Stortford. From there he moved to Hendon before a spell with Beaconsfield SYCOB, a return spell at Stortford and then short spells with Hendon, Enfield Town and Braintree Town. Settled at Hemel Hempstead in 2017/18 before joining St Albans City towards the end of the following season only for an injury to limit his appearances. Returned with the Saints last season only to sign for Chesham United a month before lockdown.

#### **KARL CUNNINGHAM - Midfield**

26 year-old attacking midfield player who joined Hayes & Yeading in the summer of 2019 from National League side Chester. Karl started his career as a youth with Lincoln City in 2011 before making a move in 2014 to Sweden where he had spells with Gallivare FF, Ange IF, Pitea IF and finally Akropolis from whom he joined Chester. His former coach at Acropolis described him "a good team player who has a strength in his speed, creativity and aggressive play and he is a bulletproof, offensive player". Made five United appearances just prior to the Covid-19 lockdown having returned to fitness after a lengthy lay-off and is this season looking to push ahead with United as he returns to full fitness and could become an integral part of Paul Hughes' midfield.

#### **SANMI ODELUSI - Midfield**

27 year-old wide midfielder or striker who joined Hayes & Yeading at the beginning of February 2020 from Romford. Sanmi started his career in the youth ranks at Queens Park Rangers, Reading and finally Bolton Wanderers for whom he signed professional terms going on to make 6 league appearances for the Trotters while also having loan spells with MK Dons and Coventry City. In 2015 he signed for Wigan and then had further loan spells with Rochdale and Blackpool before moving on to play for Colchester United and Cheltenham Town. In the summer of 2019 he joined National League side FC Halifax Town and on leaving them he moved to South Shields in October 2019. After initially "retiring" at the end of December 2019 to concentrate on coaching, he returned to playing with Romford before moving to United a short time later to continue his playing career where he impressed in his few appearances before lockdown and will now return for the new campaign looking to show more of his talent.

#### JAMIE HANLON - Midfield

Teenaged midfielder or attacking player who joined Hayes & Yeading United midway through last season. A much sought after talent who spent time last season with Premier League side Tottenham Hotspur. Made his Hayes & Yeading debut in January 2020 and at that point became the youngest ever player to make a first team appearance for United, adding two further appearances from the bench by season end.



#### **ROMEY MEODED - Midfield**

Teenaged midfielder who joined Hayes & Yeading United's under 18s during the summer but showed well during first team pre-season to earn himself a place in Paul Hughes squad.

#### **ZACH GLUCKSTEIN - Midfield**

Teenaged midfielder who joined Hayes & Yeading United midway through last season but was not able to make his debut before shutdown.

#### TROY TIMOTHY - Midfield

25 year-old attacking midfielder who re-joined Hayes & Yeading in July 2020 having played in United's reserve side back in 2011 and is now looking to push himself back into the game after a few years out of action. Started out in the academy system at Brentford having been picked up from the youth set-up at Wandsworth Town FC. Has also played for Hampton & Richmond Borough.

#### OMAR ROWE - Midfield / Striker

25 year-old attacking midfielder who joined Hayes & Yeading in August 2019 having last played in Cyprus for Ayia Napa. Spent the first part of his youth career at West Ham United before moving to Southampton at under-16 level where he excelled, signing his professional deal with the Saints on 1 July 2013. Made his Southampton debut in August 2013 as a substitute against Barnsley in the Football League Cup. After the Saints he had short spells with Tower Hamlets, Woodford Town and Bishop's Stortford before moving to play in Cyprus in 2016. His first side was Ethnikos Latsion before he moved up a division to sign for Ayia Napa. In 2018 he signed for first division side Enosis Neon Paralimni before returning to Ayia Napa in January 2019. After a stand out season with United last year where he finished joint top scorer with 13 goals, including the fan voted "Goal of the Season", Omar returns for a second season in United red.

