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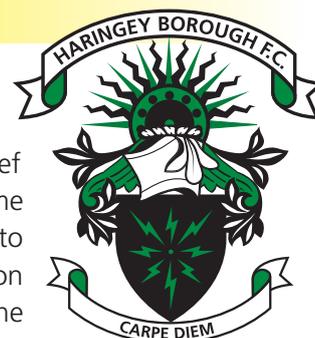
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HARINGEY BOROUGH FC - A BRIEF HISTORY



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.

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HISTORY OF MARGATE FC



The club was founded in 1896 and joined the Southern Football League in 1933. After a spell in the Kent League after World War II the team returned to the Southern League in 1959 and remained there until 2001 when they gained promotion to the Football Conference, the highest level of English non-league football. Their stay at this level saw the team forced to ground share with other clubs due to drawn-out and problematic redevelopment work at their Hartsdown Park stadium, and during the three years spent away from their own ground they were expelled from the Conference National and subsequently relegated to the Isthmian League.

After the Second World War the Gate continued to play in the Kent League under new manager Charlie Walker, who led the team to two Kent League championships but was then controversially sacked. The team slumped during a succession of rapid managerial changes which only ended in 1950 when Almer Hall was appointed manager, a post he was to hold for the next twenty years. Under Hall the team won a host of local cup honours and reached the rounds proper of the FA Cup on several occasions, but never managed to match this success in league competition.

In 1959–60 Margate returned to the Southern League after the Kent League folded, and in 1962–63 won the Division One championship and with it promotion to the Premier Division. Two years later the club turned full-time professional but this policy proved financially untenable when the team were relegated back to Division One in 1965–66. Nonetheless, they won promotion at the first attempt and returned to the Premier Division in 1967.

During the 1970s Margate endured severe financial problems and a series of mediocre league seasons but took part in two famous FA Cup ties. In 1971 the Gate lost 11–0 to Bournemouth, with Ted MacDougall scoring a cup record nine goals. Then, a year later, Margate beat Swansea City and Walton & Hersham to set up a third round tie against First Division Tottenham Hotspur, then UEFA Cup holders. A record crowd of over 14,000 packed into Hartsdown Park for a match which Margate lost 6–0.

In 1996, the club's centenary year, the club appointed Chris Kinnear as manager. In 1997–98 he took the team to the first round proper of the FA Cup where they played Fulham in a home tie that drew a crowd of 5,100. Although the Gate took the lead, the Cottagers eventually won 2–1. The following season saw the club finally win promotion to the Southern League Premier Division, albeit only after an appeal was lodged against the league's initial refusal to allow the team promotion due to the club failing to carry out necessary ground improvements in time. The Premier Division championship followed in the 2000–01 season, and with it promotion to the Football Conference.

The 2001–02 season was Gate's first ever season of Conference football and they finished the season in eighth place. In the 2002–03 season the team began ground sharing at Dover Athletics' Crabble while redevelopment work took place at Hartsdown Park, but various problems stalled the planned redevelopment. On the pitch, Margate enjoyed more success in the FA Cup when, after defeating Leyton Orient in the first round, they were drawn at home to Cardiff City in the second round, but lost 3–0 at Crabble. The following season, despite finishing sixteenth, the Gate were forcibly relegated one division due to the ongoing delays and problems with the redevelopment plans for Hartsdown Park.

Margate spent the 2004–05 season in the Conference South, now ground sharing at Ashford Town. Amidst ongoing issues with the redevelopment work, which at one point made it seem very likely that the club would fold completely, Margate were again relegated to the Isthmian League Premier Division.

After 10 years in the Ryman Premier Division Margate won promotion back to the Vanarama National League South after beating Hendon in the play-off final at the Earlsmead Stadium. Ryan Moss scored the winning goal as Terry Brown's side celebrated promotion back to second tier of Non-league Football.

Margate's first season back in the National League South was a rollercoaster ride with survival secured on the final day of the season despite a 2-0 defeat to Bath City. A run of 11 defeats from their final 12 games left Margate needing results elsewhere to keep them in the division and Weston Super-Mare's 1-1 draw away at Havant & Waterlooville meant Havant were relegated.

