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Paul Harrison (2012), Pete Yeardley (2012), Ron Stone (2013),
Dave Topping (2016), Mark Smedley (2016), Bryan Wood (2017),
Scott Smedley (2018), Stuart Smedley (2018), Gordon Reeves (2019)
Paul Burke (2020), Dave Thomas (2021)

First Team Honours

Wiltshire Senior Cup Winners **1998-91, 2000-01**
Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up **1902-03, 1903-04, 1987-88**
Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up **2009-10, 2012-13**
Hellenic League Div 1 Cup Winners **1989-90, 1993-94**
Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Runners-up **1994-95**
Wiltshire County League Division 1 Champions **1987-88**
Wiltshire County League Runners-up **1905-06**
Wiltshire County League Senior Cup Winners **1983-84**
Wiltshire County League Division 2 Champions **1984-85**
Wiltshire County League Division 2 Runners-up **1978-79**
Wiltshire County League Subsidiary Cup Winners **1978-79**
Wiltshire League Division 1 Champions **1958-59**
Calne & District League Champions **1931-32, 1934-35, 1935-36**
Calne & District League Runners-up **1930-31**
Calne & District League Cup Winners **1934-35**
Calne & District League Cup Runners-up **1935-36**
Swindon & District League Advertiser Cup Runners-up **1902-03, 1904-05**
Vale of White Horse League Cup Winners **1933-34**

Reserve/Dev Team Honours

Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Champions **2021-22**
Hellenic League Reserves Division 2 West Champions **1994-95**
Wiltshire County League Division 4 Runners-up **1982-83**
Wiltshire County League Junior Cup Runners-up **1984-85, 1988-89, 2012-13**
Vale of White Horse League Cup Winners **1953-54**
Chippenham & District League Division 2 Champions **1957-58**

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Men's First Team Bassett Bulletin

Welcome To Today's Game

GOOD EVENING and welcome to the Sustain Stadium here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground for this UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division fixture against Bradford Town. A warm welcome to all our visitors from Bradford Town who have made the journey up from Bradford-on-Avon, we hope you enjoy your short stay with us this evening and we wish you a safe journey home.

The two sides were originally scheduled to meet on Saturday 10th September, just 17 days after the first meeting at Bradford-on-Avon, but all the games that weekend were postponed that weekend as a result of the sad news regarding the Queen's death.

The first meeting between the sides back in August I understand was one of Bassett's best performances in many a season as we secured a 5-0 success. Despite that big win Bradford Town sit just one place below us in the table, three points behind but with a game in hand.

That big win in the first meeting counts for nothing tonight and we know we will have to be at our best if we are to get anything out of tonight's game against a good Bradford Town side who will be smarting from that heavy defeat in the first encounter and who will be looking to avenge that defeat this evening.

Whilst it is just two week's since the last home game we have had three away fixtures between the two home games in the incessant schedule at this level, two in the league and one in the Floodlit Cup.

Our last home game against Roman Glass St George saw us win with a couple of late goals to extend our unbeaten run to five games. A match report from the game is included in today's programme, as is the case for the three away games. However, the unbeaten run came to an end the following Saturday, when we lost narrowly 3-2 away at Brimscombe & Thrupp.

We bounced back from that defeat by becoming the first side from the UHlsport

Hellenic League to defeat Cribbs so far this season, our 1-0 away win in the Floodlit Cup coming courtesy of a late goal from Luke Whelan. At the time of writing we await to hear who our opponents will be in the next round.

In a run of tough fixtures Saturday saw us away at league leaders Malvern Town, who have lost just once in the league all season. In front of a crowd in excess of 300 we put in a spirited performance, losing to a solitary goal but pushing the league leaders all the way. Hopefully tonight's game will see us return to winning ways enabling us climb back into the top five in the division and set us up nicely for Saturday's big game in the FA Vase.

The Development Team have remained unbeaten since the last set of programme notes and have also avoided conceding a goal in that period, making it five clean sheets in a row after that rocky start to the season. A 0-0 draw with Salisbury FC Development was followed by an impressive 1-0 win on Saturday against Ben Jarrett's Wroughton side. This victory would certainly have been enjoyed by our Head of Senior Section given what happened with the Dev Team manager position over the summer.

The Women's side have won one and lost one since the last set of programme notes. Their tough run of results in the league continued when Forest Green Rovers left the Sustain Stadium with all three points following a 3-0 win. However, our Women bounced back on Sunday winning 3-0 against Salisbury FC in the Wiltshire County Women's Cup. This coming Sunday they will be involved in the FA Cup with the chance to not only securing passage into the next round but also prize money of £4,000, with the opportunity to earn even more in the next round.

Enjoy tonight's game and hopefully we will be celebrating a league double over Bradford Town come 10pm. *Mark*

Club Noticeboard

BINGO FUNDRAISER

Royal Wootton Bassett Town will be hosting a bingo night on Saturday 29 October to help raise funds for this season's youth section Holland Tour.

The event will take place in the clubhouse at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground. Those attending are asked to arrive at 7pm for a prompt start at 7.30pm.

All are invited to attend and bring along friends and family for what should be a great evening's entertainment.

There will be prizes on offer for those who win, with cash flyers for the grown-ups.

A raffle will also be held on the night, for which prize donations are sought. Donations can be left in the donations box in the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground clubhouse bar, or collection can be arranged by contacting Mark Cooper (see details below). All donations are greatly appreciated.

For more information about the bingo fundraiser please contact Mark Cooper via email or by mobile (07379 906819).



A blue flyer for a bingo fundraiser. At the top is a cartoon pair of eyes. Below that, the text reads 'HOLLAND TOUR BINGO FUNDRAISER SATURDAY 29 OCTOBER'. In the center, there are several colorful bingo cards and balls with numbers like 19, 43, and 39. At the bottom, it says 'Cash flyers for the grown-ups & Raffle draw 7pm for a 7.30pm start'.

NATIONAL CUP COMPETITION ACTION LATER THIS MONTH

Royal Wootton Bassett Town are set for a national cup doubleheader later this week, with the Men's First Team visiting Bridport in the Isuzu FA Vase first round on Saturday 22 October and the Women's First Team travelling to Torquay United in the Vitality Women's FA Cup a day later.

Having been handed an exemption through

the qualifying rounds after last year's record run to the third round, Bassett will be making their debut in this season's FA Vase at Bridport and will be favourites to win against step six opponents.

The club will be running a coach for players and supporters to attend this fixture. This will depart the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground at 10.45am on Saturday 22 October. For supporters wishing to travel, seat reservations can be made by contacting Chairman Paul Gerrish via email (paul.gerrish@rwbtfc.co.uk) or mobile (07946 629483). Seats will cost £10 for adults and £5 for under 16s and are available on a first come, first served basis.

In the Women's FA Cup, a win against Torquay will see Bassett advance to the first round proper for the first time in club history. Bassett will be hoping for the same outcome to that achieved in their previous Women's FA Cup meeting against Torquay, when Bassett recorded an 8-0 home win in the 2019-20 first qualifying round.

SOCCER SKILLS ACADEMY OCTOBER HOLIDAY CAMP

The Soccer Skills Academy, operated by club partners Advanced Sports Coaching Ltd, will be holding a two-day holiday camps at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground during the October school holidays. The camp will take place from Thursday 20 to Friday 21 October.

Sessions will be held on the AGP pitch and run from 9.30am to 2.30pm each day, with the Sports Ground open from 8.45am for parents to drop their children off. The camp is open to boys and girls in school years 1 to 11 of all abilities and will be overseen by Advanced Sports Coaching Ltd's team of expert coaches.

Cost for the first camp is £30 per child for two days or £17 per day. As courses are usually oversubscribed a first come, first served policy will be in place. Parents and guardians are therefore advised to book early to avoid disappointment. A secure booking form can be found on the Advanced Sports Coaching website. For further information please visit the Soccer Skills Academy page or contact Nick Bolton

The Gaffer

SAM COLLIER



Good evening and welcome to everyone from fellow Wiltshire side Bradford Town, a side who have always been a very difficult team to play against. Let me tell you that you will not see what we all witnessed in the away leg when we beat Bradford 5-0. I have played and managed for over 17 years but haven't ever seen or played in a team display like we all witnessed that night. Everything went right and every shot went in, rest assured that won't happen again tonight. I was just gutted my mate and number 2 of Bradford missed it!

This is our first home game since our wonderful late victory over Roman Glass, which I confess I may well have over celebrated. However, after not playing to anywhere near our best and being 1-0 down with ten minutes to go, to win from there was huge and I certainly enjoyed it. That goes to show the one thing this side has is spirit and drive to win.

Tuesday we went to Cribbs in the Floodlit Cup and rested a few key players. However, the first team lads who played showed the outstanding standards they have

demonstrated all season, driving to Bristol for a midweek cup game and putting on an incredible display against a strong side. Our boy Luke, who drove over two hours to get there from work, came on at half time to score a wonder goal and put us into the next round. I have to say since he joined he's been an outstanding lad... he's even doing a quiz for the bus ride Saturday

Saturday saw us travel to the very in form Malvern who have won seven on the bounce and are top of the league. We conducted ourselves very well and should have left there with at least a point. We defended very well but simply had an off day in front of goal, not even Griff could come on and save the day this week. Despite the defeat it showed that we can mix it with the best in the league and are a very strong side this season.

Saturday sees us take a bus to Dorset and I am told we already have a great following but we still have 10 seats available. Therefore please get booked on and ready to cheer the boys on as we seek to get into the 2nd Round Proper of the Vase. Hopefully this season we can go beyond Round 3 and make history for the club.

Thanks for all support and lets hope for 3 HUGE points tonight.

Much Love *Sam*

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Bradford on Avon
Sports Club,
Trowbridge Road,
Bradford-on-Avon,
BA15 1EX

MAJOR HONOURS

Western League
Division One Winners
2013-14

Wiltshire League
Division Two Winners
1993-94

Wiltshire Senior Cup
Runners-up 2010-11,
2013-14, 2014-15

CHAIRMAN

Jonathan Phillips

CLUB

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MANAGER

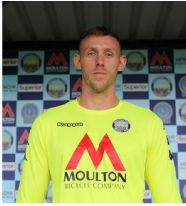
Lee Davidson



League Results	SEASON 2021-22		SEASON 2022-23	
	Home	Away	Home	Away
Bishops Cleeve	L 1 - 2	L 1 - 2		
Brimscombe & Thrupp	L 0 - 1	L 1 - 3		L 0 - 3
Calne Town	W 5 - 1	W 3 - 2		
Chipping Sodbury Town	D 0 - 0	W 4 - 0	W 5 - 0	D 1 - 1
Corsham Town	L 0 - 2	W 3 - 0	W 2 - 1	
Cribbs	W 3 - 2	D 0 - 0		L 1 - 3
Fairford Town	W 2 - 0	W 3 - 1		
Hallen	W 1 - 0	W 3 - 2		
Hereford Lads Club	W 2 - 1	W 3 - 2		
Hereford Pegasus				
Longlevens	W 3 - 1	W 3 - 1		W 5 - 0
Lydney Town	L 2 - 3	W 4 - 2		
Malvern Town	L 0 - 2	L 0 - 2		
Mangotsfield United			L 0 - 1	
Roman Glass St George	W 3 - 1	D 0 - 0	D 1 - 1	
RWBTFC	W 4 - 0	D 2 - 2	L 0 - 5	
Shrivenham	W 4 - 0	W 1 - 0		W 4 - 2
Thornbury Town	W 4 - 1	W 2 - 0		W 2 - 0
Tuffley Rovers	W 7 - 1	L 0 - 1		
Westbury United	L 0 - 2			
Westfields	D 1 - 1	D 1 - 1		
Worcester Raiders				D 0 - 0

Opponents Pen Pics

BRADFORD TOWN



Jonny Hill (GK)

Joined Town for 2021/22 from Shepton Mallet to take to number 1 shirt at Trowbridge Road and now club captain.

