### **Wootton Bassett** Town F.C.

### **Bracknell Town** F.C.

Home	e Team Squad	ı	Played No.	Sub
1	Steve	Allison		
2	Stephen	Yeardley		
3	Lee	Stevens		
4	Shaun	Carter		
5	Adam	Corcoran		
6	Dan	Lardner		
7	Jordan	Roberts		
8	Sam	Ockwell		
9	Levi	Cox		
10	Ryan	Stanners		
11	Jonny	Aitkenhead		
12	Tyler	Sheppard		
14	Aaron	Stevens		
15	Kalum	Youngsam		
16	Kyle	Rigley		
17	Callum	Parsons		
18	Curtis	Meare		
19	Fraser	Joyce		
20	Dennis	Sorrenti		
21	Shaun	Terry		
22	Jason	Milhench		
23	Chris	Balfe		
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Visito	ors Team Squa	d	Played No.	Sub
1	Dan .	Smith		
2	Micahel	Watson		
3	Liam	Alleyne		
4	Eddie	Gray		
5	Steve	Nebbett		
6	Danny	Oliphant		
7	Sam	Barratt		
8	Sam	Whiting		
9	Shane	Cooper-Clark		
10	Martin	Bradshaw		
11	Ben	Knight		
12	Ryan	King		
14	Khalid	Senussi		
15	Jordan	Rowland		
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17	Jamie	Osborn		
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**Dugout Team** 

Manager: Jeff Roberts Assistant: **Drew Youngsam**  **Dugout Team** 

Manager: Steve Nebbett Assistant: **Danny Oliphant** 

**Match Officials** 

Referee:

Assist. Ref (Red Flag):

Assist. Ref (Yellow Flag):



G. Evans A. Davies K. Barnett

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### Wootton Bassett Town F.C.













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### **Editorial & WBTFC News**



**A Warm Welcome** to our visitors this evening from **Bracknell Town** for this Uhlsport Hellenic League Premier Division fixture.

The two sides have met on four occasions previously. The first meeting came in the FA Cup when Bracknell Town were a Southern League side and Wootton Basset Town were in Hellenic Division One West. Two goals from Steve Yeardley gave Wootton Bassett Town a memorable giant killing 2-1 win. The match report from this historic game is included in tonight's programme.

The first league meeting between the two sides came in Season 2010-11, Wootton Bassett having been promoted to the Hellenic Premier League and Bracknell having been relegated from the Southern League to the Hellenic. Bracknell ran out 3-0 winners in that first league encounter. The return at Rylands Way saw the two sides share two goals and the points, Alex Green on target for Wootton Bassett in the 1-1 draw.

The last meeting between the two sides was on the opening day of this season when Bracknell got off to a flyer winning 4-1. I know that we did not feel that we did ourselves justice on that day and hopefully will put in a better performance here tonight.



Jordan Roberts and Lee Stevens should be both available again tonight after suspension which should certainly strengthen our side.

This season Bracknell currently sit in 12<sup>th</sup> place in the table with 40 points, 4 ahead of ourselves from the same number of games. If we are to finish above Bracknell we will probably need to win here tonight.

The trend of having in-form teams visit the Corinium continues tonight with Bracknell having won 7 out of their last 8 games so another very tough game is in prospect tonight.

#### Thame

The point at Thame on Saturday was deserved despite fielding something of an unfamiliar team due to injuries and suspensions. Ignoring the result, the major disappointing thing for me from Saturday was that the best players were not called up from the Reserves or Development sides strengthen the team we put out. It seems yet again that we are running 3 separate sides which is just not acceptable. I am sure the Committee will be having meetings this week to discuss Saturday and how the 3 sides can work together more effectively so as not to repeat what happened on Saturday.

#### **Monday's Game**

Unfortunately these notes are being written ahead of Monday's trip to Cheltenham Saracens. Hopefully by the time you read these notes we have three more points on the board in what is a busy week with 4 games in the space of 8 days. After tonight's game we meet Cheltenham Saracens

again on Saturday in the Supplementary Cup with a place in the last 4 at stake.

#### Reserves

The Reserves reached the semi-finals of the President's Cup on Saturday with a 3-1 home win over Thame. Two goals for Lewis Chatwin and one for Lee Smith saw Bassett through to the last 4 of this competition for teams knocked out of the Chairman's Cup competition.

#### **Development Side**

Wootton Bassett Town Development Side maintained the pressure on 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Intel on Saturday following a hard fought 4-1 win over bottom of the table Blunsdon. On target for the Development Side were Lewis Petrie (2), Jake Kitchin and Alan Turner. With 3 games to go against the sides at the top (Melksham, Intel and Malmesbury) it is a tough ask to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> but three big performances and who knows.

#### **Ladies Side**

It was disappointing to see the Ladies Team concede a league fixture on Sunday against 2<sup>nd</sup> in the table Oakland due to being unable to field a side. A team that has reached the final of the County Cup should not be forfeiting league games and hopefully this will be a one-off.

### Youth Sides in Holland

The touring party arrived safely in Holland and were entertained at the Eredivise fixture between ADO Den Haag and FC Utrecht which was won 4-1 by ADO Den Haag. Below is a picture of the lads in the Stadium with their hosts from s'Gravensandse. Games were

### **Editorial & WBTFC News**

scheduled on Monday and Tuesday before the party return today.



#### **Presentation Evening**

A reminder again that this year's Senior Section Presentation will take place on Friday 23rd May at the Sports Association Clubhouse, Rylands Way. First Team, Ladies, Reserves and Development awards will be presented on the night. Further details including start time will be available closer to the date.

#### **Respect Tables**

The latest editions of the Respect Tables are included in this week's Hellenic Bulletin and they still do not make pretty reading for our Club. We remain in 2<sup>nd</sup> worst place behind Highmoor Ibis and this is an area which we must improve on next season. After many seasons of having a good record under the late Dave Turner this season has seen our discipline take a turn for the worse and this cannot be repeated next season. I am sure the Committee will be working with the management team to ensure things improve in this area between now and the end of the season.

Looking at what else is in the **Programme tonight** there is the usual article from a journalist from the Non-League

Paper. This week it is Sam Elliott on the subject of April Fools jokes.

Jeff and Drew look back at the Thame game and ahead to tonight's game in their **Dugout Chat** column and there is also a **match report** from that game at Thame as the Flackwell league fixture.

There are again 4 extra pages as we include for the third and final time the latest edition of the quarterly Newsletter, **Touchline**. Prepared by Press Officer Stuart Smedley Touchline includes an update from the Chairman on the relocation to Ballard's Ash plus articles from the Heads of both the Senior and Youth Sections.

In addition to Touchline this programme contains the usual **picture quiz** to keep you amused at half time. This week it is a repeat of a Manchester United quiz first used in the programme.

The player profile today is defender **Steve Yeardey** who has made more appearances for Wootton Bassett Town than any of the other current players. As noted above Steve scored both goals in that historic FA Cup win against tonight's opponents.

In the **Hellenic Insights** page Stuart Smedley looks at the value of goals scored and conceded by Wootton Bassett Town during the current Uhlsport Hellenic Premier League season. This is a two page feature which means there is no action shot picture in this programme.

"Football was better in my day" feature, looking back at football from the 1970's and 1980's. Today the feature is on The Big Match and Brian Moore, the Editor's favourite ever football commentator.

As the season draws to a close the race to be the winner of our

Fantasy Football
competition hots up. The
programme tonight includes the
latest positions after Saturday
and Sunday's fixtures but
before the Tottenham v
Sunderland game on Monday
night.

Finally a big thank you again to our hosts Cirencester Town for the use of their ground here today. They are certainly having a good season and remain in contention for automatic promotion and, failing that, should comfortably make the play-offs.

Enjoy the game and hopefully we can celebrate three more points.

#### Mark



Cover Photo: Tyler Sheppard against Reading Town.



### **Press Cuttings**

#### **Hellenic League Website**

Thame Match Report (prepared by Thame)

Sunday 6th April 2014

Neither Thame United nor Wootton Bassett Town were able to score when the teams met in an uninspiring game at the ASM Stadium, in Thame's penultimate home league game of the season. Thame's opponents came into the game a few league places below United and, true to form; the home side had more possession but were unable to convert chances into goals.

After a few minutes play Thame's best chance of the half fell to Niall Hodgkins who received the ball with his back to goal near the penalty spot, turned had hit a strong low shot which was inches wide. Hodgkins had another half chance after 25 minutes when he met a Marcus Mealing free kick with a header which was just over the crossbar. The teams went in for the break with Thame having played 60% of the game in their opponent's half, but with neither goalkeeper really tested

Within minutes of the restart Luke Ricketts met a long goal kick with a lob over the keepers head but unfortunately it was also over the crossbar. The game ebbed and flowed but defences dominated until, with about 20 minutes remaining. Lee Farrow was forced to make an outstanding save from a strong low shot from the edge of the box. Minutes later the visiting keeper made a good close range save from Ricketts. In the last 5 minutes Alex Kedzierski forced another good save from the visiting keeper. The corner count was 9 to United and 3 to the visitors, whilst Wootton Bassett had 4 men booked to Thame's 1.

#### Swindon Advertiser Concentration Lapse Denies Win

Concentration Lapse Denies Win Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014



Wootton Bassett assistant manager Drew Youngsam admitted that a lack of concentration cost his side three points as they conceded a late goal to draw 1-1 with Flackwell Heath.

Alan Corcoran had given Bassett the lead in the second half but with five minutes left on the clock a couple of defensive errors led to Ryan Millward clinically finishing from close range to earn Flackwell a point.

"We limited their chances, and from defence to attack we did well, I couldn't fault the side. If we played like that the whole season we wouldn't be where we are now," said the Bassett assistant in the Swindon Advertiser.