Since the 2017-2018 season Margate have been in the Isthmian Premier League, where under new ownership

the Club have installed a state of the art 3G Pitch, plans are in place to develop the stadium further and build a hotel on site. The Club narrowly missed out on the play offs in the 2017-18 season and after the departure of manager Steve Watt the Club went through a period of transition and were able to avoid relegation in the 2018-2019 season thanks largely to the presence of Jay Saunders as temporary manager. At the start of the 2019-2020 campaign fan favourite Jay became our permanent manager and is still at the helm for season 2021/22, after season 2020/21 was made null and void.

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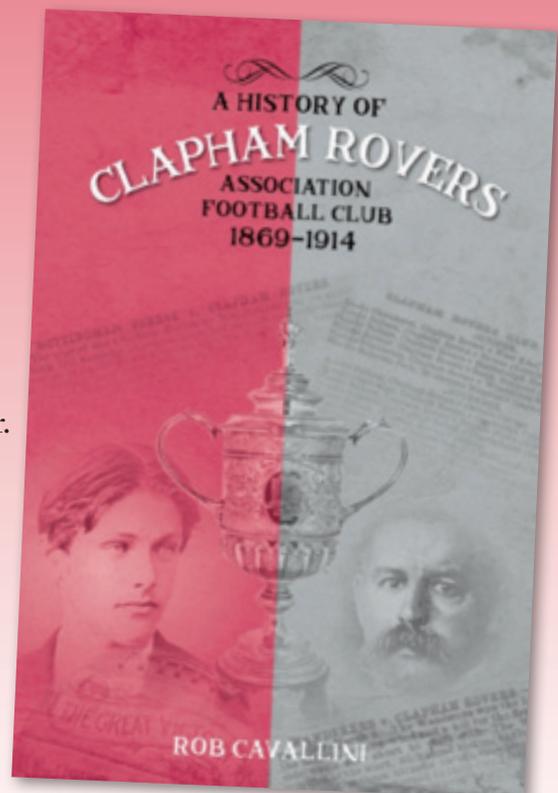
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Chairman - Haringey Borough FC

This afternoon we welcome Margate to our ground once again where we are guaranteed a good free flowing game as both sides are renowned for playing football the right way. We have had some exciting games with them over the last few seasons although we did not get an opportunity to play them at all last season after the premature end to the season. We need to get back to winning ways if we are to have any chance of fulfilling our aims and ambitions this season. 5 draws and a defeat in our last 6 league games and the FA Trophy defeat last weekend does not show a true picture of our performances of late. Those of you who have witnessed these matches will know that we are playing well and with a bit more luck and a bit more composure in front of goal we will have secured some victories and improved our current league position. I am not too downhearted as there is a long way to go, 29 games left for us to make our mark and I am sure that this group of players with one or two additions will start to repay the faith shown in them by Tom. Last weekend was a game in point where our second half performance could easily have resulted in two or three goals. The Potters Bar keeper having one of those days and coupled with some dubious decisions by the officials that cancelled out our early strike and the clear free kick on Bobson that led directly to their first goal we got jettisoned from the Trophy, a cup that we did so well in last season and one where we had high hopes this season. Out of both FA sponsored cups in the first round has hit us hard, the money on offer which we have benefited from in recent seasons does have an impact on how we have to manage our budget throughout the season. We do not start the season relying on possible FA assistance through prize money but such income when it does arrive relieves other pressures and makes money available for some of the not so obvious things we spend money on throughout the season, such as continual ground maintenance, equipment and the like. The running of a Club of our size has many facets and it is not just the player budget that we have to cater for. In order to sustain the Club it is imperative that we, the custodians of your Club, manage it properly. I am sure you all recognise that even at our level you can overspend in chasing the dream of promotion and success. Whilst we have the same aims and ambitions of moving through the leagues as other Clubs it is more important to me to have a welcoming, friendly, all inclusive Club with true values. Our aim is to move forward and expand the Club in all aspects and sustain our progress with the young players, male and female, to provide opportunity for all, to deal with the required ground improvements and most of all expand our fanbase and provide a Club that you can all feel invested in and proud of. Enjoy the game – Come on Boro!

Aki Achillea - Chairman Haringey Borough F.C.

Manager - Haringey Borough FC

Where do I start from this week? Do I talk to you about how disappointed I am? How frustrated I am? How disillusioned I am with recent results and performances?