SPONSOR: ANDREW COOK



Aaron Witchell (DR/DL)

Very talented defender who can play full back on either side.

SPONSOR: DANNY CLARKSON



Rich Dawley (DC/ DL/ DR)

A very versatile defender who joined from Odd Down for 2021/22. Has Southern League experience.

SPONSOR: GEORGE TUCKER



Ed Plackett (DC)

A centre half with previous experience at Fleet, Town and Moneyfields joined 2021/22.

SPONSOR:



Ritchie Chandler (DC)

A familiar face to Town fans, Ritchie returned for a second spell in 2021/22. Very reliable defender who give his all.

SPONSOR: BRADLEY FRANKHAM



Harry Ruddy (DC)

Centre back who joined 2021-22. His second spell at the club after briefly playing under Paul Shanley.

SPONSOR: JAKE & NIKKI



Cameron Thomson (DC)

Cam is a big and strong no nonsense centre back but likes to get the ball down and play when possible.

SPONSOR:



Ashley Fowler (DR/DL)

An energetic and tenacious full back that loves to get forward. Joins on a season long loan from Chippenham Town.

SPONSOR: CHRIS GREEN



Will Taylor (M)

Joined in 2021-22. A very solid and creative midfielder.

SPONSOR:



Will Stead (MC)

A strong midfielder, signed for 2022-23 season.

SPONSOR: COLIN TROTT



Malachi Benjamin (M)

Signed from Shaftesbury for 2022-23. A very quick, powerful and direct midfielder.

SPONSOR: ALAN RAINES



Malcolm Nicholls (M)

Joins on a season loan from Chippenham Town. Fantastic passing ability and very hardworking.

SPONSOR: CORSHAM CONSORTIUM



Josh Timbrell (M)

A Josh is a hard working midfielder and good passer of the ball. Has a good range of skills.

SPONSOR:



Tyson Pollard (AMF)

A very skilful player hailed as 'The Magician'. Highly creative and known for scoring plenty of goals.

SPONSOR: LES STEVENS



Ruben Marques (AMF)

Joins on a season long loan from Chippenham Town. Can play as a winger or no. 10. Quick and a good finisher.

SPONSOR: TEAM BANCROFT



Charlie Wiles-Richards (ST)

A quick, technical player who joins from Odd Down for 2021/22. Will be one to watch.

SPONSOR: JONNY BLAIN



Bevan Cross (ST)

A hardworking striker with quick feet who impressed in pre-season. Joins from Chippenham Town on season long loan.

SPONSOR: RICHARD TUCKER



Thomas Golledge (ST)

A powerful striker with a great first touch and brings others into play. Joined from Swindon Supermarine for 2022-23.

SPONSOR: TROTTY & MONTY



Jack Pearson (ST)

A quick tenacious striker with a proven track record for scoring. Joins for 2022-23.

SPONSOR: ALAN RAINES



Harrison Simmonds (ST)

A strong forward. Previously played in the U18s and A Team. Joins for 2022-23.

SPONSOR: PRESTON DAVE

Today's Opponents

BRADFORD TOWN

Bradford Town Historical Record - Last 15 Seasons

Season	League & Division	FAC	FAV	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Top Scorer
2007/08	Western Division 1	N/a	N/a	40	14	8	18	62	84	50	13 out of 21	S. Roddy 22
2008/09	Western Division 1	N/a	N/a	38	22	6	10	106	55	72	3 out of 20	M. Minnis 50
2009/10	Western Division 1	N/a	2nd	38	21	10	7	82	50	73	4 out of 20	D. Percival 16
2010/11	Western Division 1	EP	2QR	36	18	7	11	84	62	61	6 out of 19	M. Minnis 27
2011/12	Western Division 1	EP	1st	36	16	10	10	72	44	58	5 out of 19	M. Minnis 17
2012/13	Western Division 1	EP	2QR	40	26	5	9	103	48	83	3 out of 21	N. Ridout 26
2013/14	Western Division 1	EP	1st	42	32	6	4	143	43	102	1 out of 22	S. Jordan 59
2014/15	Western Premier	1QR	5th	36	17	6	13	71	61	57	8 out of 19	S. Jordan 36
2015/16	Western Premier	2QR	4th	38	19	5	14	91	58	62	8 out of 20	S. Jordan 26
2016/17	Western Premier	EP	4th	38	20	8	10	90	56	68	5 out of 20	D. Cottle 25
2017/18	Western Premier	EP	5th	38	23	9	6	88	47	78	4 out of 20	S. Jordan 25
2018/19	Western Premier	PR	3rd	38	17	11	10	78	55	62	7 out of 20	W. Hailston 26
2019/20	Western Premier	1QR	5th	22	19	1	2	69	20	58	3* out of 21	G. Higdon 20
2020/21	Western Premier	EP	2nd	14	5	3	6	28	29	18	12* out of 21	R. Lye 7
2021/22	Hellenic Premier	Pre	1st	38	21	7	10	77	43	70	6 out of 20	G. Box 40

Totals **532 290 102 140 1,244 755** * Position at time that Covid-19 resulted in season being curtailed

Won:Drew:Lost Ratio **54.5% 19.2% 26.3%**

	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	55.2%	19.3%	25.6%
Western League Div 1	270	149	52	69	652	386	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	55.2%	19.3%	25.6%
Western League Premier Div	224	120	43	61	515	326	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	53.6%	19.2%	27.2%
Hellenic League Premier Div	38	21	7	10	77	43	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	55.3%	18.4%	26.3%



Previous Encounters

RWBTFC v BRADFORD TOWN

2

(or 3 if you count pens)
RWBTFC Wins



5

Bradford Town
Wins

There have been just ten previous meetings between Royal Wootton Bassett Town and Bradford Town and it is tonight's visitors who have had the better of things with five wins with just two for ourselves (or 3 if you count penalties), with three games ending all square. In league games though it is honours even at the moment with one win each and one draw in the three league meetings to date.

The first six meetings all came in cup competitions, the first being a Wiltshire Senior Cup tie in 1998 that Wootton Bassett won 4-1. The next meeting came 12 years later in the Extra Preliminary Round of the FA Cup and the two sides were involved in a hard fought 1-1 draw that meant a replay was required. That replay was also a tight affair with the two sides sharing six goals and penalties were needed to decide who would progress to the next round. Our goalscorers that night could possibly both be involved in today's game with Sam Collier bagging a brace and Jon Beeden getting the other for Bassett. Bassett won the penalty shootout 4-3 to send Bassett through to the Preliminary Round.

The two sides met again in the FA Cup four years later in the Preliminary Round but this time it was Bradford Town who progressed

in the competition courtesy of a 2-1 win. The same season the sides were also drawn against each other in the Wiltshire Senior Cup and once again it was Bradford Town who progressed to the next round following a 2-0 win.

The two sides were again drawn against each other in the Wiltshire Senior Cup two years later and once again Bradford Town secured a 2-0 win to knock us out of the competition.

The first ever league meeting between the two sides was here at the Sustain Stadium last season when we came from 2-0 down to secure a point in a 2-2 draw. The match report from that game is included in today's programme. The return fixture at the beginning of this year was not a Happy New Year party for Royal Wootton Bassett Town as we fell to a 4-0 defeat against a Bradford Town side who by now were competing for honours at the top end of the table. The two sides met again in the Bluefin Challenge Cup 3rd Round in April and again it was Bradford Town who progressed in a cup competition courtesy of a 4-2 win. The last meeting was in the league just 17 days ago when we secured an impressive 5-0 win at Bradford-on-Avon. The match report from that game is also in today's programme.

Previous Encounters

RWBTFC v BRADFORD TOWN

Season	Date	Comp	Match Details		
1998.99	21-Nov-98	WSC	Wootton Bassett Town	4	Bradford Town 1
Bassett Scorers: B. Taylor, Stoddart, Newton, Green Bassett Team: Twine, Page, Green, Flavell, P. Davis, J. Davis, Harper, Merchant, Taylor, Stoddart, Newton Subs: Penning, Harrison, Clarke					
2010.11	14-Aug-10	FA Cup	Bradford Town	1	Wootton Bassett Town 1
Bassett Scorer: Collier Bassett Team: Thompson, Bowden, Beeden, Oram, S. Carter, R. Carter, Adams, Green, Collier, Bown, Banks Subs: Edmondson, Delaney, Bailey					
2010.11	18-Aug-10	FA Cup	Wootton Bassett Town	3	Bradford Town 3
Bassett Scorers: Collier 2, Beeden (Won 4-3 on penalties) Bassett Team: Thompson, Edmondson, Beeden, Oram, S. Carter, R. Carter, Adams, Green, Collier, Bailey, Banks Subs: Bowden, Delaney, Turner					
2014.15	30-Aug-14	FA Cup	Bradford Town	2	Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1
Bassett Scorer: Skinner Bassett Team: Mitchell, Sykes, Richards, English, Drewitt, Yeardeley, Bailey, Skinner, Chatwin, Terry, Carter Subs: Hiscock, Hawkins, Walduck					
2014.15	13-Dec-14	WSC	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	0	Bradford Town 2
Bassett Scorers: N/a Bassett Team: Kuczynski, Wright, Richards, Hawkins, Robertson, Yeardeley, Bailey, Thomas, Traas, Gambling, Carter Subs: Sheppard, Skinner					
2016.17	7-Dec-16	WSC	Bradford Town	2	Royal Wootton Bassett Town 0
Bassett Scorers: N/a Crowd: 84 Bassett Team: Meare, Edmondson, D. Richards, Hawkins, Cheetham, Comer, Bailey, J. Richards, Robertson, Olphert, Packer Subs: Bonner-Shea, Drewitt, Walduck					
2021-22	18-Sep-21	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2	Bradford Town 2
Bassett Scorers: Gallagher, Ouldrige Crowd: 122 Bassett Team: Cavanagh, Miller, Dodson, Corcoran, Robinson, Gallagher, Selman, Bampton, Griffin, Ouldrige, Morris. Subs: Skinner, McIntosh					
2021-22	3-Jan-22	League	Bradford Town	4	Royal Wootton Bassett Town 0
Bassett Scorers: N/a Crowd: 172 Bassett Team: Cavanagh, Woodley, Dodson, Corcoran, Morris, Wrona, Bampton, Ockwell, Griffin, Ouldrige, Mills. Subs: M. Lewis, Rea					
2021-22	5-Apr-22	BIC Cup	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2	Bradford Town 4
Bassett Scorers: Mills 2 Crowd: 94 Bassett Team: Cavanagh, Chilcott, Miller, Corcoran, Wrona, Taylor, Johnson, Presley, Bampton, Ouldrige, Mills. Subs: Gerrish, Griffin					
2022-23	24-Aug-22	League	Bradford Town	0	Royal Wootton Bassett Town 5
Bassett Scorers: Presley 2, Bennett, Ouldrige, Elms. Crowd 94 Bassett Team: Crowther, Chilcott, Spalding, Matthews, Bampton, Presley, Taylor, Ouldrige, Robinson, Bennett, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Elms, Gallagher, Wrona, Griffin.					