"I say to the lads we always need to concentrate for the 90 minutes, and in that split second, we didn't. "We haven't had a game for a couple of weeks and didn't train and the lads probably got tired towards the end when they scored. We were disappointed we only got the one, but we've got a run of games now where we can pick up points."

#### **Hellenic Website**

The Race is On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2014



Monday brought news that the Wantage Town ground had been approved by the FA to be a consideration for promotion should they finish the season as Uhlsport Hellenic League Premier Division Champions.

Ardley United had also received an FA Grade E following a final inspection by FA inspection officers last week. Ardley were required to install extra ground spectator toilet facilities following the first inspection some weeks ago.

Following the games played last night, Tuesday, Ardley United hold a one point lead and a superior goal difference over Wantage Town, though Wantage have two games in hand.

One of the games in hand will be settled on Saturday, when the Alfredian's travel to Wilks Park to play Flackwell Heath, the team they had a narrow 1-0 victory over last night. The Heathens have caused some upsets at home, including a 3-1 victory over Ardley last month, so Wantage will know they have a test awaiting.

Ardley will be involved in The Bluefin Sport Challenge Cup quarter final tie against Tytherington Rocks on Saturday. Though both teams will be back in league action next Tuesday night, with Ardley travelling to Reading and Wantage at home to Abingdon

It's all to play for and could well go to the last week of the season – we await the outcome?

#### **Hellenic Website**

Rocks One West Champions Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2014

Tytherington Rocks four goal victory at Malmesbury Victoria last night brought with it the Uhlsport Hellenic League 2013/14 Division One West championship.

A 4-0 victory over The Vic's with goals from, Luke Sperring along with Alex Chapman, and a Justin Bishop double, saw the Rocks become champions for the second time in three seasons. With only one loss in the league all season, the team, which in the main has not had any major changes in personnel in the past three years, have proved themselves to be worthy champions.

#### **Swindon Advertiser**

Gifted Opponents Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2014

Highworth Town manager John Fisher believes his side are facing the most technical gifted side in the Uhlsport Hellenic League tomorrow.

The Elms side make the journey to Highmoor Ibis looking to bounce back from their 2-0 defeat at Bracknell Town. However, while in awe of Highmoor's footballing ability, Fisher believes that the Reading based side have a darker side to their game. "Without a shadow of a doubt they are the most technically gifted side in the league," Fisher said. "But that is when they want to play football. If the other side of them show up it will be another volatile game, like it was at our place. They can be the worst side in the league, sometimes they just want to fight, and it is not just me saying that, other clubs have found that too.'

The Worthians chief has a full squad to chose for the trip and Fisher is pleased that the players have taken on board what he had to say three weeks ago. "After I had my little moan to the players about their commitment, they have taken it on board and done their utmost to make sure that they are available," Fisher said. "I would like to think it is down to what I had to say to them, but I do think with us having a cup semi-final coming up, whenever that will be, is another factor. We have everyone available so there can be no excuses on our part come Saturday."

### **Dugout Chat**

Good evening and welcome to the management team, players and supporters of Bracknell Town, who have travelled along the M4 and A419 to the Corinium Stadium today for this Uhlsport Hellenic League Premier League fixture. We hope you will join us in the bar after the game.

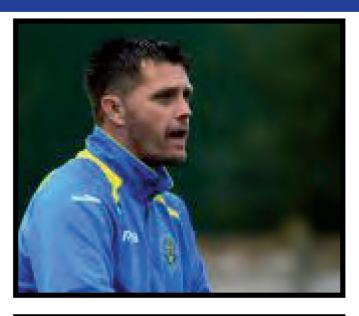
Tonight we entertain another side who are currently in form. In all competitions Bracknell have won 7 out of the last 8 games they have played. They are going particularly well in Cup competitions having reached the semi-final of their County Cup and the Quarter Finals of the Hellenic League Supplementary Cup.

Their league form has also picked up and they moved above us in the table on Saturday with a 3-2 win over Shrivenham. Having also beaten Highworth Town 2-0 last week they are having good results against the Swindon based sides. Currently they are sat in 12th spot in the table 4 points above us. If we are to finsh above them in the table we will need to win tonight. The two sides met on the opening day of the season when we didnot really do ourselves justice and went down 4-1. We will be looking to gain revenge for that heavy defeat here tonight.

With so many players missing on Saturday we were pleased to come away from Thame with a point following the 0-0 draw. To be honest the two sides could still be playing now and neither would probably have scored yet such was the lack of chances created on the day. Special mention to Kalum Youngsam who worked tirelessly up front but didn't get the clear cut chances his endeavours deserved. Sam Ockwell was again outstanding at the back and overall we deserved our point.

Enjoy the game, give the lads plenty of support as we look to try and catch Bracknell and Brimscombe.

Jeff & Drew







### **Opponents - History**

#### **Bracknell Town FC • Club History**

Bracknell Town Football Club was formed in 1896 as Old Bracknell Wanderers and changed its name to Bracknell F.C. in 1949.

The club played in the local leagues until joining the Great Western League in 1959. After four seasons in this league, and renaming the club Bracknell Town in 1962, the club was elected to the Surrey Senior League, which they won in 1969-70.

The club also won the league cup in 1968-69 and 1969-70.



After this success the club entered the Spartan League (later renamed the London Spartan League) and finished runnersup on goal average in 1975-76, in which they also reached the Fifth Round of the FA Vase.

After winning the league in 198-83, they were promoted in 1984 to the Isthmian League Division Two South.

They were promoted to Division One as runners-up in 1985-86, finishing third in their highest ever league placing. However, in 1988-89, Bracknell Town was relegated and, following a reorganisation of the Isthmian League, were in Division Three in 1991-92.

They returned to the Isthmian League Division Two after winning the league in 1993-94, but after five seasons were relegated back down to Division Three. After another league reorganisation in 2002-03, the club was moved into the Isthmian League Division One South, but moved to the Southern Football League Division One West after two seasons.

Bracknell were reprieved from relegation in 2008-09 but were relegated the following season to the Hellenic Football League Premier Division, and subsequently to Division 1 East at the end of the 2011/12 season.

Steve Nebbett and Danny Oliphant have been appointed to lead the club forward.





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Clanfield	2	3	Abingdon United			
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Highworth Town	3	1	Oxford City Nomads			
Hook Norton	2	4	Kidlington			
Lydney Town	5	2	Wootton Bassett Town			
Maidenhead United	5	4	Holyport			
Milton United	1	0	Thame United			
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New College Swindon	1	3	Rayners Lane
Penn & Tylers Green	0	2	Ardley United
Brimscombe & Thrupp	0	1	Highworth Town
Shrivenham	4	3	Maidenhead United
Henley Town	0	1	Binfield
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Easington Sports	2	3	Rayners Lane				
Flackwell Heath	1	1	Highworth Town (3-4 on pens)				
Milton United	0	1	Shortwood United				
Purton	1	4	Ascot United				
Shrivenham	0	1	Wantage Town				
Tytherington Rocks	2	0	Binfield				

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### **Opponents Pen Pics**

#### Team Profiles Bracknell Town FC



Chris Adams Goal Keeper Proven goalkeeper at this level having played for Binfield for a number of seasons. Joined us last term where he quickly became our established number one.



Taylor Elliott-Money Defence Taylor is an attack minded and quick right back who looks to get forward and support at every opportunity.



Damien Smith Defence Uncompromising central defender who can also play the holding midfield role. Most recently with Godalming Town.



Josh Smith Defence Can play anywhere across the back four and joined us from Ascot United midway through last season.



Tom Barrett Tom is a talented youngster who progressed through our youth team. Best in midfield and with a powerful shot, he has a great attitude and can also play at the back although he prefers midfield.



Midfield Scott joins us from Sandhurst Town and is a winger. He is a player that Danny Oliphant coveted and was delighted to get as he offers us more strength in depth in midfield.

Scott Occomore

Josh Delander



Midfield Matt James An experienced midfielder with previous experience at Windsor & Eton and Wokingham Town in the Ryman League.



Another exceptionally quick player who missed over an entire year out through injury but he really finished with a flourish in the latter part of last season.



**Garry Sargeant** Forward 'Sarge' rejoins us this season after spells at Binfield, Wokingham & Emmbrook and Finchampstead. Pacy with an eye for goal.



Steve Nebbett Jt. Manager Nebs is a competitive midfielder who has previously played for us and Binfield. He is registered to play this season if required and is known for his motivational skills and organisation.



Defence A quick right back who came through our vouth system. Most recently at Sandhurst Town but joins us after a spell abroad.



Lewis Brown Defence Lightning quick and very skilful. Lewis can play anywhere down the left hand side. He is young and has impressed in pre-season and should have a bright future.



Harry Brown Defence Young defender who joined us from Farnborough a couple of months into last season. Comfortable at full back or as a centre half.



Sam Barrett Midfield Tom's younger brother, only just 18. Our youngest ever scorer, scored aged 16 on his first team debut. Key player who terrorises full backs with his wing play. Supporters Player of the Year last season.



Eddie Grav An experienced midfielder who was on the books at West Ham United. A very cultured player who is comfortable in possession and rarely gives the ball away.



Martin Bradshaw Previous vouth team member. Joint Plavers Player of the Year winner last season. Happiest as a right winger, he filled in well for us at full back and plays anywhere when asked without any fuss.

Midfield

Midfield

Forward

Forward



Liam Alleyne A utility player who has played everywhere for us bar in goal. Joined us from Ryman League side Metropolitan Police and is a hard working player.



Forward

A pacey, skilful striker who was a key capture

for us this season. Re-joins after a one year spell at Ascot where he banged in over twenty goals for them last season.

Ben Knight



Formerly of Ascot United and Wokingham & Emmbrook, a good target man who links play very well, he also weighs in with his fair share of goals.

