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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 AFTERNOON and welcome to the Sustain Stadium here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground for this FA Vase Third Round fixture against Toolstation Western League side Bridgwater United. A warm welcome to all our visitors who have made the journey from Somerset, we hope you enjoy your short stay with us this afternoon and that today you will witness an entertaining encounter between two sides who are going well in their respective divisions.

We have played the club that is now called Bridgwater United once before in the FA Vase, again in the Third Round back in 2020-21. At that time the team were called Bridgwater Town and a subsequent merger with Yeovil Women's side saw them renamed Bridgwater United. That earlier game resulted in a 2-1 win for Bridgwater and a match report from that game is included in today's programme.

At the time of writing Bridgwater Town sit in second place in the Premier Division of the Toolstation Western League. They have made it very clear in the past fortnight that their intention is to achieve promotion to the Southern League at the end of this season having issued a statement on social media to accompany their change of manager. No doubt they will also be keen, like ourselves, to go deep into this prestigious national competition and we certainly have a tough task here this afternoon if we are to progress to the Fourth Round of the Vase for the very first time in our history.

Since the last programme notes we have played three first team games. We were knocked out of the Marsh Insurance Challenge Cup going down 3-1 to a strong Roman Glass St George side. Whilst we have exited this competition in our first game in it I am hoping this does not mean we are now in the much maligned Supplementary Cup. Looking at FA Full-Time it looks like this may just involve the Division One and Division Two sides knocked out of the early rounds before the Premier Division sides come into the cup competition. If that is the case it is a sensible decision made by the league given all the other cup competitions that the Premier Division sides enter.

After that cup defeat it was back to league action last Saturday and the long trip to

Westfields, never an easy place to visit. To come away with a 2-1 victory is impressive and even more so given the circumstances surrounding the fixture and the high number of players absent. I am sure there was some special celebrations for Griff's winning goal. I was at home last weekend in Woking and it seems I could have invited one of the Bassett player's scheduled to be playing for us at Westfields round for a cup of tea. I understand he travelled to Westfield (without an "s") rather than Hereford based Westfields (with an "s"). Westfield without an "s" play their games at Woking Leisure Centre (nice ground by the way as Luke will no doubt testify) which is just a five minute drive from my house.

The final first team game was on Wednesday night and it saw a penalty shootout win for Bassett after it had finished all square at 2-2 in the Wiltshire Premier Shield tie against Highworth Town. Well done on Sam and the lads on that cup win and hopefully we can make it two cup wins on the spin here this afternoon.

Looking at our other sides, the Development side are without a game this afternoon which at least means Sam will have plenty of players available to ensure he has a full complement on the bench this afternoon. Since the last programme notes they have exited the Fountain Trophies Cup losing a penalty shoot out after it had finished 4-4 after extra time against Ludgershall Sports. That is now three defeats in a row in all competitions but they still sit in fourth spot in the table.

The Women's side saw their game away at Frome Town postponed last Sunday. They will hope their game against bottom of the table Ridgeway goes ahead tomorrow and they can pick up a big win to bridge the goal difference gap that currently exists from the other top sides having secured big wins over Ridgeway.

Enjoy the game and hopefully we will be celebrating progress to the Fourth Round of this prestigious national competition come five o'clock for the first time in our history.

Mark



Chairman's Chat

Paul Gerrish

GOOD AFTERNOON.

It's a pleasure to welcome our supporters along with the players, officials and supporters from Bridgewater United FC to the Sustain Stadium today for this 3rd Round FA Vase fixture.

This is the third consecutive season that the club has reached the 3rd Round and victory today would see us achieve our best ever run in the competition and see us in the last 32 of a national competition. Previous runs have been brought to a halt by Hamworthy United and Corsham Town, both of whom went on to reach the semi-finals.

Today's game is the second of three consecutive cup fixtures. Hopefully, we will have come through Wednesday's County Cup quarter final against neighbours Highworth Town with a victory and no injuries. Today's game is then followed on Tuesday by a 2nd Round Floodlight Cup game against Clanfield who are doing well in Division 1. Three cup wins in a week would be a great start to the festive season!

In the League, the team continue to perform well and Saturday's dramatic last-minute win against Westfields (note the 's') leaves us in 3rd place behind Worcester City and Corsham Town, two of the big spenders in

the league, both of whom are desperate to move up the pyramid. In fact, victory in our games in hand would see us move above Corsham. There is a busy league schedule after the cup games, including back-to-back visits to Hereford either side of New Year's Eve.

Saturday's win in Hereford also saw Sam reach 350 as either player or manager at the club, quite an achievement. Congratulations and let's hope for many more. As Sam mentioned on his social media, it was certainly a game that he will remember, not just for the result or Griff's last-minute winner but because one of the players who lives relatively close to Hereford, managed to go the Westfield (note the lack of an 's') near Woking. I'm sure we have all gone to the wrong ground at times, but probably not to that extent!

Finally, I would like to say thanks to Lee Beavis from H&B Carpentry for their sponsorship of today's fixture.

Thank you all for your continued support, it is greatly appreciated, especially as we lead in to a very full schedule of fixtures in December.

Up the Bass.

Paul

TODAY'S MATCH SPONSOR



FA Vase Third Round Revisited

Today Isuzu FA Vase tie against Bridgwater United is Bassett's third ever in the Third Round, with the two previous games at this stage coming in the last two seasons as we mark the third year in a row that Royal Wootton Bassett Town feature in the third round. After heartbreak against Hamworthy United and penalties pain against Corsham Town, will it be third time lucky in the third round? Or will Bassett's run of near misses continue? Here's hoping the report from this afternoon's game will have a more positive ending.

Season 2021-22

Royal Wootton Bassett Town were unable to extend their record-setting Buildbase FA Vase run after Sam Collier's side fell to a 3-1 home defeat against Hamworthy United in a tense third round encounter. While matching their opponents for most of the game, Bassett were ultimately left to rue a series of excellent chances that went begging. And at the other end Hamworthy ruthlessly punished Bassett for two instances of slack play either side of half time before being gifted a third that killed off any hopes the home side had of progressing to the last 32.

On balance Hamworthy were worth their win. But Collier and his players will feel that their opponents were there for the taking. Indeed, Bassett expertly executed their game plan for the opening 44 minutes of the game and appeared on course to take a deserved lead into the break thanks to a Tommy Ouldrige goal, this after Matt Bennett's initial attempt at goal was saved by the Hamworthy keeper. However, a failure to take the other opportunities they fashioned and a lapse in concentration in the final minute of the half saw Hamworthy equalise a minute before half time.

Hamworthy went in front for the first time in the game on 56 minutes, punishing Bassett for sloppy play. Hamworthy then had the ball in the net again on the hour mark but this effort was ruled out for a handball offence. Bassett, seemingly starting to fray, then were presented with a golden opportunity to level things up. Again though it passed them by. After jumping on an under hit clearance from the Hamworthy keeper, Ouldrige quickly passed inside to Bennett who split the defence with a through ball to Jon Mills. The forward had just the keeper to beat but his left foot attempt was too close to the keeper, who produced a save, tipping around the post.

Within seven minutes Bassett were 3-1 down. It was a goal which Bassett 'keeper Eddie Cavanagh will want to forget quickly. A seemingly innocuous free kick from the deep on the left saw Cavanagh freeze on the spot, distracted by a striker's run, allowing the ball to sail into the bottom corner untouched. That was to be the end of the afternoon's scoring as Bassett went down 3-1.

Season 2022-23

For the second season in a row Royal Wootton Bassett Town suffered a heartbreaking defeat in the FA Vase third round. While a narrow 3-1 loss against Hamworthy United ended the previous year's record breaking run, the manner of defeat in Season 22-23 record equalling journey was more painful as Sam Collier's side lost 4-3 on penalties to Corsham Town after having pushed their Wiltshire and Hellenic League rivals all the way in a tense 90 minutes of football that ended goalless.

Knowing they were in for a battle against powerful, strong opponents, Collier set his side up in a relatively defensive formation. Wanting to keep things tight at the back, those tactics were executed diligently and paid off during the opening period which - for the most part - passed without any significant action in front of goal. The game finally started to open up in the final stages of the half though, with visitors creating the better chances but it remained goalless at the break.

As tense and tight as the opening half was, the second was more open. Again, however, neither team was able to make the decisive breakthrough. Bassett had their best spell of the game around the hour mark as Matt Bennett skewed a glancing header wide from twelve yards following Louis Spalding's teasing cross. A defensive lapse then presented Alfie Presley with a golden opportunity as he found space between the centre halves to receive Tommy Ouldrige's weighted delivery from the right, but a slip when he just had the 'keeper to beat put paid to his hopes of opening the scoring.

At the other end, Bassett survived a pair of goalmouth scrambles - the first following a corner, the second from a right-wing cross to the near post. A Matt Jones corner almost saw Bassett snatch a goal. Sam Jepson came off his line to claim and came up empty-handed, allowing Luke Whelan to redirect the ball to the far post with the 'keeper stranded. However, Adam Corcoran could only head over. Corsham then could have snatched a winner on the break when their striker was played in behind the defence, but a great recovery run from Jowan Partridge applied enough pressure to force the visitors' player to skew wide when he probably should have done better.

Although play continued to go from end to end, that would be the final real opportunity in front of goal - but it wasn't to be the last moment of drama in normal time as Landon Golding received a controversial red card following an altercation in the visitors' box. There wasn't enough time for that numerical disadvantage to do Bassett any harm though, as the referee soon blew the final whistle. That meant penalties. Unlike at Wellington in the previous round, Bassett would not come out on top.

Opponents History

Bridgwater United



EARLY DAYS

Early attempts to establish a senior association football club in the rugby stronghold of Bridgwater failed to attract supporters, were beset with financial woes and were thus short-lived. It was not until after the Second World War that solid foundations for a club were finally laid. A group of enthusiasts formed Crown Dynamo FC in 1946 based at a public house in St John Street. The team quickly gained a substantial following and became the forerunner of Bridgwater Town AFC.

The purchase of land off Bristol Road for a home ground (Castlefield), the backing of a large supporters' organisation and the support of prominent local businessmen, who became directors enabled the club to flourish. Soon the club owned a portfolio of residential property and was able to offer a house, a job and a good part-time wage to prospective footballers. This enabled the club to attract many ex-Football League professionals and field strong, competitive teams, which enjoyed great success as one of the Western League's leading sides. Two Western League championship mantles, cup final wins and thrilling runs in the FA Cup and FA Trophy were experienced throughout the 1960s, 70s and 80s. In 1982 Bridgwater Town AFC became members of the Southern League. However, it all came to an abrupt end in June 1984 when substantial debts forced the club into voluntary liquidation.

A NEW BEGINNING

A new club, Bridgwater Town 1984 FC was quickly established by a band of loyal supporters: and from humble beginnings worked all the way back up from Somerset County League origins to attaining Southern League membership inside a twenty-three year timespan. On the way the club enjoyed a hat-trick of Somerset County League titles, a Screwfix Western League Division 1 championship and two Les Phillips Cup Final wins.

As members of the Southern League they reached the Final of the League Cup (2009) and were beaten finalists in the promotion play-offs (2010)

However after 2010 leaner times returned, eventually leading to relegation in 2017. Returning to Step 5 level once more, the club remains ambitious, with the aim of competing strongly for the title and regaining its previous status. The club's ambitions received a massive boost during the early part of 2021 as it merged with Yeovil United FC to become Bridgwater United FC. Now, with a new club status, ownership and business model, plans are at an advanced stage to make the club a real community asset - not just for the town of Bridgwater but for the whole of Somerset.

2021/22 was a success clinching the Les Phillips Cup with a 1-0 victory over Cadbury Heath at Wells City FC along with a number of other cup wins for the Women's squad and youth teams.

Last season tailed off after a fantastic start, reaching the FA Vase Fifth round was the highlight but in front of a decent attendance and with a number of players missing United succumbed to a 1-0 defeat against the eventual winners Ascot United. In the Toolstation Western League the team finished fourth, Mousehole winning the league with Saltash United runners-up and Barnstaple Town 3rd, 6 points above the Robins. The Bridgwater United league record was P36 W20 D9 L7 F 84 A41 Points 69.

Soon after season finished Adam Murry sold the club to IT entrepreneur Ian Davis who has many exciting plans to take the club forward, but promotion has to be achieved first. A number of new recruits have joined the ranks as United look to return to Step 4 and the Southern League South & West. The support is there for sure and with Andy Llewellyn spearheading the management the club appears to be going in the right direction.



Today's Opponents

Bridgwater United Pen Pics



Steve Phillips - Goalkeeper

Veteran keeper and former Bristol City legend who played in the FA Cup earlier this season against Liskeard Athletic. The 45-year-old has played around 600 senior games including over 250 for Bristol City and 136 for rivals Bristol Rovers.

Isaac Finch – Goalkeeper

16-year-old keeper who has been doing very well for Bridgwater United's Under 18 side.



Ross Edwards – Defender

Tall 22-year-old defender who is equally at home in a midfield role. Has scored spectacular goals and is the son for former Taunton Town keeper Paul Edwards.



Jake Llewellyn – Defender

Top quality defender who has played at National League South level for Weston super Mare; great going forward with a wand of a left foot. Appointed vice-captain this season.



Jacob Spence – Defender

Strong and powerful defender joined from Ashton and Backwell United last season and can score goals.



Josh Phillips – Defender

21-year-old full back who was at Street before joining Dorchester Town where he was U23 player of the year.



Dave Thorne - Defender

Now in his seventh season at the club 'Mr Consistent' is an 8/10 week in week out. Dave is a committed tough tackling defender who always gives everything.



Tom Llewellyn - Midfielder

Brother of Jake and another who has played at a higher level and will do again. Both are sons of former Bristol City favourite Andy Llewellyn.



Morgan Williams - Midfielder

All action 22-year-old midfielder who signed from local rivals Clevedon Town.



Mark Armstrong - Midfielder

Captain of the club and a born leader, Mark is an experienced, hardworking, tough tackling.



Sam Towler - Midfielder

An attacking midfielder back at the Club for a third spell, re-joining from Wellington early in 2023.