LAST HOME LEAGUE MEETING

Spirited Bassett fight back earns Bobcats point
18-09-2021

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2 Bradford Town 2

Six minutes into their home clash against Wiltshire rivals Bradford Town, Royal Wootton Bassett Town appeared set for a very long afternoon. Two opportunities yielded two goals for the rampant visitors and a third straight league loss for Sam Collier's side seemed inevitable. But gradually Bassett fought back – and come full time goals from Tommy Ouldrige and Bailey Gallagher meant that they deservedly earned a share of the spoils. Indeed Bassett could – and perhaps should – have emerged from the game victorious given the chances they enjoyed during the remaining 85 minutes of a thrilling, full throttle Hellenic League Premier Division fixture. However, thanks to the predicament they found themselves in early on, Bassett can be satisfied with the point that they ultimately came away with.

Bassett's start to the fixture was the definition of a nightmare. Less than three minutes in, they were a goal behind. Stealing possession from Kai Robinson inside Bassett's half, Bradford cut through the Bassett defence with impunity. Jake Brown advanced down the left, cut the ball back from the byline and Richard Dawley was on hand to fire home a first time finish from twelve yards out. Still reeling from that goal, Bassett quickly fell into an even deeper hole. This time Bradford exploited the expanse of space the hosts left between their defence and midfield as George Box was granted far too much time on the ball, allowing him to spray a pass out to Brown on the left side. The winger then advanced towards and sold Macauley Dodson a dummy that left the full back on his backside before squeezing an effort into the roof of the net from a tight angle.

It was a chastening start to the game – and one that could potentially have got even worse midway through the opening period when Brown found room on the edge of the area. Fortunately for Bassett, a heavy touch prevented the winger from shooting with a clear sight on goal and the eventual effort that he could muster was dragged wide of the mark. The hosts were beginning to find their footing though, and by half time they were back into the game. Having found Bradford confident when on the front foot, Bassett also discovered how nervous their visitors could be when forced to defend. That became apparent on 25 minutes when, seemingly out of nothing, Bassett crafted their first real opportunity of the match. The ball was worked out to Joe Selman in space on the right and he whipped in a cross which an unmarked Alan Griffin headed wide of the

left post from ten yards out.

Their next chance then yielded a goal. Bassett were expecting a penalty when Gallagher appeared to be tripped just inside the area. Referee Roger Smith was non-committal, but Bassett had little time to complain. Bradford failed to clear and Selman squared to Ouldrige, whose seemingly rather tame sidefoot shot from the edge of the area crept by Bradford 'keeper Jonathan Hill and into the bottom corner. Moments later Bassett had a great opportunity to pull level as Selman cut back for an unmarked Gallagher, but the winger rushed a weak shot straight at Hill. By pulling the game back to 2-1, not only did Bassett ensure they went into the break still very much in the game. But they also seemed to chip away at the visitors' confidence. Not all appeared cordial between the Bradford management and their players. Both in the dugout and on the pitch, things threatened to boil over. Bradford were fortunate to hold onto their lead as the game reached the hour mark. A fierce Robinson shot forced Hill to tip around the post. Then from the resulting Ouldrige corner, Griffin headed against the bar with Dodson guiding the awkward rebound narrowly over.

Soon enough Bassett were on terms – much to the disgust of Bradford manager Lee Davidson who, losing his cool, angrily sent a chair flying from his technical area. Why the equalising goal brought such a reaction was unclear given that it was the product of a piece of magic from Bassett's Gallagher rather than an error from Davidson's team. Ouldrige curled a first time pass forward and, with his back to goal, Gallagher sold his marker a dummy before whipping a sumptuous strike from the right edge of the area into the opposite top corner. It was a goal of outstanding quality – and one that Bassett deserved for the nature of their response to falling into such an early hole.

More than twenty minutes remained though and both sides were of the belief that they could snatch a win. The remainder of the match was thus an open, end-to-end affair. Bassett had their moments, with Ouldrige, Selman and substitute Zac Skinner proving particularly troublesome down the left flank. However, ever so slightly mistimed runs meant that the offside flag got in the way of the home side troubling Hill again. At the other end, the visitors went close on two occasions. With eleven minutes left, an outstretched Harry Rutty guided Ethan Witchell's low cross into the box narrowly wide. Brown then cut inside from the right and rode two tackles before forcing Eddie Cavanagh to fist the ball away. Ultimately though, neither side was able to find a winner on an afternoon that offered the neutral the perfect balance of excitement and tension.

Opponents History

BRADFORD TOWN

The Early Years

Bradford Town F.C. was founded in 1992 by Les and Pat Stevens, joining Division Two of the Wiltshire League. Home matches were initially played at St Laurence School in Bradford where the pitch was roped off before each game, dugouts were carried to the pitch and the half time tea was made in the boot of a car. Following a short spell at Trowbridge Town's old Frome Road ground the club came home to Bradford on Avon in 1996 moving into Trowbridge Road. The ground was established in 1912 as the home of rubber works team Spencer Moulton FC and latterly Avon Bradford FC before they folded in the early 1990s, enabling Town to become custodians.

Western League status achieved

Bradford achieved promotion to the Western League in the 2005-06 season under the leadership of Mark Hodgkinson after finishing runners up in the Wiltshire League Premier Division. Former founding players Paul Shanley and his assistant Mark Edwards took over at the helm in 2008-09 season which saw a third place league finish and floodlights installed at the ground. The following season saw the installation of a 100-seat main stand, a 4th place league finish and a creditable 2nd Round appearance in the FA Vase. Town then posted successive 6th, 5th and 4th place league finishes before embarking on a year to remember in 2013-14 when they won the Division One title by 13 points.

Progress in the Premier

The team's first season in the Premier Division concluded with a respectable 8th place finish but it was their exploits in the FA Vase which proved to be the highlight of the campaign. A gate of 621 at Trowbridge Road witnessed a 3-1 victory over Melksham Town in the 4th Round, their sixth scalp of the campaign, before bowing out in the next round. Another 8th place finish was recorded the following year whilst after three victories in the FA Cup the team were edged out 3-2 by Chippenham Town in the 2nd Qualifying Round. After eight years in charge, the 2016-17 season began with Paul Shanley stepping down, being replaced by ex- Forest Green stalwart Danny Greaves, assisted by former fans favourite Aaron Wilson.

After 25 tireless years as Chairman Les Stevens handed over the reins to Mark Hodgkinson with Jon Phillips as deputy, both of whom have long standing connections with the club. An impressive 5th place finish, was bettered in 2017-18 by 4th place after the side just came up short of promotion. This thrilling campaign also saw the club reach the FA Vase 5th Round again. The long trip to Redcar in the next round however proved a bridge too far as Town went down 2-0 to eventual Northern League champions Marske United on a weekend that will live long in the memory of the 100-plus travelling supporters.

Changes at the top

After two excellent seasons Danny Greaves left Bradford for Frome Town. Following Rob Mallet's short reign in the hot-seat in October 2018, former Larkhall Athletic boss Wayne Thorne was appointed manager along with his assistant Pete Maddison. The pair guided Town to a solid 7th place finish. 2019-20 saw a third FA Vase 5th Round appearance but were again eliminated in front of nearly 500 at Trowbridge Road. The season also saw Mark Hodgkinson step down as Chairman with deputy Jon Phillips taking over at the helm. In the league, the team were lying 3rd in March with the best points per game ratio before the coronavirus struck resulting in the abandonment of the league. The management pair subsequently decided to move on with former team captain Lee Davidson appointed as manger and Jamie Lyons as his assistant.

Cup winners and a new league

The 2020-21 league campaign was cut short again due to Covid-19 but saw saw Town claim their first trophy since 2014. The decision to complete the previous year's Les Phillips League Cup culminated with Bradford defeating a much fancied Bridgwater Town side 1-0 at Street FC. It was also announced that as part of the FA's league restructuring, Town would play the 2021-22 season in the Hellenic League Premier Division for the first time, and an impressive first season saw Bradford Town finish in sixth place.

Men's First Team Squad 2022-23



Matthew Crowther - Goalkeeper

Youngster who joins on loan from Hungerford Town. Last season also spent time on loan this time at fellow Hellenic League side Shrivvenham gaining a number of rave reviews. Has also played for both Aylesbury FC and Didcot Town.

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Macauley Dodson- Defender

Classy defender who was a regular last season making over 40 appearances in what was his second spell with the club. Previously played for Swindon Supermarine, Chippenham Town, Forest Green Rovers, Highworth Town and Shrivvenham.

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Jon Beeden - Defender

Solid defender who re-joined the club last season having spent recent seasons with Chippenham Town in the National League South and Thatcham Town in the Southern League. Part of last season's title winning Development Team squad.

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Louis Spalding – Defender

Talented full back who joins us this season. Skilful, energetic and a player who always looks to get forward, he was with Swindon Town as a youth. Joined Cirencester Town initially on loan in 2017-18 before signing permanently after his release from Swindon. Plenty of Southern League experience at Cirencester & Supermarine.

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Scott Chilcott – Defender

A versatile, tough-tackling defender who is entering his second season with Basset after joining from Shrivvenham. A hard working, dependable player, he is capable of performing effectively at either centre half or full back. Was part of Fairford Town's Division One West title winning side of 2016-17.

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Adam Corcoran – Defender

Imposing defender who starts the season having made over 250 appearances for the club. The 2021-22 campaign was without doubt his best in Basset colours, winning both Manager's and Players' Player of the Year awards. A quality striker of the ball and danger at set pieces, he has also contributed 15 goals for Basset.

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Jowan Partridge - Defender

Product of the club's Youth Section, Jowan was part of last season's Under 18 Floodlit side that finished second in the Wiltshire Senior League Floodlit division. Has impressed in pre-season and is in contention for a first team starting position in Season 2022-23.

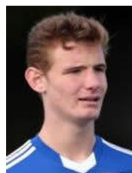
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David Bampton – Defender

Experienced former Swindon Town player who also played for Tamworth and Worcester in the Conference and with Swindon Supermarine in the Southern League and was part of the Supermarine squad that reached the FA Cup Second Round.

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Luke Matthews - Defender

Joined recently on loan from Swindon Supermarine. With Swindon Town in his youth and went to the US on a scholarship after being released by Swindon. Has also played for Bath City.

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Jack Hobson-McVeigh - Midfield

Defensive midfielder player who joins from Malmesbury Victoria having also previously been with Cirencester Town. Former New Zealand U17 international player who made 2 appearances at the U17 World Cup for his country.

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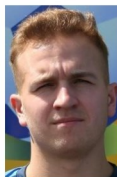
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Chris Taylor – Midfield

Classy midfielder who spent the majority of his career with Swindon Supermarine but has also featured for Cirencester Town, Highworth Town and made 4 substitute appearances for Swindon Town as well as being an England Under 15 international in his youth.

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Gio Wrona - Midfield

Experienced midfield player who is always wanting the ball and starts the season with 181 appearances for the club and will be looking to join a very select few who have played more than 200. Previously with Swindon Supermarine, North Leigh, Larkhall and Thatcham and scored for Swindon Town in a friendly in the summer.

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Kai Robinson - Midfield

An energetic, tough-tackling box-to-box midfielder now entering his sixth season with Bassett, having initially joined at the start of the 2017-18 season making 36 times & scoring once. His appearances have been more limited over the past 4 seasons but is looking to again make a case for a regular first team place.