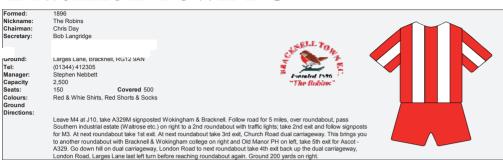
Shane Cooper-Clarke



Danny Oliphant Jt. Manager Joint Manager who could also be a key player. Very commanding and is comfortable in the heart of either midfield or defence. Previously managed Bracknell Forest and Sandhurst Reserves.

### **Todays Opponents**

### Bracknell Town FC

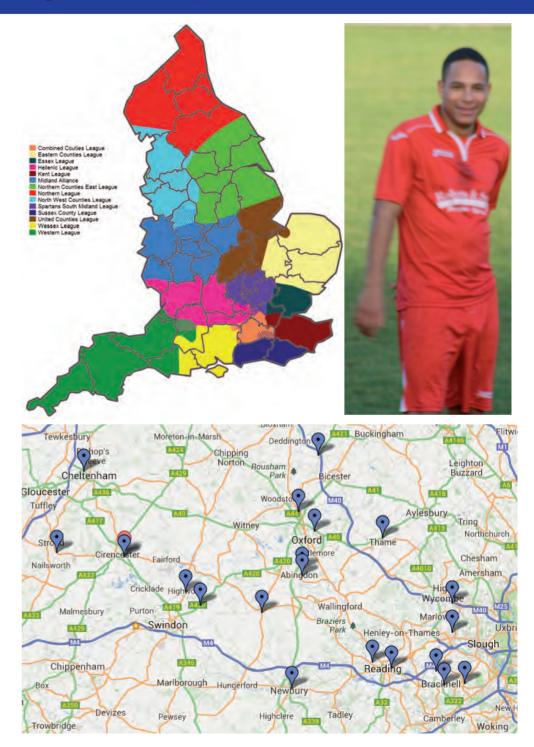


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F.A. Cup	4th Qual Rnd	1st Qual Rnd	Prelim Rnd	Prelim Rnd	Prelim Rnd	1st Qual Rnd	Prelim Rnd	Prelim Rnd	Extra Prelim	1st Qual Rnd
F.A. Trophy	1st Round	1st Round	1st Qual Rnd	1st Qual Rnd	1st Qual Rnd	1st Qual Rnd	1st Qual Rnd	n/a	n/a	n/a
F.A. Vase	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2nd Round	2nd Qual Rnd	2nd Qual Rnd

Current Form (Last Six Games)						
Date	Opponents	Result				
5-Apr-14	Shrivenham (H)	W 3 - 3				
1-Apr-14	Highworth Town (H)	W 2 - 0				
22-Mar-14	Abingdon United (H)	L1-2				
18-Mar-14	Henley Town (H)	W 4 - 0				
11-Mar-14	Reading YMCA (H)	W 1 - 0				
8-Mar-14	Abingdon Town (H)	W 2 - 0				

Fixture & Result
Bracknell Town 4 Wootton Bassett Town 1
Bracknell Town 3 Wootton Bassett Town 0
Wootton Bassett Town 1 Bracknell Town 1
Wootton Bassett Town 2 Bracknell Town 1

### **Pyramid Step 5 & Hellenic Prem Map**



### Football Pyramid 2013-14

Step	1	League/Division							
1		Conference National (24 clubs) (Blue Square Bet Premier League)							
(B)		Promoted to League Two of The Football League: Champion and winner of 2nd-5th playoff. Relegated to either Conference North or Conference South: 4 clubs.							
		erence North (22 o			erence South (22 lue Square Bet So				
2 (B)	(Di	Promo the winner	ted to Conference Nations of a 2nd-5th playoff in	nal: Champions of each each division will also b	division; e promoted.	uun			
3	(Evo-stic	League (24 clubs) k League) Division	egated to Step 3 league Southern Lea ( <i>Evo-stick</i> Premier	gue (24 clubs) « <i>Leagu</i> e)	Isthmian Leaલ (Ryman	gue (24 clubs) <i>League</i> ) Division			
(C)		Promoted to Conference	North or South: Champ	ion and winner of 2nd-5	ith playoff for each leagu				
4 (D) <sup>2</sup>	Relegated to Step 4 leagues: 4 clubs from each league.  Northern Premier League (Evo-stick (Evo-stick League) Division One North								
		*All divisions of 22 clubs except Isthmian League divisions which have 24 teams in each Promoted to Step 3 leagues: Champion and winner of 2nd-5th playoff for each league. Relegated to Step 5 leagues determined by NLS Committee: 2 clubs from each league.							
5 (F)	Combined Counties League Premier Division   Eastern Counties League Premier Division   Essex Senior League   Hellenic League Premier Division   Kent League Premier Division   Midland Football Alliance   Northern Counties East League Premier Division   Northern League Division One   North West Counties League Premier   Sparatan South Midlands League Premier Division   Sussex County League Division One   United Counties League Premier Division   Wessex League Premier Division   Western League Premier Division   Wessex League Premier Division   Western League Premier Division   Wessex Leagu								
	Clubs must have applied to the Football Association for promotion to Step Four for the 2014/15 season by 31 December 2013, must then pass ground grading requirements (Grade E by 31 March 2014), and must finish in the top two places in their league to be eligible for promotion. If there are more clubs applying for promotion than places available, priority is given to champion clubs of the respective leagues.  Relegated: Arranged according to separate agreements with Step 6 leagues, as approved by the FA.								
6 (G)	Combined Counties League Division One   East Midlands Counties League   Eastern Counties League Division One   Hellenic League Division One   Morthern Counties East Division One   Northern Counties East Division One   Northern Counties East Division One   Northern League Division Two   Northern League Premier Division   Spartan South Midlands League Division One   Sussex County League Division Two   United Counties League Division One   Wessex League Division One   West Midlands Regional League Premier Division   Western League Division One								
7	Anglian Combination Premier Division   Bedfordshire Football League Premier Division   Brighton Hove and District League Premier Division   Cambridgeshire League Premier Division   Cambridgeshire League Premier Division   Central Midlands League Supreme Division   Cheshire Association Football League Division One   Crawley and District League Premier Division   Dorset Premier League   East Berkshire League Premier Division   East Sussex Football League Premier Division   Essex and Suffolk Border League Premier Division   Essex Olympian Football League Premier Division   Gloucestershire County League   Hampshire Premier League   Hertfordshire County League Premier Division   Kent County League Premier Division   Gloucestershire Senior League Premier Division   Liverpool County Premier League   Pamchester Football League Premier Division   Mid Sussex Football League Premier Division   Middlesex County Football League Premier Division   Northampton Town Football League Premier Division   Northampton Town Football League Premier Division   Northampton Town Football League Premier Division   Reading Football League Senior Division   Somester County Football League Premier Division   South West Peninsula League Division One   South West Peninsula League Division One East   South West Peninsula League Division One West   Staffordshire County Senior Football League   Premier Division   West Cheshire Amateur Football League Division One   West Sussex Football League   Division One   West Sussex Football League   Division One   West Sussex Football League   Division One   West Sussex Football League   Division One   West Sussex Football League   Division One   West Sussex Football League   Division One   West Sussex Football League   Division One   Division   Di								
	Division  Promotion and relegation: Arranged according to separate agreements with appropriate leagues.  Note: If Step 7 leagues have other divisions below this level, then only the division at Step 7 is considered part of the National League System.								
Notes 1 2	. At Step 4 FA Ground		nown under each Step n required for clubs seekin titon.		Five. Clubs have to achi	eve Category D no later			

### Wootton Bassett Town are currently at Step 5 in the Football Pyramid

### **WBTFC History On One Page**

#### **Wootton Bassett Town FC • Club History**

Wootton Bassett Town formed in 1882 and are one of the oldest Clubs in Wiltshire. Bassett's early success came in the Wiltshire Senior Cup, making the final in both 1902-3 and 1903-4, losing to Warminster 3-1 in a replay before going down 3-0 to Swindon Town the following season. Bassett folded for a period pre World War 1 before re-forming in the Calne & District League. After finishing runners-up in 1930-31 they went one better the following year winning the championship. A short unsuccessful spell in the Swindon & District League saw the team return to the Calne League where they were champions again in 1934-35.



Having won the Calne League for the second time Bassett moved up into Wiltshire League Division 2. Promotion was achieved in the first season and the team remained in the top division until the start of World War II.After the war Bassett recommenced in the County Senior League but struggled. In 1956-57 a reorganisation of football in Wiltshire saw the creation of a Premier Division and Bassett found themselves in the second tier. Season 1958-59 saw the first title secured when Bassett finished top of Division 1. Back in the top tier the highest place finish was 8th in Season 1967-68. Then, following another reorganisation, Bassett found themselves in the Wiltshire Combination where they were to remain until 1976-77 when the current Wiltshire County Football League was formed. The second season in the new league saw Bassett relegated but they were to bounce straight back in 1978-79 when they finished runners-up. Unfortunately momentum could not be maintained and they were immediately relegated to Division 2 where they remained for 5 seasons. A second league title was secured in 1984-85 when Bassett were promoted back to Division 1. This time the team were able to hold their own and after finishing 6th and 4th they then achieved their greatest success in 1987-88 when they won the Division 1 title, elevating the Club into the Hellenic League, where they have remained since.

Throughout their first eleven seasons Bassett kept a steady mid table position. In 1999-2000 they finished 3rd in Division One West and gained promotion to the Hellenic top flight. First season in the Premier resulted in a respectable twelfth position and a County Cup triumph. The next season they made the first round of the FA Vase but just avoided relegation. The next two seasons saw Bassett finish mid table but the following season they were relegated, this after making their first venture into the FA Cup since 1950-51. Bassett missed immediate promotion back to the Premier by one point in 2005-06 and went close again in 2008-09, finishing fourth. Meanwhile Bassett became the first club in Wiltshire to be awarded Charter Community Club status by the FA. Promotion back to the Premier Division was secured at the end of 2009-10 as Bassett finished level on points with champions Slimbridge.



