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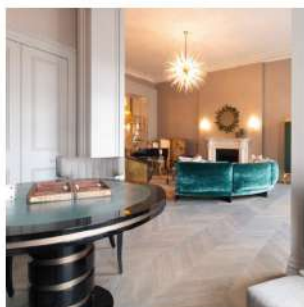
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Welcome



Good afternoon and welcome to Hartsdown Park. Today we take on Worthing in the Pitching-In Isthmian Premier League. Our match today is proudly sponsored by New Life Will. Will writing and estate planning experts.

Today's opponents should provide a tough test for Jay and his young charges, they sit third in the table with four wins from their opening five games and have striker Oliver Pearce at the top of the goal scoring charts with 5 league goals. In contrast the Gate have lost the last two games to Cheshunt and Lewes and will be looking to bounce back against a strong opponent in front of the Hartsdown Park faithful.

Our next two fixtures are away to Enfield Town and Bognor Regis.

Ticket information can be found at:
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for the Bognor Regis ticket box office
<https://therocks.ktckts.com/event/bog2021h04/bognor-regis-town-v-margate>

If you would like to travel of the supporters mini bus please contact Terry Scott on 07761 258943 or serephina2001@yahoo.co.uk.

Following Monday's announcements from the Government it has been made clear that organised sporting activity will still be allowed at all alert levels (medium, high, very high). This means clubs will be able to continue to train and play fixtures irrelevant of the alert level area which they sit within. It remains critical that clubs continue to adhere to FA Guidelines and social distancing requirements. There will be restrictions on the attendance of spectators, opening of club house bars and some venues may be unable to open (leisure centres) in areas under higher alert levels.

Back to the football and as always, we ask that you get behind Jay and the players, show your support from the side lines, and enjoy your afternoon here at Hartsdown Park. For anyone reading this from home the live stream will be live from 14:45 on our YouTube channel GateTV and a reminder that we will also cover the game via text commentary on twitter which is proudly sponsored by S&C Slatter.

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Next Away Travel



Enfield Town FC
Tues 20th October 2020
7:45pm kick-off

Club Address:
Queen Elizabeth II Stadium, Donkey Lane,
Enfield EN1 3PL

Next Home Game



East Thurrock United FC
Tues 3rd November 2020
7:45pm Kick-off

From the Manager



Good afternoon and hello everyone,

I'd like to welcome Adam and all his staff to Hartsdown Park today for what I'm sure will be an entertaining game.

For me Worthing were the best side in the league last year and I'm sure if COVID hadn't of happened they would be playing in the league above us this season.

Looking back on our last two games I'm really disappointed with the results and, in one of the games, our performance! Against Cheshunt we just never got going and sometimes you have to say on the night we were beaten by the better side, but what was most disappointing for myself was that in previous games we never gave up. However in this game I felt we didn't show enough desire to get anything!

Last Saturday against Lewes was so frustrating we probably had the lion's share of possession of the ball, but we never looked like scoring and I could see the sucker punch coming.

It's hard against teams that want to sit deep and stay in games as Lewes and Leatherhead did, but we have to find a way to win these games and certainly a way to make sure we don't lose them.

When we lost Elliot, Kadell, and Noel to injury I knew it would be hard to replace their goals, but we are trying our hardest to do this and hopefully by today's game we will have 1 maybe 2 in the building to add to us in that final third!!

Finally please keep getting behind the boys; it makes a big difference.

Jay

From the Chairman



Good afternoon everybody,

A warm welcome to the Board members, staff, and supporters from Worthing for today's League match at Hartsdown Park. I trust you all had a safe journey down and enjoy your short stay with us on the Kent coast.

Today is sure to be a tough match as Worthing are a particularly good squad with talented players in all positions. They were very unlucky not to be crowned champions last year and I believe they will be up towards the top of league come the end of the season. That being said it is another change for Jay and his squad to test themselves and put into practice what I am sure they have been working on in training after a couple of disappointing results.

I must congratulate Evan and his players, their recent form has been excellent and they overcame local rivals Ramsgate 4-2 on Sunday at Hartsdown Park, I understand over 100 supporters came out to cheer them on and that is fantastic for the club and the south east counties league. Next up is an away game at Maidstone, which on paper is the toughest game of the season for the Bluebirds.

I would like to thank New Life Wills and S&C Slatter for joining the club as sponsors for the 2020-2021 season. New Life Wills have sponsored the match day magazine and S&C Slatter the clubs twitter feed. We thank both companies for their support during what is a difficult time for everyone.

to all of you at Hartsdown today, I hope you enjoy the match, get behind Jay and the players, stay safe and hopefully we will see you again soon.

Best regards

Terry Painter

Chairman



MARGATE FOOTBALL CLUB welcomes you to today's game

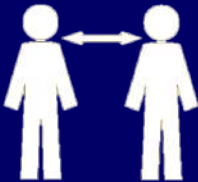
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SUPPORTERS CLUB



Welcome to fellow Seasideers Worthing who must be used to being on the road following problems with their home pitch. Trusting it is all sorted as they finally played at home against Bowers and Pitsea last Saturday winning two goals to one.

As with any football club, at every level up, up and down the country 90% of all work is unseen until the final product is presented and the same is true of the Supporters Club and a lot of things are happening behind the scenes, getting new flyers and membership forms and cards, weekly meetings with the club, a new website, 12th Man details and a new notice board showing all fixtures for all of the clubs teams, including U23s Ladies and Walking Football, plus details of events and other goings on concerning Margate FC and how it effects the supporters. The away travel, thanks to the new chairman Andy Everson, is different to last year to ensure that costs are covered and its looking like it is working well. Please still see Terry Scott for information about travel and booking your place on the "Fun Bus". Talking of Terry, I was stopped in the streets of Canterbury last week by a Dover fan who asked me about the Leatherhead Margate fixture as an acquaintance of hers had attended the match. It seems that Terry was the only thing he could remember from the game.

Turning to the Ladies 4 – 2 victory against Ramsgate last Sunday it was good to see a crowd of over 100 cheering on the women in a hard fought game that consolidates their league second place behind their next opponents, Maidstone United Ladies. Staying on Women's football BBC commentator Jonathan Pierce at it again with poor remarks at the Man City Arsenal Women's FA Cup Semi Final when he stated the whole stadium was in a deadly hush as the Man City first goal was scored. It being an empty stadium might have something to do with the hush.

The Walking football season started this week with a 60s tie against Ramsgate with the Old Blues coming away with a 3 – 2 win. Next up are games against Woodnesborough last night and away to Ashford on 21st. The 50s league is now a countywide competition so have to travel to "home" fixtures in Gillingham when playing Ebbsfleet and county cup holders Bexley. Mind you their home fixture against us Herne Bay and Woodnesborough are also at Gillingham. We all the hassles of teams joining and leaving it took six weeks to get an agreed formula for the fixtures.

"It is just unfortunate that there are too many people in the area who have no confidence in the club.....and it is they who are usually able to put their views onto the general public which results in a totally untrue picture of the club.....hopefully the biased view held by some locals can be put right"

Sound familiar? This was pulled from a match day programme from 19th December 1981. Even before Facebook there was a PR battle going on.

