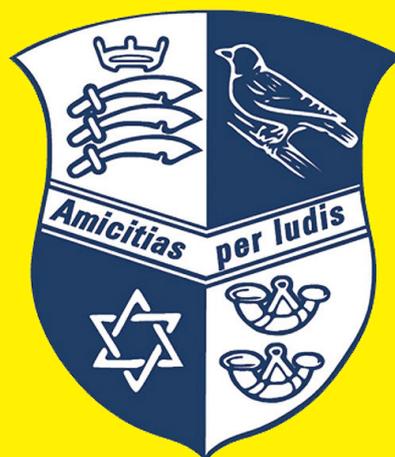


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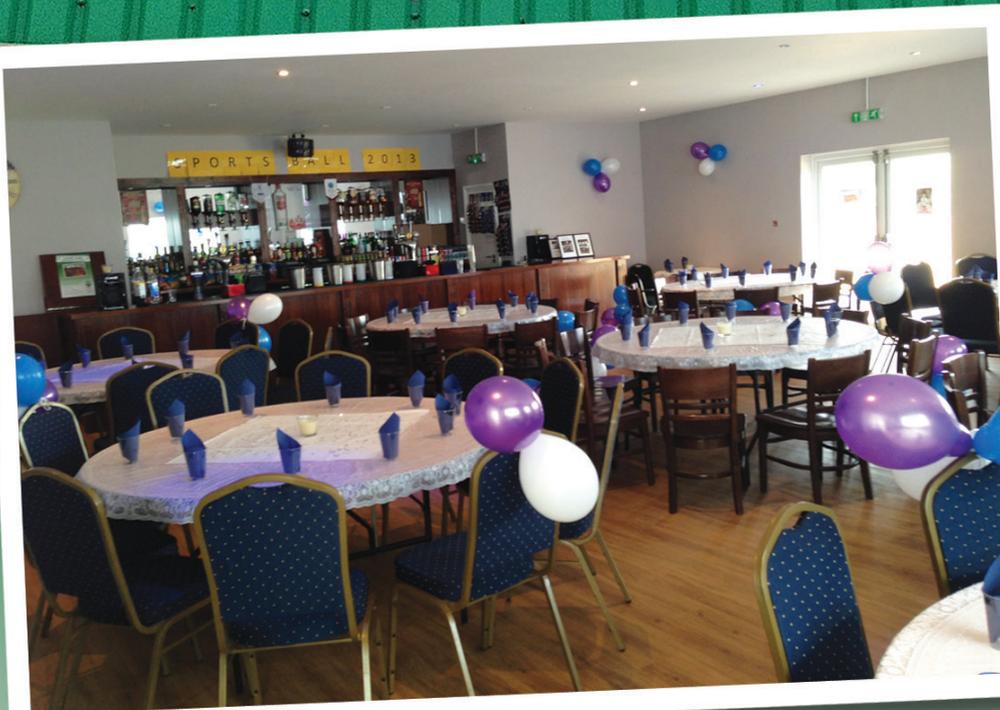


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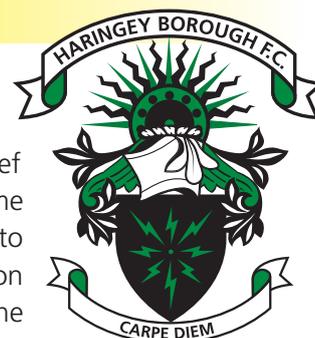
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HARINGEY BOROUGH FC - A BRIEF HISTORY



It 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 in a year in the wilderness away from Senior football in 1988/89 they were admitted to the Spartan 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 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 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.

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HISTORY OF WINGATE & FINCHLEY FC



Wingate and Finchley Football club can trace its roots back to the formation of Finchley Football Club in 1874 making it one of the oldest clubs in the country. Founded by Pa Jackson, who also was instrumental in the creation of the Corinthians, The London Football Association as well as later serving as secretary of the FA, Finchley became founder members of the Athenian League in 1912 after spells in the London League and North London League. They finished fourth in the maiden season, higher than such luminaries as Grays Athletic, Chelmsford City and Enfield.

However their stay was cut short due to the onset of World War One and they would only return for a lone season in 1929 before returning to the London League and forging success. The club's first piece of silverware was won during the 1934-1935 season when the League Cup was captured, with the taste of achievement forming Finchley went on to win the London League in 1936-1937 before World War Two scuppered their winning streak.

It was immediately after the conflict that saw Major Harry Sadow, Frank Davis, George Hyams and Asher Rebak form a Jewish Football Club believing the field of play was a ground of battling the ignorance of anti-Semitism. So in 1946 Wingate Football Club began life in the Middlesex Senior League. The club was named after General Orde C. Wingate who despite not being Jewish himself oversaw the creation of the Israeli Army during the Second World War. The club enjoyed early success and by 1952 they were promoted to the London League.

Meanwhile Finchley, back in the Athenian League, were in the middle of their glory years with the 1952-1953 season proving to be the pinnacle. That year saw their progression to the Third Round Proper of the FA Cup. Defeated along the way were Chelmsford City, Kidderminster Harriers (1-0 at Aggborough) and Crystal Palace (3-1 at Summers Lane) before the Finches were finally beaten 2-0 at Gay Meadow against Shrewsbury Town. Despite an Amateur Cup semi-final appearance, losing to bitter local rivals Hendon at Highbury in 1965, a sense of decline was starting to emerge. A switch to the Isthmian Premier League failed to stop the halt, and in 1980-81 Finchley were relegated to the second division.