Bassett finished in a credible 15th place in their first season back in the Premier. However, they harshly found themselves demoted back to Division One West on a ground grading technicality, despite an appeal to the FA against the decision. In the circumstances manager Dave Turner did well to steer his side to 5th place the following season after such heartbreak. Last season Wootton Bassett were never out of the top 3 as they marched towards promotion, finishing in 2nd place. In addition they had a fantastic run in the FA Cup reaching the 2nd Qualifying Round for the first time where they put up a spirited performance against Conference South side Dorchester Town. At the end of the season manager Dave Turner decided he had taken the team as far as he could and left after a successful 5 years in charge. In his place have come the former Calne Town management duo of Jeff Roberts and former Bassett player Drew Youngsam.

As Bassett enter their 3rd period in the Premier the new management team will be looking to consolidate in the top division at a time when the Club has to play games at Cirencester Town whilst the new ground is built at Ballards Ash.

### Reserves in focus



WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB SEASON 2013-14 RESERVE TEAM FIXTURES - UHLSPORT HELLENIC LEAGUE DIVISION TWO WEST							
Date		Opponents	H/A	Competition	Result	Scorers	
Sat	7-Sep-13	Highworth Town	Н	League	W 2 - 1	Shepherd, Clark	
Sat	21-Sep-13	Cirencester Town Dev	Α	League	L 2 - 3	Drewitt 2	
Sat	28-Sep-13	Hook Norton	Н	League	D1-1	Nicholson	
Sat	12-Oct-13	Beversbrook	Н	League	W 5 - 0	Smith 3, English, Lovell	
Sat	19-Oct-13	Wantage Town	Н	League	L 0 - 1		
Sat	26-Oct-13	Wantage Town	Н	Cup - Rnd 2	D1-1	Chatwin	
Sat	16-Nov-13	Oxford City Nomads	Н	League	W 2 - 0	Lovell, Matthews	
Sat	23-Nov-13	Fairford Town	Α	League	L 0 - 2		
Sat	30-Nov-13	Shrivenham	Н	League	D1-1	Drewitt	
Tue	3-Dec-13	Wantage Town	Α	League	W 2 - 0	Dixon, Matthews	
Sat	14-Dec-13	Old Woodstock Town	Н	League	W 2 - 1	Clark, Joyce	
Sat	11-Jan-14	Highworth Town	Α	League	D 1 - 1	Clark	
Sat	25-Jan-14	Old Woodstock Town	Α	Pres Cup 1			
Sat		Brimscombe & Thrupp	Н	League		Brown, Clark, English, Matthews	
Tue	25-Feb-14	Cirencester Town Dev	Н	League	W 4 - 3	Cox 2, Rigley, Stevens	
Sat		Brimscombe & Thrupp	Α	League		Smith 2, Brown	
Tue		Cheltenham Saracens	Н	League		Paish, Dixon	
Sat		Oxford City Nomads	Α	League		Matthews	
Sat		Hook Norton	Α	League		Drewitt	
Sat		Thame United	Н	Pres Cup 2		Chatwin 2, Smith	
Tue		Cheltenham Saracens	Α	League	Won	Awarded	
Sat		Old Woodstock Town	Α	League			
Sat		Shrivenham	Α	League			
Mon		Beversbrook	Α	League			
Sat	26-Apr-14	Fairford Town	Н	League			

2013-2014 Season										
UHLSPORT Hellenic League										
Division Two (West)										
PWDLFAPts										
1 Wantage Town Reserves	20	15	2	3	50	18	47			
2 Cirencester Town 'Dev'	19	14	4	1	67	25	46			
3 Oxford City Nomads 'Dev'	20	13	1	6	74	32	40			
4 Wootton Bassett Town Res	18	10	4	4	33	19	34			
5 Hook Norton Reserves	19	9	5	5	32	20	32			
6 Brimscombe & Thrupp Reserves	15	7	2	6	35	34	23			
7 Beversbrook	16	7	2	7	28	38	23			
8 Shrivenham Reserves	18	5	2	11	26	55	17			
9 Highworth Town Reserves	17	5	1	11	26	46	16			
10 Cheltenham Saracens Reserves	22	4	4	14	24	39	13			
11 Old Woodstock Town Reserves	19	4	1	14	19	61	13			
12 Fairford Town Reserves	17	2	2	13	18	45	8			

#### THE PRESIDENT'S HELLENIC LEAGUE RESERVES SUPPLEMENTARY CUP SEASON 2013-14

First Round						
Ascot United	2	1	Binfield			
Bracknell Town	1	0	Finchampstead			
Cheltenham Saracens	0	2	Highworth Town			
Chinnor	0	2	Wokingham & Emmbrook			
Old Woodstock Town	0	1	Wootton Bassett Town			
Cirencester Town Dev	4	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp			

Quarter Finals							
Wootton Bassett Town	3 1						
Ascot United	٧	Wokingham & Emmbrook					
Bracknell Town	V	Penn & Tylers Green					
Highworth Town	٧	Cirencester Town Dev					
Semi Finals							
V							
V							
	Final						

#### THE CHAIRMAN'S HELLENIC LEAGUE RESERVES CHALLENGE CUP SEASON 2013-14

	First Roun	
Bracknell Town	1 - 2	Shrivenham
Brimscombe & Thrupp	0 - 1	Hook Norton
Cirencester Town Dev'	3 - 1	Highworth Town
Cricklade Town	L - W	Cheltenham Saracens
Finchampstead	0 - 6	Wantage Town
Holyport	W - L	Letcombe
Penn & Tylers Green	4 - 1	Ascot United
Wokingham & Emm'	1 - 2	Oxford City Nomads D
	econd Rou	und
Chinnor	2 - 3	Rayners Lane
Old Woodstock Town	0 - 5	Chalfont Wasps
Oxford City Nomads	2 - 0	Binfield
Wootton Bassett Town	1 - 1	Wantage Town (4-5 on pens
Cheltenham Saracens	2 - 5	Fairford Town
Holyport	4 - 2	Penn & Tylers Green
Shrivenham	6 - 2	Cirencester Town Dev
Hook Norton (4 - 3 on pens)	1 - 1	Thame United
	Quarter Fin	
Fairford Town	0 - 3	Oxford City Nomads
Chalfont Wasps	0 - 1	Rayners Lane
Shrivenham	0 - 3	Wantage Town
Holyport	0 - 4	Hook Norton
	Semi Fina	
Wantage Town	V	Oxford City Nomads
Hook Norton	٧	Rayners Lane

### **Wilts Senior Cup History**

	Senior Cup				Senior Cup
Season 1	Winners	Runners-Up		Season \	Winners
1886-87	Swindon Town	Trowbridge Town		1980-81	Downton FC
1887-88	Swindon Town	Swindon Temperance		1981-82	Avebury
1888-89	Swindon Town	Swindon Temperance		1982-83	
1889-90	Swindon Town	Trowbridge Town			Amesbury T
1890-91	Swindon Town	Swindon Town Reserves			Calne Town
1891-92	Swindon Town	Swindon Town Reserves			Supermarine
1892-93	Swindon Athletic	Trowbridge Town		1986-87	
1893-94	Swindon Wanderers	Calne		1987-88	
1894-95	Trowbridge Town	Calne		1988-89	
1895-96	Swindon Town Reserves	West Swindon	Joint holders		Swindon Att
1895-96	Trowbridge Town		Joint holders		Pewsey Vale
1896-97	Swindon Town	Trowbridge Town			Wollen Spor
1897-98	Trowbridge Town	Swindon Victoria			Bemerton H
1898-99	Swindon Victoria	Devizes Town			Amesbury T
1899-00	Chippenham Town	Devizes Town		1994-95	
1900-01	Warminster Town	Even Swindon United			Highworth T
1901-02	Chippenham Town	Swindon Town Reserves	i		Corsham To
1902-03	Warminster Town	Wootton Bassett Town			Highworth T
1903-04	Swindon Town Reserves	Wootton Bassett Town			Wootton Bas
1904-05	Melksham Town	Swindon Haydon St W			Pewsey Vale
1905-06	Salisbury City	Swindon Havdon St W			Wootton Bas
	Swindon Town	Trowbridge Town			Malmesbury
1907-08	Devizes Town	Trowbridge Town			Melksham T
1908-09		Swindon Town Reserves	Cup held by President		Trowbridge
1908-09		Trowbridge Town			Corsham To
1909-10	Salisbury City	Warminster Town			Corsham To
1910-11	Warminster Town	Salisbury City			Corsham To
1911-12	38th Brigade RFA	Calne			Melksham T
1912-13	Calne Town	Trowbridge Town			Highworth T
1913-14	3rd Wilts Regiment	Chippenham Town			Calne Town
1919-20	Swindon Town	Salisbury City			Bemerton H
1920-21	Swindon Victoria	Stratton Reform			Calne Town
1921-22	Trowbridge Town	Chippenham Town			Melksham T
1922-23	Salisbury City	Devizes Town		2012-10	WCIKSHaiii i
	Spencers	Swindon Victoria			
1924-25	Chippenham Town	Swindon Victoria			
	Trowbridge Town	1st Batt. Wilts Regiment			
	Chippenham Town	Warminster Town			
	Swindon Corinthians	Chippenham Town	famos	hery Vict.	
1928-29	Chippenham Town	Swindon Corinthians	fine	1.7	()
	Garrard Athletic	Trowbridge Town			Table 1
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Swindon Corinthians

