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#### HARINGEY BOROUGH FC - A BRIEF HISTORY

Ilt was not until 1970 that a team competed under the name of Haringey Borough when WOOD GREEN TOWN who had played at Coles Park since 1930 changed their name to Haringey Borough. A merger with EDMONTON FC resulted in a brief change of name to Edmonton & Haringey FC until 1976 when the present name was re-adopted. The merged Club played in the Athenian League until it ceased to operate at the end of the 1983/84 season and then played for 4 seasons in Division 2 North of the Isthmian League. After a period of instability culminating ia year in the wilderness away from Senior football in 1988/89 they were admitted to the Spartan

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League in 1989/90 retaining Premier Division membership throughout until the South Midlands League merger in season 1997/98 when they finished 7th.in the Premier Division South to secure membership of the new "combined" Premier Division for 1998/99 as well as being runners up in the League's Premier Division Cup. In 2004 after an unsuccessful attempt to move the Club to the nearby New River Sports stadium and a walk out of the existing Committee Aki Achillea who had commenced his association with the Club in 1995 was appointed to lead the Club forward and together with George Kilikita and Secretary John Bacon the club sought to engage more with the local community and tap into the talent locally.

The senior men's team having been relegated to Division One of the Spartan South Midlands League in 2006/7 bounced back with promotion at the very first attempt and a fine season ended with both promotion and the winning of the Division One Cup. Back in the Premier Division for the season 2008/09 the Club again quickly found itself among the relegation strugglers leading to the appointment of the current Manager – the vastly experienced Tom Loizou. Tom and his excellent loyal team of coaching staff have been instrumental in turning around the Club's fortunes in the intervening years. In 2011/12 a highest ever 5th place was achieved and the League Challenge Trophy won. After massive stadium improvements in the close season with the erection of a new Clubhouse and new dressing rooms hopes were high for 2012/13 but the poor weather and the problematic pitch led to a massive fixture backlog which negated any chance of a serious challenge for honours and the Club finished 9th. In 2013/14 the Club's challenge for promotion took place in the Essex Senior League following a sideways switch imposed by the FA. The Club had what was then its most successful season ever finishing runners up by just a solitary point to Great Wakering Rovers and ended the season with 20 wins and one draw from the final 21 League games. The League title was nevertheless secured at the second attempt in 2014/15 with a haul of 103 points from 38 games and with it promotion to Step 4 in which we were allocated to the Ryman League Division One North. The first season at the higher level was a baptism of fire when only 7 points were garnered from the first 17 games but by the close of the season a further 43 points had been amassed from the remaining 29 games and the Club finished in a comfortable 15th place. The first season in the FA Trophy produced two fine victories before a replay loss to Hitchin Town of the Evostik South Premier Division. The summer of 2016 saw yet further investment in the close season in the form of a 3G synthetic main pitch and added improvements to the perimeter, the spectator rails and the floodlights and has created a facility of which the Club can be proud; and has afforded a greater opportunity for the Club to move forward in all aspects. The first team in 2016/17 improved markedly on the previous season and had an excellent all round campaign although rather unfortunate not to finish the season on a high having ended with the "double heartbreak" of missing out on promotion through a 4-5 closely fought semi final play-off defeat at Maldon & Tiptree FC after finishing 5th in the Division and an odd goal 2-3 London Senior Cup semi-final loss at Metropolitan Police. But 2017/18 was to be the Club's best ever and culminated in promotion to Step 3 via the play-off route with a 3-1 win over Canvey Island after automatic promotion had been missed by just two points. And in FA Competitions the 4th and final round of the Qualifying rounds for the FA Cup was reached, although that ended in disappointment with a 2-4 home defeat by Heybridge Swifts who then enjoyed a visit to Exeter City in the First Round Proper. In the FA Trophy we went right through the qualifying campaign and were lucky enough to draw Leyton Orient in the First Round Proper which brought a record attendance of 1,133 to Coles Park and "The O's" left mightily relieved at having come back to win 2-1 after going a goal down in the fifth minute. 2018/19 was another great but ultimately disappointing season season with an FA Cup run which took us into the First Round Proper

where it was ended rather cruelly by AFC Wimbledon's last minute goal at Coles Park in front of a record crowd of 2,710. Having led the Premier Division for several weeks in mid-season it was somewhat surprising that we dropped from 2nd to 3rd on the last day of the season after a poor late run but still enjoyed home advantage in the Play-Off Semi-final in which a 45 minute second half onslaught on the Tonbridge Angels goal produced only one goal in response to the two they had scored before the interval. The 2019/20 season's early termination was less of a disappointment for us than for most other Isthmian Premier Division Clubs as we were marooned in mid-table with no realistic prospect of entering either the promotion or relegation zones. The highlight of the season should have been the visit of National League Yeovil Town in the Final Qualifying Round of the Emirates FA Cup but, as is well known, appalling crowd behaviour brought that game to an early end and the second game seemed something of an anti-climax. In fact, without making excuses, that unpleasant episode seems to have adversely affected our players for some time for, whereas we had been well in the promotion places mix, thereafter we just drifted downwards The early termination of League Fixtures for 2020/21 was more of a blow than was the previous seasons voiding as we were well placed to make a charge towards a play-off place at least. However the Buildbase FA Trophy continued and we enjoyed a run through to the 4th Round Proper when Oxford City of the National League South finally eliminated us 4-2 after we had been two up; en route we had overcome Faversham Town, Bishops Stortford, Eastbourne Borough and Dartford, the last two also being National League South Clubs. The London Senior Cup also carried on and due to withdrawals, we reached the quarter-final without playing a game but lost a penalty shoot out to Hanwell Town after a 2-2 draw.