Wingate by now had become a senior club and were competing in the Athenian League. Many players had become members of the Middlesex FA representative side and also partook on behalf of Great Britain in the Maccabiah Games. Disaster struck though in 1972 when their Hall Lane ground in Hendon was lost to the M1 extension and despite a short ground share with Finchley FC the club reverted to junior football. Wingate finally returned to the senior game with a brief merger with Leyton FC. This partnership proved to be unsuccessful and despite a 1984-1985 League Cup victory, ironically defeating Finchley in the final, both clubs went their separate ways.

In 1991 with Finchley struggling in the Isthmian League Second Division and with mounting debts it was announced that a merger with Wingate would take place in the summer. After extensive refurbishment and a name change of the Summers Lane ground in honour of long time Wingate supporter Harry Abrahams, Wingate and Finchley took to the field for the start of the 1991-1992 season. Success was immediate and despite starting life in the South Midlands League the club were quickly competing in the Isthmian League and by season 2003-2004 were members of the newly formed Division One North.

In recent seasons the club has continued its growth. A brief flirtation with the Southern League was shortly followed by the arrivals of Manager Michael Stone and Chairman Aron Sharpe. Now back in the Isthmian League a youthful squad achieved seventh position in the First Division North in the 2008-2009.

Stone sadly left the club in 2009 after being offered the post of Assistant Manager at Conference giants Rushden and Diamonds. The club's first team manager in time for the start of the 2009/10 season was former Oswestry Town manager and Total Network Solutions Llansantffraid midfielder David Norman. At the end this season the Club finished in a record high position of 3rd in the Ryman Division One North, mainly thanks to a record run of 17 matches without defeat from the turn of the year, a run which included 13 wins. The Club reached the playoffs but lost out to Enfield Town in the semi-final 3-2 in an incredible match. This paved the way for what was to be a monumental and unforgettable 2010/11 season.

The Club was quickly becoming the most progressive non-league club in the area, thanks to Sharpe's focus on youth development. Bobby Aisien and Medi Abalimba had progressed from Hadley Wood & Wingate to earn professional contracts, and in 2011 over 20 of the U16-18 age group represented their County. Six boys at U16's were given scholarships with pro sides and the club developed into a community club with a Mencap

disability initiative, work with schools, and it entered its fourth year of the Flex educational scheme.

A consistent league season for the First Team saw the side match their previous 3rd place league finish and earn a second crack at the playoffs. In the semi-final Harlow Town were beaten 4-2 after extra time, and promotion to the Ryman premier Division was won with a 118th minute winner over Brentwood Town in extra time of the final - The Blues winning 3-2 on their home turf. This victory was the middle leg of a remarkable and unique Treble. Earlier that season the club had lifted the Ryman League Cup having beaten Dulwich Hamlet 2-0 at Imber Court, and London Senior Cup success was to follow shortly afterwards when Hendon were convincingly beaten 3-1 in the final. Success flowed throughout the Club this year, with the youth teams also building on their previous season's work as they progressed superbly. The U18's won the Middlesex County Cup, and at U15 level the League Title and three Cup trophies followed (two County cups and the League cup). Even the Under 10's were getting in on the action as they lifted the Spring Cup!

The first season in the Ryman Premier Division in 2011/12 saw the side secure safety in this new level with a comfortable mid-table finish, ending up closer to the playoffs than from relegation. There was huge cup success at youth level yet again; The Under 18's won the AFA Cup, beating Valley Park after extra time, as well as the London County Cup. The Under 17's won a double as they beat Thurrock in the EJA League Cup final to add to their earlier AFA Cup success having beaten Bethwin 8-1! The Under 16's also got in on the action securing their AFA Cup title beating Woodford FC, which they added later on securing their EJA (Herts) League title.

Meanwhile the Barnet Mencap disability sides grew in strength as they entered the fourth season with the club, with three sides now competing in the Camden Step Leagues. The following season, 2012-13, was a difficult one for the first team. Early season poor form led to the departure of Norman in November as ex-Northwood boss Gary Meakin came in. The Club flirted with relegation all season until a momentous 3-2 victory over Lowestoft

However Norman rejoined the Club in the summer as Director of Football, as veteran defender Daniel Nielsen was put in place as Head Coach. Meanwhile a new Under 21 Development squad was set up to compete in the inaugural Ryman U21 League. There was continual success for the youth sides. The U17's added the London County Cup to an earlier EJA league title, the EJA cup and the AFA cup. These were also followed up with the League Regional Playoff title. In 2014 the side faced another relegation fight in the league, which was lost on goal difference on the final day of the season despite a 5-0 victory over Billericay Town. However, when Worksop Town pulled out of the Southern League due to financial problems, Wingate & Finchley were the first in line to earn the reprieve.

The 2014-15 season resulted in a record finish of 12th place in the Ryman Premier League, and at the end of the season Norman departed, to be replaced by Simon Lane as Director of Football. However for the start of 2016 he was replaced by former Northern Ireland International Keith Rowland and the side finished in a stable 13th position. In August 2016 the stadium at Summers Lane was re-named after Wingate FC co-founder Maurice Rebak who had passed away in February of that year aged 95.