No, none of it. Since our last home game against Carshalton I have had time to reflect and analyse our recent performances and I keep returning to the fact that our performances have actually been very good despite the lack of wins in that period. Leaving aside the disaster at Merstham we could easily have won all of the other games. We have been secure at the back, we have attacked and pushed to get goals in all of those games, Leatherhead, Stortford, Cray and Carshalton being a case in point where we tried everything we could, playing at a good intense pace and creating chances. We do not appear to be lacking in confidence as teams often are when results don't go their way. My discussion with the players show me that they too know we are not far away from consistently winning games. We have another tough game today against a team that is well drilled and organised. Any team managed by Jay will be a strong side, He has incredible experience at this and a higher level and I have no doubt Margate will be a force this season. I do not need to encourage the players and get them up for this game as they were all incredibly disappointed with last weekend's defeat. We created enough chances to win a hatful of matches and we all saw that the Potters Bar keeper was inspired that day and kept them in the game. We have some really tough matches ahead over the next few weeks leading up to Christmas and I am genuinely excited by these fixtures and I want us to start this run of games today with a win and move forward to Hornchurch next Tuesday. Get behind the boys as you always do, be respectful as always and enjoy the game.

Tom Loizou - Manager Haringey Borough F.C



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THE SECRETARY'S MUSINGS

This afternoon we welcome the players, Officials and supporters of MARGATE FC to the CVS Van Hire Stadium for this Pitching in Isthmian League Premier Division match. A warm welcome also, of course to our match officials who are Aaron Farmer in the middle while Ronald Albert and George Lowe have the flags. Whatever the outcome we hope all will leave having enjoyed an entertaining afternoon's sport and have a safe journey home

This will be the fifth Isthmian Premier Division game between the sides and 3 of them have finished 1-0 in our favour- both of those in season 2018/19 and our home 2019/20 game on 12th October 2019. But the goal paucity came to an end when we visited Hartsdown Park in January 2020 as Margate were 4-2 winners, although in the end it was of no consequence as the Covid outbreak brought that season to an early close. And in the following Covid affected season neither game got played.

Our last home game when Carshalton Athletic visited us could hardly have got off to a better start as in the 2nd minute a corner led to a goalmouth scramble ended by Scott Mitchell (who else!) who somehow flicked the ball through a crowded 6 yard box for it to trundle against the inside of the far post and into the net. But that was as good as it got for on 20 minutes Carshalton equalised with a goal just as scrappy when a shot was blocked only for it to bounce and spin up into the top corner of our net. The rest of the match followed the familiar pattern of the visitors probably having slightly the better of the first half with Borough dominant after the interval. Attractive approach play a-plenty but goals were there none.

And so the following week to Potters Bar Town – rarely anything but a graveyard for our hopes, and so it proved this time as we exited the Buildbase FA Trophy at our first hurdle by 2-0. Overall we probably had the lions share of possession but goals midway through each half settled the tie in "The Scholars" favour. The second half clincher was a clinically executed fast breakaway as we pounded away at the homesters goal. Although it was the familiar story of persistent Borough pressure with no reward at least on this occasion we did make the opposing goalkeeper earn his crust. But for a series of top drawer saves early in the second half we might well have left victorious.

Our goal tally after 15 competitive games is 20. 1.33 per match is nothing to cheer about and would probably be enough to avoid the drop zone as if maintained it would equate to 56 League goals which is more than 7 teams managed in the last completed season (2018/19) including all 3 relegated teams. In fact the defence might even drag us into the play offs for 59 was all that Tonbridge who beat us in the play offs netted. But optimism needs to be tempered by the fact that a quarter of our total came against East Thurrock United who have since gone on to lose matches by 0-6 and 0-8 at home. Worrying too perhaps that of the 18 goals we have netted (obliging opponents netted 2 ogs) eight have come from players on the field primarily to perform defensive roles. In fact Tosin is top scorer with 4, followed by Scott with 3 and the other defensive scorer is Mikey with 1. Bobson is the top offensive player with 3 while Christos, Georgios and Roman (now transferred to Wingate and Finchley) have 2 each and Sami has 1. Defensively we have let in 21 of which 5 arrived in the course of the horror show at Merstham so that would equate to 59 against if maintained through the 42 League match season. Mid-table mediocrity writ large. But vigorous recruitment efforts are in hand to strengthen the squad and the latest arrival, Andronicos certainly looks capable of making a significant contribution. So it is clearly premature to write off the season yet as the League is so tight this time with nearly all teams still in with a chance of finishing at least 5th if a string of successes can be engineered. The Under 23s blistering start (4 wins from 4 with 27 scored and 4 conceded) finally came off the rails at Bowers and Pitsea on 26th October as they returned defeated by 3-2 but the red-carding of 'keeper Sidi Haidara with no back up 'keeper on the bench was the main cause. However they bounced back from that disappointment last Monday having won 4-3 at Bury Town despite again having a player dismissed. All 3 Bury goals were penalties. The win keeps them top of the Division. After a week without a fixture they have the chance to consolidate their position with home games on Mondays 15th and 22nd against Potters Bar Town and Tilbury