2016/17 saw the introduction of a much needed "second" team, formed to compete in the Ryman Development League it being basically intended for Under 21 players but with the facility to include up to 4 older players in every squad. The team held their own comfortably in the League finishing a very creditable 6th place and the benefits of the Club's participation were all too evident with the introduction of a number of players into the first team squad throughout the season and the opportunity for first team squad players to keep fresh and those who were returning from injury had a platform to get fit. Thereby proving the benefits of having such a side. The age restriction was amended to Under 23 for 2017/18 and the team has always been near the top of the table and continued to do well in the following seasons

Youth teams were commenced and run successfully for many years at various age levels with some considerable success particularly at the older age groups including progress into the 2nd round proper of the FA Youth Cup in 2006/07. They were Divisional winners of the Southern Counties Floodlit Youth League in 2004/05 (and also winners of the League's Colwyn Cup competition) and 2009/10. After a few seasons absence from Youth football the Under 18s rejoined the Southern Counties competition in 2017/18, winning its Divisional Championship at the first attempt. This will again provide a pathway for talented local boys to make their way into the first team squad and ultimately the first team itself.

The Women's Team was formed in 1999 and competed in the Eastern Region Womens League winning promotion in its first season and then to its Premier Division for 2002/03; and there they have remained save for two seasons, the first being in 2011/12 following relegation to Division 1 from which they made an immediate Premier Division return as runners-up. Steady improvement began and we were extremely fortunate to have been approached midway through the 2014/15 season by renowned coach and former professional footballer Steve Browne who at the time was involved in the highly successful S & T Academy Girls football. Steve was duly appointed Manager and preserved the Women's Premier Division status. In 2015/16 a mid table position was easily secured from an uneven campaign which included convincing away wins at the top 2 Clubs and some surprisingly disappointing performances against lower placed teams. In 2017/18, by Christmas the team were runaway League leaders only to be thrown off course by the tragic early death of Steve on New Years Day but after a shaky period the Women re-asserted themselves to win the League Championship on the last day of the season and with it, promotion to the Women's Premier League and followed that up by adding the League Cup with a 5-1 win over Cambridge City to complete the double which was a a fitting, lasting legacy for their Manager. The loss of many of the successful squad, several to American University Scholarships, proved too much of a handicap at the higher level and relegation back to the Eastern Regional League was an unsurprising outcome. Now under the stewardship of Bobby Cato significant steps forward seem certain and promotion is again a realistic prospect.

The foundations are in place for an eventual assault on the title to secure a National League place for the

men's senior side and an exciting season is in prospect in which a challenge for at least a Play-off position is a realistic prospect as we pursue our ambition to achieve promotion to the National League should be within the capabilities of our talented squad. The facilities and structures are in place for all the Club's teams to improve and enhance on recent successes.

The Directors and Committee of *HARINGEY BOROUGH FOOTBALL CLUB* take pleasure in extending a warm welcome to all visitors to Coles Park and hope that they will make use of the bar and refreshment facilities available to increase their enjoyment of the occasion.

However, the Club reserves the right to refuse admission to any person and the right to remain within the ground is conditional upon compliance with directions given by Club Officials. Spectators and

other visitors must not encroach upon the playing area, deface or damage Club premises or equipment, take any glasses, alcohol or bottles outside of the Clubhouse or use obscene or insulting language or gestures (and especially any of a racist nature).

The Club cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage howsoever caused or arising to property of any or every kind brought into the ground including, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, motor vehicles or anything therein or thereon or items left in changing rooms





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# LONDON SENIOR CUP 2021/22 (sponsored by VEO) RESULTS & FIXTURES

#### **ROUND ONE**

BARKING 2 NEW SALAMIS 1

CLAPTON 0 ERITH TOWN 3

TOWER HAMLETS 2 CRAY VALLEY (PM) 5

GLEBE 4 PHOENIX SPORTS 0

FISHER O BRENTFORD "B" 2

SPORTING BENGAL UNITED 2 COCKFOSTERS 4

AFC CROYDON 1 DULWICH HAMLET 1 (AWAY WIN BY 1-3 ON PENALTIES)

DARTFORD 5 ATHLETIC NEWHAM 2

ERITH & BELVEDERE 3 CARSHALTON ATHLETIC UNDER 23's 2

WELLING UNITED 1 HANWELL TOWN 1 (HOME WIN BY 4-3 ON PENALTIES)

TOOTING & MITCHAM UNITED 4 REDBRIDGE 1

CRAY WANDERERS v HENDON (AWAY WALKOVER)

METROPOLITAN POLICE v LEYTON ORIENT (HOME WALKOVER)

STILL TO PLAY CORINTHIAN CASUALS v HARROW BOROUGH

STILL TO PLAY HARINGEY BOROUGH v an AFC WIMBLEDON XI

#### **ROUND TWO**

DARTFORD 9 COCKFOSTERS 0

BARKING 2 METROPOLITAN POLICE 1

CRAY VALLEY (PM) 1 ERITH TOWN 3

STILL TO PLAY DULWICH HAMLET v WELLING UNITED

STILL TO PLAY GLEBE v ERITH & BELVEDERE

STILL TO PLAY TOOTINH & MITCHAM UNITED v HARINGEY BOROUGH or an AFC WIMBLEDON XI STILL TO PLAY CORINTHIAN CASUALS or HARROW BOROUGH v BRENTFORD "B"

STILL TO PLAY HENDON v BALHAM

#### **QUARTER FINALS**

ERITH TOWN v BARKING

DARTFORD v CORINTHIAN CASUALS or HARROW BOROUGH or BRENTFORD "B"