#### SHAQUILLE HIPPOLYTE-PATRICK - Midfield / Striker

25 year-old attacking midfielder or striker who joined United during the 2020/21 pre-season having been with fellow Southern Premier South side Salisbury last season. Started out with Sutton United, spending just over a season at Gander Green Lane before a loan move to Tonbridge Angels was followed by a permanent switch to Hampton & Richmond Borough. In the summer of 2017 he signed for Wealdstone from whom he spent time on loan at St Albans City. The following season was spent with Hendon and this produced his best goalscoring season with virtually a goal every other game on average which led to a further move the next year, this time to Salisbury where he was instrumental in knocking United out of the FA Trophy, assisting in all four Whites goals at the RayMac.

#### **DYLAN KEARNEY - Striker**

22 year-old former United Academy graduate who returned to Hayes & Yeading in the summer of 2020 after leaving National League side Sutton United. Helped United's under 18s beat Brentford in the Middlesex Youth Cup with an excellent dipping volley in 2014/15 before skippering the side to final victory the next season in the same competition. First named on the United bench at Ebbsfleet United on his 17th birthday before making his debut as a late substitute at Chelmsford a fortnight later. Signed his first contract with United in July 2015 and broke his senior United scoring duck with a brace in the final game of the season at Gosport Borough. With first team chances limited, Dylan moved to Uxbridge in search of regular football and having scored regularly at Honeycroft he was snapped up by Harrow Borough. His early season goalscoring exploits at Borough last season earned him a shot at the National League when he was signed by Sutton United.

#### **FRANCIS AMARTEY - Striker**

21 year-old striker who joined Hayes & Yeading in January 2020 from National League South high flyers Slough Town. Francis already knew the SKYex as he scored four times in two appearances against United while he was on loan at Hendon, scoring seven in nine games during his time with the Greens last season. He can play wide or through the middle and has lots of pace and ability having started out with Beaconsfield SYCOB and Flackwell Heath before signing a professional contract with Birmingham City in August 2018. After leaving the Blues he signed on with Sutton Coldfield

Town before moving to Slough in February 2019 and loan spell apart was a regular in their National League South squad last season prior to joining United with whom he scored 7 times in his 8 appearances last season.

# Match Report Isthmian Premier League Brightlingsea Regent FC v Margate FC 1-2 Attendance: 202



The opening day of the delayed 2020-2021 saw the 'Gate take on our furthest league opposition as we travelled 122 miles into Essex to take on Brightlingsea Regent. Manager Saunders handed competitive debuts to keeper Bailey Vose, defender Josh Steele (who replaced the suspended Ben Swift), midfielders Moncur, Evans and attackers Carey and Ufuah.

After a cagey opening few minutes where both teams played conservatively waiting for a chance to development a free kick allowed Jack Richards to put the ball into the home teams box; it bounced around and almost fell to a 'Gate boot before the referee blew for a foul against us.

The first goal came after 13 minutes, the energetic John Ufuah got to the by-line and aimed a cross to the back post where Luke Carey poked home his, and our first, goal of the season. 1-0 Margate!

The early goal seemed to galvanise the team as in the following 10 minutes we had several half chances. Evans put through Ufuah with a delightful pass, the winger appeared to be pulled back, but nothing was given. Then moments later Luke Carey found himself in a shooting position but dragged his shot wide of the post.

John Ufuah continued to threaten, having a close rage effort blocked on 20 minutes before forcing a good save from Turner in the 26<sup>th</sup> minute. Our next effort on goal wasn't until the 40<sup>th</sup> minute as a Sessegnon cross was volleyed into Turners arms by Conor Evans and the final chance of the half fell to the hosts as Oti found himself in a good shooting position but Bailey Vose was equal to his effort. 1-0 Margate at the break.

The second half started with an enforced change for the 'Gate as Toby Bancroft replaced Jack Richards (who suffered a groin injury). Toby's first contribution was to collect a yellow card for a late tackle in the 50 minute but he would make amends later in the match.