Please adhere to the ground regulations with regards to the COVID virus they are there for your safety.

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

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

17th October 1970 Today we had a home fixture against a useful Hillingdon team and watched by 1535 fans (answers please on a postcard as to why the attendances were so much higher in those days). The Margate goal came from central defender legend Davie Houston, who this season passed the 200 appearances for the Gate. Hillingdon formed in 1872 were to last another 17 years before going bust and reforming in 1990. Last week we had travelled the long distance down to the other ground known for its slope, The Huish, home of Yeovil Town. Indeed many League clubs from London or the South East drawn against giant killers Yeovil in the FA Cup would ask to train on the Hartsdown Park pitch to get use to playing on a surface with a six foot drop to give them a chance. Sadly for Margate we returned from Somerset empty handed after a 0 – 1 loss watched by 2123 (is there nothing else to do in the West County?). In between these two fixtures we had a Kent Floodlight Cup tie at home to Gravesend and Northfleet winning 3 – 1 with Phil Amato, Dave Jarman and Jack Smith scoring for us. Even on a cold Tuesday night 1311 fans turned up to watch.

Played 12 Won 5 Drew 2 Lost 5 Goals For 21 Goals Against 21 Points 12

17th October 1995 Not the best of times for Margate on the pitch having travelled down to Western Super Mare last week and despite scoring three goals still returned empty handed as the hosts hit four. Watched by a mere 167 fans the Gates goals came from Martin Buglione (who else), Dover loanee Steve Lawrence on his debut and a 30 yard screamer from Malcolm Smith. Today we had a tricky FA Trophy First Qualifying Round replay against Bashley from the New Forest. Saturdays first game had ended in a one all draw with Paul Manning getting our goal. Today's game watched by 157 fans (63 less than the first game) saw the blues lose 1 – 2 with Shaun Pilbeam hitting his first of the season not being enough for us.

Played 9 Won 3 Drew 1 Lost 5 Goals For 11 Goals Against 13 Points 10

15th October 2005. Game 15 compared to the 2020/1 season game 8 and it is cup time with both FA Cup and FA Trophy ties with mixed success. First up was the Cup tie at home to Cray Wanderers and where there was high hopes amongst the 805 Hartsdown Park faithful the Gate crashed to a 0 – 3 home defeat to an eerie silence. In today's Trophy First Qualifying Round fixture away to Bashley (ten years on from the 1995 tie and we have them again at this stage of the competition) although this time it was the Seasiders who ran out comfortable winner by a score line of 3 – 0. Leon Braithwaite hit a brace and Adolph Ameako scored a debut goal after his release from Bromley despite being their top goal scorer for the previous three seasons.

Played 10 Won 1 Drew 8 Lost 1 Goals For 10 Goals Against 10 Points 11

Today's Opponents: WORTHING FC

Worthing Association FC was founded in February 1886 and played home matches mostly in the People's (now Homefield) Park until the Club moved to Beach House Park in 1889.

Worthing reached their 1st Senior Cup final in 1891-92 (losing 5-3 to Brighton Hornets) before winning the 1892-93 final 2-1 against Eastbourne at the County Ground, Hove. This was the first of a record 21 Senior Cup wins, the most recent being in 1999.

Worthing were founder members of the West Sussex Senior League in 1896, along with their local rivals Worthing Athletic (founded 1891). The first of 7 championships was won in 1898-99, qualifying Worthing to play the East Sussex League champions Brighton Athletic in the Sussex Charity Cup donated by the Royal Irish Rifles. This match was lost 2-1, but we went on to win the RUR Cup (as it became known) 13 times (including twice jointly with Horsham).

In 1899-00 the name "Association" was dropped and we entered the FA Cup and FA Amateur Cup for the first time.

In May 1900 Worthing and Worthing Athletic merged and in 1901 the Club moved to its current home, then known as the Sports Ground, now as Woodside Road.

The team of 1903-04 contained 3 players who would become full internationals; S.S. Harris and E.G.D. Wright for England and Charlie Webb for Ireland. Harris played for England while still a player for Worthing.

Worthing withdrew from the West Sussex League for the 1904-05 season, so as not to be in competition with the newly promoted Worthing Rovers (founded 1901). We rejoined the League in 1905 after merging with Rovers during the summer.

In 1907-08 Worthing reached the quarter-finals of the FA Amateur Cup, where we drew 1-1 away to the eventual winners Depot Battalion Royal Engineers, before losing the replay 1-0 before a then record crowd of over 3,100.

After World War I, in 1919-20, Worthing competed in 2 leagues, being founder members of the Senior Division of the Brighton, Hove & District League and rejoining the West Sussex League. The following year we helped found the Sussex County League and resigned from the West Sussex League in protest at a rule change. The County League championship was won for the first 2 seasons: another 6 titles were won during our stay in this league.

At the end of the 1921-22 season we applied to join the Athenian League, but withdrew the application before the AGM.

The FA Cup 1st Round Proper was reached in 1936-37, Worthing losing 4-3 at Yeovil & Petters United. In the 4th Qualifying Round we had beaten Wimbledon in front of our highest reported crowd of 3,600. This year also saw the first of 3 AFA Senior Cup finals reached, Worthing losing 7-1 to Harwich & Parkeston. The other 2 finals, in 1947 and 1949, were both lost to Cambridge Town.

In 1948-49 Worthing joined the Corinthian League. Little success was had in this league, finishing bottom 4 times. The best season was 1949-50, when a highest placing of 5th was achieved, along with reaching the Corinthian League Memorial Shield final for the only time (losing 2-1 to Erith & Belvedere).

The Corinthian League became Division 1 of the Athenian League in 1963 and Worthing enjoyed immediate success, being promoted as runners-up to Leatherhead as well as reaching the Athenian League Memorial Shield final (losing 2-1 to Chesham United on aggregate) and winning the AFA Invitation Cup (3-1 away to Harwich) for the first of 4 occasions.

Three seasons were spent in the Athenian League Premier Division before two successive relegations saw us languishing in Division 2.

Worthing started their revival in 1971-72 by returning to Division 1 as runners-up to Staines Town and the following season reached the Athenian League Cup final, losing 2-0 away to Amateur Cup finalists Slough Town after extra-time.

Worthing left the Athenian League in 1977 to become members of the newly formed Isthmian League Division 2.



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Barry Lloyd was appointed manager in 1981 and the Division 2 title was won in 1981-82, with prolific goal-scorer Micky Edmonds scoring 53 goals. In 1982-83 we won the Division 1 title and reached the 2nd Round of the FA Cup, losing 4-0 at Oxford United. The next 2 seasons saw Worthing finish as runners-up in the Premier Division to Harrow Borough and Sutton United, respectively. At the end of 1984-85 the Club's main stand burnt down. In 1985-86 we reached the last 16 of the FA Trophy; then Barry Lloyd left to join Brighton & Hove Albion and the following year Worthing were relegated from the Premier Division. Four years later we had a disastrous season, finishing bottom of Division 1 with only 10 points and having conceded 157 goals. Former Northern Ireland international Gerry Armstrong was appointed manager in 1991-92 and the following season Worthing became the first club to win Division 2 for a second time.