The under 18s also started the season in some style with 3 wins from 3 but the wheels have since come off with only one more win interspersed with 4 defeats the latest being at Coles Park last Tuesday from where Woodford Town left 5-3 winners. They face a tough task getting back on track as next up is a visit this coming Wednesday to Hendon who have a 100% record after 5 games which includes a 36 -0 slaughter of the bottom Club, Hammersmith.

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. Any hope of promotion has disappeared but they almost certainly

have enough points to be safe from relegation with only one to go down and one team looking to have staked their claim to that spot already. Borough's last outing was at Colney Heath on 24th October where they did themselves proud although losing 3-0 for they played the first half with 9 players for the first 30 minutes and just 10 thereafter. Like the Under 18s their next fixture is a tough ask - away to League leaders Wymondham Town tomorrow. Cups remain their only hope of glory this season and they will be starting their Capital Womens Cup campaign on 21st November with a visit to Fulham and while most neutrals would probably not make us favourites we gave that Club a real run for their money last season when they visited Coles Park and left 2-1 winners in the WFA Cup. The draw for the League Cup at which Borough enter at the last 16 stage has not yet been made. The next home game will be on Sunday week when Royston Town visit. 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. We should have visited Hornchurch already but did not do so as they had an FA Cup 2nd. Qualifying Round tie on the scheduled day which took precedence over League fixtures and the game has been re-arranged for this coming Tuesday 9th November.(see next page). After that we have another very difficult trip to Lewes to negotiate for which our travelling support will not be helped by engineering works closing the line to Lewes with a lengthy bus replacement journey from Three Bridges to be endured (again see next page). A third consecutive away game at Bowers and Pitsea – not generally noted as a successful hunting ground for us - follows on 20th November so by the time of our next home game the seasons prospects will be clearer and if nine points is somewhat ambitious we certainly need a reasonable haul if we are to stay well up among the play-off chasing pack.

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. We are also in the London Senior Cup where we have an attractive looking fixture at home to an AFC Wimbledon XI in the first round on Tuesday 30th November which may even be our next home game if Worthing win their FA Trophy game on 13th November (see panel below). If we win that game we will visit the current holders of the Cup, Tooting and Mitcham United, in the next round. 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 NOVEMBER 27th 3pm v WORTHING

(Isthmian League - Premier Division)

BUT NOTE THAT IF WORTHING WIN THEIR AWAY FA TROPHY GAME ON 13th NOVEMBER AT HAYES & YEADING UNITED THIS MATCH WILL BE POSTPONED - IN WHICH CASE THE NEXT HOME MATCH WOULD BE THE LONDON SENIOR CUP TIE AGAINST AN AFC WIMBLEDON XI ON THE EVENING OF TUESDAY 30th NOVEMBER

HOME GAMES FOR OTHER CLUB TEAMS BEFORE NEXT HOME GAME

Sunday 14th November WOMEN home to Royston Town (League) 2pm

Monday 15th November UNDER 23s home to Potters Bar Town Under 23s (League) 7.45pm

Monday 22nd November UNDER 23s home to Tilbury (League) 7.45pm

FIRST TEAM AWAY GAMES before next Home game
TUESDAY 9th NOVEMBER 7.45pm
v HORNCHURCH

(Isthmian League - Premier Division)

At The Stadium, Bridge Avenue, Upminster, RM14 2LX

District Line Underground to Upminster Bridge then short walk to stadium

FOLLOWED BY

SATURDAY 13th NOVEMBER 3pm v LEWES

(Isthmian League - Premier Division)

At "The Dripping Pan", Mountfield Road, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 2XA

Rail travel will be very difficult and lengthy (just over 2 hours in all) as buses
replace trains from Three Bridges onwards.

Trains leave London Bridge at 5, 15, 35 and 45 minutes past the hour.