Swindon Victoria

Warminster Town

Westbury Unitrd

Swindon Victoria

Swindon Corinthians

Salisbury Corinthians

1st Survey Coy R.A. Swindon Corinthians

Chippenham Town

Swindon BR Corinthians

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Calne & Harris United

Pewsey Vale

Salisbury City

Bulford United

Bulford United

Downton FC

Swindon R R

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Devizes Town

Malmesbury

Highworth Town

Westbury Unitrd

Devizes Town

Melksham Town

Melksham Town

Devizes Town

Sanford Youth

Devizes Town

Devizes Town

Avon Bradford

Ferndale Athletic

Pinehurst

Park

Park

Vickers

Chippenham Town

Pinehurst

Melksham Town

Swindon Victoria

Warminster Town

1930-31 Chippenham Town

1931-32 Westbury United

1932-33 Westbury United

1933-34 Trowbridge Town

1936-37 Swindon Victoria

1937-38 Trowbridge Town

1947-48 Westbury United

1949-50 Devizes Town

1952-53 Pinehurst YC

1953-54 Pinehurst YC

1951-52 Westbury United

1955-56 Swindon Victoria

1956-57 Devizes Town

1957-58 Devizes Town

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1961-62 Devizes Town

1962-63 Devizes Town

1965-66 Devizes Town 1966-67 Pinehurst

1967-68 Devizes Town

1968-69 Chippenham Town

1969-70 Melksham Town

1970-71 Devizes Town

1971-72 Devizes Town

1973-74 Devizes Town

1976-77 Corsham Town

1978-79 Devizes Town

1977-78 Melksham Town

1975-76 Pinehurst

1972-73 Highworth Town

1974-75 Chippenham Town

1959-60 Pinehurst

1964-65 Pinehurst

1948-49 Purton

1950-51 Purton

1954-55 Purton

1934-35 Swindon Corinthians

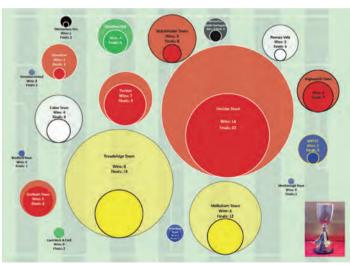
1935-36 Swindon Corinthians

1945-46 Salisbury Corinthians

1946-47 Swindon GWR Corinthians

Wiltshire Season	e Senior Cup Winners	Runners-Up
	Downton FC	Tisbury United
1981-82	Avebury	Melksham Town
1982-83	Penhill	Chippenham Town
	Amesbury Town	Penhill
	Calne Town	Supermarine
	Supermarine	Penhill
1986-87	Penhill	Bemerton Athletic
1987-88		Wootton Bassett Town
1988-89		Highworth Town
1989-90		Pewsey Vale
1990-91	Pewsey Vale	Swindon Athletic
1991-92		Downton FC
1992-93		Wollen Sports
1993-94		Swindon Supermarine
1994-95		Downton FC
1995-96		Amesbury Town
1996-97		Marlborough Town
1997-98		Purton
1998-99		Pewsey Vale
1999-00		Purton
2000-01		Shrewton United
2001-02		Pewsey Vale
2002-03		Trowbridge Town
2003-04		Corsham Town
2004-05	Corsham Town	Bemerton Heath Harl.
2005-06		Melksham Town
2006-07		Melksham Town
2007-08		Laverstock & Ford
2008-09		Warminster Town
2009-10		Laverstock & Ford
2010-11		Bradford Town
	Calne Town	Bemerton Heath Harl.
2012-13	Melksham Town	Downton FC









Swindon Town Reserves
Wootton Bassett Town
38th Brigade RFA
3rd With Regiment
Avebury
Garrard Athlett
Malmesbury Vics
Salisbury Corinthians
Spencers
Swindon Supermarie
Swindon MR Corinthians
Swindon Wanderers
Wollen Sports

### Wiltshire Senior Cup



The Wiltshire Senior Cup was first competed for back in 1896-97 when Swindon Town were the winners. The Town have gone on to win the competition nine times, including the first six years of the competition. With their progress in the professional game it is a long time since Swindon Town have competed in the Cup. Wootton Bassett Town's first success in the competition was to come at the turn of the century when they made the final in 1902-03, losing to Warminster Town. Wootton Bassett made the final again the following season doing down to Swindon Town Reserves in the final. It would be 84 years before Wootton Bassett would grace the final of the competition again when in 1987-88 they made the final to this time lose against near neighbours Purton. Wootton Bassett Town finally won the cup in 1998-99 when they defeated Pewsey Vale in the final. This success was repeated two seasons later with a win over Shrewton United. Since this win the best the Bassett faithful have had is a couple of semi-final appearances. Last season Wootton Bassett Town went out in the Second Round, losing 3-0 away at Westbury United. The competition was won by Melksham Town, despite having been knocked out in the quarter final only to be re-instated due to their opponents Bradford Town playing an ineligible player. Melksham made the most of their second chance.

In the final the game ended 0-0 after 90 minutes against Downton but two extra time goals gave Melksham the cup for the  $6^{\rm th}$  time.

Melksham are on to defend the Cup again this season having once again made the final following a 4-0 semifinal win over Purton. Joining the min the final are Bradford Town who won 3-0 against Bemerton Heath Harlequins in the other semi-final tie.

#### WILTSHIRE COUNTY SENIOR CUP SEASON 2013-14

	First	Ro	und	
Bradford Town	8	-	1	Supermarine Sports FC
Calne Town	1	-	2	Purton
Devizes Town	7	-	1	Amesbury Town
Downton	W	-	L	Vale of Pewsey
FC Chippenham	1	-	5	Mere Town FC
Highworth Town	8	-	0	Malmesbury Vics
Ludgershall Sports	1	-	2	New College Swindon
Marlborough Town	0	-	3	Chippenham Park FC
Shrewton United	4	-	3	Laverstock & Ford
SKS Blyskawica FC	0	-	3	Trowbridge Town
Warminster Town	1	-	2	Southbrook
Westbury United	0	-	1	Melksham Town
Wilts Calne Town	1	-	5	Pewsey Vale
Wroughton	1	-	8	Bemerton Heath Harlequins
Wootton Bassett Town				Bye
Corsham Town				Bye

Second Round								
Chippenham Park	0	-	2	Purton				
Highworth Town	2	-	0	Devizes Town				
Mere Town	0	-	2	Corsham Town				
New College Swindon	1	-	8	Pewsey Vale				
Shrewton United	0	-	4	Melksham Town				
Southbrook FC	0	-	2	Downton				
Trowbridge Town	0	-	5	Bradford Town				
Wootton Bassett Town	2	-	3	Bemerton Heath Harlequins				

Bradford Town         1         -         0         Pewsey Vale           Melksham Town         3         -         2         Highworth Town           Downton         1         -         3         Bemerton Heath Harlequins           Corsham Town         1         -         2         Purton	Quarter Finals						
Downton 1 - 3 Bemerton Heath Harlequins	Bradford Town	1	-	0	Pewsey Vale		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Melksham Town	3	-	2	Highworth Town		
Corsham Town 1 - 2 <b>Purton</b>	Downton	1	-	3	Bemerton Heath Harlequins		
	Corsham Town	1	-	2	Purton		

	Semi	Fi	nals	
Purton	0	-	4	Melksham
Bemerton Heath Harlequins	0	-	3	Bradford Town

	Final	
Melksham Town	v	Bradford Town



### Wilts League Development Side



WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB SEASON 2013-14 DEVELOPMENT TEAM FIXTURES - WILTS COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION 1									
SEAS Date	ON 2013-14	DEVELOPMENT TEAM FIX Opponents		6 - WILTS   Comp		LEAGUE DIVISION 1 Scorers			
Sat	17-Aug-13		A	League		Petrie 2, Algar, Blackford, Kitchin			
Sat		Woughton Reserves	H	League		Petrie 2, King 2, Kitchin, Turner			
Sat		Sarum Youth	A	-		Petrie 3, King 2, Kitchin, Algar			
Sat		Melksham Town Res	A	League		Petrie 3, King 2, Kitchin 2			
Sat		Malmesbury Vics Res	H	League League		Petrie 2, Kirlig 2, Kitchin 2 Petrie 2, Carter, King, Kitchin			
Sat		Sarum Youth	Н	League		King 2, Blackford, Petrie, Kitchin			
Sat		Blunsdon		-		5 7 7			
Sat			A	League		Petrie 3, Algar, Kitchin, Taylor			
		Mariborough Town Res	Н	League		King 4, Kitchin, Taylor			
Sat		Wroughton Reserves	A			Petrie 2, Covey			
Sat		Melksham Town Res	Н	League	L0-5	Owner O King Batria Tama			
Sat		Wroughton Reserves	Н	League		Guppy 2, King, Petrie, Terry			
Sat	16-Nov-13		A	League	L1-3	0			
Sat		Sarum Youth	H	_		Petrie 2, King			
Sat		Melksham Town Res	H		L1-2	Petrie			
Sat		Malmesbury Vics Res	H	3	L1-4	T 4 12			
Sat	14-Dec-13		Α	League		Terry 4, King			
Sat		Malmesbury Vics Res	Α	Cup		Petrie 2			
Sat		Sarum Youth	Α	League		Petrie 3, Terry			
Sat		Malmesbury Vics Res	Α	League	L1 - 3				
Sat		Wroughton Res	A	League		Aras, Petrie			
Sat	22-Mar-14		Н	League		King, Petrie, Read			
Sat	29-Mar-14		Н	League		Guppy, Kitchin, Turner			
Sat		Blunsdon	Н	League	W 4 - 1	Petrie 2, Kitchin, Turner			
Sat		Malmesbury Vics Res	Α	League					
Sat	19-Apr-14		Н	League					
Sat	26-Apr-14	Melksham Town Res	Α	League					

Top Goalscorers	
L. Petrie	31
D. King	18
M. Kitchin	11
S. Terry	6
R. Algar	3
A. Guppy	3
A. Turner	3
T. Blackford	2
L. Taylor	2
L. Carter	1
M. Aras	1
L . Read	1
J. Covey	1

Wiltshire County League Division 1										
League Table										
	Pld	W	D	L	F	Α	PTS			
1 Melksham Town FC Res	17	15	1	1	71	18	46			
2 Intel FC	22	14	2	6	74	41	44			
3 Wootton Bassett Town Dev	21	14	1	6	75	46	43			
4 Malmesbury Victoria FC Res	20	10	1	9	72	47	28			
5 Sarum Youth Seniors FC	21	5	5	11	44	67	20			
6 Wroughton FC Res	20	5	1	14	44	75	16			
7 Blunsdon FC	19	1	1	17	22	108	4			
Marlborough Town FC Res record	Marlborough Town FC Res record expunged									

### **Match Reports**

#### Stubborn Bassett shut out Thame to claim solid point

ASM Stadium 5th April 2014

A stern defensive display carried Wootton Bassett Town to their second draw of the season against Thame United - and twelfth tie overall - as neither side was able to find the back of the net.