Armstrong left in the summer of 1994 to be replaced by his coach John Robson. Premier Division status was regained as runners-up to Boreham Wood in his first season and the FA Cup 1st Round reached again (losing 3-1 at AFC Bournemouth after taking the lead).

Worthing finished bottom in their first season back in the Premier and Robson was replaced as manager. Others followed before Brian Donnelly became manager at Christmas 1996. Under Donnelly's leadership, Worthing staged a remarkable late season recovery, winning their last 5 games to escape relegation on the last day. "Sammy" was to remain manager until November 2001 when Barry Lloyd returned for his second spell in charge.

In 1998-99 we were finalists in the Isthmian League Full Members' Cup and won the Sussex Senior Cup for the first time in 21 years. 1999-00 saw us reach the FA Cup 1st Round for a 4th time, losing at Rotherham United.

In 2001 Worthing celebrated 100 years of playing at Woodside Road, an event marked by the publication of the first book devoted to the Club.

In 2003-04 we finished 2nd in the league and thus regained our Premier Division place. Cup runs saw us reach the Senior Cup final and the last 32 of the FA Trophy, being beaten by eventual winners Hednesford Town.

In 2005-06 our youth team won their division and reached the 1st Round of the FA Youth Cup for the first time. Our first team had topped the Isthmian League at New Year 2006 but eventually just missed out on a play-off spot.

The following year we got relegated, but did reach the Senior Cup final for the 28th time. Our youth team were again champions and also captured the Isthmian Youth Cup for a second time. In 2007-08 they became founder-members of the Isthmian Youth League and won the Sussex FA Youth Cup for only the second time.

The management partnership of Alan Pook and Danny Bloor resigned at the end of 2008-09 and Simon Colbran took over. He lasted just one season, at the end of which we lost in the play-off semi-final for the 3rd year in a row. Colbran resigned in the close season and was replaced by Chris White.

Chris's first season, Worthing's 125th, saw us fielding a completely new squad of players and we managed to win some silverware, defeating Horsham in the last match of the season to secure the Brighton Charity Cup.

The Club's next appointment was joint -managers, Lee Brace and Kieran Collins. More mid-table mediocrity and disappointing early cup exits saw the duo depart in October 2013 and after a period of caretaker management under Mick Fogden and Jon Meeney, Adam Hinshelwood took the reigns on Christmas Day. The recently retired former Brighton & Hove Albion professional immediately went about re-building the side with young, hungry players. Coupled with the experience of Fogden and the enthusiasm of the young Meeney, hopes are high for a more settled and productive future.

The 2014-15 season was very much a one of ups and downs but, despite all the uncertainty surrounding the club's future a sixth place finish was achieved, our highest for five years. This was a particularly impressive feat as the playing budget was scrapped after Christmas but, this only served to bring everyone at the club even closer together with all the players and Management staying and, we were one of only two teams to beat runaway Champions, Burgess Hill Town. By this time former youth team player George Dowell had become the new owner and Chairman of Worthing FC, investing heavily in not only wiping out all the clubs debts but also laying down a brand new 3G pitch, giving The Rebel's Tavern a complete makeover, converting it into The 7HQ Sports Bar and Cafe and continuing general improvements to Woodside Road. All this coming after his own career was ended by a serious car crash in 2010, which left him confined to a wheelchair and paralysed from the chest down. George used his compensation money wisely, setting up Worthing Football Centre to help create a real community hub at The Photronix Stadium, with the new artificial surface available for hire to all teams and age groups seven days a week. All this coming after he had formed his own football team in the West Sussex League, Worthing Borough.

However, early on in pre-season George and his fellow new directors were already looking for a new Manager, with Hinshelwood's impressive fire-fighting skills attracting the attention of his old club, Brighton & Hove Albion and a move back into the full-time game followed, with his appointment as Assistant Manager to their Under -18's. Jon Meeney was promoted to the role of Joint - Manager alongside new signing, Gary Elphick, who will continue his playing career. Both incumbents making their Senior Management bows. Former player Matt Piper returned to the club as player-coach, complementing the experience of the evergreen Mick Fogden, while Stuart Owens became the new Goalkeeping Coach and Natalie Stening followed Elphick from Lewes, to become our new physio.

Nobody could have predicted how the next nine months would unfold. The first team sealed promotion back to the Ryman League top flight for the first time since 2007 by winning the Division One South Play-Offs. An extraordinary semi-final at Woodside Road saw Hythe Town demolished 7-0, before a crowd of nearly 2,000 witnessed an equally decisive 3-0 triumph over Faversham Town in the Final, also played on The Rebel's 3G surface. Three members of the squad, Will Hendon, Brannon O'Neill and Omar Buglie were subsequently named in the Divisional Team of The Year. The only disappointment coming in The Sussex Senior Cup Final, where Eastbourne Borough went home with a narrow 1-0 verdict. Although nobody could forget the semi-final penalty shoot-out win over the holders, Whitehawk. The Under-21's stormed to success not only as South Division Champions of The Ryman Under-21 League but also as overall winners, with a nail biting triumph on penalties against The North Division Champions, Billericay Town



at The Harlow Arena. Jazz Rance won the golden boot as top scorer in both the South Division and the League as a whole. Only a 2-1 defeat to Lewes in the Final of The Sussex Intermediate Cup at SCFA HQ prevented them walking away with a clean sweep of trophies. Not to be outdone, the youth team had several of their own make it into the first team, finished runners-up in the South Division of the Ryman Youth League and enjoyed an epic run all the way to the third round proper of The FA Youth Cup. After tense wins at Sutton United and Biggleswade Town, the Young Rebel's adventure was eventually ended by the number one ranked youth team in the country, Middlesbrough, in front of a crowd of over 1,100 at what has now become The Bibby Financial Services Stadium.

The following campaign saw us lead the embryonic league table with three straight wins from the opening day. Although cup runs and injuries to key players saw us eventually finish in fourteenth, by which time Jon Meeney had stepped down as Joint-Manager to leave Gary Elphick in sole charge. We did, however, enjoy our best run in The FA Trophy since 2003-2004 with an impressive win at National League play-off semi-finalists, Dagenham & Redbridge before finally bowing out - after extra time in a replay - at FA Cup heroes Sutton United. This bringing an end to a fourteen match unbeaten run. We also reached the last eight of The Alan Turvey Trophy where we were knocked out by eventual winners, Billerica Town. February saw the departure of striker Omar Bugiel to Football League bound Forest Green Rovers, where he would taste victory in The National League Promotion Final against Tranmere Rovers at Wembley. An increased number of youth team alumni made first team appearances throughout the season while also managing to reach the first round proper of The FA Youth Cup, the run ended by Millwall at the intimidating New Den. The newly absorbed Ladies team lead the way on the trophy trail, by winning the The South East Counties League Division One (West) title along with an emphatic victory over Lancing in the final of The Sussex Women's Trophy. They were only denied a clean sweep of silverware by Premier Division Champions, Parkwood in the League Cup final at Maidstone and a semi-final defeat to Charlton Athletic in The Boux Avenue Women's Cup at Thamesmead Town.