The 2016/17 season saw the club set a new record, finishing in 5th place in the Ryman Premier League and qualifying for the end of season playoffs. A last-minute defeat at Bognor Regis Town in the semi-final ended the season, but this was a magnificent achievement and saw the Blues win the League's Team Performance of the Year Award. A ninth-place finish followed in 2017-18 as the Blues narrowly missed out on a second successive play-off berth. Over the summer the Club embarked on an extensive state-of-the-art refurbishment of the stadium, for the first time since 1991's merger, giving the clubhouse a much-welcomed overhaul and making the stadium one of the most impressive in non-league football.

The subsequent three seasons saw a period of uncertainty both on and off the pitch, with short management stints for ex England International Nicky Shorey, ex Premier League stalwart Glen Little and ex West Ham Academy and Wingate & Finchley favourite Steve Clarke, followed by two null and void seasons under the stewardship of Spencer Knight due to the COVID pandemic. However, during this period there were still many successes, including U18s winning County Cup in consecutive seasons and the London Champion of Champions trophy, U23 Development Squad being victorious in Herts League Cup fielding a squad largely made up of Under 18s, while both U13s and U12s secured League Titles.

In the summer of 2021, Club legends Ahmet Rifat (Director of Football) and Marc Weatherstone (Manager) were appointed as a new Management Team after nearly 1000 first team appearances between them.

Chairman - Haringey Borough FC

This afternoon we welcome everyone from our friends down the A406. A derby game for a bank holiday and let's hope for a good crowd and a great atmosphere.

A good start by both of us this season and it is pleasing to see that, as I have said before, it is the commitment and desire of the players that will win through in the end. Early days for both of us I know but it is pleasing to see the north London teams looking good at this stage. For us I am still absolutely buzzing after the weekend win at Bognor. I am so proud to see so many of you travel to what is our furthest away game of the season and I have to say how much I have missed your unwavering away support. To top the day off with a well deserved win was incredible and the scenes at the end will stay with me for a long while. I know we celebrated like we had just finished the season but this is what we are all in it for, days like this where the boys perform, make us proud to support the club and we can show our appreciation. I certainly had a great drive home, even though John slept the whole way home!! I heard some of you had a few more bevies in Bognor and made a proper day of it. Today we are home where I hope we can show a bit of consistency and make us a difficult side to beat at home. It was a great win against Horsham in our last home game and I hope we can recreate that feeling around us. Whilst we all missed the joy that getting together brings at a home match I think we have forgotten how important this gathering plays in our daily lives. To see you all again, to interact, to make sure you are all ok is so important and long may that continue. A special word for our stewards who devote their time for nothing. They attend every game in good time well before kick off to make sure the rest of you enjoy yourselves so please ensure you follow their guidance, particularly in these difficult times. A semblance of normality has returned but we still have some procedures in place to minimise the risk of anyone having an issue. Please ensure you follow the guidance given and always remember they are here to keep you safe and make sure you enjoy the experience and do not forget ever that they are volunteers - enjoy the game - Come on Boro!

Aki Achillea - Chairman Haringey Borough F.C.

Manager - Haringey Borough FC

What a great day at Bognor on Saturday following a great win a week earlier against Horsham. Credit to the boys after the disappointment of the opening day fixture against Kingstonian. I was particularly pleased with our shape and discipline against Bognor. I felt we controlled the game for the large part but we also looked tired towards the end and I was pleased to see us hold on. With Bobson's injury I felt we lost momentum and the ability to catch them on the break as they pushed in the second half. Overall I have been impressed with the instructions taken on board. I still hope to add a player or two as I feel the squad is a little light as demonstrated on Saturday where we had an injury followed by some sustained pressure which we struggled to cope with. Whilst I was so proud of the boys efforts I felt that on Saturday that after we turned up with a few missing through injury and a player short on the bench we allowed ourselves to be placed under pressure and I couldn't relieve it. I believe the help of the fans really contributed to Saturdays rear guard action and I cannot thank you enough, the players themselves couldn't believe it in the dressing room afterwards, the way you sang for the whole game really inspired them and I am sure those of you who were there really enjoyed the day, let's hope that today against a rejuvenated Wingate side, who have started well and who have changed their emphasis to youth, we can continue in the same vein we have thus far and surprised a few!! I look forward to you again inspiring the players, thanks you for your support, continue with the great repertoire of songs!! respect the opposition – Come on Boro!

Tom Loizou - Manager Haringey Borough F.C



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THE SECRETARY'S MUSINGS

This afternoon it is our pleasure to welcome the players, officials and supporters of our near neighbours WINGATE & FINCHLEY FC for our 4th League fixture of the new season; and we extend a warm welcome too, of course, to our Match officials who are Michael Smith with the whistle assisted by Damian Mirzadeh and Ronald Albert with the flags.