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Lewis Waldon - Forward

Extremely lively centre forward, who is entering his second spell with Bassett. Two-footed, possessing lightning pace and an assured finisher, he has spent most of his career playing Swindon and District League football, but is more than capable of playing at Hellenic League level.

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Luke Whelan - Forward

Winger who is on loan from Hungerford Town. Previously played for Kintbury Rangers.

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Tommy Ouldridge - Forward

Hard working player who started with Swindon Town and had loan spells with Chippenham Town and Cirencester Town. Has also played for Hungerford Town and Swindon Supermarine. Played six times for Bassett in 2020-21, scoring three goals before featuring 41 times and scoring seven goals last season.

SPONSOR: Michael Keane



Bailey Gallagher - Forward

Skilful winger who on his day is virtually unplayable. Product of the club's Youth Section who progressed to the Dev Team and then into the First Team. Was Bassett's leading outfield appearance maker last season in the Hellenic Premier where he featured 44 times, scoring nine goals.

SPONSOR: Stephen McArdle



Matt Bennett - Forward

Fast and possessing an eye for goal, an experienced forward who scored 42 goals for Bassett's Development team as they won the Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division title last season. Bennett started his senior career with the club over a decade and a half ago & starts the season just 5 short of 200 1st team appearances.

SPONSOR: Mark Smedley



Brad Pagliaroli – Forward

Player who returns to the club for the 3rd time. Has most recently been at Isthmian League South Central Division side Binfield. Last season played for another Isthmian League side Thatcham Town. Re-joins having previously made 67 appearances scoring 27 times.

SPONSOR: Mike Price



Alfie Presley - Forward

Talented winger who returned to the club from Malmesbury Vics part way through last season having scored 5 goals in 14 games, before adding 4 goals in 11 appearances for Bassett. His performances for Bassett in the 2019-20 season saw him crowned both Manager's Player and Players' Player of the Year.

SPONSOR: Mike Price



Sam Collier – Manager

Manager since taking the role, initially on an interim basis, while still also a player, in early 2018. In 2018-19, his first full season in charge, Collier guided the team to 10th in the Hellenic League Premier - the club's highest ever finish. Bassett have also set records in both national cup competitions under his stewardship.

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Alan Griffin – Assistant Manager

Joins Bassett's management team after scoring 16 times in 32 appearances last season. High-quality target man with a distinguished playing career in non-league. Started with Corsham in the Western League & soon moved onto the Southern League, plying his trade with Cirencester T, Chippenham T, Gloucester City, Mangotsfield United, Swindon Supermarine & Bristol Manor Farm.


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Half Time Challenges

YES PRIME MINISTER

All of these footballers have ex-British prime ministers in their name. Identify them from a couple of clubs they played for.

1. Geoff	(Stoke City, QPR)
2. David.....	(Blackburn Rov, Man Utd)
3. Alistair.....	(WBA, Leicester)
4. Ben	(Wimbledon, Spurs)
5. Callum	(Bournemouth, Newcastle)
6.	Bogarde (Barcelona, Chelsea)
7. Mark.....	(Stoke, Portsmouth)
8. Tommy.....	(Arsenal, Chelsea)
9. Evan	(Airdrie, Ayr)
10. Charlie.....	(Arsenal, Derby)

NAME 10

Name the 10 countries or territories in Europe that compete in the Commonwealth games.

NAME THE TUNE FROM THE LYRICS

Name the song from the lyrics below:

I stand still stepping on the shady streets
And I watched that man to a stranger
You think you only know me when you turn on the light
Now the room is lit, red danger



RWBTFC Hellenic League Stats

LEAGUE RECORD, MANAGERS, TOP SCORERS

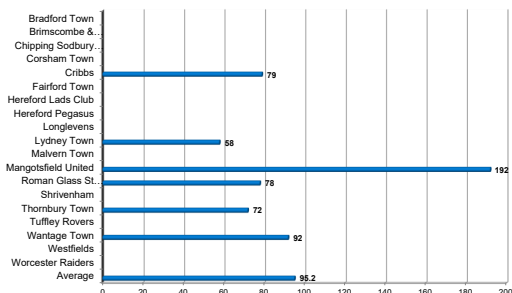
ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 34 YEARS + IN THE HELLENIC LEAGUE											
Season	Div	Pld	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Manager	Top Scorer
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York 25
1990/91	1	30	11	8	11	32	36	41	8 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1991/92	1	32	10	8	14	45	59	38	12 out of 17	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1992/93	1	30	8	6	16	40	53	30	12 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1993/94	1	34	15	8	11	65	57	53	9 out of 18	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1994/95	1	38	18	5	15	67	68	59	9 out of 20	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent/Darren Jell
1995/96	1	34	12	9	13	50	64	45	10 out of 18	Kevin Maloney	Scott Vincent
1996/97	1	32	9	8	15	37	50	35	11 out of 17	Kevin Maloney	Ian Curtis/Gary Ashford 8
1997/98	1	32	12	6	14	67	58	42	10 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart/Peter Dearlove 10
1998/99	1	32	17	7	8	64	43	58	5 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart 17
1999/00	1	28	15	7	6	54	32	52	3 out of 15	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart
2000/01	Prem	38	14	10	14	54	60	52	13 out of 20	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart 25
2001/02	Prem	42	11	9	22	39	75	42	19 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Mark Vaughan 14
2002/03	Prem	40	10	10	20	36	70	40	15 out of 21	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 9
2003/04	Prem	42	11	5	26	38	73	38	16 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 16
2004/05	Prem	42	6	9	27	30	85	27	21 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley/Chris Jones	Matty Bennett 10
2005/06	1W	34	17	10	7	58	30	61	5 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett 12
2006/07	1W	34	14	5	15	64	62	47	11 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett/Steve Yeardeley 11
2007/08	1W	34	11	3	20	43	66	36	15 out of 18	Paul Burke	Richie Saunders 12
2008/09	1W	32	17	9	6	61	31	60	4 out of 17	Dave Turner	Shaun Terry 26
2009/10	1W	30	20	7	3	74	34	67	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 22
2010/11	Prem	42	13	7	22	55	87	46	15 out of 22	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 26
2011/12	1W	32	15	7	10	69	47	52	5 out of 17	Dave Turner	Matt Bown 18
2012/13	1W	30	22	3	5	75	40	69	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Mark Barnes 32
2013/14	Prem	38	11	12	15	60	60	45	14 out of 20	Jeff Roberts	Levi Cox 14
2014/15	Prem	38	14	9	15	66	80	51	11 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Dan Bailey 18
2015/16	Prem	38	12	5	21	50	86	41	15 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Steve Robertson 30
2016/17	Prem	34	15	3	16	61	64	45	11 out of 19	P.Braithwaite/R.Hunter	Steve Robertson 27
2017/18	Prem	38	11	6	21	44	85	39	15 out of 20	Richard Hunter/Sam Collier	Sam Collier 11
2018/19	Prem	36	14	7	15	66	71	49	10 out of 19	Sam Collier	TJ Bohane 20
2019/20	Prem	27	8	4	15	50	65	28	16* out of 19	Sam Collier	Callum Parsons 11
2020/21	Prem	8	1	4	3	8	12	7	15* out of 18	Sam Collier	TJ Bohane 11
2021/22	Prem	38	16	6	16	58	66	54	12 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alan Griffin & John Mills 16
2022/23	Prem	13	6	3	4	23	15	21	5 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 9
Total		1,160	440	240	480	1,805	1,960	1,557	* At time season 2019-20 was suspended due to Covid-19		
Won:Draw:Lost Ratio		37.9% 20.7% 41.4%									

	Pld	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Won:Draw:Lost Ratio
Premier Division	554	173	109	272	738	1,054	625	31.2% 19.7% 49.1%
Division 1 West	226	116	44	66	444	310	392	51.3% 19.5% 29.2%
Division 1	380	151	87	142	623	596	540	39.7% 22.9% 37.4%

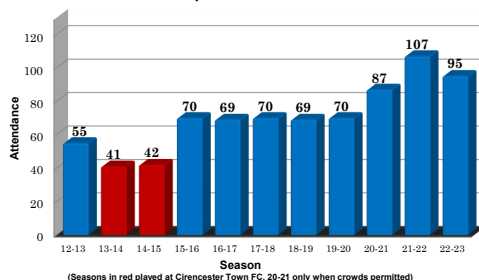
Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2021/22	341 v Corsham Town
Average Hellenic Attendance 2021/22	107 (up from 87 in 20/21)
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)

CROWDS

RWBTFC League Attendances - Season 2022-23



RWBTFC Average Home League Attendances - Last 10 Years plus current season



Match Report 22-23

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Tuesday 4th October

Late comeback shatters Glass as Bassett snatch slow burner

**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2
Roman Glass St George 1**

For the majority of the night, Royal Wootton Bassett Town's opening meeting of the season with Roman Glass St George had all the characteristics of a forgettable midweek encounter. No goals, no clear cut chances and little real excitement.

That changed though as the match finally kicked into life in the final twenty minutes with a penalty miss, three goals - and ultimately an excellent come from behind win for Sam Collier's side.

Roman Glass - who had Bassett's number last season - should have been on course for victory when Shaquille Smith fired into the bottom corner after twisting and turning his way into the box.

But, rather than being his team's second goal of the night, it was only their first after Lewis Leigh-Gilchrist had seen a weak penalty saved by Matt Crowther minutes earlier.

Demonstrating the character that has seen them fight back to salvage something late on in three of their past four games, Bassett quickly restored parity as Louis Spalding tapped in at the far post.

The game was now there for the taking - and it was the hosts who seized all three points as patient build up play down the right saw Tommy Ouldrige feed a pass to the overlapping Scott Chilcott, who crossed for an unmarked Alfie Presley to headed in from six yards out.

With Worcester Raiders suffering a first defeat of the campaign, Bassett are now back up into third.

After eleven games this is now by a clear distance Bassett's best start to a Hellenic League Premier Division campaign.

And long may it continue.



ISUZU FA VASE – COACH TRAVEL TO BRIDPORT

RWBTFC will be running a coach for players and supporters to attend the Isuzu FA Vase first round fixture at Bridport on Saturday 22 October

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Seats will cost £10 for adults and £5 for under 16s and are available on a first come, first served basis



The Non-League Paper

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH



A few years ago, I took on the running of my son's youth football team to save it from potentially folding.

For three seasons, from Under 14s through to Under 16s, the team's coach and I gave the boys a platform to enjoy their football safe, controlled and friendly environment.

They were by no means world beaters but, win, lose or draw, they loved it, as did I, and we all look back on those years fondly with plenty of life skills, both on and off the field, learned.

Without doubt, the most difficult and time-consuming job I had in that time was booking referees. Even though I had a list of qualified referees locally as long as your arm, finding one to officiate our game on a Saturday morning was nigh-on impossible. I'm talking in excess of 50-100 emails per week sometimes until I could find someone available.

At the time, I remember questioning why it was so difficult. Especially for a teen, it kept them involved in the game, it was good exercise and the pay wasn't bad either. I didn't get it. Until kick-off that was.

Now, individually, and collectively as a team, we prided ourselves on our discipline and I can honestly say, hand on heart, I have never seen, first-hand, any incidents of abuse towards a referee. But, I have heard horrible reports of it happening and I can understand how it does happen. It has to stop.

A shortage of referees leads to a shortage of grass-roots football and, ultimately, in the Non-League game. In short, these young referees learning to officiate at grass-roots level are often promoted up the pyramid into the National League System.