With Jordan Roberts, Lee Stevens, Shaun Carter and Tyler Sheppard all unavailable, Jeff Roberts was forced to field a depleted side. which put in an impressive performance difficult circumstances.

The opening period saw Bassett largely camped inside their own half. Yet Thame were incapable of turning that territorial advantage into any meaningful chances thanks to stubborn defensive play.

Two shots off target were the best the hosts could muster. Early on, Niall Hodgkins blasted wide after Ben Connelly's hoik into the box. Then on the half hour mark Hodgkins rose to meet Marcul Mealing's free kick and powered a header over from close range.

Bassett could even have been ahead at the break when Jonny Aitkenhead stole possession with a firm tackle and sent Aaron Stevens free. However. Stevens could only lift his shot on the bounce over.

Following that rather tepid first half. the second period was much livelier, with a fine chance falling to the visitors in the opening minute.

Chris Balfe's crossfield ball picked out Stevens on the left wing. After surging forward, he saw his advances blocked, but Kalum Youngsam was able to recover possession and find space to shoot, though his effort lacked the power to trouble Lee Farrow.

At the other end, a booming goal kick almost caught Bassett out, but fortunately Luke Ricketts hooked over the bar from twelve yards out.

Ricketts had an opportunity to redeem himself when he intercepted a wayward Steve Yeardley square

the box and was denied a shot on another commanding performance goal only by a full-blooded at centre half. A sure-fire contender Aitkenhead challenge. Thame for player of the year, he has thought they had a good claim for a become comfortable and assured in penalty, but with the ball won the defence when called upon to move referee was not convinced.

As the game entered its final stages and leas began to tire, play really opened up. Two Kyle Rigley deliveries almost led to Bassett goals. On 69 minutes his free kick was not cleared, allowing Adam Corcoran to produce a snap shot which was blocked by Nik Rhodes.

Moments later his looping cross found Dan Lardner twenty yards from goal and the midfielder, demonstrating outstanding technique, swivelled to meet the ball at waist height with a thundering volley that Farrow did well to fist

His opposite number Steve Allison (pictured below) soon made a stunning save of his own to parry away at point blank range when Connelly slid in to meet Mealing's square pass across the six yard



With time winding down Allison's acrobatics then were required to tip Alex Kedzierski's dipping half volley around the post.

Goalless was therefore how this contest would remain to make it a dozen draws on the season for Bassett.

ball. Roaring forward, he burst into Man of the Match: Sam Ockwell from his natural spot in the heart of

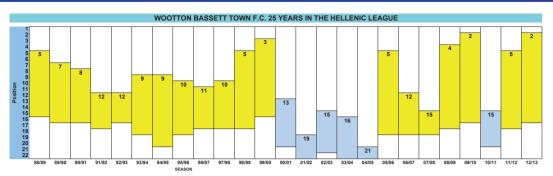


Rating: 7/10 given the circumstances, this was a result Bassett should be happy with. It was not as though Jeff Roberts' team were fortunate to scrape a draw either, as they matched Thame and could even have taken all the points.

### **Senior Honours List**

1902/03	Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up	
1902/03	Advertiser Cup Runners-up	
1903/04	Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up	-
1905/06	Wiltshire County League Runners-up	G
1930/31	Calne & District League Runners-up	
1931/32	Calne & District League Champions	
1933/34	Vale of White Horse Cup Winners	
1934/35	Calne & District League Champions	CERT I
l	Calne & District League Cup Winners	
1935/36	Calne & District League Champions	
l	Calne & District League Cup Runners-up	
1938/39	Brotherhood Cup Winners	
1953/54	Vale of White Horse Cup Winners	
1957/58	Chippenham & District League Division 2 Champions	666 666
1958/59	Wiltshire League Division 1 Champions	
1978/79	Wiltshire County League Division 2 Runners-up	THE IT IS CALLED IN
l	Wiltshire County League Subsidiary Cup Winners	
1982/83	Wiltshire County League Division 4 Runners-up	
1983/84	Wiltshire County League Ghia Senior Cup Winners	
1984/85	Wiltshire County League Division 2 Champions	
l	Wiltshire County League Ghia Junior Cup Runners-up	Contractions from re-
1987/88	Wiltshire County League Division 1 Champions	CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE
l	Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up	The state of the s
1988/89	Wiltshire County League Ghia Junior Cup Runners-up	
1989/90	Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Winners	
1993/94	Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Winners	
1994/95	Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Runners-up	
1998/99	Wiltshire Senior Cup Winners	
2000/01	Wiltshire Senior Cup Winners	
l	Hellenic League Reserves Division 2 West Champions	
2009/10	Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up	
2012/13	Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up	
	Wiltshire County League Junior Cup Runners-up	

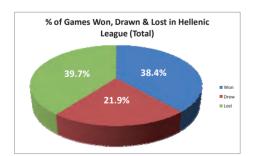
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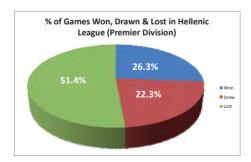


Season	Div	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Manager	Top Scorer
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15 Mick Woolford		Damon York
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16 Mick Woolford		Damon York 25
1990/91	1	30	11	8	11	32	36	41	8 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1991/92	1	32	10	8	14	45	59	38	12 out of 17	Mick Woolford	
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	lan 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	P	38	14	10	14	54	60	52	13 out of 20	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart 25
2001/02	P	42	11	9	22	39	75	42	19 out of 22	Pete Yeardley	Mark Vaughan 14
2002/03	P	40	10	10	20	36	70	40	15 out of 21	Pete Yeardley	Geoff Swatton 9
2003/04	P	42	11	5	26	38	73	38	16 out of 22	Pete Yeardley	Geoff Swatton 16
2004/05	P	42	6	9	27	30	85	27	21 out of 22	Pete Yeardley /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	32	13	5	14	60	59	44	11 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett/Steve Yeardley 11
2007/08	1W	34	11	3	20	43	66	33	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	Р	42	13	7	22	55	87	46	15 out of 22	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 26
2011/12	1W	32	15	7	10	69	47	52	5 out of 17	Dave Turner	Matt Bown 18
2012/13	1W	30	22	3	5	75	40	66	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Mark Barnes
2013/14	Р	32	8	12	12	47	52	36	14 out of 20	Jeff Roberts	Levi Cox 10
Total		882	339	193	350	1,362	1,405	1,204			

Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2012/13	299 v Highworth Town (FA Cup)
Average Hellenic Attendance 2012/13	52.9 (11/12 = 63.6)
Top Scorer - 2012/13	Mark Barnes - 32 Goals
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)

Division 1





### **Ladies Section In Focus**

Gloucesters Division On	chire County Womens League	Seaso	on 2013-14		
Date	Opponents	H/A	Competition	Result	Scorers
15-Sep-1	3 Cheltenham CS	Н	FA Cup	W 1 - 0	Wood
22-Sep-1	3 Bristol Ladies Union	Α	FA Cup	L 0 - 11	
29-Sep-1	3 Cheltenham Spa CS	Н	League	W 1 - 0	Oakes
6-Oct-1	3 Quedgeley Wanderers	Н	League	W 6 - 1	Ball 2, Bogg 2, Holland 2
13-Oct-1	3 Oldland Abbotonians	Α	League	L 1 - 5	Bogg
27-Oct-1	3 Dursley Town	Н	League	D1-1	Ball
3-Nov-1	3 Longlevens Greyhounds	Α	League	L 2 - 4	Bogg 2
8-Nov-1	3 Cheltenham CS	Α	League	L 0 - 3	
24-Nov-1	3 Longwell Green	Н	League	L1-2	Edwards
1-Dec-1	3 AEK Boco Ladies	Α	League	D 2 -2	Bogg 2
8-Dec-1	3 Bristol & West	Н	League	D1-1	Wood
15-Dec-1	3 Cheltenham Spa CS	Α	League	W 4 - 1	Ball,Bogg,Elson, Harper
23-Feb-1	4 Highworth Town	Н	WCC QF	W 4 - 0	Bogg 2, Ball 2
9-Mar-1	4 Longwell Green	Α	League	L 1 - 2	Ball
16-Mar-1	4 Bristol & West	Α	League	D 1 - 1	Ball
23-Mar-1	4 AEK Boco Ladies	Н	League	D 2 -2	Ball, Jefferies
30-Mar-1	4 Marlborough Town Ladies	Α	WCC SF	Won - Av	varded to W.Bassett
6-Apr-1	4 Oldland Abbotonians	Н	League	Lost - av	varded to Oldland
13-Apr-1	4 Quedgeley Wanderers	Α	League		
20-Apr-1	4 Cheltenham CS	Н	League		
27-Apr-1	4 Longlevens Greyhounds	Н	League		
4-May-1	4 Dursley Town	Α	League		
TB	A Longlevens/Cheltenham CS	Α	L Cup		

Gloucestershire County Womens L	.eag	ue S	eas	on 2	013	-14
Division One League Table						
	Р	W	D	L	F	Α

Division One League Table								
	Ρ	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts	
1 Cheltenham Civil Service	17	17	0	0	77	4	51	
2 Oldland Abbotonians	17	12	3	2	69	18	39	
3 Longlevens Greyhounds	16	8	4	4	33	19	28	
4 Longwell Green	16	6	3	7	27	33	24	
5 Bristol & West	16	7	2	7	16	26	23	
6 Cheltenham Spa CS Ladies	16	7	0	9	31	37	21	
7 Dursley Town	16	5	3	8	35	42	15	
8 Wootton Bassett Town	14	3	5	6	23	25	14	
9 AEK Boco Ladies	16	3	4	9	36	36	13	
10 Quedgeley Wanderers Ladies	16	0	0	16	2	90	-9	







### **WBTFC First Team Pen Pics**

#### Team Profiles Wootton Bassett Town FC



Steve Allison Goal Keeper

Highly rated goalkeeper who joins from Western League Calne Town for whom he made 36 league appearances last season.