Josiah McKayle - Midfielder

Midfielder from Clevedon Town and is the son of well-known Bridgwater Town and Western League goal scorer Ryan King

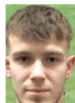


Harry Horton - Midfielder

Powerful 26-year-old midfielder who has returned to the fold, a long serving member of the squad, signing from Wells City where he played 37 games scoring 12 times. He has played for Yate Town amongst others

George King - Forward

An 18-year-old right-footed forward who impressed pre-season following his release by Bristol Rovers. He has signed for the Pirates from Bristol Manor Farm as well as having a loan spell at Larkhall Athletic.



Jack Thorne - Forward

Forward who joined the Club early in 2023 from Nailsea & Tickenham where he was a prolific goal scorer.

Jay Murray - Forward

22-year-old signed from National League South side Weston-super-Mare. Started his career at Congressbury then Cheddar and Odd Down before joining Hengrove Ath in January 2019. He returned to Odd Down before joining Clevedon Town.



Ben Griffith - Forward

Joined the Robins from Frome Town where he had scored four times in seven games this season. Still only 21 years old he scored three in ten games for Weston-super-Mare last season. Has had three separate spells at Willand Rovers scoring 17 in 34 games in 21/22. Also had spells at Cheddar & Clevedon.

Adam Wright - Forward

Prolific Welsh born striker who signed from Wells City in the close season, scoring 113 goals over five seasons at Western League level. The 32-year-old has also had spells in Australian football with Moreland City and Brunswick City.

Jason Quick – Forward

Summer signing from Wellington where he won the Players Player and supporters Player of the year awards last season. The 25-year-old was very impressive in pre-season.



















































Jack Taylor – Forward

'Fan's favourite' Jack signed from Wellington, winning numerous end of season awards in Robins' colours. Has well over 150 goals for the club and is closing in on the all-time scoring record.

Today's Opponents

Bridgwater United Season 23-24

| Type | Date / Time | Home Team | Score | Away Team |
|------|----------------|--|---------------------|--|
| PRM | 24/11/23 19:30 | Nailsea & Tickenham  | 0 - 1 |  Bridgwater United |
| LPC | 21/11/23 19:45 | Bridgwater United  | 1 - 1 (Pens 4-2) |  Ilfracombe Town |
| PRM | 18/11/23 15:00 | Torpoint Athletic  | 2 - 1 |  Bridgwater United |
| FAV | 11/11/23 15:00 | Bridgwater United  | 5 - 2 |  Longwell Green Sports |
| PRM | 04/11/23 14:00 | Saltash United  | 1 - 2 |  Bridgwater United |
| PRM | 28/10/23 15:00 | Bridgwater United  | 4 - 1 |  Shepton Mallet |
| LPC | 24/10/23 19:30 | Portishead Town  | 1 - 3 |  Bridgwater United |
| PRM | 21/10/23 15:00 | St Blazey  | 1 - 0 |  Bridgwater United |
| PRM | 17/10/23 19:45 | Bridgwater United  | 7 - 2 |  Nailsea & Tickenham |
| PRM | 07/10/23 15:00 | Bridgwater United  | 5 - 0 |  Torpoint Athletic |
| CC | 03/10/23 19:30 | Middlezoy Rovers First  | 1 - 3 |  Bridgwater United FC First |
| SPC | 03/10/23 19:30 | Middlezoy Rovers  | 1 - 3 |  Bridgwater United |
| PRM | 30/09/23 15:00 | Ilfracombe Town  | 0 - 1 |  Bridgwater United |
| LPC | 22/09/23 19:30 | Clevedon Town  | 0 - 3 |  Bridgwater United |
| PRM | 15/09/23 19:45 | Street  | 1 - 3 |  Bridgwater United |
| PRM | 09/09/23 15:00 | Bridgwater United  | 6 - 2 |  Oldland Abbotonians |
| FAC | 02/09/23 15:00 | Salisbury  | 3 - 2 |  Bridgwater United |
| PRM | 26/08/23 15:00 | Barnstaple Town  | 4 - 4 |  Bridgwater United |
| FAC | 18/08/23 19:45 | Bridgwater United  | 4 - 0 |  Street |
| PRM | 15/08/23 19:45 | Bridgwater United  | 4 - 0 |  Welton Rovers |
| PRM | 12/08/23 15:00 | Heiston Athletic  | 5 - 1 |  Bridgwater United |
| FAC | 05/08/23 15:00 | Bridgwater United  | 4 - 2 |  Liskeard Athletic |
| PRM | 01/08/23 19:45 | Bridgwater United  | 3 - 2 |  Brixham AFC |
| PRM | 29/07/23 15:00 | Millbrook  | 1 - 8 |  Bridgwater United |



Previous Encounters

Bridgwater Town United



0

RWBTFC Wins

0

Draws

1

Bridgwater Wins

| Season | Date | Comp | Match Details | | |
|--|----------|---------|-----------------|---|------------------------------|
| 2020-21 | 5-Dec-20 | FA Vase | Bridgwater Town | 2 | Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1 |
| Bassett Scorer: Bohane | | | | | |
| Bassett Team: Ellis, Flint, Dinsmore, Ockwell, Corcoran, Bampton, Presley, Taylor, Tooze, Bohane, Stirland. Subs: Pagliaroli, Wrona, Baker | | | | | |



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Previous Encounters

Bridgwater Town United



Action from the only previous meeting with Bridgwater in this competition back in Season 2020-21 (pictures courtesy of Steve Green).





Today's Opponents

Bridgwater United

Bridgwater United Historical Record - Last 15 Seasons

| Season | League & Division | FAC | FAV* | Pld | Won | Draw | Lost | For | Agst | Pts | Position | Top Scorer |
|---------|---------------------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|--------------|--------------|
| 2008/09 | Southern League D1S | 1QR | 1QR | 42 | 19 | 8 | 15 | 69 | 56 | 65 | 7 out of 22 | Not Known |
| 2009/10 | Southern League D1S | 3QR | 3QR | 42 | 26 | 11 | 5 | 83 | 30 | 89 | 3 out of 22 | Not Known |
| 2010/11 | Southern League D1S | 1QR | 1QR | 40 | 9 | 11 | 20 | 47 | 86 | 38 | 18 out of 21 | Not Known |
| 2011/12 | Southern League D1S | 1QR | 1QR | 40 | 13 | 4 | 23 | 47 | 77 | 43 | 15 out of 21 | Not Known |
| 2012/13 | Southern League D1S | PRE | PRE | 42 | 10 | 10 | 22 | 52 | 78 | 40 | 19 out of 22 | Not Known |
| 2013/14 | Southern League D1S | 3QR | 3QR | 42 | 14 | 11 | 17 | 62 | 64 | 53 | 14 out of 22 | Not Known |
| 2014/15 | Southern League D1S | 2QR | 2QR | 42 | 17 | 11 | 14 | 67 | 59 | 62 | 12 out of 22 | Not Known |
| 2015/16 | Southern League D1S | PRE | PRE | 42 | 9 | 7 | 26 | 42 | 83 | 34 | 19 out of 22 | Not Known |
| 2016/17 | Southern League D1S | PRE | PRE | 42 | 2 | 4 | 36 | 23 | 117 | 10 | 22 out of 22 | Not Known |
| 2017/18 | Western League Prem | 1QR | 3RD | 38 | 18 | 4 | 16 | 61 | 51 | 58 | 8 out of 20 | Not Known |
| 2018/19 | Western League Prem | EP | 2QR | 38 | 24 | 9 | 5 | 94 | 43 | 81 | 4 out of 20 | J. Taylor 33 |
| 2019/20 | Western League Prem | 1QR | 3RD | 27 | 13 | 7 | 7 | 65 | 40 | 46 | 8 out of 21 | J. Taylor 23 |
| 2020/21 | Western League Prem | PRE | 4TH | 12 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 23 | 20 | 19 | 10 out of 21 | J. Taylor 15 |
| 2021/22 | Western League Prem | 1QR | 4TH | 36 | 20 | 5 | 11 | 69 | 39 | 65 | 5 out of 19 | J. Taylor 39 |
| 2022/23 | Western League Prem | EP | 5TH | 36 | 20 | 9 | 7 | 84 | 41 | 69 | 4 out of 19 | J. Brown 18 |

Totals

561 220 112 229 888 884

*As at time Covid-19 brought season to a premature end.

Won:Draw:Lost Ratio

39.2% 20.0% 40.8%

** FA Trophy from 2008-09 to 2016-17

| | Pld | Won | Draw | Lost | For | Agst | Won:Draw:Lost Ratio | 31.8% | 20.6% | 47.6% |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|------|------|-----|------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Southern League Div 1 South | 374 | 119 | 77 | 178 | 492 | 650 | Won:Draw:Lost Ratio | 31.8% | 20.6% | 47.6% |
| Western League Premier Div | 187 | 101 | 35 | 51 | 396 | 234 | Won:Draw:Lost Ratio | 54.0% | 18.7% | 27.3% |

2022-2023 Season

Toolstation Western League Division One

| | Pld | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 Mousehole | 36 | 26 | 8 | 2 | 93 | 32 | 86 |
| 2 Saltash United | 36 | 26 | 6 | 4 | 98 | 39 | 84 |
| 3 Barnstaple Town | 36 | 24 | 3 | 9 | 77 | 49 | 75 |
| 4 Bridgwater United | 36 | 20 | 9 | 7 | 84 | 41 | 69 |
| 5 Buckland Athletic | 36 | 22 | 2 | 12 | 69 | 48 | 68 |
| 6 Helston Athletic | 36 | 18 | 12 | 6 | 60 | 38 | 66 |
| 7 Falmouth Town | 36 | 16 | 8 | 12 | 62 | 48 | 56 |
| 8 Shepton Mallet | 36 | 15 | 10 | 11 | 58 | 45 | 55 |
| 9 Street | 36 | 13 | 10 | 13 | 49 | 63 | 49 |
| 10 Ashton & Backwell United | 36 | 14 | 6 | 16 | 60 | 52 | 48 |
| 11 Clevedon Town | 36 | 13 | 7 | 16 | 60 | 69 | 46 |
| 12 Torpoint Athletic | 36 | 12 | 9 | 15 | 68 | 75 | 45 |
| 13 Millbrook | 36 | 11 | 7 | 18 | 45 | 59 | 40 |
| 14 Welton Rovers | 36 | 10 | 6 | 20 | 47 | 83 | 36 |
| 15 Wellington | 36 | 9 | 8 | 19 | 51 | 72 | 35 |
| 16 Ilfracombe Town | 36 | 7 | 11 | 18 | 47 | 65 | 32 |
| 17 Sherborne Town | 36 | 8 | 7 | 21 | 41 | 64 | 31 |
| 18 Cadbury Heath | 36 | 4 | 6 | 26 | 34 | 87 | 18 |
| 19 Keynsham Town | 36 | 5 | 3 | 28 | 39 | 113 | 18 |



Today's Opponents

Bridgwater United

FOUNDED

1984 (Re-formed)

GROUND

Fairfax Park
College Way, Bath Road
Bridgwater, TA6 4TZ

CHAIRMAN

Ian Davis

CLUB

SECRETARY

John Fournier

MANAGER

Andy Llewellyn

MAJOR HONOURS

Western League
Champions 1967-68,
1980-81

Western League
Division One
Champions 1995-96

Les Phillips Cup
Winners 2002-03,
2004-05, 2021-22

Western League
Challenge Cup Winners
1957-58, 1981-82

Somerset County
League Champions
1989-90, 1990-91, 1991-92

Somerset Senior Cup
Winners 1898-99,
1993-94, 1995-96



2023-2024 Season Toolstation Western League Division One

| | Pld | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|----------------------------|-----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|
| 1 Helston Athletic | 15 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 59 | 16 | 35 |
| 2 Bridgwater United | 15 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 50 | 22 | 34 |
| 3 Clevedon Town | 13 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 33 | 10 | 33 |
| 4 Brixham AFC | 16 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 40 | 17 | 28 |
| 5 Buckland Athletic | 15 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 51 | 25 | 27 |
| 6 Falmouth Town | 13 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 27 | 9 | 27 |
| 7 Torpoint Athletic | 16 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 28 | 27 | 25 |
| 8 Street | 15 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 32 | 29 | 23 |
| 9 Shepton Mallet | 14 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 29 | 25 | 22 |
| 10 Barnstaple Town | 11 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 30 | 16 | 20 |
| 11 Ilfracombe Town | 14 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 21 | 22 | 18 |
| 12 Nailsea & Tickenham | 15 | 6 | 0 | 9 | 26 | 34 | 18 |
| 13 St Blazey | 16 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 25 | 31 | 17 |
| 14 Welton Rovers | 14 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 18 | 23 | 13 |
| 15 Oldland Abbotonians | 15 | 3 | 0 | 12 | 16 | 43 | 9 |
| 16 Saltash United | 15 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 20 | 38 | 8 |
| 17 Wellington | 15 | 1 | 4 | 10 | 14 | 50 | 7 |
| 18 Millbrook | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 3 | 85 | 0 |



Last Meeting v Bridgwater



Saturday 5 December 2020

A bridge too far as hopes of making Vase history narrowly dashed

Bridgwater United 2

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1

Royal Wootton Bassett Town's hopes of writing club FA Vase history were narrowly dashed as Sam Collier's fell to a 2-1 second round defeat away against Bridgwater Town.

In an otherwise even contest, Bassett found themselves 2-0 having conceded goals early in both halves.

That sparked a relentless drive in the second period in which Bassett played their Western League Premier Division hosts off the park. Ultimately, however, the best Bassett could muster was a TJ Bohane penalty with just over quarter of an hour to go.

It was an agonising way to exit the competition, with Bassett's performance one not worthy of defeat.

Indeed, it was the visitors who had the first real opening of the game when Sam Ockwell's 25-yard free kick grazed the post in the tenth minute.

The hosts soon capitalised on that let off though, taking the lead when Tom Ellis was on hand to steer in Tom Fry's set piece delivery at the far post.

After George Painter headed over from a Fry corner, Bassett were denied an equaliser courtesy of an acrobatic Jake Viney save, the Bridgwater 'keeper doing superbly to divert Adam Corcoran's hooked effort over the bar.