HENDON or BALHAM v DULWICH HAMLET or WELLING UNITED

GLEBE or ERITH & BELVEDERE v TOOTING & MITCHAM UNITED or HARINGEY BOROUGH or

an AFC WIMBLEDON XI

#### SEMI FINALS

ERITH TOWN OR BARKING V DARTFORD OR CORINTHIAN CASUALS OR HARROW BOROUGH OR BRENTFORD "B"
HENDON OR BALHAM OR DULWICH HAMLET OR WELLING UNITED V GLEBE OR ERITH & BELVEDERE OR TOOTING &
MITCHAM UNITED OR HARINGEY BOROUGH OR AN AFC WIMBLEDON XI





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#### HISTORY OF AFC WIMBLEDON

As so often in the Wimbledon story, it all came down to a penalty kick. In the final moments of 2012/13, Jack Midson stepped up to score from 12 yards. It was a goal that not only secured victory over Fleetwood Town but preserved the new Dons' hard-won League Two status. The wave of euphoria as relieved fans invaded the pitch to celebrate evoked memories of good times past.

Just two years earlier, it was Danny Kedwell whose final penalty kick in the shootout decided the Conference play-off final against Luton Town at the City of Manchester

Stadium. Such penalty heroics were hardly something new for older supporters, who remembered the saves from the spot that immortalised the names of Dickie Guy and Dave Beasant in FA Cup folklore.

It was preserving that glorious past that drove followers of the club to start again in the summer of 2002 after a specially appointed three-man FA commission shocked football fans everywhere by allowing the old Wimbledon FC to relocate to a Buckinghamshire new town. Determined not to let a proud 104-year history die, Dons supporters organised themselves and within just six weeks AFC Wimbledon - a club the commission had declared would be "not in the wider interests of football" - was born.

The new Dons' opening match in the Combined Counties League attracted 2,449 fans to Sandhurst Town's Bottom Meadow ground, where terracing was improvised from bales of hay. After finishing third at the end of that first campaign, AFC Wimbledon secured a league and cup double in 2004. The next season they won the Ryman League First Division South before taking three years to escape the Ryman League Premier Division.

Under the guidance of the experienced Terry Brown, the Dons won the Conference South title in 2008, but the Conference National proved a slightly tougher nut to crack. However, after finishing eighth in their debut season, the Dons secured the runners-up spot in 2011, and captain Kedwell demonstrated nerves of steel in that play-off final in Manchester as he fired home the decisive goal.

The rise of AFC Wimbledon has brought inevitable comparisons with their illustrious predecessors' climb from the Southern League to the old First Division during the 1970s and 80s. That success culminated in a victory over Liverpool in the 1988 FA Cup Final, prompting BBC commentator John Motson to deliver the immortal line:

"The Crazy Gang have beaten the Culture Club."

Those days may be in the past, but the collective spirit lives on in the large numbers of fans who give up their time to run the present club. After several years of untempered success, the difficulty of trying to compete in League Two with one of the smallest playing budgets hit home for fans during the first few years of Neal Ardley's tenure.

Ever a realist, chief executive Erik Samuelson summed up the crucial Fleetwood game from his own perspective: "It was a dramatic and very exciting final day, and we all ended up on a high as a result of that. But when you stop and think that we were only 18 minutes away from returning to the Conference, it is important to make sure that we do learn lessons."

The man in charge that day who coupled such hard-headed realism with the enthusiasm of the supporters was Neal Ardley. He made over 200 appearances for the Dons in their Premier League days, and by refashioning the side in mid-season last year he quickly established a reputation as one of the brightest young managers around. Neal used all his intelligence and guile as the Dons made a timely surge into the League 2 playoff places in May 2016, before winning promotion in the playoff final at Wembley and establishing the Club in League 1 for the 2016/17 season.

Now the Club is seeking to stabilise in League One under the management of Mark Robinson as we look forward to welcoming fans to our new home at Plough Lane.



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#### THE SECRETARY'S MUSINGS

This evening we welcome the players, Officials and supporters of...AFC WIMBLEDON FC to the CVS Van Hire Stadium who will be sending a team for this London Senior Cup First Round tie. The winners of this game will be away to the current holders Tooting & Mitcham United in the next Round on a date to be decided. It was an AFC Wimbledon XI that Tooting defeated in last years Cup Final.

Obviously we are not going to get anywhere near the record attendance of 2,710 set when the First Team of AFC Wimbledon visited Coles Park on the wet, windswept evening of Friday November 9th 2018 for a First Round FA Cup Tie but we hope that our supporters who attend this evening will leave less disappointed than on that occasion when we went down to a solitary goal scored in the last few minutes of the match. A warm welcome also, of course to our match officials who are James Keane in the middle while Nick Reece and Oliver Storey have the flags. Whatever the outcome we hope all will leave having enjoyed an entertaining evening's sport and have a safe journey home and there must be a winner tonight as there are no replays in this Competition and neither is there any extra time as matches go straight to a penalty shoot-out if the scores are level after 90 minutes.

Our last home game with Margate was one which will live long in the memory. Having won three of our previous four meetings with Margate by 1-0 it looked for a long while as if this would end the same way thanks to a crisp ground shot from the edge of the area by Anthony McDonald in the 39th minute of the first half which we had just about shaded. The second half followed the usual pattern of our totally dominating it and the Margate goal bore a charmed life as we rained in promising efforts which were either just wide, competently dealt with by their 'keeper and in one case cleared acrobatically off the line.

We should have been home and dry before the inevitable happened ten minutes from time as the visitors poached a late equaliser thanks to a goalmouth scramble resulting from a free kick. Disaster seemed to have struck in the 95th minute when the visitors went ahead in very fortuitous circumstances; many present would deem it an own goal as a shot some distance took a massive deflection off a Borough player which left Jonathan Miles totally stranded but Margate were sure it was on target and keen to credit it to their man so who are we to argue. Great and prolonged were their celebrations and did they pay a high price for them as during the additional time the referee added to the allotted 5 minutes added at the end of normal time we attacked with massive determination and it was Andronicos Georgiou who slotted home our well deserved equaliser.with a low cross shot – his first goal for the Club . We really deserved all three points but it was a cracking game throughout and defeat would have certainly taken the gloss off it for us.