Adam Corcoran Defence

Now in his third season with Bassett having joined from Calne Town. Formed excellent defensive partnership with Shaun Carter and gives 100% every game.



Steve Yeardley Defence

Bassett lad with over 300 appearances for the club despite three seasons at Highworth Town. Battling midfield player with tremendous energy and fans' favourite.



Jonny Aitkenhead Defence

Product of Bassett's youth section but has been playing in the Hellenic Premier Division with both Shrivenham and Highworth for past four seasons



Shaun Carter Defence

Strong centre back who plays with his heart on his sleeve. At the end of last season had played over 150 games for the club.



Tyler Sheppard Midfield

Another product of Bassett's youth section. Former Swindon Town Centre of Excellence player who then joined Yeovil Town. Previously with Highworth Town and Calne Town.



Fraser Joyce

In his second spell at Bassett. Hard working midfield player who has also played for Shrivenham at this level against whom he was recently Man of the Match.



Kyle Rigley Midfield

Strong physical centre midfield player who joins us from Calne Town where he previously played under Jeff and Drew. Product of Ferndale Rodbourne youth set up.



Sam Ockwell Midfield

Versatile youngster formerly with Cricklade Town who will be looking to secure a regular starting position this season in the Wootton Bassett First Team.



Lee Stevens Midfield

Former England Schoolboys and Swindon Supermarine player with a lot of experience at Step 5 including with Calne Town, AFC Totton and Highworth Town.



Dan Lardner Midfield

Experienced midfield player who joins the Club from Western League Corsham Town. Previously played for Jeff Roberts at Calne Town.



Jordan Roberts Midfield

Former Swindon Town youth player who has also played for Chippenham Town and Calne Town. Currently also with Southern League Swindon Supermarine on a dual registration.



Rvan Stanners Midfield

Extremely skilful player and a key part of the New College squad over the past three seasons. Also made one appearance for Swindon Supermarine in 2012/13.



Jason Milhench Forward

Lively striker with pace who joins the Club from the Wiltshire League. Scored two goals on his debut against Reading Town in September.



Aaron Stevens

Played in same WBTFC Youth Section side as Jonny Aitkenhead. Played for Purton last season when back from University. Strong skilful player. Brother of Lee.



Shaun Terry

Veteran now in the twilight of his career. Wootton Bassett lad who made his name at Hungerford and Highworth Town. Scored 16 qoals last season from 32 appearances.

Forward

Forward



Levi Cox

Forward

Top scorer at Calne Town last season with 18 goals from 37 league appearances and will be looking to lead the line for Bassett this season.



Callum Parsons

Recent signing from Fairford Town, a young, talented, livewire winger who manager Jeff Roberts hopes will add extra quality to

Bassett going forward.



Drew Youngsam Asst. Manager

Former Wootton Bassett player who was joint manager with Jeff Roberts at Calne Town and part of the management team that had Wiltshire Senior Cup success.



Jeff Roberts Manager

Previously with Calne Town. In 2011-12 narrowly missed out on promotion but led his side to semi-final of the Les Phillips Cup and won the Wiltshire Senior Cup.

### On The Road With The Lads

The table below shows the addresses of all the grounds we will be visiting in **2013/14**. This includes the postcode to enter into your Sat Nav. A rough estimate of the distance from Wootton Bassett is also shown.



Average away game travel (return journey) = 89.8 miles (2012-13: 57 miles)

Team		Address	Postcode	Distance (Miles)
Abingdon Town	1000	Culham Road, Abingdon	OX14 3HP	46
Abingdon United		Northcourt Rd Abingdon, Oxfordshire	OX14 1PL	46
Ardley United	Pe	The Playing Fields, Oxford Road, Ardley	OX27 7NZ	52
Ascot United		Ascot Racecourse, Car Park 10, Winkfield Road, Ascot	SL5 7RA	59
Binfield	Binfield	Hill Farm Lane, Binfield	RG42 5NR	56
Bracknell Town	2	Bracknell Town FC. Larges Lane, Bracknell	RG12 9AN	56
Brimscombe & Thrupp		'The Meadow' ,London Road Brimscombe , Stroud	GL5 2SH	27
Cheltenham Saracens	Q	Petersfield Park Tewkesbury Road	GL51 9DY	44
Flackwell Heath	<b>U</b>	Wilks Park, Magpie Lane, Heath End Road, Flackwell H	HP10 9EA	68
Highmoor Ibis	<b>®</b>	Palmer Park Stadium Wokingham Road Reading  RG6 1LF		45
Highworth Town		Elm Recreation Ground, Highworth	SN6 7DD	12
Holyport		Summerleaze Village	SL6 8SP	60
Kidlington		Yarnton Road, Kidlington	OX5 1AT	43
Newbury Town	4	Faraday Road Newbury	RG14 2AD	31
Oxford City Nomads		Court Place Farm Stadium, Marsh Lane, Oxford	OX3 0NQ	54
Reading Town		Scours Lane, Tilehurst, Reading	RG30 6AY	43
Shrivenham	SHRIVENHAM FC	The Recreation Ground, Shrivenham	SN6 8BJ	16
Thame United		The ASM Stadium, Meadow View Park, Tythrop Wa, Thame,	OX9 3RN	64
Wantage Town	12	Alfredian Park, Manor Road, Wantage	OX12 8DW	31



















### **Fantasy Football**

After the success of the previous three seasons' competitions, Wootton Bassett Town will once again be running a Fantasy Football League for 2013/14. It is available for all to enter and there are prizes to be won with two cases of Peroni to the winner (if over 18) with a suitable alternative prize for a winner under 18.

This year's competition has attracted a record 37 entrants.

#### Previous winners:

2012/13 - Sam Lawro (Top of the Perch -19)

2011/12 - Sam Lawro (19- Top Of Your Perch)

2010/11 - Josh Dimond (Liquidation FC)

#### WBTFC FANTASY LEAGUE SEASON 2013-14 - CURRENT TABLE AS AT 30 March 2014

		Week	Total
1 Cupid Punts	Michael Case	63	1,919
2 BounceBackAbility FC	Ali Wood	41	1,881
3 AFC Clown Meat	Phillip Forster	39	1,879
4 The DT's	David Topping	47	1,878
5 Coventry United	Josh Coventry	37	1,870
6 Hairy Strikers XI	JACK HOLDER	43	1,859
7 Rhys' army	rhys holdsworth	47	1,853
8 Viva Ken Barlow	SJ Lawro	47	1,842
9 Translator required	Josh Dimond	43	1,821
10 Woking Rangers	Mark Smedley	31	1,799
11 Monster XI	Ryan Carter	33	1,794
12 Liam's Legends	Liam Edmondson	34	1,788
13 1. FC Eintüten	Stuart Smedley	63	1,756
14 Sexy Army FC	Ryan Gillie	38	1,729
15 Rock Bottom	Scott Smedley	30	1,728
16 Scouting For Goals	Sophie Wood	37	1,724
17 Kids R Utd	Paul Gillie	68	1,702
18 The Gammon Hams	Becky Gammon	29	1,697
19 Baileys Boys	Sean Bailey	42	1,678
20 chivvy's army	Malcolm Chivers	40	1,677
21 GOFFY'S GREEN ARMY	Harrison Gough	64	1,653
22 woody woodpecker	bryan wood	39	1,644
23 Barn Door Banjo	James Holloway	27	1,616
24 Dench	oliver sinclair	20	1,612
25 CKFC	CRAIG KENT	32	1,595
26 United We Stand	Simon Jones	56	1,564
27 San Antonio Gooners	Steven Humphrey	47	1,550
28 Enter team name	Jonny Aitkenhead	24	1,510
29 Dixonators Devils	JOE DIXON	28	1,509
30 Invictus	luke jones	37	1,502
31 Moore of the goals!!	George Staten	34	1,472
32 AFC McAvennie	Tim Elliott	25	1,406
33 BassettBlues	Samantha Wood	33	1,377
34 TekkerSlovakia	James Evans	35	1,337
35 Ivory Toast	Charlie Humphreys	23	1,308
36 Tyson' 11	Andy Tye	38	1,214
37 Kempdon town	Pete Kemp	33	1,205

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August Manager of the Month - Steven Humphrey September Manager of the Month - David Topping October Manager of the Month - Jack Holder November Manager of the Month - Sam Lawro December Manager of the Month - Philip Forster January Manager of the Month - Malcolm Chivers February Manager of the Month - Sam Lawro March Manager of the Month - Rvan Gillie