Unfortunately, a twelve game winless run extended into the following season. Although not helped by pitch problems at Woodside, which saw home games played at Bognor until October and the first five games of 2017-18 all away, an unwanted club record of eight straight defeats from the opening day saw the eventual resignation of Gary Elphick on the 9th of September. Our first point finally came at "home" to Staines Town in match number ten, before the end of the month saw the return of Adam Hinshelwood to the Managerial hot seat. A number of new, along with one or two familiar faces were brought in by "Hinsh" as he set about the unenviable task of preserving the club's Premier Division status. A return to The Bibby Financial Services Stadium in October - and a first "propper" home point of the campaign against Met. Police - became the start of a potential great escape. With the watershed moment coming on the 24th of the month, when - after thirty-two games without a win - Lancing were vanquished 5-0 in The Senior Cup, immediately followed by victory over Lowestoft in The FA Trophy and successive league triumphs over Dorking Wanderers and, at Needham Market. Despite these positive results, there was still over half the season to play and, after a December defeat at Harlow increased the gap at the bottom to seven points behind our conquerors that day, with The Owls also having a game in hand, it looked very much like mission impossible. However, undeterred the management and squad completed a remarkable turnaround with an Easter Monday victory at Woodside Road over Merstham sealing our place among the Bostik elite. Hinsh was rewarded with a new three year contract and given the role of Academy Head as we increase our commitment to the local community with a new education and footballing programme. The youth team continue to be a vital source of talent for the Seniors and the Ladies, despite seeing a second successive promotion tail off towards the end of the season, were League Cup finalists - under new Boss, Curt Foster - once again. Although he only took over from Cam Morrison in December, Foster's tenure proved to be short and sweet as he stepped down at the end of the season and was eventually replaced by Karl Davy, who made the short journey from Lewes. An even shorter distance was covered by new youth team Manager, Matt Langley as he moved over from Shoreham.

2018-19 started promisingly but an unprecedented number of injuries and suspensions - eleven players were out at one stage - saw a play-off place slip away in the final five games, to leave the team in ninth at the end of April. Although it was still our highest finish since we came eighth in 2005-06 and teenage prospect, Kwame Adufour-Poku signed for Colchester United after only joining us in February. Both major cup competitions were exited in the last qualifying round. The U-18's were only denied a championship winning campaign on goal difference by Lewes but continued to be a vital source of first team talent. Previous Management duo, Matt Langley and Bob Crayton left the club in February, as part of a reshuffle and saw their places taken by Aarran Racine. Despite taking the side to the top of the table after being the first - and only - team to win at Eastbourne Borough. The Women had a mid-table term as they struggled for consistency amid changes in the dugout, with the hugely experienced former Albion and Fulham Boss, Michelle Lawrence taking over in the close season. Our Academy lads finished fourth in their inaugural campaign and many progressed into the Seniors, while the newly-introduced U14's, U15's and U16's all came third in their debut year. The U16's almost put a trophy in the cabinet but were beaten in the League Cup Final.

The following campaign was unprecedented, as Coronavirus spread around the world and ended all football in mid-March. Many thousands lost their lives and our national sport concluded with a mixture of null and void and Points Per Game. Our own Isthmian League went for the first of those options early and so we'll never truly know whether we'd have held on to become Champions or competed in the Play-Offs for a place in National South. Only an extra time defeat to the full-time pro's of Brighton and Hove Albion denied us an appearance in the final of The Sussex Senior Cup, too. Once again, one of our number progressed to the professional ranks as seventeen-year-old Fin Stevens moved to Championship side Brentford. Special mention must also go to the U18's, U16's, U15's, U14's and Women's teams who were all top of their respective divisions when we suddenly stopped. In fact, the women had mathematically achieved promotion with a 100% record and had one hand on the title, only for everybody's results to be expunged meaning they'll have to start all over again in 2020-'21 to attain Premier status. The U18's were robbed of a potential double as they prepared to take on perennial rivals, Lewes in the Dennis Probee Cup Final but one piece of silverware did manage to find its way to Woodside thanks to the U16's coming from behind to beat Eastbourne-based Select Soccer 4-1 in the John Davey Cup Final, after a Harry Margeson hat-trick and 'Tony Adams moment' from Captain Danny Howick.

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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.

- 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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TEAM 2020/2021



AARRAN RACINE (Centre-Half) Started out at Southampton, joining their academy at under-15's and signed a professional contract in October 2008. After several years at St Mary's he was released in May 2012 and that Summer he signed for then Conference club, Forest Green Rovers, initially on a three month contract. A week later he headed home in a 1-2 win at AFC Telford United, earning himself a permanent move in September. The highlight of his time at The New Lawn was undoubtedly leading them out at Wembley in the 2016 National League promotion final as captain. Ironically, it was to their opponents that day, York City that he made his next (temporary) move in December that year before a serious knee injury, picked up against Gateshead curtailed his next loan spell at Torquay United the following January. Joined the coaching team at our Development Centre pre-season 2017 and made his long-awaited playing return at Imperial Fields, Tooting against their new tenants, Dulwich Hamlet on 18th March 2018. Found the net for the first time at Moneyfields that September and was appointed to the position of Academy and Youth Director in late February the following year.

ROCO REES (Goalkeeper) Former Brighton & Hove Albion U-18's goalie who joined us on a brief work experience at the start of last term. Kept a clean sheet on his debut in pre-season at Whyteleafe; to add to the four in seventeen appearances for The Seagulls youth, since he first played for them at Reading in February 2017. Captain against Chelsea and also featured three times in their run to the fifth round of The FA Youth Cup. Made the bench for The EFL Trophy tie with Peterborough United. Went straight into the side at Folkestone Invicta on the opening day of 2019-20 and collected his first competitive shutout at home to Bognor Regis Town on Bank Holiday Monday. Returns to Woodside for the whole of the new campaign.

ALFIE YOUNG (Centre-Half) Former youth team Captain at Watford where he signed professional forms but was released in August 2016 without quite breaking into the first team. Started the next campaign at Hendon before moving on to eventual play-off semi-finalists, Wingate & Finchley. Made his bow for us at Met. Police on the opening day of 2017-18 and scored a rasper against his former club, high-flying Hendon in late October. A likeable lad who was named Player of the Year by his teammates at the end of his debut season.

CAMERON TUTT (Left-Back) His footballing journey commenced with Albion's under-18's, where he debuted for them at Southampton in November 2017 but it was the following campaign that he became a regular; making twenty-four appearances and Captaining the side against Norwich City and Reading. Senior football came by way of a nine game loan spell, beginning in March 2019, at Haywards Heath Town, helping them reach the South East play-offs and RUR Cup Final. Although, he'd first turned out for them in December, when he was named Man of the Match. Released from The Amex and made his bow for us in last Summer's sun at Selsey but a broken foot at Whyteleafe meant a delayed competitive debut until October's visit to Cheshunt.