FOLLOWED BY

SATURDAY 20th NOVEMBER 3pm

v BOWERS & PITSEA

(Isthmian League - Premier Division)

at The Len Salmon Stadium, Crown Avenue, off Kenneth Road, Pitsea, SS13 2BE

Normally, direct trains leave Fenchurch Street for Pitsea at 00,23,30 & 53 minutes past the
hour and take less than an hour but engineering work is scheduled that weekend and at
the time of writing it is not known to what extent that will disrupt the service so check
with National Rail nearer the date. Stadium is about 20 minute walk from station.

**AWAY GAMES FOR OTHER CLUB TEAMS BEFORE
NEXT HOME GAME**

Sunday 7th November WOMEN away to Wymondham Town

(League) 2pm

Wednesday 10th November UNDER 18s away to Hendon

(League) 7.30pm

Monday 15th November UNDER 18s away to Brimsdown

(League) 7.30pm

Sunday 21st November WOMEN away to Fulham

(Capital Womens Cup) 2pm

THE NON-LEAGUE PAPER



ESSENTIAL READING FOR FOLLOWERS OF THE NATIONAL GAME

YOU HAVE to wonder what Hollywood actors Ryan Reynolds and Rob McElhenney really made of their first experience of Non-League football.

In case you hadn't heard, the actors who bought Wrexham turned up at Maidenhead United to see their first Red Dragons in the flesh last week.

For people who roll in some pretty high-profile and glamorous circles, walking in to be greeted with some heckling must have been an eye-opening experience. I doubt that happens on the red carpet.

The depth of the National League System on full show with more than 1,600 turning out on a dark night to watch 90 minutes of the Beautiful Game. Fantastic.

I imagine they returned home with an even greater sense of how vital all these clubs are to their communities, not to mention how much it means to the supporters of the club they now own.

Of course, as is the way with these things, their team lost 3-2 before conceding a late equaliser against Torquay United on Saturday to draw 1-1.

The documentary covering their take-over will be titled Welcome to Wrexham. Last week was also a Welcome to Football. Where it rarely goes to plan.

After Tuesday's defeat, Deadpool star Reynolds – a seriously successful businessman to boot – described his feelings on an instagram post.

"Football is a staggering, heartbreaking, gorgeous, tommy-gun of soul-deadening, evil and beauty and I'm never sleeping again ever, ever."

Whether you are interested in their takeover or are indifferent, we can probably all relate, in some form, to that summary.

Whoever you support, there must have been times when you think: Why do I do this? I know I have.

There are millions of people in this country who have no interest in this mad game. Who don't spend their Saturdays – or midweek evenings – standing in the cold, or glued to websites and social media to see how their team and rivals have got on.

And sometimes, after those last-minute goals, you do wonder if it would be easier to not bother.

But that's the thing with football. It hooks you in. It refuses to let go. Conceding stoppage-time goals is equalled out by those stoppage-time winners. Or at least the hope of one.

And there's something bizarrely magical about being out in the freezing cold watching a drab draw.

Especially in Non-League. Where you're so close to the action and feel so much a part of it. I think we've seen that this season with some of the attendances across all levels – a combination of people just happy to be out at games again, mixed with an apathy of the higher reaches of the game.

Because, yes, football can be a real pain at times. There are issues at all levels that really grate and things in Non-League that could be better.

But it also provides more drama and moments than any Hollywood script. Hopefully the Wrexham duo saw that for themselves.

By Matt Badcock

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 | W 4-1 |
| Sat 4 Sep | A | Peterborough Sports (FA Cup 1st Qualifying Round) | L 1-2 |
| Sat 11 Sep | H | CORINTHIAN CASUALS | L 0-1 |
| Tues 14 Sep | A | Enfield Town | L 0-1 |
| Sat 25 Sep | H | EAST THURROCK UNITED | W 5-1 |
| Tues 28 Sep | H | POTTERS BAR TOWN | D 2-2 |
| Sat 2 Oct | A | Leatherhead | D 0-0 |
| Sat 9 Oct | H | CRAY WANDERERS | D 1-1 |
| Tues 12 Oct | A | Bishops Stortford | D 1-1 |
| Sat 16 Oct | A | Merstham * | L 0-5 |
| Sat 23 Oct | H | CARSHALTON ATHLETIC | D 1-1 |
| Sat 30 Oct | A | Potters Bar Town (Buildbase FA Trophy 3rd Qualifying Round. | L 0-2 |
| Sat 6 Nov | H | MARGATE | |
| Tue 9 Nov | A | Hornchurch | |
| Sat 13 Nov | A | Lewes | |
| Sat 20 Nov | A | Bowers & Pitsea | |
| Sat 27 Nov | H | WORTHING | |
| Tue 30 Nov | H | An AFC WIMBLEDON XI (London Senior Cup) | |
| 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 | |