Brightlingsea almost drew level in the 50<sup>th</sup> minute as Vose parried a deflected effort off the line before Oti fired the follow up against the post! Not to be outdone with 'efforts against the woodwork' Ufuah ran at the home defenders in the 55<sup>th</sup> minute and watched his shot hit the outside of the upright!

In the 66<sup>th</sup> minute we had another goal to cheer as Toby Bancroft was in the right place to collect a pass from John Ufuah after Carey's corner found the front man and fire the ball home into the corner of the goal! 2-0 Margate.



#### (Cont.)

The 30 or so travelling fans were still singing when Rocha collected a pass and fired home from 20 yards. 1-2 now and still 24 minutes to play.

Jay Saunders made his second change of the afternoon replacing goal scorer Luke Carey with youngster Archie Burnett in the 73<sup>rd</sup> minute as he looked to see out the remainder of the match. The hosts threatened with several corners and half chances in 75<sup>th</sup> and 78 minute and had their best chance in the 88<sup>th</sup> minute as Byrne-Hewitt hit the post with a well-timed shot on the turn.

The final minutes saw Freddie Moncur slip through the defence and poke the ball home, but the flag went up for offside and shortly after this the referee blew for full time. 3 points for the 'Gate on the opening day of the 2020-2021 season.



Bailey Vose
Chris Sessegnon
Jay Porter
Reece Prestedge ©
Liam Friend
Joshua Steele
Luke Carey
Freddie Moncur
John Ufuah
Conor Evans
Jack Richards

#### Subs:

Owen Kallmeier Jamie Coyle Archie Burnett (Carey 73") Toby Bancroft (Richards 45") George Lamb





# **SEASON TICKETS**



Whilst the deadline for Early Bird Season Tickets has passed, Margate fans can still show their support for Jay Saunders' side by purchasing a 2020/21 Season Ticket.

After a six month wait, The Gate returns home to competitive league football on Saturday 26th September against Carshalton Athletic at Hartsdown Park . This means supporters have a little longer to snap up a ticket and enjoy a considerable saving.

- Standard Adult £190
- Standard Concession £140
- Standard Youth £65



Supporters can purchase a ticket online through the club website.

If this is not possible, we advise calling the club on 01843 221769

to arrange a time to visit the Club Shop and pay in person

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Ben Swift (CAPTAIN) HOME: Graham Ives

HOME: All the best for the season, Swifty from Ivesy.

Noel Leighton

HOME & AWAY: Terry Scott

£5 a goal—Get your shooting boots on!

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Jay Porter HOME & AWAY: Robert Ferraby

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Freddie Moncur HOME: Rick Simmons AWAY: Terry Scott

HOME: Good luck Freddie.

AWAY: Welcome to The Gate-All the best Freddie!



Liam Friend HOME & AWAY: David & Lesley Swinnock

Have a great season, Liam. All the best from Lesley & David.



Reece Prestedge HOME & AWAY: Terry Scott

£5 a goal—Get your shooting boots on!



John Ufuah HOME & AWAY: Keith Brown

PLANTLET—The Little botanical shop in Broadstairs



**AWAY: Jeremy Jacobs** 

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Jack Richards HOME: RSH Heating, Gas & Plumbing AWAY: AVAILABLE

Ryan Holden - "All the best for the season Jack"



Conor Evans HOME & AWAY: Maggie Lees

Bailey Vose (GOALKEEPER) HOME & AWAY: Alan Swinnock

Chris Sessegnon HOME: Sarah Egan & Ella Ives AWAY: Mel Williams



George Lamb HOME & AWAY:

Everyone at Drink Warehouse UK wishes George great success in his debut season as it is nothing more than he deserves for all the hard work he puts in

Drink Warehouse UK

George Wilkinson HOME & AWAY: AVAILABLE



Jamie Coyle HOME & AWAY: Hilary Friend



Joshua Steele HOME & AWAY: Terry Scott

Looking forward to seeing your potential and development under Jay.