Like us, our visitors are the result of a merger - in 1991 in their case – and the merged Clubs had never met in a League fixture until season 2018/19 when we joined them in the Isthmian Premier Division but there had been earlier Cup games and Friendlies. The record to date is (Borough score shown first in all cases:-

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| 2011/12 | lost 2-4 | Friendly at Coles Park |
| 2012/13 | lost 4-5 | on penalties after 1-1 London Senior Cup game at Summers Lane |
| 2013/14 | drew 1-1 | Friendly at Coles Park |
| 2015/16 | lost 0-1 | Friendly at Coles Park |
| 2017/18 | lost 4-5 | Friendly at Coles Park |
| 2017/18 | lost 0-3 | Isthmian League Cup game at Summers Lane |
| 2018/19 | won 4-0 | Isthmian Premier Division game at Summers Lane |
| 2018/19 | lost 1-2 | Isthmian Premier Division game at Coles Park |
| 2019/20 | lost 0-1 | Isthmian Premier Division game at Summers Lane |
| 2019/20 | won 2-1 | Isthmian Premier Division game at Coles Park |

In 2020/21 no meeting took place prior to seasons abandonment

When Finchley, Wingate, Wood Green Town and Edmonton were 4 separate Clubs prior to the mergers many encounters took place in various League and Cup competitions

The draw for the 1st Qualifying Round of the Emirates FA Cup was made last Monday this being the entry round for Step 3 Clubs. It is difficult to see how we could have received a tougher draw than away to Peterborough Sports who lead the Southern League, Premier Central Division with a 100% record after 4 games and a 16 - 5 goal difference. Last Saturday they entertained Stourbridge in a Southern League match and were 8-4 winners although their victims are bottom of the Division with only one point from 4 games.. Before the season started they played 10 Friendlies, winning 8 and drawing 2 while scoring 45 times and conceding 10. Support would obviously be welcome – see panel later in programme for address and travel details. But after our extraordinary luck in seasons past which saw us secure 13 consecutive home draws, many against step 5 and 4 Clubs it would be somewhat churlish were we to feel sorry for ourselves! This will be the first ever meeting of the Clubs at First team level but there were two seasons – 2012/13 and 2013/14 - when our respective Womens teams met in Eastern Region Womens League matches.

League fixtures for all our teams are shown on our supporters website www.haringeyboroughfc.com

This season, the First Team will be playing 42 League games against the same teams as were in the Premier Division last season, there having been no promotion, relegation or sideways movements.

The League highlight for all Clubs will probably be the two games against Hornchurch in the light of their fantastic achievement in winning the Buildbase FA Trophy and we congratulate them heartily.

You can see our remaining 20 League home 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. We will, of course be competing in the FA Cup and Trophy competitions and in the latter are exempt until the 3rd Qualifying Round on 30th October. We hope for our now customary extended run in one or both. Also in the London Senior Cup where we have an attractive looking fixture at home to AFC Wimbledon in the first round but they are unlikely to send their full first team. The Isthmian League have postponed a decision on whether to run a League Cup at all this season.. All these are Competitions where we are obliged to charge for entry and share the proceeds 50/50 with the opposing Club so the Free Season Tickets will not be valid). No charge is made for the Under 23, Under 18 and Women's team home League matches.

Our first home League match on 21st August was satisfactory enough in that the three points on offer were duly secured but the manner of our doing so was a bit unconvincing. Horsham had a player sent off after only 9 minutes - for denying a clear goal scoring opportunity; obviously the referee was not aware that as a matter of course we don't cash in on such opportunities. A second red card for a player picking up two yellows reduced them to 9 men in the 63rd minute. Michael O'Donoghue drove home the free kick awarded for the first sending off incident with a hard low cross shot into the far corner from the extreme right corner

of the penalty area and a close range shot from Bobson Bawling doubled the lead around the half hour mark. Incredibly the score stayed that way right through to the start of second half stoppage time and if you assume that reflects our enthusiasm for creating fine chances but spurning them you would not be far wrong as near miss followed near miss. Briefly, when Horsham pulled one back direct from a free kick just outside the penalty area at the start of stoppage time the prospect of a nervy few minutes and an embarrassing result loomed. However, the rejuvenated Horsham's need to throw caution to the wind left huge gaps to be exploited on a breakaway and Bobson was set up by Sami Bessadi to race clear unchallenged with time to finish coolly past the isolated 'keeper. Opinions will differ as to whether 3-1 was an acceptable score against a team seriously depleted for so much of the game.

Two days ago we made the long trek to Bognor Regis Town and a superlative game saw us bring back all 3 points. Two goals in the 10th and 19th minutes put us in the driving seat. Christos Djamas fired home a fierce low cross shot from just outside the left corner of the penalty area when a corner clearance reached him. Tosin Olufemi smashed home the second from a very tight angle on the right as he raced on to Georgios Aresti's quick free kick. Many chances were created by both teams with Bognor blasting a penalty awarded for handball against the bar; and only an outstanding Jonathan Miles tip over of a close range header had preserved our two goal advantage at the interval. Early in the second half Jonathan produced a close range block which was vital in preserving our cushion. Naturally it was "The Rocks" who made most of the running in the second half although 15 minutes from time our over-elaboration in the penalty area wasted what would doubtless have been a game clincher. But we paid the price of that profligacy when three minutes from time Bognor finally made their pressure pay with a goal scrambled home from close range and a very nervy 4 minutes of stoppage time – extended still further by a lengthy injury delay – had to be successfully navigated.

NEXT AWAY FIRST TEAM GAME

SATURDAY 4th SEPTEMBER

at PETERBOROUGH SPORTS 3pm

(EMIRATES FA CUP 1st QUALIFYING ROUND)

651 Lincoln Road, Millfield, Peterborough PE1 3HA

Direct trains leave Kings Cross at Victoria at 12.00 12.30 13.00 13.06 13.30

Journey Time 50 minutes Stadium 3 miles from Station.