In an open contest, it was next Bridgwater's turn to find the woodwork as Jack Taylor's cross-cum-shot clipped the crossbar five minutes before the break.

Come the interval, despite the hosts being in front, the game appeared there for the taking.

Yet Bassett's task was made that much harder four minutes after the restart when a Taylor through ball was clipped in behind the visitors' split defence. Mike Duffy latched onto the pass, rounded the onrushing Harrison Ellis and was impressively able to guide the ball into the top corner from an acute angle while off balance to double the hosts' advantage.

Bassett subsequently threw everything they had at Bridgwater.

They should have been within just one goal on the hour when an unmarked Bohane headed off target from close range.

The forward then atoned for that miss when he blasted down the middle from the spot.

But, although placing the hosts under considerable late pressure, an equaliser was not forthcoming.

The Vase second round therefore continues to be a stumbling block, with Bassett having now exited at that stage of the national competition three times.

Still, plenty of positives can be taken from a record-matching which goes alongside that in the FA Cup earlier in the season.

Now focus turns solely to the matter of the Hellenic League Premier Division.



Today's Opponents

Bridgwater United Season 23-24








Bridgwater United Season 2023-24

| | | Apps | Goals  | Discipline Table | | | |
|----|------------------|------|--|---|--|---|---|
| | | | | Yellow  | Red  | 2Y Red  | Sin Bin  |
| 1 | Ross Edwards | 23 | 3 | 1 | | | |
| 2 | Harry Horton | 23 | 3 | 5 | | | |
| 3 | George King | 23 | 6 | 3 | | | |
| 4 | Jason Quick | 23 | 2 | | | | |
| 5 | Jake Llewellyn | 22 | 2 | 4 | | | |
| 6 | Thomas Llewellyn | 22 | 1 | 2 | | | 1 |
| 7 | Jack Thorne | 22 | 22 | 1 | | | |
| 8 | Sam Towler | 22 | 2 | 1 | | | |
| 9 | Jack Taylor | 21 | 14 | 4 | | | |
| 10 | Morgan Williams | 18 | | 5 | | | |
| 11 | Joshua Phillips | 17 | | 1 | | | |
| 12 | Jake Viney | 16 | | | | | |
| 13 | Adam Wright | 16 | 11 | 1 | | | |
| 14 | Jay Murray | 14 | 7 | 1 | | | |
| 15 | David Thorne | 13 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| 16 | Jacob Spence | 10 | 1 | 3 | | | |
| 17 | Mark Armstrong | 7 | | | | | |
| 18 | Ben Griffith | 7 | | | | | |
| 19 | Oliver Saunders | 4 | | | | | |
| 20 | Ethan Feltham | 2 | | | | | |
| 21 | Isaac Finch | 2 | | | | | |
| 22 | Josiah McKayle | 1 | | | | | |
| 23 | David Pearse | 1 | | | | | |
| 24 | Steven Phillips | 1 | | | | | |

Bridgwater United have used just 24 players this season showing they have a squad who make themselves regularly available. However, they made Non-League headlines last week with their decision to part with manager Dave Pearse after seven years as Player Manager/ Manager at the club and the statement they made on social media. They have replaced Pearse with former Bristol City player Andy Llewellyn who was assistant to Pearse. Llewellyn brings a wealth of football league experience having made over 300 career appearances for Bristol City as well as short spells at Exeter City and Hereford United. Following the departure of the manager a number of players have left as well and it will be interesting to see the impact of the change of manager on their squad today. They won again in midweek and appear to have retained most of the side that have taken them into second spot in the league table.

Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

| Player | Biography | Sponsor |
|---|--|---|
|  <p>Harry Pickering</p> | <p>Pickering is a highly-rated young goalkeeper who joins Bassett this season from Melksham Town. A player who has represented Wiltshire at Under 18 level, his performances helped Melksham Under 18s finish as unbeaten winners of the Wiltshire League Floodlit Division in 2018-19. That year he also made his debut for Melksham Reserves in the Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division before serving as their first choice Keeper in each of the last three seasons, as well as being backup for their first team in the Southern League.</p> | |
|  <p>Louis Spalding</p> | <p>Highly talented full back entering his 2nd season with Bassett. Skilful, quick, an outstanding defender & a player who always looks to get forward. Was named Manager's & Players' Player of the Year following a standout debut season. Played 47 times, scoring a hugely impressive 10 goals, including a long range stunner in the FA Cup against Reading City, a last minute winner at home against Tuffley Rovers & a brace away at the same opponents. With Swindon Town as a youth, before joining Cirencester on loan in 17-18 making 11 appearances, before signing with the Centurions after his release from Swindon. With Cirencester in 18-19, featuring 38 times for the League runners-up in Southern League Div 1 South. He then joined Swindon Supermarine, appearing in 38 games in the curtailed 2019-20 Season, 10 matches a season later and 4 times in 21-22.</p> | <p>John & Kath Fellows</p> |
|  <p>Harry Walters</p> | <p>Full back who is quick, keen to get forward, impressive on the ball and a solid man-marker who made an impressive impact after making his First Team debut last season. Made his first appearance in senior football with Stratton Juniors in 2020-21, featuring 12 times for them in the Wiltshire League Premier Division. He started the subsequent campaign with Stratton before transferring to Bassett, playing 14 times as the Development team were crowned Wiltshire League champions. Continued to impress with the Dev side at the start of last season, and it wasn't long before Sam Collier drafted him into the First Team squad. Made his debut in a Floodlit Cup win against Cribbs and went on to make 19 appearances.</p> |  |
|  <p>Adam Corcoran</p> | <p>Bassett's current longest serving player and captain, now entering his 12th season with the club, having reached the 300 appearance mark last season. An imposing central defender - with the ability to also play at full back when needed - who is composed on the ball and dominant in the air. A Cirencester Town Academy graduate, he initially joined Bassett in 2011-12 after brief spells with Fairford Town and Calne Town. He quickly established himself as a key part of Bassett's defence, and in 2012-13 helped the team to promotion from Division One West. After a brief spell with Shrivensham, he re-joined Bassett in the summer of 2015 and has been with the club since. He is a player whose performances have seemed to get better and better over time too. The 2021-22 campaign was without doubt his best in Bassett colours, with the defender going on to earn 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 in his 316 Bassett appearances.</p> | <p>Mark Smedley</p> |
|  <p>David Bampton</p> | <p>Aggressive and tough in the tackle, yet elegant and composed in possession, highly experienced player who has played at the highest level of non-league. Capable of playing either in the centre of defence or midfield, entering his 4th season with Bassett, having played 85 times, scoring 4 goals since joining in 20-21. Started his career with Swindon Town, captaining their youth team before going on to make 4 First Team appearances in 2002-03. After his release in the summer of 2004, he joined Conference side Tamworth and during a 4-year spell at the club received a call-up to the England National C team. After spending 2008-09 with Worcester City he moved to Supermarine in the summer of 2009 and was part of their squad that reached the FA Cup 2nd round. Forced to stop playing due to a back injury during the 2014-15 campaign but he returned to action in 2017-18, splitting his time between Shrivensham and Supermarine over the course of 3 seasons before moving to Bassett.</p> | |
|  <p>Jack Hobson McVeigh</p> | <p>Experienced, cultured central midfielder, entering his 2nd season with Bassett having joined from Malmesbury Vics. Cool in possession with excellent distribution skills, the midfielder is also a threat from set pieces and has the knack for producing spectacular goals. A New Zealand national who represented his country in the 2009 U17 World Cup in which he scored a spectacular goal against Turkey, helping the Kiwis reach the last 16. Has played at the highest level in his home country too. Moved to Germany in 2016 and played as high as the fifth tier with Dusseldorf West and SC Union Nettetal. He then moved to England, joining Malmesbury in 20-21 after a brief spell with Cirencester Town. In his first season with Bassett, Hobson-McVeigh scored 5 times in 36 games.</p> | <p>Steve Green</p> |







Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

| Player | Biography | Sponsor |
|---|--|---|
|  <p>Scott Chilcott</p> | <p>Dependable full back entering his 3rd season with Bassett after joining from Shrivenham. Consistent performer who is tough in the tackle and willing to get forward to help out in attack. Primarily a right back, but can also perform effectively at centre half, as well as centre forward when required. Player with plenty of Hellenic experience, initially beginning his career as a forward, featuring for Highworth Town Res before establishing himself as a first team regular with Malmesbury Vics in 2013-14. He spent the following 3 seasons with Fairford, featuring 30 times in their 2016-17 Div One West title winning campaign. After a year with Pewsey in 2017-18, he moved to Shrivenham where he played the next 3 years before joining Bassett. In his first season at Bassett, he played in 26 games. He then added 31 appearances last season, scoring three goals in a 4 game spell when plugged into a forward role.</p> | <p>Mike Price</p> |
|  <p>Jowan Partridge</p> | <p>Recent graduate of Bassett's U18 team. Extremely talented young defender who is comfortable at either centre half or half back. Calm and assured when in possession, an excellent distributor of the ball and his anticipation and ability to read the game make him an ultra-composed defender. Joined Bassett's U18 side in 2021-22 and quickly stood as a star player and his performances earned the attention of Men's First Team manager Sam Collier, making his debut as a substitute in an FA Vase win against Downton before appearing twice more. Last season saw him earn his first start in an away win at Mangotsfield and in all he featured 29 times and was named Bassett's Young Player of the Year, the defender also narrowly missed out on selection for English Schools FA U18 Schoolboys' squad, reaching the final trial.</p> | |
|  <p>Kai Robinson</p> | <p>An unsung hero of the team. An energetic, tough-tackling central midfielder who is entering his 7th year with Bassett. Initially joined the club at the start of the 17-18 season and was one of Bassett's leading appearance makers that year, playing 36 times and scoring once. His appearances were more limited over the next 4 seasons. However over the past 18 months Robinson has played a key role in the heart of midfield. His performances over 43 games in 22-23 earning him joint Manager's Player of the Year honours. Has played 132 times for Bassett, scoring twice. Initially joined Bassett from Wantage Town, with whom he gained Southern League experience during the Alfredians' difficult 16-17 campaign.</p> |  |
|  <p>Sonny James</p> | <p>A highly talented young defender who will be pushing for a regular First Team berth in the new season. Capable of playing at both centre half and full back, he is a composed defender who can also distribute the ball well. Was a key member of the Under 18 team that finished as Wiltshire League Floodlit Division runners-up in each of the last two seasons. And in 2022-23 he made his First Team debut as a substitute in a home win against Tuffley Rovers before appearing three further times from the bench. Also spent part of last season playing in the USA for the Allen Community College Red Devils at National Junior College Athletic Association level.</p> | |
|  <p>Spencer Bowen</p> | <p>A talented young player who is aiming to break through and establish a regular place in the First Team this season. A left-sided player capable of playing either in defence or midfield, he possesses great skill and is a strong passer of the ball. Starred for Bassett's U18 side as they finished as Wiltshire League Floodlit Division runners-up last season. Earning both Manager's and Players' Player of the Year awards, he made 20 appearances, scoring one goal. He also featured twice for the Development team before making his First Team debut as a substitute in a 3-0 home win against Hereford Pegasus. Bowen went on to make another five appearances from the bench.</p> |  |
|  <p>Chris Taylor</p> | <p>A vastly experienced central midfielder who is entering his 4th season with Bassett. A class operator, who is supremely confident on the ball, possesses excellent distribution and superb fitness, he has featured 81 times, scoring twice, since making his Bassett debut in 2020-21. Joined Bassett after 4 years at Highworth, during which he helped them achieve promotion to the Southern League. However, it is with Swindon Supermarine that he spent most of his career. An England U15 international in his youth, he featured 4 times for Swindon Town in 2002-03 before being released in 2006. He then joined Supermarine making 355 appearances over the course of 9 seasons. He has also played for Newport County, Maidenhead Utd, Cirencester Town, Hungerford Town and Australian side Dandenong Thunder.</p> | |





Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

| Player | Biography | Sponsor |
|--|--|---------------------------------|
|  <p>Tom Moore</p> | <p>A gifted, young attacking midfielder who re-joins Bassett this season, having spent the past year and a half at university in Manchester. A player with a superb attitude and willingness to improve his game, he possesses great pace, a willingness to take players on and is an excellent crosser of the ball. Moore was with Swindon Town as a youth and was offered a scholarship in 2019 before his release. Moore then joined Bassett for the 2021-22 season and made a strong impression, scoring 3 goals in 11 appearances.</p> | |
|  <p>Bailey Gallagher</p> | <p>Graduate of Bassett's youth section. Highly skilful attacking midfielder who can play on either wing, he boasts a great turn of pace and is not afraid to take players on. With his trickery and pace, Gallagher is exceptionally difficult to defend against and he also has the knack for producing spectacular goals. Impressed in his first full season playing at Hellenic Prem level. Bassett's leading outfield appearance maker in 2021-22, he featured 44 times, scoring 9 goals. Last season he added another 7 goals in 47 matches.</p> | Ethan Price |
|  <p>Matt Jones</p> | <p>Dynamic, versatile player now in his 2nd season with Bassett. Primarily an attacking midfielder - playing either centrally or on the left side, he is also an accomplished performer in a deeper midfield role as well as at left back. Strong, skilful, good in the air & possessing a turn of pace, Jones is the complete package. He finished as Bassett's 22-23 Golden Boot winner with 17 goals in 28 appearances. Has experience playing at a higher level. As a youth he was with Swindon Town making one appearance as a substitute against Rotherham in 13 14. The following year he had loan spells with Wantage, Chippenham and Farnborough. Following his release from Swindon, he joined Chippenham, and starred as they won the 16-17 Southern League Premier title. He then had spells with Cirencester, Farnborough, Hungerford and Weston-super-Mare before joining Bassett.</p> | |
|  <p>George Staten</p> | <p>Returning to the club this year after being away at university, Staten is a talented player who is a product of Bassett's youth section. Possessing great pace and a great left foot, he is capable of playing either in midfield or at full back. Staten made his debut in senior football with Bassett in 2017-18. Spending the majority of the season playing for the Development team, he scored three goals, while winning the Manager's Player of the Year award. His impressive displays were enough to earn a call-up to the first team towards the end of the campaign. In all he made five appearances, winning man of the match on his debut against Abingdon United. A year later he scored six goals in 17 Development team appearances and was again named as Manager's Player of the Year. Staten briefly appeared for the Development side in 2022-23 too, playing three times.</p> | Hello Loveli Photography |
|  <p>Tommy Ouldrige</p> | <p>A mercurial attacking midfielder entering his 3rd full season with the club. Capable of playing on either wing or through the middle. Talented player who possesses great skill, the ability to pick out any pass, an excellent delivery and an eye for goal. Came through Swindon Town's youth system but never made a first team appearance. Released by Swindon after loan spells at Chippenham and Cirencester in 17-18. Started the 18-19 campaign with Hungerford before moving back to Cirencester where he spent the majority of the next 2 seasons. Played 6 times for Bassett in 20-21, scoring 3. A season later, he featured 41 times, scoring 7. Injuries frustrated him last season, but still made 30 appearances, contributing 5 goals.</p> | AFC Mannington |
|  <p>Flynn Walters</p> | <p>Promising young forward who made his Men's First Team debut last season. Skilful, with good pace and an assured finisher, he was a part of the Under 18 Floodlit team who finished as Wiltshire League Floodlit Division runners-up in each of the last two seasons. He registered twice in 13 games for the U18s in 2021-22 before playing a more significant role in 2022-23 as he scored eight times in 21 games. His performances saw him earn a place in the club's senior Men's sides last season too. Walters featured five times for the Development team and made his First Team debut as a substitute against Chipping Sodbury Town, scoring the final goal to cap a 4-1 victory.</p> | Matt Paul |

Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

| Player | Biography | Sponsor |
|--|--|--------------------------------|
|  <p>Sam Packer</p> | <p>Cultured midfielder with the ability to change the outcome of a game. Re-joins Bassett having moved back to the UK after a period abroad. A tenacious player with clever movement, an eye for a pass and a willingness to take opponents on, he is capable of turning the game from defence to attack very quickly. Initially joined Bassett in 2011 from Highworth, where he had been a key feature of their successful reserve team. After a strong start to the 2011/12 season, he left for then-Southern League Abingdon Utd. There he played a vital role in helping them survive relegation. In the summer of 2012 he moved to Cirencester Town. With the Centurions he featured 21 times, scoring 4 goals but returned to Bassett the following season, making 13 appearances and scoring once, before moving to Shrivenham for 2014/15. He was back with Bassett a season later, scoring 4 goals in 40 appearances before adding 6 in 32 games in 2016/17. In 2017/18 - his last full season with Bassett - he registered his best haul of goals yet, scoring ten times in 22 matches. Overall, Packer has played 159 times for Bassett, scoring 31 times.</p> | |
|  <p>Connor Waldon</p> | <p>Waldon is a well-travelled forward with professional experience who joins Bassett this season. A player who came through the ranks at Swindon Town, Waldon made eight appearances for the Robins - including three starts - between 2013 and 2015. He also had numerous loan spells during his time at Swindon, including in the National League with Tamworth, Gloucester City and Brackley Town. Following his release, Waldon joined Swindon Supermarine (where he had also been on loan), and over the course of three spells with Marine he scored 34 goals in 73 matches. Waldon has also had spells with Mangotsfield United and North Leigh in the Southern League while he has featured for Highworth Town, Shrivenham and Chipping Sodbury Town in the Hellenic League.</p> | Phil Hall |
|  <p>Alan Griffin</p> | <p>A high quality target man who enjoyed a distinguished playing career in non-league football. Now entering his 2nd season as Bassett's assistant manager. Initially joined for the 2021-22 season as a player, scoring 16 times in 32 appearances before joining the coaching staff. While taking on his current role, Griffin has continued to play, featuring 38 times last season (34 appearances coming from the bench) and adding 5 goals. As a player, Griffin is an assured finisher, strong in the air and capable of effectively holding up the ball. He made a prolific start to his playing career with Corsham in the Western League, and soon moved onto Southern League football, plying his trade with Cirencester, Chippenham, Gloucester City, Mangotsfield Utd, S.Supermarine and Bristol Manor Farm. He spent most of his career with Chippenham and was part of their 2016-17 promotion winning squad that saw the Bluebirds earn National League South status. In 2018-19 he hit 26 goals for Cirencester as they finished runners-up in Southern League Division One South. Joined Bassett after splitting the 2019-20 season between Melksham Town and Malmesbury Victoria. Griffin also has prior managerial experience having spent time in charge of Malmesbury.</p> | John & Kath Fellows |
|  <p>Sam Collier (Manager)</p> | <p>Bassett manager since taking the role in January 2018. In 2018-19, his first full season in charge, he guided the team to 10th in the Hellenic Premier Division - at that point, the club's highest ever finish. Bassett exceeded that record last season with a 5th place finish. Bassett have also set records in national cup competitions under his stewardship, with Collier's sides equalling the club's best FA Cup run in 2020-21 and going further than ever before in the FA Vase, reaching the 3rd round in both 2021-22 and 2022-23. This is Collier's 2nd job in management after he served as Shrivenham player-manager from 2014 to 2015. As a player, he has made 159 appearances for Bassett, scoring 71, finishing as top scorer in 2009-10, when Bassett earned promotion to the Hellenic Premier Division, and 2010-11. Collier has played in almost every other position for Bassett - including as goalkeeper, making a last minute penalty save in 2022-23 to preserve a point against eventual champions Cribbs. During his playing career, he also featured for Purton, Abingdon United, Cirencester Town, Wantage Town and Thatcham Town among others.</p> | Phil Hall |
|  <p>Lee Beavis (Coach)</p> | <p>Beavis is a new addition to joins Bassett's Men's First Team management team for this season. A strong defender in his playing days, Beavis featured for Bassett during the first half of the 2006-07 season under then-manager Paul Burke. He also played for Devizes Town, Calne Town, Melksham Town and Malmesbury Victoria among others.</p> | |

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Match Report

Roman Glass St George (H)



Tuesday 21 November 2023

Bassett suffer early Challenge Cup exit

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1 Roman Glass St George 3

After reaching the semi finals last year, Royal Wootton Bassett Town's hopes of another extended Marsh Challenge Cup run were quickly dashed as Sam Collier's side suffered a 3-1 first round defeat at home against Roman Glass St George.

Bassett were left to rue a lively spell early in the second half when they were on top of their opponents, but could only yield an equaliser, a 70th minute own goal cancelling out a lead Roman Glass had held since Shea Mannings' 10th minute penalty.

A fine finish from Lewis Leigh-Gilchrist then restored the visitors' lead with just over ten minutes of the match remaining before the same player put the outcome beyond doubt as stoppage time began.

Bassett, without a cup final appearance since the 2000-01 campaign, do still have an interest in three cup competitions - with games in each over the next two weeks.

That stretch begins with a Wiltshire Premier Shield quarter final visit to Highworth Town next Wednesday. There then follows the Isuzu FA Vase third round clash with Bridgwater United before a home date with Clanfield in the last sixteen of the Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup.

Progress in all three will be a tough ask - but it's an achievement worth aiming for as Bassett seek to end their silverware drought.



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| Season | Div | Pld | Won | Drew | Lost | For | Agst | Pts | Position | Manager | Top Scorer |
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| 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 Bow 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 | 38 | 19 | 8 | 11 | 67 | 50 | 65 | 5 out of 20 | Sam Collier | Alfie Presley 14 |
| 2023/24 | Prem | 17 | 11 | 1 | 5 | 29 | 27 | 34 | 3 out of 20 | Sam Collier | Alfie Presley & Conor Waldon 5 |

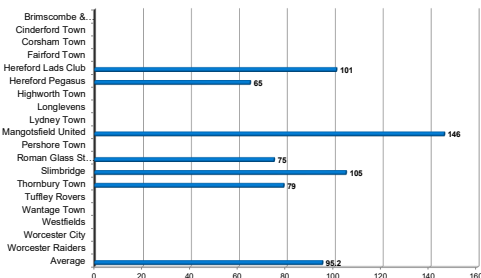
* At time season 2019-20 was suspended due to Covid-19

| | Total | Won | Drew | Lost | Ratio | | | |
|------------------|-------|-----|------|------|-------------------|-------|-----|---------------------|
| | 1,202 | 464 | 246 | 492 | 38.6% 20.5% 40.9% | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | Pld | Won | Drew | Lost | For | Agst | Pts | Won:Drew:Lost Ratio |
| Premier Division | 579 | 186 | 114 | 279 | 782 | 1,089 | 669 | 32.1% 19.7% 48.2% |
| 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% |

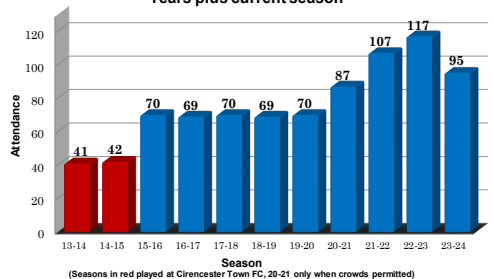
| Nickname | Bassett |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Record Gate | 2,103 v Swindon Town (1991) |
| Best Gate - 2022/23 | 220 v Malvern Town |
| Average Hellenic Attendance 2022/23 | 117 (up from 107 in 22/23) |
| Record Known Win | 16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34) |
| Record Known Defeat | 1 - 16 v Warmminster T (3/11/1945) |

CROWDS

RWBTFC League Attendances - Season 2023-24



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





Match Report

Westfields (A)



Saturday 25 November 2023

Griffin snatches dramatic late win after bizarre turn of events Westfields 1

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2

Entering his 350th game with Royal Wootton Bassett Town as either a player or manager, Sam Collier probably thought he had seen it all during his time with the club.

But football has the habit of throwing up something new - and that was the case for Bassett's long journey to face Westfields.

Allpay Park is never the easiest ground to get anything from - even with Westfields underachieving this year compared to the previous three seasons. And the Bassett boss was forced to travel with a somewhat depleted squad given injuries and unavailability.

Collier's task was made even harder though by the fact defender Luke Softley travelled to the wrong ground. Rather than Westfields in Hereford, the Hungerford Town loanee - who lives in Worcester - went to Westfield (note the lack of an s), based in Woking in Surrey.

That meant a late reshuffle with assistant manager Alan Griffin thrust into the starting line up.

It certainly wasn't the ideal way to start the afternoon. But it ultimately proved to be a blessing in disguise as Griffin played a key role, including scoring the last minute winner that took Bassett to a vital 2-1 Hellenic League Premier Division victory.

The result was made all the better too by the fact that Bassett wound up being just one of three teams in the top ten - alongside Pershore Town and Roman Glass St George - not to drop points this weekend.

Victory was certainly earned the hard way - in more ways than one.

Cursing his luck already, Collier's afternoon

quickly got more stressful when Westfields earned a 9th minute penalty as Griffin was harshly adjudged to have felled Oli Barnes. Barnes took the spot kick and placed the ball just out of reach of Rob Brown and into the bottom right corner.

Bassett got back on level terms just before the half hour mark. Griffin rose highest in the box to meet a corner, with his header crashing off the bar and falling to Tommy Ouldridge who scrambled home the equaliser.

Westfields were having the better of things though and had excellent chances to go back in front before the interval as Bradlee Phillips, Jac Evans and Luke Firkin all came close.

The hosts continued to be the more creative of the teams after the restart but were unable to make their territorial advantage pay off.

Bassett therefore seemed as though they were going to just about hold on for a draw - that was until the last minute of the game when Griffin clinched all three points.

The visitors earned a free kick in the left corner, which Jack Hobson-McVeigh whipped in and, with a glancing header, Griffin stooped low to guide the ball into the bottom right corner.

What a way to end an afternoon whose turn of events you couldn't script..





ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN

| Date | Opponents | H/A | Result | Crowd | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|--------|-----------------------------------|-----|----------|-------|-----------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| 05-Aug | Mangotsfield Utd (FAC Ex. Prelim) | A | L 0 - 2 | 190 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | H. Walters | Bampton | Ouldrige |
| 12-Aug | Slimbridge | H | W 2 - 1 | 105 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | Ouldrige (1) |
| 15-Aug | Wantage Town | A | W 4 - 0 | 66 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | Ouldrige |
| 22-Aug | Mangotsfield United | H | W 1 - 0 | 146 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | K.Robinson |
| 26-Aug | Hereford Pegasus | H | W 1 - 0 | 65 | Pickering | Partridge | Wheeler | Corcoran | Bampton | K.Robinson |
| 28-Aug | Highworth Town | A | L 0 - 1 | 242 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Wheeler | K.Robinson |
| 05-Sep | Corsham Town | A | L 1 - 7 | 250 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Wheeler | Bampton | Chilcott |
| 09-Sep | Tuffley Rovers | A | W 2 - 1 | 74 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | K.Robinson |
| 14-Sep | Swindon Supermarine (FLC1) | H | W 3 - 0 | 143 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | K.Robinson |
| 19-Sep | Fairford Town | A | W 4 - 2 | 105 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | Packer (1) |
| 30-Sep | Pershore Town | A | L 2 - 3 | 161 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran (1) | Chilcott | K.Robinson |
| 03-Oct | Thornbury Town | H | D 2 - 2 | 79 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | K.Robinson |
| 07-Oct | Lydney Town | A | L 0 - 2 | | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | K.Robinson |
| 10-Oct | Thornbury Town | A | W 2 - 1 | 70 | Pickering | Partridge | Spalding | Chilcott | Bampton | Presley (1) |
| 21-Oct | Elburton Villa (FAV1) | H | W 2 - 1 | 105 | Brown | Partridge | Wrona | Corcoran | Bampton | Presley |
| 28-Oct | Hereford Lads Club | H | W 2 - 1 | 101 | Brown | Partridge | Spalding (1) | Corcoran | Bampton | Presley |
| 01-Nov | Brimscombe & Thrupp | A | W 3 - 1 | 65 | Brown | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | Presley (2) |
| 07-Nov | Roman Glass St George | H | W 1 - 0 | 75 | Brown | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | Presley |
| 11-Nov | Longlevens (FAV2) | H | W 2 - 1 | 129 | Brown | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | Presley (2) |
| 18-Nov | Worcester City | A | L 0 - 4 | 825 | Brown | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | McBeam | Softley |
| 21-Nov | Roman Glass St George (MCC) | H | L 1 - 3 | 68 | Brown | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | Bampton | Presley |
| 25-Nov | Westfields | A | W 2 - 1 | | Brown | Partridge | Spalding | Corcoran | H.Walters | Presley |
| 28-Nov | Highworth Town (WPS2) | A | W 2 - 2* | | Brown | Partridge (1) | Softley | Corcoran | Bampton | H.Walters |
| 02-Dec | Bridgwater Town (FAV3) | H | | | | | | | | |
| 05-Dec | Clanfield (FLC 2) | H | | | | | | | | |
| 09-Dec | Pershore Town | H | | | | | | | | |
| 16-Dec | Lydney Town | H | | | | | | | | |
| 23-Dec | Longlevens | A | | | | | | | | |
| 27-Dec | Highworth Town | H | | | | | | | | |
| 30-Dec | Hereford Pegasus | A | | | | | | | | |
| 01-Jan | Hereford Lads Club | A | | | | | | | | |
| 06-Jan | Cinderford Town | H | | | | | | | | |
| 09-Jan | Longlevens | H | | | | | | | | |
| 13-Jan | Worcester Raiders | A | | | | | | | | |
| 16-Jan | Tuffley Rovers | H | | | | | | | | |
| 20-Jan | Worcester City | H | | | | | | | | |
| 27-Jan | Westfields | H | | | | | | | | |
| 03-Feb | Roman Glass St George | A | | | | | | | | |
| 10-Feb | Slimbridge | A | | | | | | | | |
| 17-Feb | Wantage Town | H | | | | | | | | |
| 24-Feb | Mangotsfield United | A | | | | | | | | |
| 02-Mar | Corsham Town | H | | | | | | | | |
| 08-Mar | Fairford Town | H | | | | | | | | |
| 16-Mar | Brimscombe & Thrupp | H | | | | | | | | |
| TBA | Cinderford Town | A | | | | | | | | |
| TBA | Worcester Raiders | H | | | | | | | | |