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|-------------|---|----------------------|--|
| Sat 5 Feb | H | HORNCHURCH | |
| Sat 12 Feb | A | Potters Bar Town + | |
| Tues 15 Feb | H | BISHOPS STORTFORD | |
| Sat 19 Feb | A | Cray Wanderers | |
| 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 | |

* 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 |
| Tue Sep 6 | H | NORTH LONDON FC | L 1-2 |
| Mon Sep 13 | H | BURY TOWN | W 6-0 |
| Thur 7 Oct | A | Tilbury | W 5-0 |
| Mon 11 Oct | H | HEYBRIDGE SWIFTS | W 8-1 |
| Mon 18 Oct | A | Barking | W 8-3 |
| Tues 26 Oct | A | Bowers & Pitsea | L 2-3 |
| Mon 1 Nov | A | Bury Town | W 4-3 |
| Mon 15 Nov | H | 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 | |
| Wed 12 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 | |
| Thur 3 Mar | A | Potters Bar 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) | W 4-0 |
| Tue 7 Sep | H | BRIMSDOWN | W 12-0 |
| Wed Sep 15 | A | Romford (FA Youthb Cup) | W 3-1 |
| Tue Sep 28 | A | Aveley (FA Youth Cup) | L 0-3 |
| Tue 5 Oct | H | EDGWARE TOWN | L 1-2 |
| Tue 19 Oct | H | BRIMSDOWN ROVERS | W 4-3 |
| Wed 27 Oct | A | Rayners Lane | L 1-3 |
| Tue 2 Nov | H | WOODFORD TOWN | L 3-5 |
| Wed 10 Nov | A | Hendon | |
| Mon 15 Nov | A | Brimmsdown | |
| Mon 29 Nov | A | Potters Bar Town (at Coles Park) | |
| Wed 8 Dec | A | Edgware Town | |
| Thur 6 Jan | A | Brimmsdown Rovers | |
| Undated | H | RAYNERS LANE | |
| Undated | H | HAMMERSMITH | |
| Undated | H | LANGLEY | |
| Undated | H | HENDON | |
| Undated | H | POTTERS BAR TOWN | |
| Undated | A | Langley | |
| Undated | A | Hammersmith | |
| 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 | D 1-1 |
| Sun 19 Sep | H | LUTON TOWN | L 2-5 |
| Sun 26 Sep | H | ST. IVES TOWN | W 7-1 |
| Wed 29 Sep | A | Royston Town | L 1-5 |
| Sun 3 Oct | H | CLAPTON COMMUNITY (WFA Cup) | L 3-6 |
| Sun 10 Oct | H | BEDFORD | L 3-4 |
| Sun 24 Oct | A | Colney Heath | L 0-3 |
| Sun 7 Nov | A | Wymondham Town | |
| Sun 14 Nov | H | ROYSTON TOWN | |
| Sun 21 Nov | A | Fulham (Capital Womens Cup) | |
| Sun 28 Nov | H | KINGS LYNN TOWN | |
| Sun 5 Dec | H | AFC DUNSTABLE | |
| Sun 12 Dec | A | Bowers & Pitsea | |
| Sun 19 Dec | A | St. Ives Town | |
| Sun 9 Jan | | League Cup - draw not yet made | |
| Sun 23 Jan | H | WYMONDHAM TOWN | |
| Sun 30 Jan | A | Wroxham | |
| Sun 6 Feb | A | Luton Town | |
| Sun 13 Feb | H | COLNEY HEATH | |
| Sun 27 Feb | A | Bedford | |