LILLIE PEARCE (Forward) After several years at local rivals, Bognor Regis Town, Ollie made the move along the coast in 2018's closed season. A home-grown Rock who made his first team debut at seventeen before going on to enjoy a goal-laden career at Nyewood Lane. Around eighty goals in a little over 250 appearances, including four in four at the start of 2017/18, saw him feature in both promotion and relegation campaigns in a green and white shirt. Played his part in getting Bognor to the FA Trophy semi-finals in 2016. His only other club has been Midhurst & Easebourne while he also represented England Colleges. Made his long-awaited debut at Haringey Borough on 1st September 2019 and added his first goal for his new club at Lewes, a month later.

JESSE STARKEY (Midfielder) Signed on Friday, played on Saturday at the start of a loan spell that began at Harlow Town in early December 2017. Made the move permanent after the expiration of his contract with Gillingham, a few weeks later, in mid-January. Started out as a young lad at Portsmouth before a move to Chelsea in 2006, where he earned a scholarship in 2012. Despite being a regular in their under-18's, he wasn't offered professional terms and subsequently joined hometown club, Brighton & Hove Albion in the Summer of 2013. After nearly four years with The Seagulls he ventured west to Swindon Town and started the final game of 2016/17, at Charlton Athletic. Signed for Gillingham in September 2017, coming off the bench against Scunthorpe United a week later and scoring in The Kent Senior Cup against Phoenix Sports in October. Found the net for the first time in a red shirt at home to Folkestone Invicta on 10th February 2018.

ALEX PARSONS (Midfielder) Originally dual-signed on transfer deadline day 2014 from Skril South Whitehawk and played at Three Bridges the following night. Started as a professional at Bournemouth, debuting in League One in 2012 and went on loan to both Wimborne Town and Bashley followed by a spell in The Nike Academy. Loaned out by The Hawks to Hampton & Richmond Borough at the start of 2013/14 he finished that campaign with three goals in six

games for us. A permanent move to and promotion with Bognor Regis Town came next then a goalscoring second debut against Kingstonian, ironically at Nyewood Lane, saw a 2017 return.

TOM CHALAYE (Forward) A tall but skilful striker who made his debut as a substitute at Bowers & Pitsea in November 2019 and scored his first Senior goal for us that night to set-up a two-one win. Regularly found the back of the net for the under-18's while also bagging five times in sixteen appearances for Southern Combination League side, Pagham last term. Turned out for Worthing College too and came to us after a spell at National League, Aldershot Town.

JOEL COLBRAN (Right-Back) In his second spell at the club after playing for our under-18's, then becoming a first team regular at Loxwood. Called up for Sussex under-18's during his time at Plaistow Road and made two appearances for us in The League Cup at home to the Towns of Burgess Hill and Billericay in 2016/17. Came back for the first win of 2017/18 against Lancing in The Sussex Senior Cup, followed by an equally composed display in The FA Trophy win over Lowestoft Town in the same October week. Scored his first Senior goal for the club (and the only goal of the game) against Needham Market in April 2018. Picked up The Manager's Player of the Year Award on Star Wars Day at the conclusion of that campaign.

MARVIN ARMSTRONG (Midfielder) Latest talent to emerge from 'The Croydon Collective' who only signed for Whyteleafe at the beginning of 2018-'19. Trialled with us the following Summer and immediately impressed on debut at Selsey. However, it was his stunning solo effort at Three Bridges that really made people sit up and take note and sealed a move to Woodside. Opened his competitive account against local rivals, Bognor on August Bank Holiday Monday last.

DANNY BARKER (Centre-Half/Midfielder) Began his career at Brighton & Hove Albion where he captained their under-18's and was promoted to their under-23's at the start of 2017/18. Unfortunately, after playing his first game against Newcastle United, injury cut short his time with The Seagulls and he joined us in the February, making his debut at Leiston. His full debut came a fortnight later at home to Harlow Town. Bagged the equaliser at Margate on Easter Saturday 2018 to rescue a point on the road.

RICKY AGUIAR (Midfielder) An under-18 with both Shoreham and Lewes, where he won Sussex and Isthmian Youth Cup honours as well as helping the young Rooks go all the way to the third round of The FA Youth Cup in 2017/18. Called up for both Sussex and Sussex Schools under-18's, scoring in a man of the match performance for Worthing College as he picked up more silverware in the shape of The Men's First XI County Cup a year later. This impressive form also helped earn him a place in the English Colleges squad. Impressed in pre-season 2018 with goals against South Park - on his debut - and Selsey, with his first competitive one coming at Harlow Town on August 18th. Ended his first full campaign in Men's football as Manager's and Player's Player of the Year, picking up the former again in a truncated 2019-'20.

JASPER PATTENDEN (Midfielder) Teenage prodigy who shot to prominence 2018-'19 after making his debut in The FA Trophy replay at Burgess Hill Town at the end of October. Started against Lewes in mid-January and scored as a substitute in the emphatic victory over Harlow Town a month further on. Formerly with the under-18's and regularly finds the back of the net for the academy, where he ended the last campaign as their Player of the Year. Previously known to Hinsh when he played for the then Brighton & Hove Albion under-14's Manager and was with the Seagulls from under-8's up to under-16's. Turned out a number of times for Sussex at Senior youth team level.

DARREN BUDD (Midfielder) Experienced campaigner who makes Woodside Road his home for a second time. Made his first debut for us back in 2011 after joining that Summer from Whitehawk, his second coming against Lancing in The Sussex Senior Cup in October 2017. Known to score the odd beauty from long range, "Buddy" started his career at Brighton & Hove Albion with their youth and reserve teams. Moved on to play for Bognor Regis Town (twice) Eastbourne Borough, Horsham (twice) and Burgess Hill Town as well as The Hawks. Wore the captain's armband at The Hillians and helped Bognor win promotion back to National League South in 2017 before starting the succeeding campaign with Horsham.

REECE MYLES-MEEKUMS (Winger) Initially, a season-long loan from our top-flight neighbours at The Albion, where he played his first game in their youth team at the tender age of sixteen. Moved up to the under-23s in 2017-18 and turned out for us in The Bostik League, off the subs bench, against Staines Town, followed by his first start at Shoreham, in The Velocity Trophy. Bagged his maiden goal at Harlow Town. His impressive form in a red shirt saw him sign for National League Bromley, after his release by Brighton. Whipped the home crowd into a frenzy, when he marked his temporary return with the 88th minute winner against Folkestone Invicta in November '18. Had further loan periods that term with Eastbourne Borough and Bognor before becoming a permanent Red.

DAYSHONNE GOLDING (Winger) Signed for us in the last few days of February 2020, making his debut in the home draw with Potters Bar Town - a week after scoring the last of his eleven goals in thirty-five appearances this campaign for Lewes and the day after his final game against Bognor - and getting off the mark against Wingate & Finchley seven days further on. Started life, football wise, in the academy of Dartford before attaining regular minutes at then Isthmian North side, Phoenix Sports in 2016/17. Moved down to Sussex and linked-up with their now divisional rivals, Hastings United for the following season until the autumn of 2018, whereupon an initial loan move to The Dripping Pan became permanent.