* Won on penalties

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



MEN'S FIRST TEAM SEASON 2023-24



| | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------|--|
| Taylor | Wrona | Moore | Gallagher | Hobson-McVeigh | Griffin | Timbrell | F.Walters | | | |
| Taylor | Jones (1) | Moore | Gallagher | Hobson-McVeigh | K.Robinson | Packer | Waldon | | | |
| Taylor | Jones | Waldon (2) | Gallagher (2) | Hobson-McVeigh | K.Robinson | Packer | Moore | Chilcott | Griffin | |
| Taylor | Jones | Waldon | Gallagher (1) | Packer | Ouldrige | Timbrell | Hobson-McVeigh | | | |
| Taylor | Jones | Waldon (1) | Gallagher | Packer | Moore | Thorp | Timbrell | | | |
| Moore | Jones | Timbrell | Gallagher | Packer | Griffin | Thorp | Waldon | | | |
| Taylor | Jones (1) | Waldon | Gallagher | Hobson-McVeigh | Griffin | Thorp | Timbrell | Ouldrige | Bowen | |
| Taylor | Ouldrige | Waldon | Chilcott | Packer | Griffin | Gallagher | Moore | | | |
| Stewart | Ouldrige | Waldon | Pagliaroli (2) | Gibbs | Griffin | F. Walters | H. Walters | Chilcott | Bowen (1) | |
| Taylor | Ouldrige | Waldon | Pagliaroli (1) | Jones (2) | Stewart | Chilcott | Hobson-McVeigh | | | |
| Packer | Ouldrige (1) | Waldon | Jones | Hobson-McVeigh | H.Walters | Wrona | Stewart | Griffin | | |
| Packer | Ouldrige | Waldon | Bennett | Hobson-McVeigh (1) | Chilcott (1) | Stewart | F. Walters | Wrona | | |
| Stewart | Ouldrige | Wrona | Gallagher | Hobson-McVeigh | F. Walters | Collier | Griffin | | | |
| Packer (1) | Ouldrige | Wrona | Gallagher | Hobson-McVeigh | Stewart | H. Walters | Timbrell | Sheppard-Cozens | | |
| Packer (1) | Chilcott | Waldon | Gallagher (1) | Hobson-McVeigh | Ouldrige | Z.Robinson | Timbrell | | | |
| Packer | Ouldrige | Waldon (1) | Gallagher | Hobson-McVeigh | Chilcott | Taylor | Wrona | | | |
| Packer (1) | Ouldrige | Waldon | Gallagher | Taylor | Chilcott | Z.Robinson | H. Walters | Griffin | | |
| Packer | Ouldrige | Chilcott (1) | Gallagher | K.Robinson | Bennett | Pagliaroli | | | | |
| Timbrell | Ouldrige | Chilcott | Gallagher | Hobson-McVeigh | Griffin | H. Walters | | | | |
| Packer | Ouldrige | Chilcott | Gallagher | Timbrell | H. Walters | | | | | |
| Packer | Ouldrige (1) | Chilcott | Gallagher | Hobson-McVeigh | | | | | | |
| F.Walters | Ouldrige (1) | Griffin (1) | Taylor | Hobson-McVeigh | Timbrell | | | | | |
| Packer | Ouldrige | Dodd | Gallagher | Hobson-McVeigh(1) | F. Walters | Lartey | Griffin | Timbrell | | |

(County Cup), MCC - Challenge Cup



Season 2023-24

Appearances & Goals Statistics

| Season 2023-24 | | | | | | RWBTFC Career | |
|----------------|----------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|---------------|-------|
| | Appearances | Starts | As Sub | Total | Goals | Apps | Goals |
| 1 | Jowan Partridge | 23 | | 23 | 1 | 55 | 1 |
| 2 | Thomas Ouldrige | 18 | 3 | 21 | 4 | 96 | 19 |
| 3 | Adam Corcoran | 20 | | 20 | 1 | 326 | 16 |
| 4 | Louis Spalding | 20 | | 20 | 2 | 67 | 12 |
| 5 | David Bampton | 19 | | 19 | | 104 | 4 |
| 6 | Bailey Gallagher | 17 | 1 | 18 | 4 | 111 | 20 |
| 7 | Sam Packer | 15 | 2 | 17 | 4 | 176 | 35 |
| 8 | Jack Hobson-McVeigh | 14 | 2 | 16 | 2 | 52 | 7 |
| 9 | Scott Chilcott | 9 | 6 | 15 | 2 | 72 | 5 |
| 10 | Harry Pickering | 14 | | 14 | | 14 | |
| 11 | Connor Waldon | 12 | 2 | 14 | 4 | 14 | 4 |
| 12 | Alan Griffin | 1 | 11 | 12 | 1 | 82 | 23 |
| 13 | Chris Taylor | 10 | 1 | 11 | | 92 | 2 |
| 14 | Kai Robinson | 9 | 2 | 11 | | 143 | 2 |
| 15 | Joshua Timbrell | 3 | 8 | 11 | | 26 | |
| 16 | Harry Walters | 3 | 7 | 10 | | 30 | |
| 17 | Robert Brown | 9 | | 9 | | 9 | |
| 18 | Alfie Presley | 8 | | 8 | 5 | 88 | 29 |
| 19 | Matthew Jones | 8 | | 8 | 4 | 38 | 22 |
| 20 | Giorgio Wrona | 4 | 3 | 7 | | 212 | 24 |
| 21 | Flynn Walters | 1 | 6 | 7 | | 8 | 1 |
| 22 | Tom Moore | 3 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 17 | 4 |
| 23 | Akeem Stewart | 2 | 4 | 6 | | 6 | |
| 24 | Owain Wheeler | 3 | | 3 | | 3 | |
| 25 | Brad Pagliaroli | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 68 | 32 |
| 26 | Toby Thorp | | 3 | 3 | | 3 | |
| 27 | Luke Softley | 2 | | 2 | | 2 | |
| 28 | Matt Bennett | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 232 | 69 |
| 29 | Spencer Bowen | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 1 |
| 30 | Zak Robinson | | 2 | 2 | | 2 | |
| 31 | Kyle Gibbs | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| 32 | Daniel McBeam | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| 33 | Ben Dodd | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| 34 | Sam Collier | | 1 | 1 | | 160 | 71 |
| 35 | Jack Sheppard-Cozens | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | |
| 36 | Kevin Lartey | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | |

Season 2023-24

Hellenic League Tables

| 2023-2024 Season | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division | | | | | | | |
| | Pld | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
| 1 Corsham Town | 20 | 12 | 6 | 2 | 49 | 20 | 42 |
| 2 Worcester City | 16 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 51 | 12 | 41 |
| 3 Royal W. Bassett Town | 17 | 11 | 1 | 5 | 29 | 27 | 34 |
| 4 Roman Glass St George | 18 | 10 | 1 | 7 | 38 | 26 | 31 |
| 5 Highworth Town | 15 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 28 | 18 | 30 |
| 6 Worcester Raiders | 18 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 30 | 22 | 30 |
| 7 Hereford Pegasus | 18 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 35 | 35 | 30 |
| 8 Slimbridge | 18 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 33 | 31 | 28 |
| 9 Pershore Town | 17 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 38 | 28 | 27 |
| 10 Fairford Town | 17 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 29 | 21 | 26 |
| 11 Mangotsfield United | 18 | 7 | 3 | 8 | 33 | 29 | 24 |
| 12 Cinderford Town | 16 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 33 | 31 | 24 |
| 13 Longlevens AFC | 16 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 28 | 33 | 21 |
| 14 Westfields | 19 | 6 | 2 | 11 | 34 | 40 | 20 |
| 15 Brimscombe & Thrupp | 16 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 23 | 29 | 19 |
| 16 Hereford Lads Club | 19 | 4 | 6 | 9 | 20 | 31 | 18 |
| 17 Tuffley Rovers | 17 | 4 | 3 | 10 | 19 | 36 | 15 |
| 18 Thornbury Town | 18 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 26 | 45 | 14 |
| 19 Lydney Town | 18 | 4 | 1 | 13 | 34 | 55 | 13 |
| 20 Wantage Town | 19 | 2 | 1 | 16 | 17 | 58 | 7 |

| 2023-2024 Season | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|
| UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One | | | | | | | |
| | Pld | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
| 1 Malmesbury Victoria | 20 | 15 | 3 | 2 | 44 | 16 | 48 |
| 2 Clanfield 85 | 20 | 15 | 1 | 4 | 52 | 22 | 46 |
| 3 Hartpury University | 16 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 52 | 12 | 41 |
| 4 Sporting Club Inkberrow | 19 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 48 | 20 | 39 |
| 5 Devizes Town | 21 | 11 | 2 | 8 | 50 | 38 | 35 |
| 6 Shortwood United | 19 | 10 | 4 | 5 | 41 | 28 | 34 |
| 7 Tytherington Rocks | 19 | 10 | 2 | 7 | 39 | 35 | 32 |
| 8 FC Bristol | 18 | 10 | 1 | 7 | 48 | 32 | 31 |
| 9 F C Stratford | 18 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 33 | 20 | 28 |
| 10 Calne Town | 18 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 37 | 36 | 26 |
| 11 Abingdon United | 20 | 8 | 1 | 11 | 37 | 39 | 25 |
| 12 Southam United | 17 | 7 | 1 | 9 | 33 | 42 | 22 |
| 13 Stonehouse Town | 19 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 27 | 36 | 22 |
| 14 Cheltenham Saracens | 18 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 26 | 36 | 18 |
| 15 Newent Town | 16 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 21 | 42 | 13 |
| 16 Moreton Rangers | 18 | 3 | 3 | 12 | 21 | 53 | 12 |
| 17 Long Crendon | 18 | 3 | 2 | 13 | 23 | 47 | 11 |
| 18 Kidlington Res | 17 | 2 | 3 | 12 | 19 | 47 | 9 |
| 19 Chipping Sodbury Town | 19 | 2 | 3 | 14 | 13 | 63 | 9 |

League Cups Season 2023-24

Marsh Challenge Cup

HELLENIC LEAGUE MARSH CHALLENGE CUP SEASON 2023-24

| Extra Preliminary Round | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------------|
| Abingdon United | 2 - 1 | FC Stratford |
| Bourton Rovers Res | 0 - 2 | Kidlington Res |
| Britwell | 1 - 3 | Chipping Sodbury Town |
| Calne Town | 2 - 5 | Stonehouse Town |
| Chalfont Wasps | 3 - 0 | Holmer Green Dev |
| Chalvey (WMC) Sports | 1 - 13 | Aston Clinton Res |
| Chinnor | 1 - 2 | Mortimer |
| Didcot Town Dev | 10 - 0 | Evesham United Dev |
| Easington Sports Dev | 2 - 1 | Thame United A |
| FC Beaconsfield | 4 - 0 | Ardley United Dev |
| FC Bristol | 4 - 1 | Clanfield 85 |
| Gloucester City Dev | 1 - 6 | Long Crendon |
| Hartpury University | 5 - 2 | Headington Amateurs |
| Hazlemere Sports Crusaders | 0 - 2 | Tytherington Rocks |
| Letcombe (Won 4-2 pens) | 1 - 1 | Oxford City Dev |
| Malmesbury Victoria | 4 - 2 | Cheltenham Saracens |
| Newent Town | 3 - 1 | Devizes Town |
| Prestwood | 3 - 3 | Moreton Rangers (Won 4-3 pens) |
| Shortwood United | 5 - 0 | Shipston Excelsior |
| Swindon Supermarine Dev | 3 - 0 | University of Bristol Imural |
| Taplow United | 3 - 1 | Bishops Cleeve Dev |
| Watlington Town | 4 - 2 | Southam United |

| Preliminary Round | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------------------------|
| Aston Clinton Res | 4 - 1 | Watlington Town |
| Chalfont Waps | 1 - 4 | Abingdon United |
| Didcot Town Dev | 0 - 1 | Letcombe |
| Easington Sport Dev | 1 - 2 | Stonehouse Town |
| FC Beaconsfield | 4 - 3 | Malmesbury Victoria |
| FC Bristol | 4 - 1 | Chipping Sodbury Town |
| Hartpury University | 1 - 0 | Long Crendon |
| Newent Town | 1 - 4 | Shortwood United |
| Sporting Club Inkberrow | 1 - 2 | North Leigh Res |
| Swindon Supermarine Dev | 2 - 1 | Kidlington Res |
| Taplow Utd | 5 - 3 | Mortimer |
| Tytherington Rocks | 4 - 0 | Moreton Rangers |

| First Round | | |
|------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|
| Abingdon United | 3 - 1 | Wantage Town |
| Brimscombe & Thrupp | v | Worcester Raiders |
| Corsham Town | 3 - 0 | Thornbury Town |
| Fairford Town | 4 - 2 | FC Beaconsfield |
| FC Bristol | 1 - 1 | Westfields (3-5 on pens) |
| Hereford Lads Club | 0 - 1 | Tuffley Rovers |
| Letcombe | 4 - 2 | North Leigh Res |
| Longlevens | v | Shortwood United |
| Mangotsfield United | 5 - 1 | Stonehouse Town |
| Pershore Town | 4 - 2 | Lydney Town |
| Royal W. Bassett Town | 1 - 3 | Roman Glass St George |
| Slimbridge | 4 - 2 | Hereford Pegasus |
| Swindon Supermarine Dev | v | Highworth Town |
| Taplow United | v | Aston Clinton Res |
| Tytherington Rocks | 2 - 0 | Hartpury University |
| Worcester City | 4 - 3 | Cinderford Town |

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THE NON-LEAGUE PAPER

ESSENTIAL READING FOR FOLLOWERS OF THE NATIONAL GAME

WHEN The Football Association dropped the bombshell midway through last week that Barnsley were being booted out of the FA Cup for fielding an ineligible player, it may have made more people realise just what goes into running a football club.