The sensational ending of that Saturday's match with Margate was followed by our visit to Hornchurch on Tuesday 9th which also threw up some unusual events. After an even opening half hour in which both sides had chances which produced near misses a spectacular effort from Lewis Spence put the Urchins ahead. From the centre circle he spotted Jonathan Miles a little too far forward and unleashed a first time rocket which flew past him and ended high in the net. But for a linesman's flag we could have been two down by half-time as a Billy Bricknell effort was ruled out. Unfortunately, the second goal was not long in coming after the interval again somewhat bizarre in nature as Jonathan raced out of his goal towards the left corner flag but the ball did not carry quite enough momentum to be shepherded out for a goalkick and competing with a deadly scorer like Liam Nash rather than bashing it to safety was tempting fate and when Nash won the ball and executed an accurately bent shot into the vacant net from the tightest of angles that unwise decision was well underlined. But so well were Borough playing that thoughts of the match being already decided were premature. However around the hour mark the roof really fell in when left winger Jili Buyabu, who we were later told was about to have a trial with Sheffield United, unleashed a shot from way out on the left touchline and about level with the 18 yard line which Jonathan could only watch as it sailed over his head and entered the net right at the junction of bar and the far post. If a video of this match is available its probably right to assume that the our unfortunate goalkeeper will not be rushing to view it! Borough kept plugging away but only a super-optimist would forecast our scoring three or more goals against a defence as tough and uncompromising as Hornchurch's although it was not for the want of trying. In fact over the course of the match we won 5-2 on a count of yellow cards collected. We found the net just once but even that consolation was denied by an offside flag and Bridge Avenue, ever a graveyard for our hopes, proved to be such again.

The long trip to Lewes followed on Saturday 13th and we maintained our sequence of shipping an extra goal per match with 4 conceded at the famous Dripping Pan ground. All seemed well at first as Adey Cole ran through and confidently slotted his low effort past the 'keeper after a guarter of an hours play. But the lead

lasted only four minutes and seven minutes after that we found ourselves trailing. The second half was only seconds old when we went 3-1 down but hope was rekindled two minutes later when a "Rooks" defender obligingly prodded the ball past his own 'keeper. But it was not to be the start of a Borough renaissance as it took us only five more minutes to concede again and although there was no lack of effort in the remaining half hour or so we never found the net again.

And so to Saturday 20th when we travelled to Bowers & Pitsea's much improved stadium. We managed to produce yet another déjà vu performance the type of which have been too numerous to enumerate them all here.

Step 1 - shade the first half and take a deserved lead a few minutes from the interval when Macca scampered on to a through ball and rounded the 'keeper to plant the ball in the net.

Step 2 - dominate the early stages of the second half and waste a substantial number of golden, or at least half chance, opportunities to add to those similarly thrown away in the first half to put the match out of the opposition's reach

Step 3 - allow the opposition an easy route back into the game with Bowers prolific striker Lewis Manor scoring what was not the most difficult of the myriad he has headed over the years. And he was only on as a substitute. Oh what joy if we could but field a team including a striker with his track record let alone have one on the bench. If Manor played for us the sky would be the limit bearing in mind the chances our always impressive build up play would lay on for him.

Step 4 - concede an injury time goal in this case to a 93rd minute corner. Had it been a spectacular Lewis Manor header it would still have been gutting but perhaps not surprising. But it wasn't such. One of Bowers smaller players was left in splendid isolation on the edge of the six yard box and scarcely needed to flex his neck muscles to redirect the ball into the net. It is pertinent to wonder how such an opportunity could have come his way against a team with our height in defence.

And thus it came to pass that we have now gone 11 games without a win (6 draws and 5 defeats) which left us in 15th position after the Bowers game. In fact just one win in 15. Ominously, the last time we played 11 games without a win was way back in our days of Spartan South Midlands struggles and at the end of that season (2006/07) we were relegated. After tonight's opportunity to stem the flow we face three tough League games and while nine points would be super-optimistic we will be falling way behind in our quest for a play-off place unless some are garnered. First up is the visit of Bognor Regis Town, seven points ahead of us with a game in hand next Saturday. That will be followed by the re-arranged home game against League leaders Worthing next Tuesday and be followed by the long distance trip to Folkestone Invicta currently 12 points ahead of us with a game in hand on Saturday 11th December. After that, we have a blank Saturday (18th December) as our intended visitors, Kingstonian, will not be coming as they will be in FA Trophy action that day. The revised date for their visit is Tuesday 25th January. On the face of it our first two Christmas and New Year fixtures against Wingate & Finchley and Brightlingsea Regent might appear to offer a bit of a respite but there are no easy matches in this Division and on the New Year Bank Holiday a daunting trip to in-form table climbing Cheshunt lies in wait.