Without them, it would not exist. I mean, would you take verbal, and occasionally physical abuse from players, coaches or spectators for a measly £30? No, neither would I.

With that in mind, I had mixed emotions I read proposals for referees to trial wear body

cameras in the adult grassroots game in the first half of next year.

It came following reports that a referee in Lancashire was left with a broken nose, four broken ribs, a dislocated shoulder, a broken collarbone, concussion and whiplash during an alleged attack during a game

In fact, according to Football Association data, there were 1.1 'serious cases' reported per 1,000 matches, covering assaults, physical contact or attempted physical contact with match officials and discrimination cases.

Last month, the FA have launched its 'Enough Is Enough' campaign to address behaviour within grassroots football, setting out that any unacceptable conduct will result in action being taken.

"The aim of the trial, the first globally of this nature, would be to explore whether the use of bodycams improves participant behaviour, while providing additional safety for match officials in the adult grassroots game," an FA spokesman said.

"We will be tracking the impact of the trial on behaviour and, if it's successful, will look to roll it out nationally and internationally."

Personally, I think it's very sad that football at grass-roots level has to go down this route but if a referee wearing body camera is to act as a deterrent and a means of their protection then the game owes it our whole-hearted support. The FA's hands have been tied.

It is understood, that even if the trial proves a success in improving behaviour and enhancing safety, the International Football Association Board [IFAB] will be determined to ensure that it is not deployed senior football.

But with reports of verbal abuse towards officials to us at NLP Towers still as rife as ever it's left the lawmakers with a decision to make.

No-one wants to see Big Brother watching Non-League football's every move and taking away its purity but unless we clean up our act from the bottom of our game up, then he may well have to. Respect our refs, weekends would be very boring without them.



ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FC

Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd	1	2	3	4	5
Tue 02-Aug	Mangotsfield United	H	W 1 - 0	192	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton
Sat 06-Aug	Windsor (FAC Ex. Prelim)	H	D 1 - 1	119	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton
Tue 09-Aug	Windsor (FAC Ex. Prelim Replay)	A	W 2 - 0	192	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton
Sat 13-Aug	Chipping Sodbury Town	A	D 1 - 1	53	Crowther	Dodson	Spalding	Lea	Bampton
Tue 16-Aug	Thornbury Town	H	W 4 - 1	72	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding (1)	Matthews	Bampton
Sat 20-Aug	Reading City (FAC Prelim)	H	W 3 - 1	128	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding (1)	Matthews	Bampton
Wed 24-Aug	Bradford Town	A	W 5 - 0	94	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Matthews	Bampton
Mon 29-Aug	Corsham Town	A	L 0 - 1	118	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Matthews	Bampton
Sat 03-Sep	Paulton Rovers (FAC 1QR)	H	L 2 - 4	195	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton
Tue 06-Sep	Wantage Town	H	L 2 - 3	92	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton
Sat 17-Sep	Lydney Town	H	D 2 - 2	58	Crowther	Dodson	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton
Tue 20-Sep	Mangotsfield United	A	W 2 - 1	132	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Partridge	Bampton
Tue 27-Sep	Thornbury Town	A	W 1 - 0	70	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton
Sat 01-Oct	Cribbs	H	D 1 - 1	79	Collier	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton
Tue 04-Oct	Roman Glass St George	H	W 2 - 1	78	Crowther	Partridge	Spalding (1)	Corcoran	Bampton
Sat 08-Oct	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A	L 2 - 3	62	Crowther	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Wrona
Tue 11-Oct	Cribbs (FLC 1st)	A	W 1 - 0	69	Crowther	Chilcott	Partridge	Corcoran	Wrona
Sat 15-Oct	Malvern Town	A	L 0 - 1	326	Crowther	Walters	Spalding	Corcoran	Wrona
Tue 18-Oct	Bradford Town	H							
Sat 22-Oct	Bridport (FAV 1st Rnd)	A							
Sat 29-Oct	Westfields	H							
Sat 05-Nov	Worcester Raiders	H							
Tue 08-Nov	Westbury United (WPS)	H							
Sat 12-Nov	FA Vase 2nd Round								
Sat 19-Nov	Fairford Town	H							
Tue 22-Nov	Mangotsfield United	H							
Sat 26-Nov	Hereford Lads Club	A							
Sat 03-Dec	Hereford Pegasus	A							
Sat 10-Dec	Longlevens	A							
Tue 27-Dec	Corsham Town	H							
Sat 02-Jan	Malvern Town	H							
Sat 07-Jan	Tuffley Rovers	A							
Sat 14-Jan	Westfields	A							
Sat 21-Jan	Worcester Raiders	A							
Sat 28-Jan	Brimscombe & Thrupp	H							
Sat 04-Feb	Fairford Town	A							
Sat 11-Feb	Hereford Lads Club	H							
Sat 18-Feb	Hereford Pegasus	H							
Sat 25-Feb	Longlevens	H							
Sat 04-Mar	Lydney Town	A							
Sat 11-Mar	Shrivenham	A							
Sat 18-Mar	Chipping Sodbury Town	H							
Sat 25-Mar	Cribbs	A							
Sat 01-Apr	Roman Glass St George	A							
Sat 01-Apr	Tuffley Rovers	H							
Fri 07-Apr	Shrivenham	H							
Mon 10-Apr	Wantage Town	A							
TBA	Bluefin Sports Challenge Cup								



FAC - FA Cup, FLC - Floodlight Cup, FAV - FA Vase, WPS - Wiltshire Premier

MEN'S FIRST TEAM SEASON 2022-23



6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15	16
Presley (1)	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Robinson	Hobson-McVeigh	Elms	Bennett	Wrona	
Presley	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher (1)	Robinson	Hobson-McVeigh	Elms	Griffin	Wrona	
Beeden	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Elms (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Presley (1)	Robinson	Wrona	
Presley	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Elms	Robinson	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Griffin	Bennett	Igbinobaro
Presley (1)	Taylor	Ouldrige (1)	Gallagher	Bennett (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Elms	Robinson	Igbinobaro	
Presley (1)	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Bennett (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Partridge	Robinson	Wrona	
Presley (2)	Taylor	Ouldrige (1)	Robinson	Bennett (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Elms (1)	Gallagher	Wrona	Griffin
Presley	Taylor	Whelan	Robinson	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh	Corcoran	Wrona	Elms	
Presley	Taylor	Ouldrige (1)	Gallagher	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh	Lea	Wrona	Whelan (1)	
Presley (1)	Wrona	Ouldrige	Gallagher (1)	Elms	Whelan	Bennett	Griffin		
Wrona	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Bennett	Whelan (1)	Afenya	Griffin (1)	Chilcott	Lea
Robinson	Taylor	Ouldrige (1)	Whelan	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Beeden	Gallagher	Wrona	
Robinson	Presley (1)	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Whelan	Hobson-McVeigh	Beeden	Wrona	Afenya	
Robinson	Presley	Ouldrige	Whelan	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh	Gallagher	Wrona	Griffin (1)	
Robinson	Presley (1)	Ouldrige	Whelan	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh	Gallagher	Griffin	Wrona	Chilcott
Presley	Taylor	Ouldrige	Gallagher	Bennett	Partridge	Whelan	Griffin (2)	Afenyo	
Robinson	Taylor	Griffin	Gallagher	Afenyo	Walters	Ouldrige	Smith	Whelan (1)	
Robinson	Presley	Ouldrige	Whelan	Partridge	Hobson-McVeigh	Gallagher	Bennett	Griffin	Afenya



Statistics

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Season 2022-23

RWBTFC

Career

Appearances		Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	Louis Spalding	17		17	3	17	3
2	Matthew Crowther	17		17		17	
3	Thomas Ouldridge	16	1	17	4	62	14
4	Bailey Gallagher	12	5	17	2	63	11
5	Giorgio Wrona	5	11	16		196	23
6	David Bampton	15		15		68	3
7	Alfie Presley	14	1	15	9	55	18
8	Scott Chilcott	13	2	15		41	
9	Jack Hobson-McVeigh	13	1	14	3	14	3
10	Kai Robinson	11	3	14		103	1
11	Matt Bennett	10	4	14	2	209	60
12	Chris Taylor	13		13		61	2
13	Adam Corcoran	12	1	13		277	15
14	Luke Whelan	8	3	11	3	11	3
15	Alan Griffin	1	9	10	4	42	20
16	Josh Elms	3	5	8	2	8	2
17	Jowan Partridge	6	1	7		10	
18	Jedidah Afenyo	1	4	5		5	
19	Luke Matthews	4		4		4	
20	Jon Beeden	1	2	3		62	5
21	Harrison Lea	1	2	3		16	1
22	Macauley Dodson	2		2		45	2
23	Harry Walters	2		2		3	
24	Baldwin Osayi Igbinobaro		2	2		2	
25	Sam Collier	1		1		155	71
26	Sebastian Smith		1	1		1	



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Season 2022-23

HELLENIC LEAGUE TABLES

2022-2023 Season

UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Malvern Town	13	10	2	1	32	13	32
2 Cribbs	12	9	3	0	23	6	30
3 Westfields	13	7	4	2	21	13	25
4 Worcester Raiders	11	6	4	1	26	14	22
5 Corsham Town	12	6	4	2	23	11	22
6 Hereford Pegasus	13	7	1	5	22	26	22
7 Royal W. Bassett Town	13	6	3	4	23	15	21
8 Bradford Town	12	5	3	4	21	17	18
9 Hereford Lads Club	13	5	2	6	17	20	17
10 Roman Glass St George	9	4	2	3	18	13	14
11 Fairford Town	13	4	2	7	22	23	14
12 Wantage Town	12	4	2	6	20	23	14
13 Shrivenham	10	4	2	4	12	16	14
14 Lydney Town	14	3	4	7	15	34	13
15 Brimscombe & Thrupp	11	3	3	5	15	18	12
16 Mangotsfield United	13	3	1	9	16	25	10
17 Chipping Sodbury Town	11	2	4	5	14	25	10
18 Tuffley Rovers	10	2	3	5	12	16	9
19 Longlevens AFC	12	2	3	7	13	21	9
20 Thornbury Town	13	1	2	10	10	26	5

2022-2023 Season

UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Pershore Town	10	9	1	0	24	4	28
2 Milton United	10	9	0	1	27	10	27
3 Clanfield 85	10	8	0	2	26	7	24
4 Shortwood United	11	7	2	2	27	10	23
5 Abingdon United	11	7	1	3	21	12	22
6 Hartpury University	11	6	2	3	17	7	20
7 Long Crendon	12	6	2	4	23	21	20
8 Malmesbury Victoria	12	6	2	4	20	18	20
9 Calne Town	11	6	1	4	18	14	19
10 Newent Town	11	5	2	4	23	26	17
11 Cheltenham Saracens	12	4	3	5	24	20	15
12 F C Stratford	10	3	4	3	22	12	13
13 Southam United	11	4	1	6	20	20	13
14 Bourton Rovers *	11	4	2	5	15	19	11
15 Moreton Rangers	11	3	0	8	14	22	9
16 Stonehouse Town	11	3	0	8	14	22	9
17 Kidlington Res	10	2	0	8	20	27	6
18 Littleton	10	0	1	9	5	34	1
19 Cirencester Town Dev	13	0	0	13	9	64	0