We all turn up on a Saturday or midweek to watch a game but it's unlikely we ever think about the work that goes in away from the match day to make sure everything runs smoothly.

Every season we see a Non-League club fall foul of rules in cup competitions. Whether it's a player not registered properly, someone who is cup tied or even under suspension, there are many pitfalls to dodge.

On The Non-League Show podcast with Tim Fuell we've often talked about the pressures on volunteers of clubs and have come to the conclusion: Who would be a Non-League secretary?!

While having every sympathy for Barnsley fans, the news also brought a feeling that these things don't just happen to Non-League clubs and the full-time professional outfits can make mistakes too. Ultimately, that's what this is. Barnsley almost certainly weren't trying to gain any advantage over Horsham on the sly, they just made the error of playing a player in their replay who was out on loan when the original tie — a thrilling 3-3 draw — was played.

But the League One side's bad luck was Horsham's gain and this weekend they take on Sutton United.

It's funny how it's worked out for Dom Di Paola's side. The Isthmian Premier club were, understandably, aggrieved when they had to play their first game up at Barnsley on a Friday night under instruction from South Yorkshire Police.

As a result, a number of fans couldn't make it — even though the Lardy Army did travel in their droves and lapped up every minute of the six-goal thriller.

The draw meant back it was to Sussex in front of the live TV cameras with the benefits of a live TV fee and now this reinstatement for a chance to take on League Two Sutton.

Whether you believe in fate or not, the Hornets will no doubt be in south west London this Saturday full of belief and hope. Maybe it's meant to be!

Bizarre VAR

Anyone else sick of VAR ruining top level games? It's yet another reminder of why we love Non-League football. People getting frustrated with the game at the top will increasingly be drawn to this level of football. And we all know they'll enjoy it when they do.

Matt Badcock

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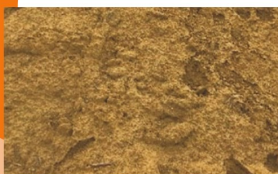
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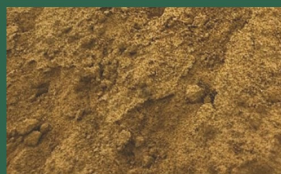
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| Preliminary Round | | |
|--|--------|----------------------------------|
| Brimcombe & Th (Won 4-2 pens) | 1 - 1 | Moreton Rangers |
| Cheltenham Saracens | 4 - 0 | Gloucester City Dev |
| Chipping Sodbury Town | 0 - 9 | Roman Glass St George |
| Corsham Town (Won 7-6 pens) | 1 - 1 | Devizes Town |
| Evesham United Dev | 0 - 10 | Southam United |
| FC Bristol | 0 - 4 | Mangotsfield United |
| Hartpury University | 4 - 5 | Cinderford Town |
| Hereford Lads Club | W - L | FC Stratford |
| Longlevens (Won 6-5 pens) | 3 - 3 | Malmesbury Victoria |
| Newent Town | 3 - 5 | Lydney Town |
| Pershore Town | 5 - 1 | Hereford Pegasus |
| Shortwood United | 1 - 1 | Calne Town (Won 4-3 pens) |
| Sporting Club Inkberrow | 7 - 1 | Bishops Cleeve Dev |
| Stonehouse Town | 1 - 5 | Tuffley Rovers |
| Thornbury Town | 5 - 2 | Tytherington Rocks |
| Westfields | 3 - 5 | Worcester City |

| First Round | | |
|---|-------|-------------------------------|
| Calne Town | 0 - 4 | Worcester City |
| Cheltenham Saracens | 4 - 3 | Cinderford Town |
| Chinnor | 3 - 1 | Thame United A |
| Didcot Town Dev | 0 - 3 | Kidlington Res |
| Fairford Town | 0 - 1 | Clanfield 85 |
| Hereford Lads Club | 0 - 7 | Brimcombe & Thrupp |
| Highworth Town | 1 - 4 | North Leigh Res |
| Long Crendon | 0 - 6 | Oxford City Dev |
| Lydney Town | 0 - 2 | Worcester Raiders |
| Pershore Town | 4 - 2 | Longlevens |
| Roman Glass St George (5-4 pens) | 1 - 1 | Corsham Town |
| Royal Wootton Bassett Town | 3 - 0 | Swindon Supermarine Dev |
| Slimbridge | 2 - 0 | Sporting Club Inkberrow |
| Southam United | 1 - 3 | Mangotsfield United |
| Tuffley Rovers (5-4 pens) | 2 - 2 | Thornbury Town |
| Wantage Town | 0 - 2 | Abingdon United |

| Second Round | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Abingdon United | v | Chinnor |
| Kidlington Res | v | Oxford City Dev |
| Mangotsfield United | v | Roman Glass St George |
| North Leigh Res | v | Brimcombe & Thrupp |
| Royal Wootton Bassett Town | v | Clanfield 85 |
| Tuffley Rovers | v | Slimbridge |
| Worcester City | v | Cheltenham Saracens |
| Worcester Raiders | v | Pershore Town |



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|---------|------------------------------------|
| 1994-95 | Cinderford Town |
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| 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 | <i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i> |
| 2020-21 | <i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i> |
| 2021-22 | <i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i> |
| 2022-23 | Mangotsfield United |



Last season's winners Mangotsfield United

RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team

Season 2023-24

ROYAL W. BASSETT TOWN FC DEV - SEASON 2023-24 FIXTURES & RESULTS CORSHAM PRINT WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

| Date | Opponents | H/A | Comp | Result | Scorers |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----|--------|---------|---|
| Sat 12-Aug-23 | Shrewton United | H | League | W 6 - 2 | Lartey 2, Bell 2, B.Spackman, F.Walters |
| Tue 15-Aug-23 | Wroughton | A | League | L 2 - 4 | E. Spackman, H.Walters |
| Sat 19-Aug-23 | Frome Collegians | A | League | W 5 - 0 | Lartey, B.Spackman, Mesas, Pettifer, Head |
| Sat 26-Aug-23 | Larkhall Athletic Dev | H | League | L 1 - 2 | Bell |
| Tue 29-Aug-23 | Melksham Town Res | A | League | L 2 - 3 | M.Spackman, Lartey |
| Sat 02-Sep-23 | Ludgershall Sports | A | League | W 4 - 1 | Bell, Smith, M.Spackman, Stewart |
| Tue 05-Sep-23 | Kingsdown | H | League | W 1 - 0 | Bell |
| Sat 09-Sep-23 | Amesbury Town | H | League | L 3 - 4 | Lartey, Pope, F. Walters |
| Tue 12-Sep-23 | Blunsdon | H | WSC | L 1 - 2 | Lartey |
| Sat 16-Sep-23 | Salisbury Dev | A | League | W 4 - 0 | Stewart 3, Bell |
| Tue 19-Sep-23 | Blunsdon | H | League | W 2 - 0 | Bell 2 |
| Tue 26-Sep-23 | Shrivenham | H | League | W 4 - 1 | Spalding 2, Chilcott, H. Walters |
| Sat 30-Sep-23 | Pewsey Vale | A | League | L 2 - 4 | Lartey, Mason |
| Sat 07-Oct-23 | Devizes Town Res | A | FT Cup | W 4 - 0 | Bell 3, House |
| Sat 14-Oct-23 | Odd Down (Bath) | A | League | W 8 - 0 | Stewart 4, Ceko 2, H. Walters 2 |
| Sat 21-Oct-23 | Malmesbury Vics Dev | H | League | W 4 - 1 | Bell 2, H.Walters, B. Spackman |
| Sat 28-Oct-23 | Trowbridge Town | H | League | W 3 - 2 | B.Spackman, H.Walters, Ferriera |
| Sat 11-Nov-23 | Shrewton United | A | League | L 2 - 4 | Capel, Mesas |
| Sat 18-Nov-23 | Wroughton | H | League | L 0 - 3 | |
| Sat 25-Nov-23 | Ludgershall Sports | A | FT Cup | L 4 - 4 | (5-6 on pens) Mesas 2, Bell, Ferriera |
| Sat 09-Dec-23 | Pewsey Vale | H | League | | |
| Sat 16-Dec-23 | Salisbury Dev | H | League | | |
| Sat 23-Dec-23 | Kintbury Rangers | H | League | | |
| Sat 06-Jan-24 | Blunsdon | A | League | | |
| Sat 13-Jan-24 | Ludgershall Sports | H | League | | |
| Sat 20-Jan-24 | Melksham Town Res | H | League | | |
| Sat 03-Feb-24 | Amesbury Town | A | League | | |
| Sat 10-Feb-24 | Kintbury Rangers | A | League | | |
| Sat 17-Feb-24 | Odd Down (Bath) | H | League | | |
| Sat 24-Feb-24 | Larkhall Athletic Dev | A | League | | |
| Sat 02-Mar-24 | Calne Town Res | H | League | | |
| Sat 09-Mar-24 | Malmesbury Vics Dev | A | League | | |
| Sat 23-Mar-24 | Trowbridge Town | A | League | | |
| Sat 30-Mar-24 | Shrivenham | A | League | | |
| Sat 06-Apr-24 | Calne Town Res | A | League | | |
| Tue 09-Apr-24 | Kingsdown | A | League | | |

| Goalscorers | League | WSC | FT Cup | Frome | Total |
|------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Nathaniel Bell | 10 | | 3 | | 13 |
| Ackeem Stewart | 8 | | | | 8 |
| Kevin Lartey | 5 | 1 | | 1 | 7 |
| Harry Walters | 6 | | | | 6 |
| Manuel Mesas | 2 | | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Ben Spackman | 3 | | | 1 | 4 |
| Bongumenzi Ceko | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Flynn Walters | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Louis Spalding | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Max Spackman | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Alfonso Ferriera | 1 | | 1 | | 2 |
| Ben Pope | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Euan Spackman | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Finley Smith | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Nick Mason | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Scott Chilcott | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Adam House | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Chris Head | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Zach Pettifer | | | | 1 | 1 |
| | 48 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 61 |

RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team

Season 2023-24

| Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Season 2023-24 | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|----|---|----|----|----|-----------------------------------|
| | Pld | W | D | L | F | A | PTS |
| 1 Kintbury Rangers | 15 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 67 | 14 | 37 |
| 2 Amesbury Town | 13 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 48 | 15 | 33 |
| 3 Pewsey Vale | 12 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 26 | 7 | 30 |
| 4 Royal W. Bassett Town Dev | 16 | 9 | 0 | 7 | 48 | 31 | 27 |
| 5 Melksham Town Res | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 36 | 26 | 26 |
| 6 Shrewton United | 19 | 8 | 1 | 10 | 50 | 53 | 25 |
| 7 Kingsdown | 13 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 25 | 13 | 23 |
| 8 Larkhall Athletic Dev | 10 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 24 | 13 | 22 |
| 9 Wroughton | 15 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 34 | 27 | 21 |
| 10 Blunsdon | 14 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 25 | 24 | 20 |
| 11 Shrivenham | 15 | 6 | 1 | 8 | 27 | 35 | 19 |
| 12 Trowbridge Town | 12 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 25 | 16 | 18 |
| 13 Calne Town Res | 14 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 24 | 39 | 16 |
| 14 Malmesbury Victoria Dev | 18 | 4 | 3 | 11 | 26 | 52 | 15 |
| 15 Salisbury Dev | 16 | 3 | 1 | 12 | 17 | 54 | 10 |
| 16 Ludgershall Sports* | 13 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 15 | 44 | 9 |
| 17 Odd Down (Bath) Dev* | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 11 | 65 | 0 |
| 18 Frome Collegians | | | | | | | Record Expunged due to withdrawal |

* Ludgershall Sports v Odd Down (Bath) Dev subject to FA review & excluded for now

Saturday 25 November 2023

Penalty Shootout Pain for Bassett

Ludgershall Sports 4

Royal W. Bassett Town Dev 4

Ludgershall won 6-5 on pens

Bassett were involved in a Third Round Fountain Trophies Cup tie last Saturday against Ludgershall Sports.

When the two sides had met in the league back at the start of September Royal Wootton Bassett had won 4-1 and in the second meeting of the season there were once again plenty of goals. It was 3-3 at the end of 90 minutes necessitating extra time. Royal Wootton Bassett went in front in the extra period only then to concede a last-minute equaliser meaning penalty kicks were needed to settle matters.