The First Team squad has seen a number of comings and goings over the last two months with goalkeepers featuring prominently. We were disappointed to lose Tiernan Parker to a Step 4 Club (Colney Heath) and with Jonathan Miles now out of the reckoning we will be looking to their replacements to generate confidence from between the posts. Much travelled Lamar Joseph-Johnson has joined us from Bowers & Pitsea where he occupied a place on our bench in our last game which was at them and they gave him a glowing reference. Christos Rossos, formerly a professional with Anorthosis Famagusta has also joined us. It would be churlish not to express our appreciation of the service we have received from Jonathan who joined us on the last day of 2019 and had the unenviable task of taking over from Valery Pajetat – a very hard act to follow. We hope he will find a new berth in the near future. Outfield departures have included Chid Onokwai whose scoring drought was something of a disappointment and we hope he will recover his mojo with his new Club, Hornchurch. The departure of Ramiah Mills for Tilbury just two days after an hours first team appearance off the bench at Merstham was also disappointing as he was an Under 23 player of some promise. Incoming we welcome attacking midfielder Andronicos Georgiou who has already made several appearances and scored the equaliser in the final seconds of stoppage time against Margate. Narcis-Florin Filip, a striker who numbers FC Romania and Hoddesdon Town among his former Clubs, has already shown from the bench that he can be a handful for any defence with his determined pressing and willingness to pull the trigger when the opportunity arises. Finally we welcome back Roman Michael-Percil after his brief sojourn at Wingate and Finchley and obviously he needs no introduction.

The Under 23s blistering start (4 wins from 4 with 27 scored and 4 conceded) has faltered somewhat and

their second defeat was sustained by 2-3 when Potters Bar Town visited Coles Park on 15th November. But the following Monday it was their turn to win 3-2 when Tilbury visited Coles Park and that win sent them to second in the table 4 points behind Bowers & Pitsea but with a game in hand. They will be hoping to bring back three points from their trip to bottom Club Heybridge Swifts tomorrow.

The under 18s also started the season in some style with 3 wins from 3 but momentum was then lost with 2 wins and 5 defeats in the next 7 games. But yesterday they returned to winning ways with a goal laden 9-3 win over Potters Bart Town at Coles Park which left them with a League record of 4 wins and 4 defeats but with a positive goal difference of 17

The Womens season after looking likely to be the most successful for some years has gone down hill, mainly because of the inability to field full teams.and 8 consecutive defeats have ended earlier hopes of promotion but they probably have have enough points to be safe from relegation with only one to go down and their next opponents will be AFC Dunstable, currently footing the table who will be here for what is a crucial game on Sunday next, 5th December. Since the last home programme they have lost 6-2 away to table topping Wymondham Town, 4-1 at home to 2nd Placed Royston Town, 8-2 at Fulham in the Capital Womens Cup and 2-3 at home to Kings Lynn Town two days ago – the last mentioned being particularly disappointing as it was a very late goal which, not for the first time this season, - sent the visitors home happy. Taking a leaf from the First Team really!!

League fixtures for all our teams are shown on our supporters website www.haringeyboroughfc.com You can see our remaining 13 home League games without admission charge as we are maintaining the Free Season Ticket offer for another season. To obtain one go to the Club's official website www.haringeyboroughfc. net and use the "Ticket Store" option. By becoming a Club Member for the sum of £50 (again via the "Ticket Store" option) many benefits will be bestowed upon you as per the details shown. The Isthmian League will be running a League Cup on a knock out basis and we will enter at the 3rd Round for which the draw has yet to be made.

# NEXT FIRST TEAM HOME GAME SATURDAY DECEMBER 4th 3pm

v BOGNOR REGIS TOWN

(Isthmian League - Premier Division)

# NEXT FIRST TEAM AWAY GAME SATURDAY DECEMBER 11th v FOLKESTONE INVICTA

(Isthmian League - Premier Division)

at The BuildKent Stadium, Cheriton Road, Folkestone,Kent CT19 5JU
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Stadium is 6/10th of a mile from station

#### OTHER TEAMS AWAY GAMES BEFORE NEXT HOME GAME

Wednesday 1st December UNDER 23s away to Heybridge Swifts (League) 7.45pm

# HARINGEY BOROUGH FIRST TEAM 2021/22 FIXTURES & RESULTS

(All Isthmian League Fixtures unless otherwise indicated) (All Saturday kick offs 3pm and midweek kick offs at 7.45pm unless otherwise indicated)

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Sat 3 July	Н	ROMFORD (Friendly)	L 1-2	
Tues 6 July	Н	ROYSTON TOWN (Friendly) W 4-		
Sat 10 July	Н	CHELMSFORD CITY (Friendly)	L 1-3	
Sat 17 July	Н	BILLERICAY TYOWN (Friendly)	D 0-0	
Tues 20 Jull	Н	SUTTON UNITED (Friendly)	L 0-4	
Sat 24 July	Н	OXFORD CITY (Friendly)	L 0-4	
Tues 27 Jul	Н	ALDERSHOT TOWN (Friendly)	D 0-0	
Sat 7 Aug	Н	MARLOW (Friendly)	W 3-0	
Sat 14 Aug	А	Kingstonian	L 0-1	
Sat 21 Aug	Н	HORSHAM	W 3-1	
Sat 28 Aug	А	Bognor Regis Town	W 2-1	
Mon 30 Aug	Н	WINGATE & FINCHLEY	W 4-1	
Sat 4 Sep	А	Peterborough Sports (FA Cup 1st Qualifying Round)	L 1-2	
Sat 11 Sep	Н	CORINTHIAN CASUALS	L 0-1	
Tues 14 Sep	А	Enfield Town	L 0-1	
Sat 25 Sep	Н	EAST THURROCK UNITED	W 5-1	
Tues 28 Sep	Н	POTTERS BAR TOWN	D 2-2	
Sat 2 Oct	А	Leatherhead	D 0-0	
Sat 9 Oct	Н	CRAY WANDERERS	D 1-1	
Tues 12 Oct	Α	Bishops Stortford	D 1-1	
Sat 16 Oct	А	Merstham *	L 0-5	
Sat 23 Oct	Н	CARSHALTON ATHLETIC	D 1-1	
Sat 30 Oct	А	Potters Bar Town (Buildbase FA Trophy 3rd Qualifying Round.	L 0-2	
Sat 6 Nov	Н	MARGATE	D 2-2	
Tue 9 Nov	А	Hornchurch	L 0-3	
Sat 13 Nov	А	Lewes	L 2-4	
Sat 20 Nov	А	Bowers & Pitsea	L 1-2	
Tue 30 Nov	Н	An AFC WIMBLEDON XI (London Senior Cup)		
Sat 4 Dec	Н	BOGNOR REGIS TOWN		
Tues 7 Dec	Н	WORTHING		
Sat 11 Dec	А	Folkestone Invicta		
Mon 27 Dec	А	Wingate & Finchley		
Sat 1 Jan	Н	BRIGHTLINGSEA REGENT		
Mon 3 Jan	А	Cheshunt		
Sat 8 Jan	А	Corinthian Casuals		
Sat 15 Jan	Н	ENFIELD TOWN +		
Sat 22 Jan	Н	LEATHERHEAD		
Tue 25 Jan	Н	KINGSTONIAN		
Sat 29 Jan	А	East Thurrock United		