Luke Carey HOME & AWAY: Tony / Dawn / Anthony

Luke, enjoyed watching you play in pre-season. Looking forward to the season ahead – keep up the good work.



Archie Burnett HOME & AWAY: AVAILABLE



Jay Saunders (MANAGER) HOME & AWAY:

<u>Good Luck for</u> the coming season– be inspiring!



# **Upcoming Fixtures**

- Sat 26th Sept—HOME

  Margate FC v Carshalton Athletic FC

  3pm Kick-off
- Tues 29th Sept—HOME

  Margate FC v AFC Hornchurch
  7:45pm Kick-off
- Sat 3rd October—AWAY
  Leatherhead FC v Margate FC
  3pm Kick-off
- Tues 6th October—HOME
  Margate FC v Cheshunt FC
  7:45pm Kick-off
- Sat 10th October—AWAY
  Lewes FC v Margate FC
  3pm Kick-off
- Sat 17th October—HOME
  Margate FC v Worthing FC
  3pm Kick-off
- Tues 20th October—AWAY
  Enfield Town FC v Margate FC
  7:45pm Kick-off
- Sat 24th October –AWAY

  Bognor Regis Town FC v Margate FC

  3pm Kick-off





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# The Ladies 2020/2021 Campaign Gets Underway

The ladies team started their long awaited 20/21 league season away in Chislehurst to a well organised and physical Glebe woman's team.

Last season saw a two way battle at the top of the league with Maidstone so from the very first whistle of the year the Bluebirds knew how important the 3pts were and they didn't disappoint.

The gate controlled the early tempo with some really slick passing and ball retention and broke the deadlock as Ashleigh Brookes beat the offside trap and slotted home.

Kara Richardson's electric pace on the wing created chance after chance and on 25 minutes she doubled the lead with a trademark finish coolly firing home after finding herself 1 on 1 with the home keeper. Ash Brookes all but put the game to bed with her 2nd before the break giving the bluebirds a 3-0 advantage at half time.

The home team never gave up and came out with even more determination in the second half as they pressed and tried to get back into the game only for Wiktoria Bukowska to dent their ambitions with a rocket of a volley that arrowed into the top corner.(4-0 Margate)

With the game apparently in the bag the blues seemed to switch off for a crazy five minutes and momentum swung in Glebes favour, firstly a poor clearance and a goalmouth scramble saw the hosts pull one back and within minutes the gates stopper Lauren Watson was lobbed from distance and Glebe had halved the deficit. (4-2)

With 15 still to go the next goal was going to be crucial and when the ref gave Margate a free kick 25 yards out up stepped Nicole Adams with an unstoppable strike that no keeper in the league would of saved.

By full time both teams knew they had been in a match and given their all but it was Margate's ladies who took the points and a deserved 5-2 win on the road.



# Team Lauren Watson(GK) Emerald Scannell Becks Slevin (Cpt) Livvy Godden Shannon King Lucy Paris Wiktoria Bukowska Nicole Adams Kara Richardson Ashleigh Brookes Jess Laker

#### Used subs Annabelle Ashby Robyn Smitherman



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#### By Matt Badcock

IF YOU'RE reading this, then it's good news – you're reading a football programme, an increasingly endangered species.

Like many things post-COVID and in this 'new normal' there are lots of things different at our Non-League grounds now.

The National League have given their clubs the option of not running programmes this year and we've seen similar in the EFL.

In this digital world an increasing number of clubs are looking at those avenues rather than the printed page. Everyone will have their views on this traditional aspect of football match going.

But here we are, in a programme, talking about competitive Non-League football. Hopefully that is as good to read as it is good to write.

For many months now we've not had much competitive football to write about in The NLP. Yes, we had some play-off games, but the return this month of competitive football starting with the FA Cup has been most welcome.