Ludgershall Sports eventually won the penalty shootout 6-5, Julius Quayson-Otoo with the winning penalty, to make it through to the last eight where they will be away to the winner of the Kintbury Rangers versus Trowbridge Town tie. On target for Ludgershall Sports in open play were Luke Holden with a hat-trick, as he moved on 15 for the season, and Aaron Joseph. The four Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development scorers were Mani Mesas with two, leading scorer Nathaniel Bell from the penalty spot and Afonso Ferreira.

RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM

Season 2023-24

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Women's Team

Season 2023-24 - South West Regional Women's League Eastern Division

| Date | Opponents | H/A | Comp | Result | Scorers |
|---------------|-------------------------|-----|-------|----------|---|
| Sun 03-Sep-23 | Purton | A | SWRL | W 3 - 0 | Sykes 2, Davies |
| Sun 10-Sep-23 | Longwell Green (FAC Q1) | A | FAC | W 14 - 0 | Elliott 3, Davies 2, H. Gulliver 2, Jefferies 2, Morse 2, Goodright, Sykes, Topping |
| Sun 17-Sep-23 | Frome Town | H | SWRL | W 5 - 1 | Elliott 2, Baker, Gulliver, Green |
| Sun 24-Sep-23 | Ridgeway | A | SWRL | W 7 - 0 | Gulliver 3, Baker 2, Morse, Egerton |
| Sun 01-Oct-23 | Stockwood Wanderers | A | FAC | W 7 - 2 | Gulliver 3, Elliott 2, Goodright, Green |
| Sun 08-Oct-23 | Bath City | A | SWRL | L 1 - 2 | Jefferies |
| Sun 22-Oct-23 | AFC Stoneham | H | FAC | L 0 - 1 | |
| Sun 29-Oct-23 | Poole Town | H | SWRL | L 1 - 5 | Morse |
| Sun 05-Nov-23 | Poole Town | A | SWRL | W 2 - 1 | Jefferies, Goodright |
| Sun 12-Nov-23 | Purton | H | SWRL | W 3 - 1 | Burridge 2, N. Goodright |
| Sun 26-Nov-23 | Frome Town | A | SWRL | P - P | |
| Sun 03-Dec-23 | Ridgeway | H | SWRL | | |
| Sun 10-Dec-23 | Stockwood Wanderers | A | SWRL | | |
| Sun 17-Dec-23 | Westbury Youth | H | WCC 2 | | |
| Sun 17-Dec-23 | Bath City | H | SWRL | | |
| Sun 07-Jan-24 | Stockwood Wanderers | H | SWRL | | |
| Sun 14-Jan-24 | Weymouth | A | SWRL | | |
| Sun 21-Jan-24 | Shaftesbury | H | SWRL | | |
| Sun 04-Feb-24 | Shaftesbury | A | SWRL | | |
| Sun 11-Feb-24 | Weymouth | H | SWRL | | |

Goalscorers

| |
|-------------------|
| Hannah Gulliver |
| Maddy Elliott |
| Caily Morse |
| Laura Jefferies |
| Natalie Goodright |
| Holly Baker |
| Emma Sykes |
| Laura Davies |
| Rosie Burridge |
| Lucia Green |
| Amber Egerton |
| Aly Topping |

| League | Cup | Total |
|--------|-----|-------|
| 4 | 5 | 9 |
| 2 | 5 | 7 |
| 2 | 2 | 4 |
| 2 | 2 | 4 |
| 2 | 2 | 4 |
| 3 | | 3 |
| 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 2 | | 2 |
| 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 1 | | 1 |
| | 1 | 1 |
| 22 | 21 | 43 |



THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 2023-24

| Date | Round | Opponents | H/A | Result | Prize Money | |
|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----|----------|-------------|---------|
| | | | | | Winner | Loser |
| 10-Sep-23 | First Qualifying Round | v Longwell Green | A | W 14 - 0 | £1,800 | £450 |
| 1-Oct-23 | Second Qualifying Round | v Stockwood Wanderers | A | W 7 - 2 | £3,000 | £750 |
| 22-Oct-23 | Third Qualifying Round | v AFC Stoneham | H | L 0 - 1 | £4,000 | £1,000 |
| 12-Nov-23 | First Round | v Sticker Ladies | A | | £6,000 | £1,500 |
| 26-Nov-23 | Second Round | v Plymouth Argyle* | A | | £8,000 | £2,000 |
| 10-Dec-23 | Third Round | v Oxford United* | H | | £10,000 | £2,500 |
| 14-Jan-24 | Fourth Round | v | | | £15,000 | £3,750 |
| 11-Feb-24 | Fifth Round | v | | | £20,000 | £5,000 |
| 10-Mar-24 | Sixth Round | v | | | £25,000 | £6,250 |
| 14-Apr-24 | Semi-Final | v | | Wembley | £50,000 | £12,500 |
| 12-May-24 | Final | v | | Wembley | £100,000 | £50,000 |

* Still in competition

| | |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Total Prize Money Won | £5,800 |
|------------------------------|---------------|

RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM

Season 2023-24

South West Regional Women's Football League Eastern Division Season 2023-24

| | Pld | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|------------------------------|-----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| 1 Poole Town | 10 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 45 | 13 | 24 |
| 2 Stockwood Wanderers | 8 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 27 | 13 | 18 |
| 3 Royal Wootton Bassett Town | 7 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 22 | 10 | 15 |
| 4 Bath City | 9 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 14 | 15 |
| 5 Purton* | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 14 | 13 | 6 |
| 6 Shaftesbury Ladies | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 14 | 6 |
| 7 Weymouth* | 7 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 16 | 15 | 5 |
| 8 Frome Town * | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 17 | 5 |
| 9 Ridgeway | 9 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 4 | 53 | 0 |

* Points adjustment

Season 2023-24 Appearances

| | Starts | As Sub | Total | Goals |
|---------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| 1 Hannah Gulliver | 9 | | 9 | 9 |
| 2 Millie Powell | 9 | | 9 | |
| 3 Jasmine Kennedy | 8 | 1 | 9 | |
| 4 Darcy Cox | 8 | 1 | 9 | |
| 5 Maddy Elliott | 8 | | 8 | 7 |
| 6 Natalie Goodright | 8 | | 8 | 3 |
| 7 Laura Jefferies | 7 | 1 | 8 | 3 |
| 8 Kelly Nightingale | 5 | 3 | 8 | |
| 9 Honor Fraser | 7 | | 7 | |
| 10 Amber Egerton | 5 | 2 | 7 | 1 |
| 11 Briony Hurd | 5 | 2 | 7 | |
| 12 Caily Morse | 2 | 5 | 7 | 4 |
| 13 Erin Hemsley | 4 | 2 | 6 | |
| 14 Holly Baker | 5 | | 5 | 3 |
| 15 Emma Sykes | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 |
| 16 Lucia Green | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 |
| 17 Aly Topping | | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| 18 Libby Davies | 2 | | 2 | 3 |
| 19 Neve Johnson | 2 | | 2 | |
| 20 Lucy Goodright | | 2 | 2 | |
| 21 Mollie Smith | 1 | | 1 | |
| 22 Ellie O'nions | | 1 | 1 | |
| 23 Nia Davies | | 1 | 1 | |
| 24 Rosie Jones | | 1 | 1 | |

Total in SWRWFL*

| Apps | Goals |
|------|-------|
| 98 | 27 |
| 47 | |
| 34 | |
| 9 | |
| 85 | 21 |
| 8 | 3 |
| 109 | 17 |
| 8 | |
| 7 | |
| 98 | 13 |
| 7 | |
| 18 | 6 |
| 6 | |
| 72 | 12 |
| 77 | 7 |
| 5 | 2 |
| 51 | 13 |
| 34 | 59 |
| 17 | |
| 2 | |
| 42 | |
| 31 | 2 |
| 17 | |
| 1 | |

RWBTFC U18 Floodlit Team

Season 2023–24

Season 2023-24 - Under 18 Floodlit League - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League

| Date | Opponents | H/A | Comp | Result | Scorers |
|----------------|-------------------------|-----|--------|---------|--|
| Thur 07-Sep-23 | Tuffley Rovers | H | FA YC | L 1 - 2 | Smith |
| Mon 11-Sep-23 | Bristol Manor Farm | A | League | L 0 - 5 | |
| Thur 21-Sep-23 | Bradford Town | A | League | W 7 - 1 | Beavis 3, Smith, Westlake, Cranswick-Coates, Painter |
| Thur 28-Sep-23 | Wims 11 | H | League | W 5 - 2 | Beavis 2, Hicks 2, Smith |
| Thur 05-Oct-23 | Kintbury Rangers Yth | H | League | L 0 - 2 | |
| Thur 12-Oct-23 | Melksham Town | H | League | W 3 - 1 | Beavis, Simpkins, Westlake |
| Thur 09-Nov-23 | Kingsdown Lions | H | League | L 0 - 1 | |
| Fri 17-Nov-23 | FC Chippenham | A | League | W 3 - 1 | Wright 2, Westlake |
| Thur 23-Nov-23 | Calne Town | A | League | W 3 - 1 | Beavis, Case, Wright |
| Thur 30-Nov-23 | Bristol Manor Farm | H | League | | |
| Thur 07-Dec-23 | Bradford Town | H | League | | |
| Fri 15-Dec-23 | Wims 11 | A | League | | |
| Fri 12-Jan-24 | FC Chipp'm or Kingsdown | A | L Cup | | |
| Thur 18-Jan-24 | Radstock Town | H | League | | |
| Thur 25-Jan-24 | Melksham Town | A | League | | |
| Mon 29-Jan-24 | Kintbury Rangers Yth | A | League | | |
| Fri 09-Feb-24 | Kingsdown Lions | A | League | | |
| Thur 22-Feb-24 | FC Chippenham | H | League | | |
| Thur 29-Feb-24 | Calne Town | H | League | | |
| Thur 14-Mar-24 | Radstock Town | A | League | | |

| Goalscorers | League | Cup | Total |
|-----------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Joe Beavis | 7 | | 7 |
| Rhys Westlake | 3 | | 3 |
| Finley Smith | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Beau Hicks | 2 | | 2 |
| Jamie Wright | 3 | | 3 |
| Ewan Painter | 1 | | 1 |
| Noah Cranswick-Coates | 1 | | 1 |
| Joseph Simpkins | 1 | | 1 |
| Sam Case | 1 | | 1 |
| Own Goals | | | 0 |
| | <u>21</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>22</u> |

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Under 18 Floodlit Division Season 2023-24

| | Pld | W | D | L | F | A | PTS |
|------------------------------|-----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| 1 Bristol Manor Farm | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 2 | 15 |
| 2 Royal Wootton Bassett Town | 8 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 21 | 14 | 15 |
| 3 Kintbury Rangers Youth | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 23 | 4 | 12 |
| 4 Calne Town | 7 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 14 | 11 | 12 |
| 5 Kingsdown | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 10 |
| 6 Wims 11 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 17 | 21 | 9 |
| 7 Radstock Town | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 6 |
| 8 FC Chippenham | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 22 | 4 |
| 9 Melksham Town | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 23 | 3 |
| 10 Bradford Town | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 5 | 21 | 0 |

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RWBTFC Vets' (Over 35) Team

Season 2023-24

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Vets

Season 2023-24 - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League - Vets North Wilts Division

| Date | Opponents | H/A | Comp | Result | Scorers |
|---------------|----------------------|-----|--------|---------|---|
| Wed 16-Aug-23 | Nomads | H | League | W 4 - 1 | Newton 2, Howse, Shaw |
| Tue 29-Aug-23 | Chiseldon | A | League | L 2 - 3 | Newton, Lye-Owens |
| Wed 06-Sep-23 | Stratton Juniors | H | League | W 3 - 1 | Newton 2, Shaw |
| Tue 12-Sep-23 | Swindon Rovers | A | League | W 3 - 2 | Yeardeley 2, Collier |
| Tue 19-Sep-23 | Coate | A | League | L 0 - 1 | |
| Wed 27-Sep-23 | Blunsdon | H | League | W 2 - 1 | Newton, Simpkins |
| Wed 11-Oct-23 | Stratton Juniors | H | WSC | W 6 - 1 | Shaw, Newton, Richardson, Simpkins, Gould, King |
| Tue 18-Oct-23 | Blunsdon | A | L Cup | W 6 - 1 | Shaw 3, Newton, Yeardeley, King |
| Fri 03-Nov-23 | AFC Swindon | H | League | L 0 - 1 | |
| Wed 08-Nov-23 | Redlynch & Woodfalls | H | WSC | L 0 - 1 | |
| Tue 14-Nov-23 | Cricklade Town | A | League | L 1 - 2 | Wilson |
| Wed 22-Nov-23 | Corsham Town | H | L Cup | L 0 - 2 | |
| Wed 29-Nov-23 | Redhouse | H | League | D 1 - 1 | Shaw |
| Wed 03-Jan-24 | Penhill United | H | League | | |
| Wed 17-Jan-24 | Stratton Juniors | A | League | | |
| Wed 31-Jan-24 | Swindon Rovers | H | League | | |
| Wed 28-Feb-24 | Coate | H | League | | |
| Wed 13-Mar-24 | Blunsdon | A | League | | |
| Wed 20-Mar-24 | AFC Swindon | A | League | | |
| Wed 27-Mar-24 | Chiseldon | H | League | | |
| Wed 03-Apr-24 | Swindon Old Boys | H | League | | |
| Wed 10-Apr-24 | Redhouse | A | League | | |
| Wed 17-Apr-24 | Swindon Old Boys | A | League | | |
| Wed 24-Apr-24 | Cricklade Town | H | League | | |
| Wed 08-May-24 | Penhill United | A | League | | |

Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Vets North Wiltshire Division Season 2023-24

| | Pld | W | D | L | F | A | PTS |
|--|-----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| 1 Redhouse | 10 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 26 | 9 | 26 |
| 2 Cricklade Town | 10 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 18 | 3 | 25 |
| 3 Coate | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 3 | 16 |
| 4 Penhill United | 8 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 15 | 11 | 15 |
| 5 Chiseldon | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 7 | 13 |
| 6 Royal W. Bassett Town | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 12 | 12 | 10 |
| 7 Swindon Old Boys | 8 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 18 | 25 | 9 |
| 8 AFC Swindon | 9 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 18 | 7 |
| 9 Swindon Rovers | 9 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 11 | 15 | 5 |
| 10 Blunsdon | 7 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 12 | 3 |
| 11 Stratton Juniors | 8 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 24 | 1 |
| 12 Nomads - Record expunged following withdrawal from league | | | | | | | |