NEXT FIRST TEAM HOME GAME

SATURDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 3pm v CORINTHIAN CASUALS

OTHER GAMES AT COLES PARK BEFORE NEXT FIRST TEAM HOME GAME:-

**TUESDAY 31st AUGUST 7.45pm UNDER 18 s
v SOUTHEND MANOR (FA Youth cup)**

**MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 7.45pm UNDER 18s
v BRIMSDOWN (League)**

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)

| | | | |
|-------------|---|--|-------|
| Sat 3 July | H | ROMFORD (Friendly) | L 1-2 |
| Tues 6 July | H | ROYSTON TOWN (Friendly) | W 4-1 |
| Sat 10 July | H | CHELMSFORD CITY (Friendly) | L 1-3 |
| Sat 17 July | H | BILLERICAY TOWN (Friendly) | D 0-0 |
| Tues 20 Jul | H | SUTTON UNITED (Friendly) | L 0-4 |
| Sat 24 July | H | OXFORD CITY (Friendly) | L 0-4 |
| Tues 27 Jul | H | ALDERSHOT TOWN (Friendly) | D 0-0 |
| Sat 7 Aug | H | MARLOW (Friendly) | W 3-0 |
| Sat 14 Aug | A | Kingstonian | L 0-1 |
| Sat 21 Aug | H | HORSHAM | W.3-1 |
| Sat 28 Aug | A | Bognor Regis Town | W 2-1 |
| Mon 30 Aug | H | WINGATE & FINCHLEY | |
| Sat 4 Sep | A | Peterborough Sports (FA Cup 1st Qualifying Round) | |
| Sat 11 Sep | H | CORINTHIAN CASUALS | |
| Tues 14 Sep | A | Enfield Town | |
| Sat 18 Sep | A | Leatherhead * | |
| Sat 25 Sep | H | EAST THURROCK UNITED | |
| Tues 28 Sep | H | POTTERS BAR TOWN | |
| Sat 2 Oct | A | Hornchurch * | |
| Sat 9 Oct | H | CRAY WANDERERS | |
| Tues 12 Oct | A | Bishops Stortford | |
| Sat 16 Oct | A | Merstham * | |
| Sat 23 Oct | H | CARSHALTON ATHLETIC | |
| Sat 30 Oct | | FA Trophy 3rd Qualifying Round (draw not yet made) | |
| Sat 6 Nov | H | MARGATE * | |
| Sat 13 Nov | A | Lewes | |
| Sat 20 Nov | A | Bowers & Pitsea | |
| Sat 27 Nov | H | WORTHING | |
| Sat 4 Dec | H | BOGNOR REGIS TOWN * | |
| Sat 11 Dec | A | Folkestone Invicta | |
| Sat 18 Dec | H | KINGSTONIAN + | |
| Mon 27 Dec | A | Wingate & Finchley | |
| Sat 1 Jan | H | BRIGHTLINGSEA REGENT | |
| Mon 3 Jan | A | Cheshunt | |
| Sat 8 Jan | A | Corinthian Casuals * | |
| Sat 15 Jan | H | ENFIELD TOWN + | |
| Sat 22 Jan | H | LEATHERHEAD | |
| Sat 29 Jan | A | East Thurrock United | |
| Sat 5 Feb | H | HORNCHURCH | |
| Sat 12 Feb | A | Potters Bar Town + | |
| Tues 15 Feb | H | BISHOPS STORTFORD | |
| Sat 19 Feb | A | Cray Wanderers | |

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|------------|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| Sat 26 Feb | H | MERSTHAM | |
| Sat 5 Mar | A | Carshalton Athletic | |
| Sat 12 Mar | H | LEWES + | |
| Sat 19 Mar | A | Margate | |
| Sat 26 Mar | H | BOWERS & PITSEA | |
| Sat 2 Apr | A | Worthing | |
| Sat 9 Apr | A | Horsham | |
| Sat 16 Apr | H | CHESHUNT | |
| Mon 18 Apr | A | Brightlingsea Regent | |
| Sat 23 Apr | H | FOLKESTONE INVICTA | |
| Undated | H | AFC WIMBLEDON (London Senior Cup) | |

* Match would be postponed if either Club engaged in the FA Cup

+ Match would be postponed if either Club engaged in the FA Trophy

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

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

| | | | |
|-------------|---|-------------------------------|-------|
| Mon Jul 19 | H | COCKFOSTERS (Friendly) | W 5-4 |
| Fri Jul 30 | A | Barking (Friendly) | W 2-1 |
| Mon Aug 23 | H | JH Sports FC (Friendly match) | W 5-0 |
| Mon Sep 13 | H | BURY TOWN | |
| Mon Sep 27 | H | POTTERS BAR TOWN | |
| Thur 7 Oct | A | Tilbury | |
| Mon 11 Oct | H | HEYBRIDGE SWIFTS | |
| Mon 18 Oct | A | Barking | |
| Tues 26 Oct | A | Bowers & Pitsea | |
| Mon 1 Nov | A | Bury Town | |
| Thur 18 Nov | A | Potters Bar Town | |
| Mon 22 Nov | H | TILBURY | |
| Wed 1 Dec | A | Heybridge Swifts | |
| Mon 6 Dec | H | BARKING | |
| Mon 13 Dec | H | BOWERS & PITSEA | |
| Mon 10 Jan | A | Heybridge Swifts | |
| Mon 24 Jan | H | BARKING | |
| Mon 31 Jan | H | TILBURY | |
| Tue 8 Feb | A | Bowers & Pitsea | |
| Mon 14 Feb | H | POTTERS BAR TOWN | |
| Mon 21 Feb | A | Bury Town | |