Sat 5 Feb	Н	HORNCHURCH	
Sat 12 Feb	А	Potters Bar Town	
Tues 15 Feb	Н	BISHOPS STORTFORD	
Sat 19 Feb	А	Cray Wanderers	
Sat 26 Feb	Н	MERSTHAM	
Sat 5 Mar	А	Carshalton Athletic	
Sat 12 Mar	Н	LEWES	
Sat 19 Mar	А	Margate	
Sat 26 Mar	Н	BOWERS & PITSEA	
Sat 2 Apr	А	Worthing	
Sat 9 Apr	А	Horsham	
Sat 16 Apr	Н	CHESHUNT	
Mon 18 Apr	А	Brightlingsea Regent	
Sat 23 Apr	Н	FOLKESTONE INVICTA	

<sup>\*</sup> Match would be postponed if either Club engaged in the FA Cup

#### HARINGEY BOROUGH U 23 DEVELOPMENT TEAM 2021/22 FIXTURES & RESULTS

(All Isthmian League Development Division North Fixtures unless otherwise indicated)

Mon Jul 19	Н	COCKFOSTERS (Friendly)	W 5-4
Fri Jul 30	А	Barking (Friendly)	W 2-1
Mon Aug 23	Н	JH Sports FC (Friendly match)	W 5-0
Tue Sep 6	Н	NORTH LONDON FC	L 1-2
Mon Sep 13	Н	BURY TOWN	W 6-0
Thur 7 Oct	А	Tilbury	W 5-0
Mon 11 Oct	Н	HEYBRIDGE SWIFTS	W 8-1
Mon 18 Oct	А	Barking	W 8-3
Tues 26 Oct	А	Bowers & Pitsea	L 2-3
Mon 1 Nov	А	Bury Town	W 4-3
Mon 15 Nov	Н	POTTERS BAR TOWN	L 2-3
Mon 22 Nov	Н	TILBURY	W 3-2
Wed 1 Dec	А	Heybridge Swifts	
Mon 6 Dec	Н	BARKING	
Mon 13 Dec	Н	BOWERS & PITSEA	
Wed 12 Jan	А	Heybridge Swifts	
Mon 24 Jan	Н	BARKING	
Mon 31 Jan	Н	TILBURY	
Tue 8 Feb	А	Bowers & Pitsea	
Mon 14 Feb	Н	POTTERS BAR TOWN	
Mon 21 Feb	А	Bury Town	
Thur 3 Mar	А	Potters Bar Town	

<sup>+</sup> Match would be postponed if either Club engaged in the FA Trophy

## HARINGEY BOROUGH UNDER 18 TEAM 2021/22 FIXTURES & RESULTS

(All Southern Counties Floodlit Youth League - Delphian Division Fixtures unless otherwise indicated)

Tue 31 Aug	Н	SOUTHEND MANOR (FA Youth Cup)	W 4-0
Tue 7 Sep H BRIMSDOWN		BRIMSDOWN	W 12-0
Wed Sep 15 A Romford (FA Youthb Cup)		W 3-1	
Tue Sep 28	А	Aveley (FA Youth Cup)	L 0-3
Tue 5 Oct	Н	EDGWARE TOWN	L 1-2
Tue 19 Oct	Н	BRIMSDOWN ROVERS	W 4-3
Wed 27 Oct	А	Rayners Lane	L 1-3
Tue 2 Nov	Н	WOODFORD TOWN	L 3-5
Mon 15 Nov	А	Brimsdown	W 7-1
Wed 24 Nov A Langley		Langley	L 2-5
Mon 29 Nov	Mon 29 Nov A Potters Bar Town (at Coles Park)		W 9-3
Wed 8 Dec A Edgware Town			
Thur 6 Jan	А	Brimsdown Rovers	
Undated	Н	RAYNERS LANE	
Undated H		HAMMERSMITH	
Undated	Н	LANGLEY	
Undated	Н	HENDON	
Undated H POTTERS BAR TOWN			
Undated	А	Hammersmith	
Undated A Woodford Town		Woodford Town	
Undated	А	Hendon	
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## HARINGEY BOROUGH WOMENS TEAM TEAM 2021/22 FIXTURES & RESULTS

(All Eastern Region Womens League Fixtures unless otherwise indicated)