Isthmian League Premier Division 2020/21 - up to and including 2/11/2021

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | +/- | Pts |
|-------------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 Worthing | 13 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 34 | 21 | +13 | 31 |
| 2 Enfield Town | 12 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 27 | 11 | +16 | 26 |
| 3 Folkestone Invicta | 11 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 26 | 10 | +16 | 25 |
| 4 Kingstonian | 13 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 24 | 19 | +5 | 25 |
| 5 Lewes | 12 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 34 | 18 | +16 | 23 |
| 6 Margate | 13 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 21 | 19 | +2 | 23 |
| 7 Bishop's Stortford | 13 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 24 | 16 | +8 | 22 |
| 8 Cheshunt | 13 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 21 | 12 | +9 | 21 |
| 9 Bognor Regis Town | 13 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 22 | 15 | +7 | 21 |
| 10 Potters Bar Town | 12 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 21 | 20 | +1 | 18 |
| 11 Merstham | 13 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 21 | 21 | 0 | 18 |
| 12 Haringey Borough | 13 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 19 | 17 | +2 | 17 |
| 13 Carshalton Athletic | 12 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 17 | 13 | +4 | 16 |
| 14 Wingate & Finchley | 13 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 22 | 26 | -4 | 15 |
| 15 Hornchurch | 12 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 16 | 14 | +2 | 14 |
| 16 Corinthian-Casuals | 11 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 12 | 14 | -2 | 13 |
| 17 Cray Wanderers | 11 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 14 | 24 | -10 | 10 |
| 18 Brightlingsea Regent | 13 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 12 | 32 | -20 | 10 |
| 19 Bowers & Pitsea | 10 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 10 | 17 | -7 | 9 |
| 20 East Thurrock United | 13 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 15 | 38 | -23 | 9 |
| 21 Horsham | 11 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 16 | -8 | 6 |
| 22 Leatherhead | 13 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 11 | 38 | -27 | 5 |

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Respect



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.

ANDRONICOS GEORGIU - 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.

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.

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.

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.

MARGATE PLAYER PROFILES 2021-22



BEN SWIFT – ‘Swiftly’ re-joins the Gate for a fifth season and fourth under Saunders. The young centre half was voted in the Kent Online team of the season in 2018/19 and will skipper the side for the third successive campaign.

back in 2015 before departing earlier in the summer. This is Jacks third season under Saunders at Margate.

CROSSLEY LEMA – Signed in October 2021 from Leatherhead. The 22 year old full back graduated through the Sutton United academy and scored on his senior debut for the Us in the Surrey Senior Cup. He was a member of the National League squad for two seasons before signing for The Tanners.

CRAIG HOLLOWAY – The experienced goalkeeper was added to Jay Saunders’ squad and staff as goalkeeping coach. Having played and managed at Hartsdown Park previously, news of Holloway’s return was greeted with delight by Margate fans. Holloway plays an influential role alongside Saunders.

JOE ANDERSON – A 31 year old with plenty of experience, starting his career with Fulham. Also had a spell with Lincoln City. He has also played numerous games at Non League level, mainly with Bromley and Maidstone Utd with his last club being with Welling Utd..

REECE PRESTEDGE – Experienced midfielder Reece joined the ‘Gate from Welling Utd in 2019, formerly of East Thurrock and Maidstone, Prestedge is reunited with boss Jay Saunders and adds guile and leadership to our midfield. This is Reece’s third season under Jay Saunders for the Gate and will be a player/coach

BEN GALLAGHER – Ben Greenhalgh joined the ‘Gate’ in the summer of 2021 to team up with his former Maidstone United manager Jay Saunders. The 29-year-old can play as either a Midfielder or Striker and will provide extra firepower to the Blues. Greenhalgh shot to fame after winning Sky Sports reality show ‘Football’s Next Star’ where he fought off 20,000 other entries to win a six-month professional contract, which was then extended another further year upon its expiry. Despite never playing for Inter, Greenhalgh did impress whilst in Italy scoring eight goals in 12 games for Como. Back in England the 29-year-old played a crucial part in a successful Maidstone United side managed by Margate Manager Jay Saunders. Other clubs include Concord Rangers, Dartford, Tonbridge Angels and Hemel Hempstead as well as time spent in Scotland playing for Inverness and Stenhousemuir.

SAM BLACKMAN – Midfielder Sam Blackman returned to Hartsdown Park in the summer of 2021 having previously played for the Blues during the 2017/18 season. The combative midfielder will provide manager Jay Saunders additional experience in the middle of the park. Blackman started his career at Leatherhead before moving to Hartsdown Park in 2017. After leaving the ‘Gate, Blackman moved to Concord Rangers for the first of his two spells at the Aspect arena, where he featured as a Concord Rangers player in his second spell in the delayed 2019/20 season FA Trophy at Wembley Stadium. Other clubs include Dartford and Hythe Town.