HARINGEY BOROUGH UNDER 18 TEAM 2021/22 FIXTURES & RESULTS

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

| | | | |
|-------------|---|-------------------------------|--|
| Tue 31 Aug | H | SOUTHEND MANOR (FA Youth Cup) | |
| Tue 7 Sep | H | BRIMSDOWN | |
| Thur 23 Sep | A | Langley | |
| Tue 5 Oct | H | EDGWARE TOWN | |
| Wed 13 Oct | A | Hammersmith | |
| Tue 19 Oct | H | BRIMSDOWN ROVERS | |
| Wed 27 Oct | A | Rayners Lane | |
| Wed 10 Nov | A | Hendon | |
| Mon 15 Nov | A | Brimmsdown | |
| Tue 23 Nov | H | LANGLEY | |
| Tue 30 Nov | H | POTTERS BAR TOWN | |
| Wed 8 Dec | A | Edgware Town | |
| Tue 14 Dec | H | HAMMERSMITH | |
| Thur 6 Jan | A | Brimmsdown Rovers | |
| Tue 11 Jan | H | RAYNERS LANE | |
| Tur 25 Nan | H | HENDON | |
| Undated | A | Potters Bar Town | |
| Undated | H | WOODFORD TOWN | |
| Undated | A | Woodford Town | |

HARINGEY BOROUGH WOMENS TEAM TEAM 2021/22 FIXTURES & RESULTS

(All Eastern Region Womens League Fixtures unless otherwise indicated)

| | | | |
|-------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Sun 11 July | H | BILLERICAY TOWN RESERVES (Friendly) | W 9-1 |
| Sun 18 Jul | H | HUTTON (Friendly) | W 15-4 |
| Fri 23 Jul | A | Derby County Academy (Friendly) | W 4-2 |
| Sun 25 Jul | A | Long Eaton United (Friendly) | L 2-4 |
| Sun 8 Aug | A | Hounslow (Friendly) | L 3-6 |
| Sun 15 Aug | A | Kings Lynn Town | W 3-2 |
| Sun 22 Aug | H | WROXHAM | L 2-3 |
| Sun 29 Aug | H | BOWERS & PITSEA | W 2-1 |
| Sun 5 Sep | A | AFC Dunstable | |
| Sun 12 Sep | A | Wymondham Town | |
| Sun 19 Sep | H | LUTON TOWN | |
| Sun 26 Sep | H | ST. IVES TOWN | |
| Wed 29 Sep | A | Royston Town | |
| Sun 3 Oct | H | CLAPTON COMMUNITY (WFA Cup) | |
| Sun 10 Oct | H | BEDFORD | |
| Sun 17 Oct | A | Colney Heath | |
| Sun 24 Oct | H | PETERBOROUGH NORTHERN STAR | |

Isthmian League Premier Division 2020/21 - up to and including 28/8/2021

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | +/- | Pts |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|-----|
| Kingstonian | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 2 | +6 | 9 |
| Enfield Town | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 2 | +4 | 7 |
| Folkestone Invicta | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | +3 | 7 |
| Worthing | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 5 | +2 | 6 |
| Cray Wanderers | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 4 | +2 | 6 |
| Haringey Borough | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 3 | +2 | 6 |
| Brightlingsea Regent | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | +1 | 6 |
| Cheshunt | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 3 | +3 | 5 |
| Margate | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | +1 | 5 |
| Lewes | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 4 |
| Carshalton Athletic | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Wingate & Finchley | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| East Thurrock United | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 6 | -2 | 4 |
| Horsham | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 5 | -1 | 3 |
| Leatherhead | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 5 | -1 | 3 |
| Potters Bar Town | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 5 | -1 | 3 |
| Hornchurch | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 4 | -1 | 3 |
| Merstham | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 | -4 | 3 |
| Bognor Regis Town | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | -1 | 2 |
| Corinthian-Casuals | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 | -3 | 1 |
| Bishop's Stortford | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 7 | -5 | 1 |
| Bowers & Pitsea | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 9 | -5 | 0 |

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Respect



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ESSENTIAL READING FOR FOLLOWERS OF THE NATIONAL GAME

THE FA's restructure at Steps 4-6 this summer solved some problems but not all.

Clubs who had performed consistently over the curtailed seasons of 2019-20 and 2020-21 were awarded promotion on points-per-game.

In total, 110 clubs were upwardly moved as a new Northern Premier League Midlands division was formed at Step 4, two new Step 5 divisions administered by the Combined Counties League and the United Counties League and the Step 6 structure reduced to 17 divisions.

But vacancies across Steps 1-4, due to the resignations of clubs over the past two years, still remained although it was never the FA's intention to fill them as part of the restructure.

Instead, the vacancies will be filled ahead of the 2022-23 season via reprieves as laid down in the FA rules.

Providing no club goes under or fails its ground grading during this season, this is what should happen:

At Step 2, each champion and play-off winner is promoted (four clubs in total). The bottom clubs in National League North and South will be relegated (two clubs in total). Step 2 is increasing to 24 teams in each league from the 2022-23 season.