* Points deduction

League Cups

Bluefin Sport Challenge Cup 22-23

HELLENIC LEAGUE BLUEFIN INSURANCE CHALLENGE CUP SEASON 2022-23

Preliminary Round

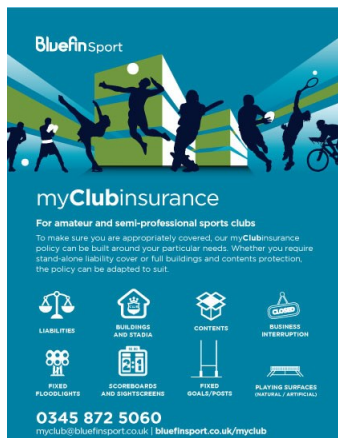
Abingdon United	0 - 2	Letcombe
Aston Clinton Sports	0 - 2	Chinnor
Bourton Rovers	0 - 1	Clanfield 85
Buckingham Athletic	2 - 2	Hazelmere Sports (2-4 pens)
Calne Town (Won 5-4 pens)	2 - 2	Malmesbury Victoria
Chalfont Wasps	3 - 0	Holmer Green Dev
Cheltenham Saracens	4 - 0	Swindon Supermarine Dev
FC Beaconsfield	4 - 1	Thame United A
Faringdon Town	0 - 1	Hungerford Town Swifts
Hartpury University	2 - 0	Shortwood United
Headington Amateurs	2 - 2	Cirencester T Dev (Won 6-5 pens)
Littlejohn	2 - 4	Evesham United Dev
Marlborough Town Dev	0 - 4	Old Bradwell United Dev
Meadow Park	W - L	Wroughton Dev
Milton United (Won 4-2 pens)	2 - 2	FC Stratford
Moreton Rangers	3 - 1	Feckenham
New Dales Vale	2 - 3	Kidlington Res
Newbury	4 - 1	Highworth Town Res
Newent Town	0 - 5	Pershore Town
Southam United	8 - 1	Shipston Excelsior
Stonehouse Town (Won 3-1 pens)	2 - 2	Didcot Town Dev
Taplow United	1 - 6	Woodcote
Watlington Town	0 - 2	Mortimer
Winslow United Dev	v	Easington Sports Dev
Woodstock Town	1 - 2	Long Crendon

First Round

Calne Town	v	Kidlington Res
Cheltenham Saracens	v	Newbury
Chinnor	v	Bishops Cleeve Dev
Chipping Sodbury Town	v	Cirencester Town Dev
Evesham United Dev	v	Hartpury University
Hazelmere Sports	v	Mortimer
Hungerford Town Swifts	v	FC Beaconsfield
Moreton Rangers	v	Pershore Town
Old Bradwell United Dev	v	Milton United
Southam United	v	Chalfont Wasps
Stonehouse Town	v	Letcombe
Tuffley Rovers	v	Meadow Park
Woodcote	v	Clanfield 85
Bradford Town	bye	
Brimcombe & Thrupp	bye	
Corsham Town	bye	
Cribbs	bye	
Fairford Town	bye	
Hereford Lads Club	bye	
Hereford Pegasus	bye	
Long Crendon	bye	
Longlevens	bye	
Lydney Town	bye	
Malvern Town	bye	
Mangotsfield United	bye	
Roman Glass St George	bye	
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	bye	
Shrivenham	bye	
Thornbury Town	bye	
Wantage Town	bye	
Westfields	bye	
Worcester Raiders	bye	

Challenge Cup - Winners

1998-99	Burnham
1999-00	Swindon Supermarine
2000-01	Carterton Town
2001-02	Gloucester United
2002-03	Yate Town
2003-04	Didcot Town
2004-05	Didcot Town
2005-06	Didcot Town
2006-07	Hungerford Town
2007-08	Hungerford Town
2008-09	Almondsbury Town
2009-10	Ardley United
2010-11	Holyport
2011-12	Highworth Town
2012-13	Oxford City Nomads
2013-14	Ascot United
2014-15	Ardley United
2015-16	Flackwell Heath
2016-17	Bracknell Town
2017-18	Bracknell Town
2018-19	Ascot United
2019-20	Not awarded due to Covid-19
2020-21	Kidlington Res
2021-22	Cribbs



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League Cups

Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup 22-23

HELLENIC LEAGUE FLOODLIT CUP SPONSORED BY WISEMAN LIGHTING SEASON 2022-23

Preliminary Round

Bourton Rovers	0 - 6	Roman Glass St George
Brimscombe & Thrupp	7 - 2	Stonehouse Town
Cheltenham Saracens	1 - 3	Milton United
Cirencester Town Dev	2 - 5	Chipping Sodbury Town
Cribbs	4 - 2	Hereford Lads Club
Fairford Town	1 - 2	Littleton
Newent Town	1 - 2	Tuffley Rovers
Wantage Town	5 - 1	Shrivenham

First Round

Abingdon United	v	Malvern Town
Bradford Town (Won 3-1 on pens)	3 - 3	Brimscombe & Thrupp
Calne Town	v	Chipping Sodbury Town
Cribbs	0 - 1	Royal W. Bassett Town
FC Stratford	0 - 1	Mangotsfield United
Hereford Pegasus	2 - 5	Worcester Raiders
Longlevens AFC (Won 6-5 on pens)	1 - 1	Clanfield 85
Lydney Town	0 - 4	Tuffley Rovers
Malmesbury Victoria	v	Corsham Town
Milton United	W - L	Chinnor
Pershore Town	4 - 1	Moreton Rangers
Roman Glass St George	v	Hartpury University
Shortwood United	2 - 1	Thornbury Town
Southam United	v	Kidlington Res
Wantage Town	4 - 2	Littleton
Westfields	4 - 2	Long Crendon

Floodlit Cup - Winners

1994-95	Cinderford Town
1995-96	Bicester Town
1996-97	Abingdon United
1997-98	Swindon Supermarine
1998-99	Tuffley Rovers
1999-00	Swindon Supermarine
2000-01	Swindon Supermarine
2001-02	Fairford Town
2002-03	Tuffley Rovers
2003-04	Slimbridge
2004-05	Almondsbury Town
2005-06	Slimbridge
2006-07	Wantage Town
2007-08	Kidlington
2008-09	Marlow United
2009-10	Shortwood United
2010-11	Holyport
2011-12	Binfield
2012-13	Ardley United
2013-14	Brimscombe & Thrupp
2014-15	North Leigh
2015-16	Ascot United
2016-17	Lydney United
2017-18	Binfield
2018-19	Ardley United
2019-20	Not awarded due to Covid-19
2020-21	Not awarded due to Covid-19
2021-22	Not awarded due to Covid-19



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Match Reports 22-23

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Saturday 8th October 2022

Brimscombe punish below par Bassett

**Brimscombe & Thrupp 3
Royal W. Bassett Town 2**

Royal Wootton Bassett Town suffered a setback as their five game Hellenic League Premier Division unbeaten run came to an end with a disappointing 3-2 defeat away against lowly Brimscombe and Thrupp.

Bassett's hosts have endured a difficult opening couple of months of the season, and began the day second from bottom with just a lone win to their name.

But, perhaps delivering the confidence boost that they need to kickstart their campaign and claw their way back towards the top half - which they have finished outside of just once during their time in the Hellenic Premier, Brimscombe took advantage of a below par performance from their visitors to triumph by the odd goal in five.

Brimscombe twice allowed Bassett back into the match after staking out a two goal advantage, but ultimately did enough.

Bassett though will be kicking themselves for spurning multiple chances in the opening period that allowed the hosts to

establish a strong position at the break.

The home side struck early when, exposing Bassett's set piece frailties, Sam Folkes tapped in after a Jonty Welch corner was flicked on.

Oliver Barnes then doubled Brimscombe's lead on the stroke of half time, picking out the bottom corner of the net with a rebound shot from just outside the box.

That left Bassett with a significant amount to do if they were to take anything from the match.

But Sam Collier's side grabbed a lifeline with twenty minutes to go when substitute Alan Griffin steered in a low Scott Chilcott cross with a controlled first time finish from ten yards out.

However, Brimscombe soon restored their two goal advantage as Liam Harper produced a powerful drive from outside the box that beat Matt Crowther and found its way into the bottom right corner.

Bassett did respond almost immediately as Griffin calmly sent Daniel Brabham the wrong way from the penalty spot.

That wasn't to be enough though as the hosts held on for a morale-boosting win - and Bassett saw their momentum halted ahead of next Saturday's visit to leaders Malvern Town.



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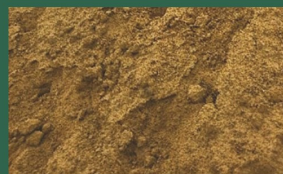
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RWBTFC MEN'S DEV TEAM

ROYAL W. BASSETT TOWN FC DEV - SEASON 2022-23 FIXTURES & RESULTS CORSHAM PRINT WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sat 13-Aug-22	Frome Collegians	H	League	L 1 - 4	McDermid
Tue 16-Aug-22	Blunston	A	League	L 1 - 2	Martins
Sat 20-Aug-22	Trowbridge Town	A	League	L 0 - 5	
Wed 24-Aug-22	Malmesbury Vics Dev	A	League	L 0 - 3	
Tue 30-Aug-22	Calne Town Res	A	League	L 0 - 2	
Sat 03-Sep-22	Shrewton United	A	League	D 1 - 1	Partridge
Sat 17-Sep-22	Kintbury Rangers	A	League	D 0 - 0	
Sat 24-Sep-22	Stratton Juniors	H	League	W 2 - 0	Presley, Lartey
Sat 01-Oct-22	Odd Down (Bath)	A	League	W 5 - 0	Mesas 2, Lartey, Martins, B.Spackman
Sat 08-Oct-22	Salisbury Dev	H	League	D 0 - 0	
Sat 15-Oct-22	Wroughton	H	League	W 1 - 0	Lance
Sat 22-Oct-22	Devizes Town	A	League		
Sat 29-Oct-22	Marlborough Town	A	League		
Sat 05-Nov-22	Stratton Juniors	A	League		
Sat 12-Nov-22	Melksham Town Res	H	League		
Sat 19-Nov-22	Frome Collegians	A	League		
Sat 26-Nov-22	Ludgershall Sports	H	FT Cup		
	Blunston	H	League		
	Calne Town Res	H	League		
	Devizes Town	H	League		
	Kintbury Rangers	H	League		
	Malmesbury Vics Dev	H	League		
	Marlborough Town	H	League		
	Melksham Town Res	A	League		
	Odd Down (Bath)	H	League		
	Pewsey Vale	H	League		
	Pewsey Vale	A	League		
	Salisbury Dev	A	League		
	Shrewton United	H	League		
	Trowbridge Town	H	League		
	Wroughton	A	League		

Goalscorers

	League	FT Cup	Total
Manuel Mesas	2		2
Bruno Martins	2		2
Kevin Lartey	2		2
Alfie Presley	1		1
Ian McDermid	1		1
George Lance	1		1
Jowan Partridge	1		1
Ben Spackman	1		1
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**Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League
Premier Division Season 2022-23**

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Trowbridge Town FC	12	11	1	0	58	8	34
2 Devizes Town FC	11	10	1	0	39	7	31
3 Pewsey Vale FC	11	7	1	3	30	12	22
4 Kintbury Rangers FC	11	6	3	2	26	14	21
5 Wroughton FC	10	6	2	2	28	14	20
6 Frome Collegians FC	10	5	1	4	19	22	16
7 Blunsdon FC	11	3	5	3	19	14	14
8 Calne Town FC Res	12	4	2	6	24	30	14
9 Royal W. Bassett Town Dev	11	3	3	5	11	17	12
10 Stratton Juniors FC	10	3	2	5	18	31	11
11 Malmesbury Victoria FC Dev	8	3	1	4	14	17	10
12 Shrewton United FC	9	2	2	5	17	35	8
13 Odd Down (Bath) FC Dev	11	2	2	7	10	33	8
14 Marlborough Town FC	11	1	3	7	12	30	6
15 Salisbury FC Dev	9	1	3	5	9	28	6
16 Melksham Town FC Res	11	1	0	10	13	35	3

Another Clean Sheet

Fourth placed Wroughton made the short journey to Royal Wootton Bassett looking to keep in touch with the top two. With just one defeat in their opening nine games, that away at league leaders Trowbridge, Wroughton have sent a clear message that they intend to be challenging for honours this season. After a really poor start that saw them lose all of their first five games, last season's champions Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development came into the game on an unbeaten run of five games that had seen them keep their opponents out in each of their last four fixtures. The home side went in front in the fifth minute from the penalty spot,

George Lance putting the spot kick away. From then on, they relied on some dogged defensive play and a little bit of luck to extend that run of clean sheets to five games and inflict a second defeat of the season on Wroughton. Wroughton clearly do not enjoy their visits to the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground as that is their third consecutive defeat at their opponent's ground. It will be interesting to see if Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development can maintain their recent defensive record next week when they travel to high flying Devizes Town.