KIERON PAMMENT (Forward) Very quick attacker who made an impressive debut, in his first spell at the club, as a second-half substitute at Eastbourne Town in November 2012, after joining a few weeks earlier from St Francis Rangers. Left in December 2014 and served the likes of Newhaven, East Grinstead Town, Littlehampton Town, Horsham, Pagham, Shoreham and Horsham YMCA. Won the Sussex County/Southern Combination League with Littlehampton, Horsham and Shoreham and promotion to the Isthmian ranks with East Grinstead. Returned to Worthing colours against Dulwich Hamlet at Nyewood Lane (Bognor) on 30th September 2017, before resuming his travels around Sussex at the end of that season with Burgess Hill Town. Signed for Lewes last term then switched to Horsham (again) back in September of the last campaign. Finally, debut number three for us was made off the bench at Brightlingsea Regent in January 2020, where he provided the assist for Alex Parsons to open the scoring in a 3-0 win. Dual-signed with Southern Combination League Saltdean United in September and promptly scored the only goal of the game on his debut at home to Eastbourne United.

MO DIALLO (Forward) Started out as a youngster with both Arsenal and Stoke, progressing to the under-23's at the latter. Moved into non-league football with Lewes in February 2019 and then onto Newhaven the following campaign. Signed for Bognor Regis Town back in January though trialled with us pre-season and scored against Metropolitan Police. Stayed on the bench for the opening day win at Folkestone Invicta but was in from the start in The FA Cup defeat at East Grinstead Town, where he bagged his maiden competitive goal in Red.

LEON MOORE (Left-Back) Makes the step up from South-East Division side, South Park having also turned out at that level for Whyteleafe. Enjoyed a loan spell with our Southern Combination League neighbours, Worthing United a couple of seasons ago and, despite only training with us for a short while, went straight into the matchday squad at Folkestone; coming on for his debut late in the game. Handed his full debut three days later at East Grinstead.

SAM KEEFE (Centre-Half) Worked his way up from the under-14's to under-23's at Charlton Athletic, captaining the under-18's along the way. Let go by The Valley-based club in February 2020, he dropped down to Isthmian League North Tilbury, where he scored on his debut against Brentwood. His attempts to return to a higher level during spells at Bromley and Eastbourne Borough unfortunately proved fruitless. An unused sub at Folkestone but a starter at East Grinstead.

SHAQUILLE GWENGWE (Winger/Forward) An impressive tally of fifteen goals in just thirteen appearances - as part of a final total of twenty-four in thirty-five - for Wessex League (Step 5) Andover Town in 2018-19 sealed a move up to then Southern Premier South side, Blackfield & Langley, by November of that term. Looking to stay at Step 3 after their decision to revert back to Wessex Prem football, Shaq moved on to The Crucial Environmental Stadium nine months later. Scored on his pre-season debut at Met. Police then started at Folkestone and came on at East Grinstead. Represented England Colleges.



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The new home, away and goalkeeper shirts have been designed by local artist Luke Mclean and supplied by O'Neill's. The kits are proudly sponsored by the band, THE LIBERTINES.

The shirts are available in the following sizes:

- Baby/Toddler – 0-6 Months, 6-12 Months, 1-2 Years and 3-4 Years
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- Adults – Small, Medium, Large, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL (can go larger if required)

General Manager Deny Wilson was delighted to release the new designs ahead of the club's first competitive game at Hartsdown Park in the Emirates FA Cup last Tuesday.

"After a lot of hard work behind the scenes and managing the difficult circumstances of COVID, I am thrilled to be able to share our designs and begin selling our unique new home, away and goalkeeper kits."

"Luke has done a fantastic job is designing four incredible shirts that reflect our twist on The Libertines' style. We hope the shirt is something our supporters will enjoy wearing with pride alongside fans of the band worldwide."

THE LIBERTINES

Match Report

Isthmian Premier League

Lewes v Margate

Score: 1-0

Attendance: 450



A late goal by Luke Blewden snatched the points for Lewes in a game Jay and the players will be wondering how they lost after dominating possession for large chunks of the match.

In front of 450 supporters it was the Gate who started brighter dominating possession and chipping away at the deep Lewes defensive line. Prestedge (15') and Richards (16') both had long range shots blocked and neither team tested the goal keepers in the opening quarter.

Vose was called into action in the 20th minute as Conlon turned and fired at goal but the Gate keeper tipped the ball over the bar. Moncur received a yellow card for the high challenge in the 35th minute and Ufuah broke clear of the Lewes defence a minute later but his cross could not find a teammate in the box. The half ended with a scuffle in the box from a corner but Ufuah could only fire Swift's knockdown high over the bar!

In the early exchanges of the second half Lewes looked the livelier and Cosgrave forced another smart save from Vose (52') before a succession of corners were well cleared by Friend and Swift respectively.

In the 60th minute Noel Leighton replaced Luke Carey to add some much-needed fire power to the Gate attack, but it was the host that grabbed the opening goal (72') against the run of play. A short corner caught the defence napping and Blewden, via a slight deflection from Swift, cushioned the ball past Vose with a near post header. 1-0 Lewes.

Despite dominating the ball for the final 15 minutes a Leighton header (85') was the only chance of note as the Gate failed to break down a resolute Lewes defence and the game ended 1-0.

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Margate FC Director, Chris Chambers expressed his delight at welcoming Coniston on board as a sponsor.

“I’m really pleased the club has Coniston on board for the new season. The support means a great deal to the club and it is brilliant to welcome such a well-established and recognised local business to become involved at Hartsdown Park.”

Chambers added, “HDP is a seven-day-a-week venue which offers great advertising opportunity and it’s fantastic for us to be able to welcome a company with the history and reputation of Coniston.”

Speaking about the new partnership at Hartsdown Park, John Rathbone, Managing Director of Coniston said:

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AWAY: **Terry Scott**



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Reece Prestedge HOME: AWAY: **Terry Scott**
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Conor Evans HOME & AWAY: **Maggie Lees**
Keep up the good work Conor - from Maggie



Bailey Vose (GK) HOME & AWAY: **Alan Swinnock**
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Hornchurch	v	Carshalton Athletic
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Match Report

South East Counties Women's League

Margate Ladies FC v Ramsgate Women FC

Score: 4-2



The Thanet derby on Sunday saw the ladies host Ramsgate women at HDP in this much anticipated game for both the players and supporters, and it was the blues who took the 3pts with a 4-2 victory.

A new looking, more resilient and youthful Ramsgate team stunned the hosts as they took the lead early on firing home a very generous looking free kick on the edge of the area.

Margate responded well, and a fine run and finish from Shannon King levelled the scores midway through the half.

A lack of composure and poor ball retention lead to the blues going behind again a few minutes later as an unmarked Ram fired in from six yards from a cross that could of been dealt with in the build up.

The first half wasn't pretty to watch as both teams struggled to settle into any rhythm but Margate levelled once again as Lucy Paris found the bottom corner from a free kick just outside the area and the teams went in all square at the break.(2-2).

Margate's approach in the second half was a lot more satisfying as they played with more authority and started to dictate the game.

Having come from behind twice the blues took the lead as Nicole Adams added to her seasons tally, connecting and volleying home from a well delivered cross. The visitors seemed to tire as Margate piled on the pressure in the final 20 minutes but were guilty of misfiring in front of goal.