At Step 3, each champion and play-off winner is promoted (eight clubs in total). Of the 16 clubs finishing in relegation positions, seven will be reprieved, comprising the clubs finishing 4th bottom in each Step 3 division plus three of the four clubs that finish 3rd bottom with the best unweighted points-per-game record. The 3rd bottom club with the worst PPG record across the Step, plus all 2nd bottom and bottom placed clubs will be relegated.

At Step 4, each champion and play-off winner is promoted (16 clubs in total). Sixteen Step 5 champion clubs are automatically promoted and replace the bottom and 2nd bottom clubs at Step 4. Nine clubs with the best points-per-game are reprieved due to the vacancies at Steps 1-4 and the number of clubs at Step 2 increasing. This will leave seven Step 4 clubs playing off against seven Step 5 runners-up with the remaining eligible Step 5 clubs promoted.

Although reprieves are usually awarded to clubs with the best PPG records, the FA Alliance Committee has the power to vary that model.

Get your calculators and spreadsheets at the ready for the final weeks of the season!

| | Promoted | Relegated |
|--------|--|---|
| Step 2 | Champion and play-off winner (4 clubs in total) | Bottom clubs in NL North and South (2 clubs in total) |
| Step 3 | Champion and play-off winner (8 clubs in total) | 16 clubs in relegation positions - 7 clubs with the best PPG reprieved, 9 clubs relegated |
| Step 4 | Champion and play-off winner (16 clubs in total) | 8 bottom-placed clubs and 8 second-bottom clubs relegated. 9 of the 16 third and fourth bottom clubs with best PPG are reprieved. Remaining 4th and 3rd bottom clubs go into play-offs vs Step 5 runners-up |

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.

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.

ARON GORDON – very speedy and tricky winger who joined just before the start of the current season. Was with Waltham Abbey last season. Numbers Grays Athletic among his former 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

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.

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

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

JONATHAN MILES – December 2019 signing; goalkeeper most recently with Ramsgate whose other past Clubs include Ebbsfleet United and Margate after leaving Tottenham Hotspur Under 18s

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.

CHIDUBEM ONOKWAI – strong, powerful centre forward now in his second spell at the Club. Was with St. Albans City last season and numbers Hayes & Yeading United among his previous 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.

MANAGEMENT

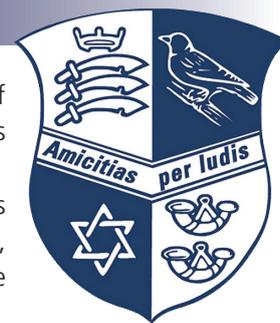
TOM LOIZOU (MANAGER) – a man with wealth of experience and knowledge of the game who is always running around for the club; his passion is there for everyone to see and he keeps everyone at the Club their toes - not just the players!

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.

WINGATE & FINCHLEY FC PLAYER PROFILES 2021-22



BEN GOODE – GOALKEEPER: Our new keeper, Ben Goode joins us with plenty of experience having previously played for AFC Hayes, Uxbridge, Harrow Borough, Potters Bar Town & most recently Chesham United.

FERGAL HALE-BROWN – GOALKEEPER: At the age of 19, Fergal Hale-Brown has 4 years of experience in Norwich City's academy, graduating from the U15s to the U18s in 2016, until he was released in May 2018. Fergal joined us in the summer of 2019, and was the hero in last season's penalty shoot-out at Coggeshall Town in the FA Trophy.

LUKE IFIL - DEFENDER / MIDFIELDER: Luke Ifil has great tenacity, vision and technical ability in the middle of the park. Having been part of Wolverhampton's reserve squad, Luke had stints at former club Grays Athletic in defence, he adds pedigree and balance to an already experienced midfield. In 2019/20, he reached the impressive milestone of 200 Wingate & Finchley appearances, establishing himself as a loyal servant to the club.

JAKE EALES – DEFENDER: Young and solid centre-half, Jake Eales joined us from QPR for the 2017/2018 season where he achieved Young Player of the Year in his debut campaign. With the versatility to play on the right, he adds an impressive ability in the air as well as on the ground. Previously with Fulham at Youth level, his reading of the game is beyond his years and adds invaluable presence in the rearguard.

LOIC HERNANDEZ – DEFENDER: Loic Hernandez returns to The Blues for a second spell, having spent some time with us on loan in 2018/19. Loic joins us from Barnet, where he came through the ranks and as a 20-year-old signed his first professional contract in 2018. Blues fans will fondly remember Loic's late equaliser in the 2-2 draw at Margate.

J'ARDELL STIRLING – DEFENDER: J'Ardell is a strong, vocal defender who can use both feet and is always looking for a pass. He previously played for Arlesey Town and was a member of the Luton Town Cedars Scholarship programme. He was also in the Southend Academy U11 team.

RYAN SELLERS- DEFENDER: Sellers returns to the Wingate & Finchley for a 3rd spell at the club, having played for our youth team in 2010/12, and returned to N12 in 2016/17. Ryan previously played for Wycombe Wanderers, Wealdstone, Halifax Town & Hemel Hempstead.

JOSIP JEVDJIC -DEFENDER: Josip, Blues academy graduate, played a crucial part last season for our Development Team having scored a late winner in the 3-2 win against Ware Sports FC in the Herts Senior County League Premier Division Cup Final.