Of course, everything around the game is different. We're all getting used to the added things we have to do. Book a ticket online beforehand, fill out a test and trace form, sanitise our hands as we enter the ground, follow one-way systems.

It's very different to what we left in March when the 2019-20 season stopped in its tracks. Players are turning up in kit, staying out at half-time for team talks – the current weather helps – and sitting apart on the bench.

But, when the whistle goes, it's back to the football we've all missed so much.

Crowds being allowed back in stadiums was a massive breakthrough. Hopefully Steps 2 and above will soon follow because all clubs need that money coming through the gate.

From a reporters point of view, we've never covered such a fluid situation. Things changed literally by the hour. Sometimes even within ten minutes of being told one thing, another call would come through saying it was now something else. It's been a challenge!

Without crowds it would have been impossible to start the season. Then the fears for clubs as soon as the pandemic broke out would have been multiplied.

I remember one week, way back in the summer, being told four different opinions on the start date for 2020-21. One said September/October, another ventured November, someone else thought January and another, informed person, feared not at all!

Thankfully the first person's guess was correct but we all are aware it's a fine line with cases on the rise again.

Already we're getting used to clubs withdrawing from the FA Cup at the last minute because of positive tests and there will no doubt be late cancellations of games throughout the season.

We can all play our part. Help clubs stick to the crucial social distancing rules that need to be adhered to. Fill out test and trace forms and throw a couple of extra guid into the coffers.

Every little helps. Including buying this programme.

Enjoy your football!

















































# Stats Tables

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2	26.9.20	Н	Carshalton			
3	29.9.20	н	Hornchurch			
4	3.10.20	Α	Leatherhead			
5	6.10.20	Н	Cheshunt			
6	10.10.20	Α	Lewes			
7	17.10.20	Н	Worthing			
8	20.10.20	Α	Enfield Town			
9	24.10.20	Α	Bognor Regis			
10	3.11.20	н	East Thurrock			
11	7.11.20	Н	Haringey Borough			
12	14.11.20	Α	Bishop's Stortford			
13	17.11.20	Α	Merstham			
14	21.11.20	Н	Corinthian Casuals			
15	28.11.20	Α	Wingate & Finchley			
16	5.12.20	н	Bowers & Pitsea			
17	12.12.20	А	Potters Bar			
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23	16.1.21	Н	Bognor Regis			
24	23.1.21	A	East Thurrock			
25	30.1.21	Н	Bishop's Stortford			
26	6.2.21	A	Haringey Borough			
27	13.2.21	н	Merstham			
28	20.2.21	A	Corinthian Casuals			
29	27.2.21	Н	Brightlingsea			
30	2.3.21	A	Hornchurch			
31	6.3.21	A	Carshalton			
32	13.3.21	н	Leatherhead			
33	20.3.21	A	Bowers & Pitsea			
34	27.3.21	Н	Wingate & Finchley			
35	3.4.21	н	Enfield Town			
36	5.4.21	A	Folkestone			
37	10.4.21	Н	Lewes			
38	17.4.21	A	Worthing			
39	24.4.21	Н	Potters Bar			
40	1.5.21	A	Horsham			
41	3.5.21	Н	Cray Wanderers			
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# **League Table**

Position	Team	Р	W	D			Α	+/-	Pts
1	Cray Wanderers		1	0	0	5	1	4	3
2	Enfield Town			0	0	4		3	3
3	Carshalton Athletic			0	0	3	0	3	3
4	Bowers & Pitsea			0	0	2			3
5	Haringey Borough			0	0	2			3
6	Hornchurch			0	0	2			3
7	Margate					2			
8	Worthing		1	0	0	2		1	3
9	Cheshunt			0	0		0		3
10	Bishop's Stortford		0		0	2	2	0	
11	Bognor Regis Town		0		0	2	2	0	
12	Horsham		0		0			0	
13	Leatherhead		0		0			0	
14	Brightlingsea Regent						2		0
15	Corinthian-Casuals		0	0			2		
16	Folkestone Invicta			0			2		0
17	Merstham			0			2		
18	Wingate & Finchley						2		0
19	East Thurrock United			0		0			0
20	Lewes		0	0			4	-3	0
21	Potters Bar Town		0	0		0	3	-3	0
22	Kingstonian		0				5	-4	0