Steve Green's Player Portrait
Matt Bennett



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Season 2022-23

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

Season 2022-23 Fixtures and Results

Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Goalscorers
04-Sep	Bristol Rovers	A	L 4 - 6	Davies 3, H. Gulliver
18-Sep	Sherborne Town	H	L 1 - 2	Jefferies
25-Sep	Poole Town	A	D 1 - 1	Morse
02-Oct	Middlezoy Rovers (FACQR2)	A	W 6 - 0	Davies 5, H. Gulliver
09-Oct	Forest Green Rovers	H	L 0 - 3	
16-Oct	Salisbury FC (WCC1)	H	W 3 - 0	Davies 2, Elliott
23-Oct	Torquay United (FACQR3)	A		
30-Oct	Liskeard Athletic	A		
06-Nov	Bishops Lydeard Ladies	H		
13-Nov	Bishops Lydeard Ladies	A		
20-Nov	Wilts County Cup Q-Final			
27-Nov	Torquay United	A		
04-Dec	Sherborne Town	A		
11-Dec	Poole Town	H		
18-Dec	Forest Green Rovers	A		
08-Jan	Warminster Town	H		
15-Jan	Ilminster Town Ladies	A		
22-Jan	Liskeard Athletic	H		
TBA	Bristol Rovers	H		
TBA	Torquay United	H		
TBA	Warminster Town	A		
TBA	Ilminster Town Ladies	H		

FAC = Women's FA Cup, WCC = Wilts County Cup

South West Regional Women's Football League Premier Division Season 2022-23

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Bristol Rovers Women	5	3	1	1	16	10	10
2 Sherborne Town Ladies	4	3	2	0	10	4	10
3 Forest Green Rovers Women	5	3	1	1	13	9	10
4 Bishops Lydeard Ladies	4	3	0	1	14	6	9
5 Torquay United Women	4	3	0	1	11	8	9
6 Liskeard Athletic Women	5	1	1	3	12	17	4
7 Warminster Town Ladies	4	1	1	3	6	13	4
8 Ilminster Town Ladies	4	1	0	3	9	9	3
9 Poole Town Ladies	5	0	2	3	10	19	2
10 Royal W. Bassett Town Women	4	0	1	3	6	12	1

Season 2022-23

RWBTFC U18 Floodlit Team

Royal Wootton Bassett Town U18

Season 2022-23 - Under 18 Floodlit League - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Thur 08-Sep-22	Kingsdown Lions	H	League	W 5 - 3	Rendell-Haines 4, Partridge
Thur 15-Sep-22	Calne Town	A	League	D 1 - 1	Spackman
Thur 22-Sep-22	Kintbury Rangers Yth	H	League	W 3 - 1	Rendell-Haines 2, OG
Thur 29-Sep-22	Melksham Town	A	League	W 2 - 1	De Paula, Stammers
Thur 06-Oct-22	Warminster Town	A	League	D 2 - 2	Spackman, OG
Thur 13-Oct-22	Bradford Town	H	League	W 5 - 1	Cranswick-Coates, de Paula, Rendell-Haines, Spackman, Wood
Thur 03-Nov-22	Radstock Town	A	League		
Thur 10-Nov-22	Warminster Town	A	Cup		
Thur 17-Nov-22	Bishops Cannings	H	League		
Thur 24-Nov-22	AFC Aldermaston	H	League		
	AFC Aldermaston	A	League		
	Bishops Cannings	A	League		
	Bradford Town	A	League		
	Calne Town	H	League		
	Kingsdown Lions	A	League		
	Kintbury Rangers Yth	A	League		
	Melksham Town	H	League		
	Radstock Town	H	League		
	Warminster Town	H	League		

Goalscorers	League	Cup	Total
Jacob Rendell-Haines	6		6
Jowan Partridge	1		1
Charlie Stammers	1		1
Alan De Paula	1		1
Euan Spackman	2		2
Own Goals	2		2
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	13	0	13

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Under 18 Floodlight Division Season 2022-23

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	6	4	2	0	18	9	14
2 Kintbury Rangers Youth	5	4	0	1	15	5	12
3 Radstock Town	5	3	0	2	15	7	9
4= Bishops Cannings	3	2	1	0	14	5	7
4= Calne Town	4	2	1	1	10	7	7
6 Melksham Town	5	2	0	3	11	11	6
7 Bradford Town	6	1	2	3	8	18	5
8= AFC Aldermaston	4	1	0	3	4	10	3
8= Warminster Town	5	0	3	2	5	15	3
10 Kingsdown Lions	5	0	1	4	9	22	1

Goal difference can not be used at U18 level, teams level on points listed alphabetically

Match Reports 22-23

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Tuesday 11th October 2022

Whelan winner edges Bassett through in Floodlit Cup

**Cribbs 0
Royal W. Bassett Town 1**

A late Luke Whelan winner earned Royal Wootton Bassett Town a 1-0 win away at Cribbs in the Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup first round.

Whelan cut inside from the left and curled a towering beauty of an effort from the edge of the area into the top right corner with just five minutes to go to decide a closely fought tie of limited chances.

Both teams made a number of changes from their league encounter just ten days ago, with the managers rotating their squad after a hectic run of games.

For Bassett, that gave opportunities to youngsters Jed Afenyo, Harry Walters and Jowan Partridge, all of who impressed.

And those players entrusted by manager Sam Collier on the night ultimately got the job done thanks to Whelan's stunning winner, progressing into the last sixteen of the competition.



Quiz Answers

Yes Prime Minister - 1. Geoff Cameron 2. David May 3. Alistair Brown 4. Ben Thatcher 5. Callum Wilson
6. Winston Bogarde 7. Mark Chamberlain 8. Tommy Baldwin 9. Evan Balfour 10. Charlie George

Name Ten: Cyprus, England, Gibraltar, Guernsey, Isle of Man, Jersey, Malta, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

Name The Tune: New Life - Depeche Mode

Match Reports 22-23

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Saturday 15th October 2022

Judge sentences Bassett to narrow defeat

Malvern 1 Royal W. Bassett Town 0

Royal Wootton Bassett Town pushed Hellenic League Premier Division leaders Malvern Town all the way, but ultimately succumbed to a 1-0 defeat courtesy of a Sam Judge goal on the stroke of half time.

The Hillsiders - who along with Cribbs - have now started to open up a gap on the chasing pack, which still includes Bassett. But they were forced to work hard for their latest victory, with Sam Collier's coming close to taking something from a closely fought contest.

The match would ultimately be decided two minutes before the interval when Judge was quickest to react after Bassett 'keeper Matt Crowther was unable to corral Dave Reynolds' low cross into the box.

Outside of that, Malvern did - on balance - have the better of the game's opportunities. But Bassett, who were thumped 5-1 on their visit to Worcestershire last season, were not without threat and showed their hosts how much they have improved.

Indeed, Bassett had the first opening of the game when, in the fourth minute, Alfie Presley snatched at a shot from inside the area, hitting wide of the post.

Malvern had a spell on top midway through the half, but were unable to find a way past Crowther who twice tipped away, first from a Lewis Platt shot which, coming through a crowd of players, the 'keeper was only able

to see late, and then from a Reynolds header following a Phil Harris cross.

But, with Presley seeing another chance deflected wide, the game appeared to be headed into the break with the scores still level. However, an opportunistic Judge pounced to put Malvern in front.

Facing the league leaders, falling behind may in recent times have served to dent Bassett's self belief. Not this season though - and Bassett returned from the break recharged, beginning the second half with purpose.

And the visitors came close to equalising shortly after the restart when half time substitution Matt Bennett burst free and rounded Keiron Blackburn. But the angle proved to be too acute, with sufficient Malvern defenders tracking back to snuff out the danger.

For the majority of the time remaining, the best either side could do was to create a string of half chances.

The best opening fell to Malvern's Lewis Spurrier, but he was unable to put the ball away after Crowther failed to hold a powerful Reynolds drive. The hosts also saw a late goal ruled out for a foul on the Bassett 'keeper after a corner had been swung into the box.

With time winding down though, Bassett started to throw men forwards. And it almost paid dividends as sub Jed Afenyo saw a firm drive well kept out by Blackburn. Bassett then won a stoppage time corner and sent everyone up - including Crowther - to attack. The ball fell to the 'keeper but he was just unable to steer into the net past his opposite number as Malvern hung on to win.

Other adult sides

RWBTFC Vets' (Over 35) Team

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Vets

Season 2022-23 - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League - Vets North Wilts Division

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Wed 07-Sep-22	Redhouse	A	League	W 5 - 2	Head, Newton, Yeardley, Mason, OG
Tue 13-Sep-22	Swindon Old Boys	H	League	W 2 - 0	Connolly, Shaw
Wed 28-Sep-22	Swindon Rovers	H	League	W 3 - 0	Newton 2, Head
Wed 05-Oct-22	Cricklade Town	A	League	L 0 - 4	
Mon 01-Nov-22	Devizes Town	A	WSC		
	AFC Swindon	H	League		
	AFC Swindon	A	League		
	Blunsdon	H	League		
	Blunsdon	A	League		
	Chiseldon	H	League		
	Chiseldon	A	League		
	Cricklade Town	H	League		
	Redhouse	H	League		
	Stratton Juniors Black	H	League		
	Stratton Juniors Black	A	League		
	Stratton Juniors Orange	H	League		
	Stratton Juniors Orange	A	League		
	Swindon Old Boys	A	League		
	Swindon Rovers	A	League		



Goalscorers	League	Cup	Total
Jeremy Newton	3		3
Chris Head	2		2
Nick Mason	1		1
Steve Yeardley	1		1
Josh Connolly	1		1
Steve Shaw	1		1
OG	1		1
	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Vets North Wiltshire Division Season 2022-23

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Stratton Juniors Orange	5	3	0	2	16	7	9
2 Chiseldon	4	3	0	1	13	4	9
3 Royal W. Bassett Town	4	3	0	1	10	6	9
4 Swindon Old Boys	5	3	0	2	8	5	9
5 Redhouse	4	3	0	1	7	5	9
6 Cricklade Town	3	2	0	1	7	3	6
7 Blunsdon	3	2	0	1	4	4	6
8 Swindon Rovers	4	2	0	2	6	9	6
9 AFC Swindon	5	0	0	5	3	12	0
10 Stratton Juniors Black	5	0	0	5	2	21	0