The game was finally put to bed as new signing and ex Ram Rhyanna Bailey out smarted two defenders leaving herself with a clear run on the away keeper who had no chance as she slotted home and the Bluebirds picked up the points and retained the local bragging rights.





"It was great to pick up the points, even with a below par performance and i would like to thank all the supporters for turning out and cheering the team to victory".

Next up for Margate is an away trip to the Gallagher this Sunday in a top of the table clash against Maidstone as both teams look to preserve their unbeaten start to the season.

Upcoming Fixtures—Ladies First Team



Sun 18th October—AWAY
Maidstone United Ladies FC v Margate Ladies FC
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Over the last seven months the football pyramid has become even more divided, with 'Project Big Picture' now trying hard to increase the gap, but the importance of lower-league clubs to the product on the pitch has never been more obvious.

Six players in Gareth Southgate's latest England squad have had stints in Non-League and there were five in the side Ryan Giggs picked for Wales when the two teams met last week.

Nick Pope started the friendly fixture at Wembley having begun his career in the Eastern Counties League with Team Bury before progressing to Bury Town in the Isthmian League.

Following his move to Charlton Athletic, Pope went on loan to Harrow Borough, Welling United, Cambridge United and Aldershot Town for more crucial experience of first team football.

The back-up England keepers against Wales, Jordan Pickford and Dean Henderson, are also no strangers to Non-League. Pickford had loan spells at Darlington and Alfreton Town while Henderson played in goal for Stockport County just over four years ago when they were in National League North. He's also pushing to become Manchester United's number one.

Centre-back Tyrone Mings impressed in senior football at Yate Town and Chippenham Town in the Southern League before a successful trial at Ipswich Town forged the start of his top-flight career.

Dominic Calvert-Lewin made his England debut, and scored, in the 3-0 win over Wales. A debut goal was nothing new to the Everton striker, as a 17-year-old he bagged on his first appearance for Stalybridge Celtic against Hyde on Boxing Day when Sheffield United sent him out for game time. On New Year's Day, in the reverse fixture, he scored twice and set up three.

Danny Ings also got in on the act at Wembley, scoring his first goal for his country via a bicycle kick. Ten years ago, he was netting in Non-League at Dorchester Town on loan from Bournemouth.

Many others in the England squad either started or showed their talents in the lower reaches of the Football League before stepping up into the Premier League spotlight.

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2	26.9.20	H	Carshalton	2-2	OG', Ufual (pen)	254
3	29.9.20	H	Hornchurch	1-1	Swift	225
4	3.10.20	A	Leatherhead	0-0		407
5	6.10.20	H	Cheshunt	0-2		216
6	10.10.20	A	Lewes	1-0		450
7	17.10.20	H	Worthing			
8	20.10.20	A	Enfield Town			
9	24.10.20	A	Bognor Regis			
10	3.11.20	H	East Thurrock			
11	7.11.20	H	Haringey Borough			
12	14.11.20	A	Bishops Stortford			
13	17.11.20	A	Merstham			
14	21.11.20	H	Corinthian Casuals			
15	28.11.20	A	Wingate & Finchley			
16	5.12.20	H	Bowers & Pitsea			
17	12.12.20	A	Potters Bar			
18	19.12.20	H	Horsham			
19	26.12.20	H	Folkestone			
20	28.12.20	A	Cray Wanderers			
21	2.1.21	H	Kingstonian			
22	9.1.21	A	Cheshunt			
23	16.1.21	H	Bognor Regis			
24	23.1.21	A	East Thurrock			
25	30.1.21	H	Bishops Stortford			
26	6.2.21	A	Haringey Borough			
27	13.2.21	H	Merstham			
28	20.2.21	A	Corinthian Casuals			
29	27.2.21	H	Brightlingsea			
30	2.3.21	A	Hornchurch			
31	6.3.21	A	Carshalton			
32	13.3.21	H	Leatherhead			
33	20.3.21	A	Bowers & Pitsea			
34	27.3.21	H	Wingate & Finchley			
35	3.4.21	H	Enfield Town			
36	5.4.21	A	Folkestone			
37	10.4.21	H	Lewes			
38	17.4.21	A	Worthing			
39	24.4.21	H	Potters Bar			
40	1.5.21	A	Horsham			
41	3.5.21	H	Cray Wanderers			
42	8.5.21	A	Kingstonian			

Margate Player Stats & Top Goal Scorers

Player	Position	League			FA Cup			FA Trophy			Kent Cup		
		A	S	G	A	S	G	A	S	G	A	S	G
Bailey Vose	G	6	0	0	1	0	0						
Owen Kallmeier	G	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Craig Hollway	G	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Ben Swift	D	5	0	1	1	0	0						
Liam Friend	D	6	0	0	1	0	0						
George Lamb	D	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Chris Sessegnon	D	4	0	0	1	0	0						
Jay Porter	D	6	0	0	1	0	0						
Jamie Coyle	D	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Reece Prestedge	M	6	0	0	1	0	0						
Freddie Moncur	M	6	0	0	1	0	0						
Jack Richards	M	4	1	0	0	0	0						
George Wilkinson	M	0	0	0	0	0	0						
John Ufuah	A	6	0	1	1	0	1						
Noel Leighton	A	0	3	0	0	0	0						
Toby Bancroft (Loan)	A	4	1	1	0	0	0						
Archie Burnett	M	3	1	0	1	0	0						
Josh Steele	D	1	0	0	0	0	0						
Luke Carey	A	2	3	1	1	0	0						
Conor Evans	M	6	0	0	1	0	0						
Charlie Hatton	A	0	1	0	0	1	0						
Samuel Egole	D	1	1	0	0	0	0						