Sun 11 July	Н	BILLERICAY TOWN RESERVES (Friendly)	W 9-1		
Sun 18 Jul	Н	HUTTON (Friendly)	W 15-4		
Fri 23 Jul	А	W 4-2			
Sun 25 Jul	А	Long Eaton United (Friendly)	L 2-4		
Sun 8 Aug	А	Hounslow (Friendly)	L 3-6		
Sun 15 Aug	А	Kings Lynn Town	W 3-2		
Sun 22 Aug	Н	WROXHAM	L 2-3		
Sun 29 Aug	Н	BOWERS & PITSEA	W 2-1		
Sun 5 Sep	А	AFC Dunstable	D 1-1		
Sun 19 Sep	Н	LUTON TOWN	L 2-5		
Sun 26 Sep	Н	ST. IVES TOWN	W 7-1		
Wed 29 Sep	А	Royston Town	L 1-5		
Sun 3 Oct	Н	CLAPTON COMMUNITY (WFA Cup)	L 3-6		
Sun 10 Oct	Н	BEDFORD	L 3-4		
Sun 24 Oct	А	Colney Heath	L 0-3		
Sun 7 Nov	А	Wymondham Town	L 2-6		
Sun 14 Nov	Н	ROYSTON TOWN	L 1-4		
Sun 21 Nov	А	Fulham (Capital Womens Cup)	L 2-8		
		KINGS LYNN TOWN	L 2-3		
Sun 5 Dec H		AFC DUNSTABLE			
Sun 12 Dec	А	Bowers & Pitsea			
Sun 19 Dec	А	St. Ives Town			
Sun 9 Jan		League Cup - draw not yet made			
Sun 23 Jan	Н	WYMONDHAM TOWN			
Sun 30 Jan	А	A Wroxham			
Sun 6 Feb	А	Luton Town			
Sun 13 Feb	Н	COLNEY HEATH			
Sun 27 Feb	Α	Bedford			

	Isthmian League Premier	Division	2020/21	- up t	o and	including	27/1	1/2021	
		Р	W	D	L	F	Α	+/-	Pts
1	Worthing	16	12	1	3	40	25	+15	37
2	Enfield Town	16	11	2	3	35	16	+19	35
3	Lewes	18	9	4	5	44	26	+18	31
4	Cheshunt	17	9	4	4	28	15	+13	31
5	Folkestone Invicta	16	8	6	2	32	21	+11	30
6	Bishop's Stortford	16	8	5	3	30	19	+11	29
7	Kingstonian	15	9	2	4	27	21	+6	29
8	Bognor Regis Town	16	6	7	3	26	19	+7	25
9	Corinthian-Casuals	17	7	3	7	20	19	+1	24
10	Margate	16	7	3	6	25	25	0	24
11	Carshalton Athletic	16	6	5	5	31	18	+13	23
12	Hornchurch	17	7	2	8	24	20	+4	23
13	Merstham	17	7	1	9	26	27	-1	22
14	Potters Bar Town	14	6	3	5	24	22	+2	21
15	Horsham	15	5	3	7	20	18	+2	18
16	Haringey Borough	17	4	6	7	24	28	-4	18
17	Wingate & Finchley	17	4	4	9	26	37	-11	16
18	Bowers & Pitsea	14	4	3	7	16	24	-8	15
19	East Thurrock United	17	3	5	9	20	43	-23	14
20	Cray Wanderers	14	3	2	9	17	30	-13	11
21	Brightlingsea Regent	17	3	2	12	15	47	-32	11
22	Leatherhead	18	2	3	13	18	48	-30	9

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recognising that inequalities may exist, by taking steps to address them and providing access and opportunities for all members of the community."





#### **HARINGEY PLAYER PROFILES 2021-22**

**GEORGIOS ARESTI** – Cypriot International midfielder who numbers AEK Athens among his previous Clubs; 2017/18 deadline day signing and near automatic selection last season.

BOBSON BAWLING – attacking midfielder who joined us from Enfield Town at the start of this season having previously been with Crawley Town, Woking and St. Albans City SAMI BESSADI – attacking midfielder who has come right through the ranks with the Under 18s and Under 23s and is now a challenger for a First Team berth.

ADEYINKA COLE – much travelled attacking midfielder signed from Heybridge Swifts

a few weeks into the current season who has appeared for many other Isthmian Clubs including Grays Athletic, Enfield Town, Aveley, Romford and Leiston; as well as Clubs now in the National League - Dulwich Hamlet, Billericay Town, Hemel Hempstead Town and Braintree Town.

CHRISTOS DJAMAS – Cypriot Under 21 International signed in October 2020. Midfielder who was most recently on contract at Othello Athienoy and previously with Apoel Nicosia and Agia Napa

JORGE DJASSI-SAMBU – midfield powerhouse now in 7th season with Club; opponents know when they have been tackled by this non-stop box to box player. Dangerous in opponents box at set piece situations.

**NARCIS-FLORIN FILIP** – energetic striker whose relentless closing down all action style will cause many a defence a headache. November signing who numbers FC Romania and Hoddesdon Town among his previous berths.

**ANDRONICOS GEORGIOU** - recently signed forward who graduated from Stevenage Academy and played in their EFL team. Last season was with Wycombe Wanderers. Has also been loaned to Kings Langley, St. Albans City and Middlesbrough Under 23s.

LAMAR JOSEPH-JOHNSON – a much travelled goalkeeper signed in November after release from Bowers & Pitsea. St. Lucian International who numbers Concord Rangers, Grays Athletic and Aveley among previous Clubs. CALLUM ISMAIL – skilful young full back previously with Bowers and Pitsea who joined us in September 2018 and after establishing himself in the Under 23s and on the bench made his first start in December 2019

**MEKHI LEACOCK-McLEOD** – Recent signing lastly with Romford. Wide attacker who numbers Halifax Town, Accrington Stanley and Eastleigh among his previous berths and Fulham, Wolverhalmpton Wanderers and Glasgow Rangers at Under 23 level.

**ANTHONY McDONALD** – fast tricky wide player entering his 9th season with us; excellent finisher with 13 League goals in an injury hit 2016/17; first team regular but appearances have been interrupted by injuries.