JORDAN GIBBONS – MIDFIELDER: Jordan Gibbons, QPR academy graduate made 8 appearances for the Blues in the 2016/17 and has since played for Kingstonian, Phoenix Rising, Welling United, Chelmsford City, Dartford & had 3 spells at Whitehawk. Jordan returned to Wingate & Finchley last season and has looked very sharp in pre-season.

MATTHEW ACHUBA – MIDFIELDER: 20 year old Matthew Achuba has previously turned out Ebbsfleet United, as well as having a loan spell at Chatham Town.

KAVAN COTTER – MIDFIELDER: Cotter started his career in Arsenal's Academy before eventually joining the ranks at Luton Town for the U13 team. At the age of 21, Kavan already has plenty of non-league experience - he enjoyed loan spells at Hitchin Town and Oxford City during his time at Luton, before leaving permanently for Hemel Hempstead. Kavan joined the Blues from Wealdstone late on in the 2019/20 season.

SAM HATTON - DEFENDER / MIDFIELDER: The experienced and versatile Sam Hatton can play in both defense and midfield. Hatton began his career at Stevenage Borough, then went onto play for AFC Wimbledon, Grimsby Town & most recently Enfield Town. Sam has also made a few appearances for England C.

TOMMY TEJAN-SIE – MIDFIELDER: One of our longest-serving players, this season will be Tejan-Sie's 9th as a Blue. During his time at Wingate & Finchley he has made more than 327 appearances, scoring 20 goals. Tommy, nicknamed 'TJ' has become known as a technical midfielder who can make passes that no one else could have seen, making him a staple in our side.

KAYNE JAMES-THOMPSON -MIDFIELDER: Kayne, previously at Walthamstow, Aylesbury United, Enfield Borough and Biggleswade Town.

BILAL SAYOUD - ATTACKING MIDFIELDER: Bilal Sayoud began his career through the Nike Academy before moving on to Coventry City. Since then, spent time at Enfield Town, Hendon and Met Police before joining Wingate & Finchley in December 2019. Bilal scored a memorable last-minute winner away to Bishop's Stortford in

February 2020, which ended 84 days of a winless run in the Isthmian League, having last won in November 2019 at Lewes. Since then, Blues fans have enjoyed watching Sayoud's outstanding pace, wicked deliveries & some exquisite finishing.

TAGE KENNEDY – WINGER: Tage had an impressive debut season in 2019/20, who became a regular starter with an early season flurry of goals. In 2018, he was the Top Scorer, Player's Player and Manager's Player of the season for Enfield Borough after a 30-goal season aged just 19. The tricky winger has had trials with Cardiff and Charlton.

DARNELL GOATER-BRAITHWAITE -STRIKER: Darnell, previously at Brimsdown, Barkingside, Walthamstow, Aylesbury United, Westfield FC & most recently Hemel Hempstead Town.

LIAM SMYTH – STRIKER: Liam, Northern Ireland U19s international joins us from Stevenage Borough, where he made his first-team debut at the age of 17 and had 2 loan spells at Braintree Town. So far, Smyth has five international appearances and scored in Northern Ireland U19s 4-1 win against Slovakia U19s.

JABIR LARABA – STRIKER: Jabir previously played for London Tigers, Wembley FC, Ashford Town, Uxbridge, Northwood and Kensington & Ealing Borough.

DUANE OFORI-ACHEAMPONG – FORWARD: The experienced Ofori-Acheampong began his career at Southend United in 2011. Then went onto play for Harrow Borough, Grays Athletic, Chalkanoras, Cray Wanderers, Torquay United, Dover Athletic, Dartford, Woking & Whitehawk. Duane joined us last season, and following the curtailment of the 2020/21 season he joined Braintree Town on loan.





TODAYS TEAMS



From

Jonathan MILES

David OLUFEMI

Mochael O'DONOGHUE

Rakim RICHARDS

Scott MITCHELL

Tyrese OWEN

Georgios ARESTI

Jamie-Lee O'DONOGHUE

Bobson BAWLING

Christos DJAMAS

Sami BESSADI

Mekhi LEACOCK-McLEOD

Chidubem ONOKWAI

Aron GORDON

Bruno MARTINHO GOMES

Tiernan PARKER

Manager: Tom Loizou

Assistant Manager: David Cumberbatch

Coaches: Johnny Fitsiou

Tucker O'Donoghue

Goalkeeping Coach: Robert Lewis

Physio: Montana Cameron

MATCH OFFICIALS:

Referee: Michael Smith assisted by
Damian Mirzadeh & Ronald Albert

From

Ben GOODE

Fergal HALE-BROWN

Luke IFIL

Jake EALES

Loic HERNANDEZ

J'ardell STIRLING

Ryan SELLERS

Josip JEVDJIC

Jordan GIBBONS

Matthew ACHUBA

Kavan COTTER

Sam HATTON

Tommy TEJAN-SIE

Kayne JAMES-THOMPSON

Bilal SAYOUD

Tage KENNEDY

Darnell GOATER-BRAITHWAITE

Liam SMYTH

Jabir LARABA

Duane OFORI-ACHEAMPONG

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Assistant Manager: Lee Protheroe

Director of Football : Ahmet Rifat

Coach: Gavin King

Physio: Jason Dodd

Kitman: Peter Barker



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