	BISH	BOGN	BOWE	BRIG	CARS	CHES	CORI	CRAY	EAST	ENFI	FOLK	HARI	HORN	HORS	KING	LEAT	LEWE	MARG	MERS	POTT	WING	WORT
BISH	2-2	TBA	26/12	02/01	17/10	13/03	10/04	27/03	4-1	05/12	1-0	06/02	03/05	20/02	24/04	14/11	19/12	23/01	17/11	03/04		
BOGN	27/02	10/11	24/04	2-1	10/04	28/11	03/04	17/10	20/02	14/11	06/03	19/12	02/03	17/11	23/01	26/12	24/10	20/03	06/02	02/01	03/05	
BOWE	16/01	13/03	2-1	24/04	26/12	30/01	03/11	03/05	02/01	03/04	13/02	07/11	28/11	17/10	7-0	1-1	20/03	21/11	19/12	27/02	10/04	
BRIG	05/04	12/12	02/03	28/11	01/05	09/01	20/03	1-1	23/01	24/10	20/02	0-3	28/12	17/04	20/02	20/10	06/03	1-2	08/05	17/11	06/02	14/11
CARS	08/05	09/01	27/03	27/03	05/12	1-0	01/05	01/03	24/10	20/02	19/10	17/04	3-1	06/02	28/12	23/01	06/03	05/04	3-0	14/11	16/11	
CHES	17/04	1-0	05/04	19/12	20/03	28/12	28/11	1-0	14/11	2-1	08/05	20/10	06/03	24/10	17/11	20/02	09/01	24/04	02/03	23/01	06/02	
CORI	27/10	27/03	14/11	2-0	10/04	03/05	02/01	01/05	17/10	06/02	1-2	05/12	23/01	26/12	24/10	17/11	20/02	02/03	06/03	03/04	12/12	
CRAY	1-3	21/10	23/01	06/12	19/12	27/03	08/05	06/03	06/02	03/03	17/04	25/04	18/11	5-1	05/04	14/11	28/12	28/10	10/01	TBA	21/02	
EAST	28/11	17/04	28/12	13/03	1-2	27/02	19/12	1-3	24/04	17/11	09/01	05/04	20/10	14/11	20/03	06/02	23/01	2-2	08/05	20/02	24/10	
ENFI	02/03	21/11	08/05	03/11	16/01	30/01	17/04	07/11	12/12	20/03	05/04	13/02	09/01	2-1	1-0	4-1	20/10	06/03	28/12	01/05	28/11	
FOLK	09/01	30/01	20/10	16/01	21/11	13/03	07/11	1-3	13/02	05/12	24/04	03/11	08/05	27/03	17/04	19/12	05/04	28/12	1-0	4-1	1-2	
HARI	20/03	2-1	17/11	10/04	03/04	02/01	27/02	17/10	3-1	26/12	12/12	13/03	20/02	23/01	0-1	10/11	06/02	28/11	14/11	03/05	01/05	
HORN	06/03	01/05	06/02	03/05	17/10	03/04	20/03	12/12	26/12	17/11	23/01	27/10	24/10	10/04	14/11	28/11	02/03	2-1	20/02	2-3	02/01	
HORS	07/11	0-1	27/03	17/10	13/03	1-2	03/11	13/02	03/04	5-2	02/01	21/11	16/01	12/12	27/02	03/05	01/05	30/01	05/12	10/04	26/12	
KING	28/12	13/02	17/04	21/11	07/11	16/01	05/04	27/02	30/01	13/03	28/11	04/11	2-0	24/04	19/12	20/03	08/05	09/01	21/10	3-2	0-4	
LEAT	21/11	03/11	06/03	03/04	03/05	13/02	16/01	26/12	05/12	10/04	17/10	02/03	30/01	1-1	01/05	02/01	0-0	07/11	27/03	12/12	4-3	
LEWE	12/12	05/04	09/01	1-2	03/11	21/11	13/02	30/01	07/11	27/02	01/05	16/01	27/03	28/12	05/12	08/05	1-0	20/10	17/04	13/03	1-3	
MARG	30/01	16/01	05/12	27/02	2-2	0-2	21/11	03/05	03/11	03/04	26/12	07/11	1-1	19/12	02/01	13/03	10/04	13/02	24/04	27/03	17/10	
MERS	01/05	05/12	20/02	02/01	26/12	12/12	3-0	13/03	10/04	0-1	03/05	27/03	27/02	14/11	1-2	06/02	03/04	17/11	24/10	17/10	23/01	
POTT	03/11	07/11	01/05	13/02	27/02	3-0	1-2	3-0	02/01	03/05	10/04	30/01	21/11	20/03	03/04	28/11	17/10	16/01	26/12	27/10	27/10	
WING	13/02	08/05	1-2	07/11	30/01	03/11	20/10	16/01	21/11	19/12	06/03	28/12	09/01	1-2	02/03	24/04	4-1	28/11	17/04	05/04	20/03	
WORT	TBA	28/12	2-1	30/01	13/02	07/11	24/04	21/11	16/01	27/03	27/02	19/12	08/05	05/04	06/03	09/01	02/03	17/04	08/12	13/03	05/12	

League Table

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

Top Premier League Goal Scorers

Position	Player	Team	Goals
1	Billy Knott	Bowers & Pitsea	5
2	Frankie Merrifield	Bishop's Stortford	5
3	Oliver Pearce	Worthing	5
4	Joseph Taylor	Cray Wanderers	5
5	Billy Bricknell	Enfield Town	4
6	Charlie Harris	Horsham	4
7	Omar Koroma	Carshalton Athletic	4
8	Roman Michael-Percil	Haringey Borough	4
9	David Smith	Folkestone Invicta	4
10	Kenny Aileru	East Thurrock United	4
11	Corie Andrews	Kingstonian	3
12	Aaron Cosgrave	Lewes	3
13	Mo Diallo	Worthing	3
14	Calvin Ekipieta	Merstham	3
15	Billy Healey	Wingate & Finchley	3
16	Rob O'Toole	Horsham	3
17	Freddie Parker	Cray Wanderers	3
18	Thomas Richardson	Bishop's Stortford	3
19	Daniel Trendall	Bowers & Pitsea	3
20	Ben Ward Cochrane	Potters Bar Town	3



South East Counties Women's League Table

<i>Pos</i>	<i>Team</i>	<i>Played</i>	<i>Won</i>	<i>Draw</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>G/D +/-</i>	<i>Points</i>
1	Maidstone United	4	4	0	0	23	12
2	Margate	4	3	1	0	18	10
3	Sittingbourne Ladies First	5	2	2	1	5	8
4	Meridian	4	2	2	0	4	8
5	Glebe	4	2	1	1	-1	7
6	Tunbridge Wells Foresters	2	1	0	1	2	3
7	Aylesford 2nds	4	1	0	3	-5	3
8	Cray Valley (PM) Ladies	4	1	0	3	-8	3
9	Ramsgate	3	0	0	3	-4	0
10	Long Lane	4	0	0	4	-34	0

Division 1 East Player Stats

	<i>Name</i>	<i>Team</i>	<i>Starts</i>	<i>Bench</i>	<i>Goals</i>	<i>Penalties</i>	<i>POTM</i>
1	Kara Richardson	Margate FC Ladies	5		6		
2	Nicole Adams	Margate FC Ladies	5		4	1	1
3	Sarah Fletcher	Sittingbourne Ladies First	3	1	4		1
4	Amy Kirwan	Meridian Girls Ladies	4		4		1
5	Abigail Skilton	Maidstone United Women First Team	4		4		
6	Wiktoria Bukowska	Margate FC Ladies	5		3		
7	Jeanie Keable	Glebe Ladies	2		3		
8	Emmanuel Okonya	Long Lane Women First	3		3		
9	Aallyeah Weise Forbes	Long Lane Women First	1		3	1	
10	Ashleigh Brooks	Margate FC Ladies	4	1	2		
11	Holly Enright	Ramsgate FC Women	2	3	2		
12	Carly Farrow	Maidstone United Women First Team	2	2	2	1	
13	Keeley Finn	Aylesford Ladies Seconds	3		2		
14	Alice Grandpierre	Maidstone United Women First Team	5		2		2
15	Rebecca Janes	Tunbridge Wells Foresters First XI Women	2		2		



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Goals	Subbed	Played	
			Bailey Vose (GK)
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			Ben Swift (C)
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Goals	Subbed	Played	
			Roco Rees (GK)
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