**ROMAN MICHAEL-PERCIL** - our first signing of 2020 from Potters Bar Town; a winger who has been with several Isthmian Clubs after moving on from Tottenham Hotspurs Under 21s. Has returned to us again after a brief sojourn at Wingate & Finchley.

**SCOTT MITCHELL** – a summer 2017 signing; 22 year old central defender who was previously with Dagenham & Redbridge. Almost an ever present in 2017/18 season and now an established member of the squad

JAMIE-LEE O'DONOGHUE – strong running striker re-joining us this season; was with Baldock Town last season and numbers Cleethorpes Town among his previous Clubs. Older brother of our full back, Michael

MICHAEL O'DONOGHUE – powerful full back rejoining us after a year away at National League side Concord Rangers. Formerly a professional with Colchester United.

**DAVID "TOSIN" OLUFEMI** – attack minded full back who rejoins us this season after a year away with National League side Concord Rangers. Also numbers Colchester United among his former Clubs.

**TYRESE OWEN** – Tall ball playing central defender or midfielder who was with National League South Hemel Hempstead Town last season. Numbers Potters Bar Town and Carshalton Athletic among his previous Clubs and spent a season in Sweden.

**RAKIM RICHARDS** – versatile player with us since 2010 and most usually to be found in a defensive role but quite at home in midfield and a menace in the opponents penalty area when corner kicks arrive.

**CHRISTOS ROSSOS** – another goalkeeper signed in November having been released at the end of last season by Anorthosis Famagusta.

#### **MANAGEMENT**

**TOM LOIZOU (MANAGER)** – a man with wealth of experience and knowledge of the game who is always running around for the club; his passion is there for everyone to see and he keeps everyone at the Club their toes - not just the players!



**DAVID CUMBERBATCH (ASSISTANT MANAGER)** Often sits in the main stand watching the game and recording bits for time to time known sometimes as 'Terry Connor or Howard the Halifax man" who gives you extra..."

**JOHNNY FITSIOU (COACH)** his extensive knowledge and experience of conditioning has made the Borough players more aware of how to exert their power and pace game plan.

**THOMAS O'DONOGHUE (COACH)** known as 'Tucker' is an experienced coach who joined the coaching staff at the Borough in 2016. Having started with the first team. Father of players Michael and Jamie.



THE RETURN of replays in the FA Cup showed its value to Non-League clubs this week.

The FA made the decision to scrap replays last season in order to ease fixture congestion in light of an adjusted schedule due to the pandemic.

Drawn ties went straight to extra time and then penalties, if needed, to avoid a midweek rematch.

There were fears among lower-league clubs that the change could become permanent but The FA reintroduced replays for this season's competition.

They were made mandatory in all rounds of the qualifying competition and up to and including the fourth round proper.

In 1991, penalties were introduced after the first replay to avoid a series of rematches.

It was 50 years ago last weekend when it took Alvechurch and Oxford City 17 days and six games to reach a conclusion.

Their five fourth round qualifying replays – 1-1, 1-1, 0-0, 0-0, 1-0 – after the initial tie finished 2-2 broke the previous record of nine hours, 40 minutes set in the 1924-25 season by Leyton and Ilford. The FA's eventual rule change was welcomed.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, the benefit of replays were laid bare.

Solihull Moors were picked for broadcast by ITV4 when they took on League One side Wigan Athletic in front of a sell-out crowd. Stockport County didn't have a seat to spare either when over 10,000 packed into Edgeley Park on Wednesday night for their replay against Bolton Wanderers, with the BBC cameras in attendance. Each club also received a healthy FA broadcast fee of £32,500 to go along with their bumper admission revenue. Both nights promised to be memorable for new fans and old but the ties wouldn't have happened had it not been for replays.

There is, however, another way of looking at the dynamic replays can create. On their way to a third round clash with Tottenham Hotspur last season, Marine twice won on penalties.

The first was in a second round qualifying tie at Runcorn Linnets before winning again on spot kicks at EFL side Colchester United in the first round proper.

If Marine were to have played a replay against the League Two side, arguably, their FA Cup run might have ended sooner and Jose Mourinho and co. wouldn't have stepped foot inside Rossett Park.

Alternatively, St Albans City have benefitted three times from replays in their adventure to the second round proper this season. They beat Concord Rangers, Met Police and Corinthian-Casuals all on home soil after drawing in the away tie.

Sometimes, though, replays will give the opportunity for a once in a lifetime opportunity. Josh Coulson, the Southend United centre-back, always joked he was glad he headed a good chance over the bar late on for Cambridge United against Manchester United in a huge FA Cup fourth round proper clash.

The reason being was it meant the U's ended up drawing 0-0 and would take on the likes of Wayne Rooney and Robin van Persie United in a replay at Old Trafford with 74,511 in attendance.

With replays scrapped from the fifth round onwards, the top-flight clubs should be happy enough to let the lower-league sides keep on having their big days in the famous cup.

What are your views on FA Cup replays for Non-League clubs? Email us: NLP@greenwayspublishing.com



## **TODAYS TEAMS**



From

Lamar JOSEPH-JOHNSON

Callum ISMAIL

Michael O'DONOGHUE

Rakim RICHARDS

Scott MITCHELL

Tyrese OWEN

Roman MICHAEL-PERCIL

**Georgios ARESTI** 

Narcis-FLORIN FILIP

Jorge DJASSI SAMBU

Sami BESSADI

Mekhi LEACOCK -McLEOD

Anthony McDONALD

David OLUFEMI

Jamie-LEE O'DONOGHUE

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#### MATCH OFFICIALS:

Referee: James Keane assisted by Nick Reece & Oliver Storey