# **Top Premier League Goal Scorers**

Position	Player	Team	Goals
1	Thomas Richardson	Bishop's Stortford	2
2	Joseph Taylor	Cray Wanderers	2
3	Nana Adarkwa	Cheshunt	
4	Ricky Aguiar	Worthing	
5	Daniel Akindayini	Haringey Borough	
6	Corie Andrews	Kingstonian	
7	Toby Bancroft	Margate	1
8	Jason Banton	Cray Wanderers	
9	Ryan Blackman	Enfield Town	
10	Jack Brivio	Horsham	
11	Luke Carey	Margate	1
12	Jordan Cheadle	Carshalton Athletic	
13	Jordan Clark	Hornchurch	
14	Aaron Cosgrave	Lewes	
15	Lyle Della-Verde	Enfield Town	
16	Misha Djemaili	Leatherhead	
17	Laste Dombaxe	Haringey Borough	
18	Calvin Ekpiteta	Merstham	
19	Omar Koroma	Carshalton Athletic	
20	Tommy Leigh	Bognor Regis Town	

#### Margate Player Stats & Top Goal Scorers

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Player	Position	Α	S	G	Α	S	G	Α	S	G	Α	S	G
Bailey Vose	G	1	0	0									
Owen Kallmeier	G	0											
Craig Hollway	G	0											
Ben Swift	D	0											
Liam Friend	D	1											
George Lamb	D	0											
Chris Sessegnon	D	1											
Jay Porter	D	1											
Jamie Coyle	D	0											
Reece Prestedge	М	1											
Freddie Moncur	М	1											
Jack Richards	М	1											
George Wilkinson	М	0											
John Ufuah	Α	1											
Noel Leighton	Α	0											
Toby Bancroft (Loan)	Α	0											
Archie Burnett	М	0											
Josh Steele	D	1											
Luke Carey	Α	1											
Conor Evans	М	1											



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Vice-Chairman: Rick Owen
Director: Chris Chambers
First Team Manager: Jamie Coyle
First Team Asst. Manager: Jamie Coyle
First Team Coach: Craig Holloway
Physiotherapists: Keith Slocombe,
Kit Man: Alan Anstice

Ladies Manager: Evan Paris

General Manager: Deny Wilson Operations Manager: Tom Morris Facilities Manager: Chris Carter Grounds Man: Graham Ives

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# **MARGATE FC**

Manager: Jay Saunders

Asst Manager: Jamie Coyle

Subbed

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		Bailey Vose
		Craig Holloway
		Ben Swift
		Liam Friend
		Jay Porter
		Chris Sessegnon
		Jamie Coyle
		George Lamb
		Joshua Steel
		Jack Richards
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		George Wilkinson
		Archie Burnett
		Toby Bancroft
		Freddie Moncur
		Noel Leighton

## **HAYES & YEADING FC**

Manager: Paul Hughes

Asst. Managers: Peter Holmes &

**Ritchie Hanlon** 



Goals	Subbed	Played	
			Jack Smith
			Bay Downing
			Jack Williams
			Siju Odelusi
			Liam McDevitt
			Callum Buckley
			Scott Donnelly
			Omar Rowe
			Dylan Kearney
			Francis Amartey
			Rico Greco
			Danny Pappoe
			Renell McKenzie-Lyle
			Scott Shulton
			Sanmi Odelusi
			Karl Cunningham
			Jamie Hanlon
			Romey Meoded



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