Other adult sides

RWBTFC Vets' (Over 50) Team

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Vets Over 50s

Season 2022-23 - Oxfordshire League - Vets Premier League Division 2

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sun 25-Sep-22	Goring United	A	League	W 4 - 0	Cooper, Huggins, Lynch, Mitchell
Sun 09-Oct-22	Hazlemere Sports Olympic	H	League	W 4 - 0	Mitchell 2, Stephenson, Webb
Sun 16-Oct-22	Bicester Town Colts	A	League	L 0 - 4	
Sun 06-Nov-22	Exiles	A	League		
Sun 13-Nov-22	Thame United	A	Cup		
Sun 27-Nov-22	Easington Sports	H	League		
Sun 04-Dec-22	Chinnor	A	League		
Sun 08-Jan-23	Goring United	H	League		
Sun 22-Jan-23	Chilsley	A	League		
Sun 12-Feb-23	Hazlemere Sports Olympic	A	League		
Sun 19-Feb-23	Bicester Town Colts	H	League		
Sun 05-Mar-23	Exiles	H	League		
Sun 26-Mar-23	Easington Sports	A	League		
Sat 09-Apr-23	Chinnor	H	League		
TBA	Chilsley	H	League		



Oxfordshire Over 50s League Division 2 Season 2022/2023

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Bicester Town Colts	4	4	0	0	23	1	12
2 Chinnor	4	3	0	1	11	2	9
3 Chilsley Blacks	3	2	0	1	9	5	6
4 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	3	2	0	1	8	4	6
5 Easington Sports	3	1	1	1	3	4	4
6 Goring United	3	1	0	2	5	13	3
7 Exiles	4	0	1	3	4	20	1
8 Hazlemere Sports Olympic	4	0	0	4	4	18	0

RWBTFC & The FA Vase

OUR ROAD TO WEMBLEY

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. FA VASE 2022-23						
Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
					Winner	Loser
27-Aug-22	First Round Qualifying	Bye			£550	£160
24-Sep-22	Second Round Qualifying	Bye			£725	£225
22-Oct-22	First Round Proper	v Bridport	A		£825	£250
12-Nov-22	Second Round Proper	v			£900	£275
3-Dec-22	Third Round Proper	v			£1,125	£350
14-Jan-23	Fourth Round Proper	v			£1,875	£600
11-Feb-23	Fifth Round Proper	v			£2,250	£725
11-Mar-23	Sixth Round Proper	v			£4,125	£1,350
1-Apr-23	Semi-final	v			£5,500	£1,725
21-May-23	Final (at Wembley)	v			£30,000	£15,000
Total Prize Money Won						£0

* Still in competition



RWBTFC F.A. Vase Record

2001-02	QR2	Calne Town	H	W 3 - 2
	R1	St Blazey	H	L 0 - 2
2002-03	QR2	Shortwood United	A	L 1 - 5
2003-04	QR2	Bemerton Heath Harl's	A	L 1 - 4
2004-05	QR1	Wellington	A	L 0 - 4
	QR1	Christchurch	H	D 1 - 1
2005-06	QR1	Christchurch	A	L 0 - 1
	QR1	Shrewton United	A	D 1 - 1
2006-07	QR1	Shrewton United	H	L 2 - 3
	QR2	Bournemouth	A	L 0 - 12
2008-09	QR1	Buckingham Athletic	A	W 5 - 3
	QR2	Henley Town	A	W 6 - 0
	R1	Kidlington	H	W 3 - 2
2009-10	R2	Wimbourne Town	A	L 0 - 4
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	H	L 2 - 3
2010-11	QR2	Devizes Town	A	W 4 - 0
	R1	Cadbury Heath	A	L 1 - 2
2011-12	QR1	Shortwood United	A	L 0 - 4
2012-13	QR1	GE Hamble	A	L 0 - 6
2013-14	QR2	Odd Down	A	L 0 - 7
2014-15	QR1	Cove	A	W 3 - 2
	QR2	Abingdon United	H	L 2 - 3

2015-16	QR1	Binfield	H	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Binfield	A	W 4 - 3
2016-17	QR2	Windsor FC	A	L 1 - 2
2016-17	QR2	Thame Utd	H	L 2 - 4
2017-18	QR1	Fairford Town	H	W 3 - 1
	QR2	Codicote	H	W 5 - 0
	R1	Amphill Town	H	W 2 - 1
2018-19	R2	Hordean	A	L 2 - 3
	QR2	Bashley	H	L 0 - 4
2019-20	QR1	New College Swindon	A	W 7 - 0
	QR2	Tadley Calleva	A	L 0 - 1
2020-21	QR2	Stonehouse	A	W 1 - 0
	R1	Camelford	H	W 4 - 0
	R2	Bridgwater Town	A	L 1 - 2
2021-22	QR1	Knaphill	H	W 1 - 0
	QR2	Portishead Town	A	W 3 - 1
	R1	Downton	H	W 4 - 0
2021-22	R2	Torpoint Athletic	H	W 2 - 0
	R3	Hamworthy United	H	L 1 - 3
2022-23	R1	Bridport	A	

EMIRATES FA CUP ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN 2022-23

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
					Winner	Loser
6-Aug-22	Extra Preliminary Round	v Windsor	H	D 1 - 1	£1,125	£375
9-Aug-22	Extra Prelim. Round Replay	v Windsor	A	W 2 - 0		
20-Aug-22	Preliminary Round	v Reading City	H	W 3 - 1	£1,444	£481
3-Sep-22	First Qualifying Round	v Paulton Rovers	H	L 2 - 4	£2,250	£750
17-Sep-22	Second Qualifying Round	v Gosport Borough	A		£3,375	£1,125
1-Oct-22	Third Qualifying Round	v Hampton & Richmond B.*	A		£5,625	£1,875
15-Oct-22	Fourth Qualifying Round	v Torquay*	A		£9,375	£3,125
5-Nov-22	First Round	v			£36,000	
26-Nov-22	Second Round	v			£60,000	
7-Jan-23	Third Round	v			£100,000	
28-Jan-23	Fourth Round	v			£120,000	
1-Mar-23	Fifth Round	v			£225,000	
18-Mar-23	Sixth Round	v			£450,000	
22-Apr-23	Semi-Final	v	Wembley		£1,000,000	£500,000
3-Jun-23	Final	v	Wembley		£2,000,000	£1,000,000
Total Prize Money Won						£3,319

* Still in competition


Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC - Emirates FA Cup Record

Season	Rnd	Opponents	Result	Season	Rnd	Opponents	Result
1938-39	Pr	Wiltshire Mental Hospital	A L 0 - 6	2011-12	EPr	Radstock Town	A L 1 - 2
1939-40	Pr	Frome Town (War)	A P - P	2012-13	EPr	Calne Town	H W 4 - 2
1946-47	EPr	Dilton Rovers	H W 5 - 1	Pr	Hamworthy United	H W 1 - 0	
	Pr	Swindon GWR Corinthians	A L 1 - 5	QR1	Highworth Town	H W 3 - 1	
1947-48	EPr	Pewsey Vale	H L 0 - 2	QR2	Dorchester Town	A L 0 - 4	
1948-49	EPr	Swindon BR Corinthians	A L 3 - 6	2013-14	EPr	Totton & Eling	H L 0 - 2
1949-50	EPr	Warminster Town	H L 4 - 5	2014-15	EPr	Brockenhurst	A W 3 - 0
1950-51	EPr	Spencer Moulton	H W 2 - 1	Pr	Bradford Town	A L 1 - 2	
	Pr	Devizes Town	A L 0 - 4	2015-16	EPr	Bracknell Town	H L 0 - 2
2004-05	Pr	Exmouth	A L 2 - 3	2016-17	EPr	Andover Town	A L 2 - 5
2007-08	EPr	Highworth Town	A D 0 - 0	2017-18	EPr	Crawley Green	H L 1 - 2
	EPr	Highworth Town	H W 2 - 1	2018-19	EPr	Leighton Town	A W 1 - 0
	Pr	Bracknell Town	H W 2 - 1	Pr	Lydney Town	H D 0 - 0	
	QR1	Brockenhurst	A D 1 - 1	Pr	Lydney Town	A L 3 - 5	
	QR1	Brockenhurst	H L 1 - 5	2019-20	EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	H D 1 - 1
2008-09	EPr	Flackwell Heath	A D 1 - 1	EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	A L 0 - 1	
	EPr	Flackwell Heath	H L 1 - 6	2020-21	EPr	Chipping Sodbury T (W4-1 pens)	H D 2 - 2
2009-10	EPr	Westbury United	H D 2 - 2	Pr	Didcot Town	A W 2 - 1	
	EPr	Westbury United	A W 3 - 2	QR1	Cinderford T (Won 6-5 pens)	A D 2 - 2	
	Pr	Brockenhurst	H L 0 - 1	QR2	Oxford City	H L 1 - 2	
2010-11	EPr	Bradford Town	A D 1 - 1	2021-22	EPr	Thornbury Town	A W 4 - 0
	EPr	Bradford Town (W4-3 pens)	H D 3 - 3	Pr	Ardley United	H D 2 - 2	
	Pr	Almondsbury UWE	A W 1 - 0	PrR	Ardley United	A L 1 - 3	
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	A D 1 - 1	2022-23	EPr	Windsor	H D 1 - 1
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	H L 0 - 2	EPrR	Windsor	A W 2 - 0	
				Pr	Reading City	H W 3 - 1	
				QR1	Paulton Rovers	H L 2 - 4	

Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC



Matthew Crowther	1
Scott Chilcott	2
Louis Spalding	3
Kai Robinson	4
Adam Corcoran	5
Luke Whelan	6
Jack Hobson McVeigh	7
Matt Bennett	8
Alfie Presley	9
Tommy Ouldrige	10
Bailey Gallagher	11
Gio Wrona	12
David Bampton	14
Chris Taylor	15
Jowan Partridge	16
Harry Walters	17
Alan Griffin	18
Seb Smith	19
Sam Collier	20
Jon Beeden	21
Seb Smith	22
	23
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Dugout Team

Manager:	Sam Collier
Assistant:	Alan Griffin
Coach:	Mark Simpkins
Therapist:	Kara Gregory

Match Officials

Referee:	
Assist. Ref (Red Flag):	
Assist. Ref (Yellow Flag):	

Bradford Town FC



Jonathan Hill	1
Richard Dawley	2
Ashley Fowler	3
Aaron Witchell	4
Cameron Thomson	5
Harry Rutty	6
Ed Plackett	7
Ritchie Chandler	8
Mal Bicholls	9
Will Stead	10
Will Taylor	11
Ruben Marques	12
Harvey Baker	14
Josh Timbrell	15
Malachi Benjamin	16
Jack Pearson-Brown	17
Tyson Pollard	18
Bevan Cross	19
Tom Golledge	20
Jasper Jones	21
Joshua Harding	22
Seth Wain	23
Kye Simpson	24

Dugout Team

Manager:	Lee Davidson
Assistant:	Jamie Lyons
Coach:	Ben Deacon
Therapist:	Nicole Evans

Craig Davenport
Charles Carberth
Edward Tarr

Next Home Games

Sat 29-Oct-22 v Westfields (UHSport Hellenic Premier Division) Kick-off 3:00PM