Mason Saunders-Henry. Dual signed in October 2021 from Welling United. The 22 year old former Millwall youth player made one substitute appearance for West Bromwich Albion before moving on to Whyteleafe. He made four appearances and scored one goal for Sutton Athletic in the SCEFL First Division before joining Welling United at the end of August.

DAN THOMPSON – The 27-year old striker joins the Gate in the summer of 2021 from East Grinstead FC. Thompson started his career at Hampton & Richmond Borough making his debut at only 16 years old in 2011. He has had vast experience on the Non League scene with Tonbridge Angels, Dulwich Hamlet, Braintree Town & Kingstonian in particular.

RYAN PALMER – Versatile Midfielder Ryan Palmer joined Margate in the summer of 2021. The 30-year-old has played a pivotal role in the success of Sunday YouTube team SE Dons, however he has also enjoyed considerable success in non-league football after enjoying spells with a range of non-league clubs such as Hythe Town, Ashford United, VCD Athletic, Merstham and Sittingbourne

MONTEL AGYEMANG – Midfielder Montel Agyemang joined Margate in the summer of 2021 from National League South Welling United. Montel burst on the football scene at Leyton Orient where after being named on the bench in a 2-0 win over Doncaster Rovers before making his senior debut as a substitute against Yeovil Town in 2014. Loan spells at Royston Town and Grays Athletic followed before he left Orient to join Maldon & Tiptree. Spells at East Thurrock United and Wealdstone before joining Welling United.

JAMES BESSEY-SALDANHA – Winger, James Bessey-Saldanha signs for The Gate having played most recently at fellow Kent side, Sevenoaks Town. The 25-year old impressed in behind-closed-doors friendlies, so much so, Jay Saunders was quick to secure his services for the 2021/22 campaign.

LEWIS KNIGHT – 28-year-old Lewis Knight joined the club in the summer of 2021 from National League side

Billericay Town. The commanding centre-half has enjoyed spells with East Thurrock, St Albans and Maidstone and Billericay before making the switch to Hartsdown Park.

PAT OHMAN – 26-year old keeper who has previously played for Hungerford Town, Carshalton Athletic and Braintree Town.

NKORI (VANCE) BOLA – A striker who impressed in pre season who has previously played for Royston, Glebe, Tonbridge Angels and Sittingbourne.

GEORGE LAMB – Young local full-back whose Dad Paul is Development manager and also played for the Gate in the 90's. George impressed Jay Saunders last pre-season and again this summer.

OWEN KALLMEIER – A young keeper with lots of experience, Owen has been involved with Margate FC since he was 14 years old and provides valuable back up to Pat Ohman.

BIVESH GURUNG – 20 year old who joined in August after playing in Sweden for Ytterhogdals IK He came through the Crystal Palace Academy after moving there from Maidstone United, and earlier this year had trials with Chelsea. He has also played in Norway for Trysil FK.





TODAYS TEAMS



From

Jonathan MILES

Callum ISMAIL

Michael O'DONOGHUE

Rakim RICHARDS

Scott MITCHELL

Christos DJAMAS

Adeyinka COLE

Georgios ARESTI

Alfred Bobson BAWLING

Mekhi LEACOCK-McLEOD

Sami BESSADI

Andronicos GEORGIU

Anthony McDONALD

Jorge DJASSI SAMBU

Jamie-Lee O'DONOGHUE

Tyrese-Jordon OWEN

Manager: Tom Loizou

Assistant Manager: David Cumberbatch

Coaches: Johnny Fitsiou

Tucker O'Donoghue

Physio: Montana Cameron

From

Pat OHMAN

George LAMB

Joe ANDERSON

Montel AGYEMANG

Lewis KNIGHT

Ben SWIFT

Sam BLACKMAN

Dan THOMPSON

Crossley LEMA

Ben GREENHALGH

James BESSEY-SALDANHA

Bivesh GURUNG

Vance BOLA

Ryan PALMER

Mason SAUNDERS-HENRY

Owen KALLMEIER

Martial GODO

Reece PRESTEDGE (Player/Coach)

Manager: Jay Saunders

MATCH OFFICIALS:

Referee: Aaron Farmer assisted by
Ronald Albert & George Lowe