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| 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 Derby County | H | | £36,000 | |
| 26-Nov-22 | Second Round | v Newport County | A | | £60,000 | |
| 7-Jan-23 | Third Round | v Barnsley | H | | £100,000 | |
| 28-Jan-23 | Fourth Round | v West Ham United | H | | £120,000 | |
| 1-Mar-23 | Fifth Round | v Manchester United | A | | £225,000 | |
| 18-Mar-23 | Sixth Round | v Fulham | H | | £450,000 | |
| 22-Apr-23 | Semi-Final | v Brighton | | Wembley | £1,000,000 | £500,000 |
| 3-Jun-23 | Final | v Manchester City (Winners) | | Wembley | £2,000,000 | £1,000,000 |
| Total Prize Money Won | | | | | | £3,319 |

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 | 2012-13 | EPr | Calne Town | H W 4 - 2 |
| 1939-40 | Pr | Frome Town (War) | A P - P | | Pr | Hamworthy United | H W 1 - 0 |
| 1946-47 | EPr | Dilton Rovers | H W 5 - 1 | QR1 | | Highworth Town | H W 3 - 1 |
| | Pr | Swindon GWR Corinthians | A L 1 - 5 | QR2 | | Dorchester Town | A L 0 - 4 |
| 1947-48 | EPr | Pewsey Vale | H L 0 - 2 | 2013-14 | EPr | Totton & Eling | H L 0 - 2 |
| 1948-49 | EPr | Swindon BR Corinthians | A L 3 - 6 | 2014-15 | EPr | Brackenhurst | A W 3 - 0 |
| 1949-50 | EPr | Warminster Town | H L 4 - 5 | Pr | | Bradford Town | A L 1 - 2 |
| 1950-51 | EPr | Spencer Moulton | H W 2 - 1 | 2015-16 | EPr | Bracknell Town | H L 0 - 2 |
| | Pr | Devizes Town | A L 0 - 4 | 2016-17 | EPr | Andover Town | A L 2 - 5 |
| 2004-05 | Pr | Exmouth | A L 2 - 3 | 2017-18 | EPr | Crawley Green | H L 1 - 2 |
| 2007-08 | EPr | Highworth Town | A D 0 - 0 | 2018-19 | EPr | Leighton Town | A W 1 - 0 |
| | EPr | Highworth Town | H W 2 - 1 | Pr | | Lydney Town | H D 0 - 0 |
| | Pr | Bracknell Town | H W 2 - 1 | Pr | | Lydney Town | A L 3 - 5 |
| | QR1 | Brackenhurst | A D 1 - 1 | 2019-20 | EPr | Aylesbury Vale Dynamos | H D 1 - 1 |
| | QR1 | Brackenhurst | H L 1 - 5 | EPr | | Aylesbury Vale Dynamos | A L 0 - 1 |
| 2008-09 | EPr | Flackwell Heath | A D 1 - 1 | 2020-21 | EPr | Chipping Sodbury T (W4-1 pens) | H D 2 - 2 |
| | EPr | Flackwell Heath | H L 1 - 6 | Pr | | Didcot Town | A W 2 - 1 |
| 2009-10 | EPr | Westbury United | H D 2 - 2 | QR1 | | Cinderford T (Won 6-5 pens) | A D 2 - 2 |
| | EPr | Westbury United | A W 3 - 2 | QR2 | | Oxford City | H L 1 - 2 |
| | Pr | Brackenhurst | H L 0 - 1 | 2021-22 | EPr | Thornbury Town | A W 4 - 0 |
| 2010-11 | Pr | Bradford Town | A D 1 - 1 | Pr | | Ardley United | H D 2 - 2 |
| | EPr | Bradford Town (W4-3 pens) | H D 3 - 3 | PrR | | Ardley United | A L 1 - 3 |
| | Pr | Almondsbury UWE | A W 1 - 0 | 2022-23 | EPr | Windsor | H D 1 - 1 |
| | QR1 | Hamble ASSC | A D 1 - 1 | EPrR | | Windsor | A W 2 - 0 |
| | QR1 | Hamble ASSC | H L 0 - 2 | Pr | | Reading City | H W 3 - 1 |
| 2011-12 | EPr | Radstock Town | A L 1 - 2 | QR1 | | Paulton Rovers | H L 2 - 4 |
| | | | | 2023-24 | EPr | Mangotsfield United | A L 0 - 2 |

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| EMIRATES FA CUP ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN 2023-24 | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------|-----|---------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Date | Round | Opponents | H/A | Result | Prize Money | |
| | | | | | Winner | Loser |
| 5-Aug-23 | Extra Preliminary Round | v Mangotsfield United | A | | £1,125 | £375 |
| 19-Aug-23 | Preliminary Round | v Ascot United | A | | £1,444 | £481 |
| 2-Sep-23 | First Qualifying Round | v Westfield | H | | £2,250 | £750 |
| 16-Sep-23 | Second Qualifying Round | v Lewes | H | | £3,375 | £1,125 |
| 30-Sep-23 | Third Qualifying Round | v Hampton & Richmond B | H | | £5,625 | £1,875 |
| 14-Oct-23 | Fourth Qualifying Round | v Aldershot Town* | A | | £9,375 | £3,125 |
| 4-Nov-23 | First Round | v Swindon Town | A | | £41,000 | |
| 2-Dec-23 | Second Round | v Stockport County* | H | | £67,000 | |
| 6-Jan-24 | Third Round | v | | | £105,000 | |
| 27-Jan-24 | Fourth Round | v | | | £120,000 | |
| 28-Feb-24 | Fifth Round | v | | | £225,000 | |
| 16-Mar-24 | Sixth Round | v | | | £450,000 | |
| 20-Apr-24 | Semi-Final | v | | Wembley | £1,000,000 | £500,000 |
| 25-May-24 | Final | v | | Wembley | £2,000,000 | £1,000,000 |
| <i>* Still in competition</i> | | | | | Total Prize Money Won | |
| | | | | | | £375 |

Second Round Draw

- 1 Maidstone United v Barrow
- 2 Wycombe Wanderers v Morecambe
- 3 Notts County v Shrewsbury Town
- 4 Chesterfield v Leyton Orient
- 5 Aldershot Town v Stockport County
- 6 Alfreton Town v Walsall
- 7 Blackpool v Forest Green Rovers
- 8 Cambridge United v Fleetwood Town
- 9 Bolton Wanderers v Harrogate Town
- 10 Wrexham v Yeovil Town
- 11 Crewe Alexandra v Bristol Rovers
- 12 Peterborough United v Doncaster Rovers
- 13 Eastleigh v Reading
- 14 Gillingham v Charlton Athletic
- 15 Stevenage v Port Vale
- 16 Newport County v Barnet
- 17 Oxford United v Grimsby Town
- 18 York City v Wigan Athletic
- 19 Sutton United v Barnsley
- 20 AFC Wimbledon v Ramsgate



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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 | W 5 - 3 | £825 | £250 |
| 12-Nov-22 | Second Round Proper | v Wellington | A | D 2 - 2 (W 5 - 4 Pens) | £900 | £275 |
| 3-Dec-22 | Third Round Proper | v Corsham Town | H | D 0 - 0 (L 3 - 4 Pens) | £1,125 | £350 |
| 14-Jan-23 | Fourth Round Proper | v Deal Town | H | | £1,875 | £600 |
| 11-Feb-23 | Fifth Round Proper | v Brixham | H | | £2,250 | £725 |
| 11-Mar-23 | Sixth Round Proper | v Peacehaven & Telcombe | A | | £4,125 | £1,350 |
| 1-Apr-23 | Semi-final | v Ascot United (Winners) | H | | £5,500 | £1,725 |
| 21-May-23 | Final (at Wembley) | v Newport Pagnell Town | N | | £30,000 | £15,000 |
| Total Prize Money Won | | | | | £2,075 | |



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 |
| | QR1 | Shrewton United | H | L 2 - 3 |
| 2007-08 | 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 |
| | R2 | Wimbourne Town | A | L 0 - 4 |
| 2009-10 | 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 |

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|---------|-----|---------------------------|---|---------|
| 2015-16 | QR1 | Binfield | H | D 1 - 1 |
| | QR1 | Binfield | A | W 4 - 3 |
| | 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 | Amphthill Town | H | W 2 - 1 |
| | R2 | Horndean | A | L 2 - 3 |
| 2018-19 | 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 |
| | R2 | Torpoint Athletic | H | W 2 - 0 |
| | R3 | Hamworthy United | H | L 1 - 3 |
| 2022-23 | R1 | Bridport | A | W 5 - 3 |
| | R2 | Wellington (W 5 - 4 pens) | A | D 2 - 2 |
| | R3 | Corsham T (L 3 - 4 pens) | H | D 0 - 0 |
| 2023-24 | R1 | Elburton Villa | H | W 2 - 1 |
| | R2 | Longlevens | H | W 2 - 1 |
| | R3 | Bridgwater Town | H | |

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THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C.* FA VASE 2023-24

| Date | Round | Opponents | H/A | Result | Prize Money | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----|---------|-------------|---------------|
| | | | | | Winner | Loser |
| 26-Aug-23 | First Round Qualifying | Bye | | | £550 | £160 |
| 23-Sep-23 | Second Round Qualifying | Bye | | | £725 | £225 |
| 21-Oct-23 | First Round Proper | Elburton Villa | H | W 2 - 1 | £825 | £250 |
| 11-Nov-23 | Second Round Proper | Longlevens | H | W 2 - 1 | £900 | £275 |
| 2-Dec-23 | Third Round Proper | Bridgwater Town* | H | | £1,125 | £350 |
| 13-Jan-24 | Fourth Round Proper | | | | £1,875 | £600 |
| 10-Feb-24 | Fifth Round Proper | | | | £2,250 | £725 |
| 9-Mar-24 | Sixth Round Proper | | | | £4,125 | £1,350 |
| 30-Mar-24 | Semi-final | | | | £5,500 | £1,725 |
| 6-Apr-24 | Semi-final | | | | | |
| 11-May-24 | Final (at Wembley) | | | | £30,000 | £15,000 |
| Total Prize Money Won | | | | | | £1,725 |

* Still in competition

FA VASE DRAW: BASSETT TO HOST BRIDGWATER

Royal Wootton Bassett Town were handed a home draw against Bridgwater United in the Isuzu FA Vase third round.

Having reached the last 64 for a third year in a row courtesy of their 2-1 victory at home against Longlevens, Sam Collier and his side will now seek to avoid a repeat of the heartbreak they have suffered at the third round stage in the past two seasons.

In fact Bassett have narrowly fallen to sides who went on to reach the FA Vase semi finals, taking the lead only to lose 3-1 against Hamworthy United before defeat on penalties after a goalless draw against Corsham Town.

If they are to make it third time lucky and reach the fourth round though then Bassett will have to overcome a Bridgwater team who, currently sitting top of the Western League Premier Division, have enjoyed a flying start to their campaign. They carried their league form into their first foray in the Vase in the second round too, seeing off Longwell Green Sports 5-2.

The Robins are a side with great Vase pedigree too, having twice reached the fifth round - including last year when beaten by eventual winners Ascot United, while advancing to at least the third round in five of

the last six seasons.

They have also gone at least as far as the fourth round in three consecutive years and will be gunning to extend that streak to four when they visit Wiltshire in early December.

A very tough contest is therefore in store for Bassett - perhaps the toughest draw Bassett could have had. But Collier and his team will do all they can to progress. Indeed Bassett pushed Bridgwater all the way when they met in Somerset at the Vase second round stage in 2020-21, with the Robins eking out a 2-1 victory.

Here's hoping that the teams' second ever meeting will see a different outcome as Bassett - going in as underdogs - aim to write more Vase history.

Up the Bass.



Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC



| | |
|---------------------|----|
| Robert Brown | 1 |
| Jowan Partridge | 2 |
| Louis Spalding | 3 |
| Chris Taylor | 4 |
| Adam Corcoran | 5 |
| Dave Bampton | 6 |
| Tommy Ouldridge | 7 |
| Jack Hobson McVeigh | 8 |
| Connor Waldon | 9 |
| Alfie Presley | 10 |
| Bailey Gallagher | 11 |
| Scott Chilcott | 12 |
| Kai Robinson | 14 |
| Josh Timbrell | 15 |
| Harry Walters | 16 |
| Zak Robinson | 17 |
| Sam Packer | 18 |
| Alan Griffin | 19 |
| Harry Pickering | 20 |
| Spencer Bowen | 21 |
| Luke Softley | 22 |
| Daniel McBeam | 23 |
| Euan Spackman | 24 |
| Max Spackman | 25 |

Dugout Team
Manager: Sam Collier
Assistant: Alan Griffin
Coach: Lee Beavis
Therapist: Kara Gregory

Bridgwater United



| | |
|-----------------|----|
| Isaac Finch | 1 |
| Jake Llewellyn | 2 |
| Ross Edwards | 3 |
| Morgan Williams | 4 |
| Josh Phillips | 5 |
| Tom Llewellyn | 6 |
| Harry Horton | 7 |
| Jay Murray | 8 |
| Jack Thorne | 9 |
| George King | 10 |
| Jason Quick | 11 |
| Sam Towler | 12 |
| Adam Wright | 14 |
| Ben Griffith | 15 |
| David Thorne | 16 |
| Jack Taylor | 17 |
| Steve Phillips | 18 |
| Jacob Spence | 19 |
| Mark Armstrong | 20 |
| Josiah McKayle | 21 |

Dugout Team
Manager: Andy Llewellyn
Assistant:
GK Coach:
Therapist:

Match Officials

Referee:  David Nicholson
Assistant 1:  Coby Woodley
Assistant 2:  James Curran

Next Home Game

Tue 05-Dec-23

v Clanfield (Wiseman Floodlit Cup) K-off 7:45PM