### **Player Kit Sponsorship**

Player		Shirt (£20)	Shorts (£15)	Socks (£5)				
Steve Allison		Whole kit sponsored by Arctic Services - Tel: 01793 848502						
Shaun Carter	(6)	Whole kit sponsored by The Walducks						
Ryan Stanners		Whole kit sponsored by Arctic Services - Tel: 01793 848502						
Jonny Aitkenhead	P	Whole kit sponsored by Mark Smedley						
Adam Corcoran	9	Whole	Whole kit sponsored by John & Kath Fellows					
Aaron Stevens	P.	Whole kit sponsored by Mark Smedley						

### **Bluefin Supplementary Cup**

#### HELLENIC LEAGUE SUPPLEMENTARY CUP SPONSORED BY BLUEFIN SEASON 2013-14

	First Round								
2	-	3	Newbury						
2	-	3	Thame United						
3	-	1	Clanfield						
Second Round									
	3	2 - 3 - Second	2 - 3 3 - 1						

Second Round								
Abingdon Town	1 -	-	4	Burnham				
Beversbrook	2 -	-	7	Letcombe				
Bracknell Town	2 -	-	0	Highmoor Ibis				
Carterton				New College Swindon				
Chalfont Wasps	3 -	-	1	Newbury				
Cheltenham Saracens	2 -	-	1	Tuffley Rovers				
Chinnor	4	-	1	Woodley Town				
Fairford Town	2 -	-	3	Oxford City Nomads				
Finchampstead	2 -	-	2	Henley Town (2 - 3 on pens)				
Holyport	3 -	-	5	Penn Tylers Green				
Hook Norton	0 -	-	8	Kidlington				
Lydney Town	1 -	-	2	Brimscombe & Thrupp				
North Leigh Utd	5 -	-	4	Malmesbury Victoria				
Old Woodstock Town	0 -	-	3	Wootton Bassett Town				
Maidenhead Utd (5-4 pens)	1		1	Reading Town				
Wokingham & Emmbrook	0 -	-	0	Thame United (home win pens)				

	Third Round								
Bracknell Town	4 - 0	Henley Town							
Carterton	0 - 1	Maidenhead Utd							
Chalfont Wasps	2 - 1	Kidlington							
Chinnor	1 - 2	Brimscombe & Thrupp							
Letcombe	1 - 7	Wokingham & Emmbrook							
North Leigh Utd	1 - 3	Cheltenham Saracens							
Oxford Cty Nomads	2 - 0	Burnham							
Wootton Bassett Town	3 - 1	Penn & Tylers Green							

Quarter Finals								
Brimscombe & Thrupp 2 1 Chalfont Wasps								
Cheltenham Saracens	٧		Wootton Bassett Town					
Bracknell Town	٧		Oxford City Nomads					
Maidenhead United	٧		Wokingham & Emmbrook					



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### **Fixtures, Results and Tables** Season 2013-14 **Uhlsport Hellenic League**

Hellenic League Premier Season 13-14	Abingdon Town	Abingdon Utd	Ardley Utd	Ascot Utd	Binfield	Bracknell Town	Brimscombe & Thrupp	Cheltenham Saras	Flackwell Heath	Highmoor Ibis	Highworth Town	Holyport	Kidlington	Newbury	Oxford City Nomads	Reading Town	Shrivenham	Thame Utd	Wantage Town	W.Bassett Town
Abingdon Town		21-Apr	19-Apr	1-1	08-Apr	1 - 1	1 - 3	0 - 3	1 - 4	1 - 1	1 - 4	1 - 3	1 - 4	1 - 1	2 - 1	1-1	3 - 2	0 - 7	23-Apr	15-Apr
Abingdon Utd	2 - 0		1 - 4	0 - 5	0 - 3	1 - 4	0 - 4	1 - 4	0 - 5	12-Apr	2 - 6	1 - 2	1 - 1	2 - 5	0 - 2	2 - 3	3 - 2	2 - 2	0 - 3	4 - 3
Ardley Utd	1 - 1	4 - 0		2 - 2	1 - 0	3 - 1	3 - 0	2 - 1	3 - 0	2 - 0	4 - 4	5 - 1	2 - 0	5 - 1	4 - 1	2 - 1	3 - 2	21-Apr	3 - 0	1 - 1
Ascot United	10 - 0	4 - 1	15-Apr		1 - 0	3 - 1	1 - 1	3 - 1	3 - 0	2 - 2	2 - 2	6 - 0	19-Apr	3 - 1	12-Apr	1 - 2	2 - 0	4 - 0	26-Apr	1 - 1
Binfield	7 - 0	3 - 2	0 - 3	0 - 1		21-Apr	0 - 1	8 - 1	1 - 0	2 - 1	19-Apr	2 - 0	3 - 1	3 - 2	3 - 2	2 - 3	12-Apr	1 - 1	2 - 1	1 - 0
Bracknell Town	2 - 0	1 - 2	23-Apr	0 - 5	0 - 2		19-Apr	2 - 1	2 - 0	1 - 2	2 - 0	2 - 2	0 - 2	3 - 3	15-Apr	12-Apr	3 - 2	0 - 4	0 - 1	4 - 1
Brimscombe & Thrupp	5 - 3	0 - 1	0 - 6	2 - 4	2 - 3	2 - 1		2 - 0	12-Apr	1 - 2	3 - 4	2 - 0	0 - 5	4 - 0	1 - 2	24-Apr	15-Apr	2 - 4	3 - 4	19-Apr
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5 Highworth Town	34	18	6	10	70	52	60	
6 Kidlington	33	18	4	11	64	51	58	
7 Binfield	32	17	5	10	60	38	56	
8 Flackwell Heath	34	16	7	11	73	43	55	
9 Oxford City Nomads	33	17	3	13	89	56	54	
10 Thame United	35	15	9	11	60	49	54	
11 Reading Town	32	16	5	11	50	40	53	
12 Bracknell Town	32	12	4	16	50	59	40	
13 Brimscombe & Thrupp	30	12	3	15	56	57	39	
14 Wootton Bassett Town	32	8	12	12	47	52	36	
15 Shrivenham	32	8	4	20	57	78	28	
16 Cheltenham Saracens	31	9	1	21	38	89	28	
17 Abingdon United	35	7	4	24	41	96	25	
18 Holyport	33	6	4	23	40	94	22	
19 Newbury	34	5	6	23	53	102	21	
20 Abingdon Town	31	1	6	24	23	114	9	



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1 Tytherington Rocks	27	20	6	1	76	20	66
2 Shortwood United	25	16	3	6	71	30	51
3 Lydney Town	23	15	3	5	58	23	48
4 Clanfield	27	15	2	10	52	36	47
5 Fairford Town	25	13	6	6	61	34	45
6 Tuffley Rovers	24	13	4	7	44	35	43
7 Purton	24	12	2	10	52	39	38
8 North Leigh United	24	10	3	11	56	48	33
9 Easington Sports	23	10	6	7	41	38	33
10 Hook Norton	24	8	6	10	36	39	30
11 New College Swindon	25	7	7	11	33	51	28
12 Malmesbury Victoria	22	5	4	13	24	43	19
13 Carterton	23	4	3	16	30	68	15
14 Old Woodstock Town	26	2	5	19	23	78	11
15 Letcombe	24	2	2	20	17	92	8

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6	Tuffley Rovers	24	13	4	7	44	35	43	
7	Purton	24	12	2	10	52	39	38	
8	North Leigh United	24	10	3	11	56	48	33	
9	Easington Sports	23	10	6	7	41	38	33	
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### **Match Reports**

#### Late Flackwell goa1 denies **Bassett** all three points

Corinium Stadium 29th March

Minutes away from securing victory against Flackwell Heath, a late Rvan Millward goal cancelled out Adam Corcoran's second half strike to deny Wootton Bassett Town all three points and ensure a second 1-1 draw of the season against their Buckinghamshire opponents.

Catching Kyle Rigley dithering with the ball on the edge of his own box in the final minute of normal time, Joe Blount stole possession and slammed a scorching effort towards the bottom corner, which Steve Allison did well to fist away.

However, the 'keeper's parry fell only as far as Millward - thrown up front late on to try and get his side back in the game - and he buried the ball to dash Bassett's hopes of victory.

It was a frustrating end to Rigley's eventful day, the versatile strong man having rattled the bar early on with a stunning free kick before playing a key role in the short corner routine that led to Corcoran bundling the hosts ahead with twenty minutes to go.



However, he and his teammates should not be too disheartened by the result against quality, in form opponents, who came into the game on the back of four straight league wins in which they had racked up twelve goals.

That goalscoring threat was rarely on show as Bassett's defence strong as ever - stymied the visiting side's strong front line.

In a goalless first half, the best they A short corner between Stanners could muster was a hooked 20-yard shot, struck on the turn, from the Hellenic League Premier Division's third top scorer Adam Dickens which sailed over.

Flackwell were fortunate too not to have been behind at the break. In the game's third minute Tyler Sheppard slipped through Callum Parsons after strong forward play from Ryan Stanners, but the left winger struck tamely at Shaun

Minutes later, Rigley had Coker beaten with a free kick, struck with power and precision, which seemed destined for the top corner, vet crashed against the bar. The rebound fell perfectly for Corcoran ten yards from goal with Coker stricken, but the defender could only

Another Rigley set piece soon had the visitors troubled again. He whipped a free kick from the right wing across the face of goal that Coker came and missed. This time it was Steve Yeardley who the ball fell to with the goal at his mercy. Not expecting to be presented with such an opportunity though, he scuffed at the ball allowing Coker to recover.

After that fast opening failed to bear fruit, the rest of the half settled down into a scrappy affair. Neither team succeeded in stringing any meaningful moves together, while the over officious referee took to blowing his whistle far too frequently much to the frustration of all.

This habit of the official's did not cease after the restart. But fortunately an open game of football began to take shape.

Dickens' towering header forced a stretched save from Allison before a fine block from Corcoran kept Jeff Brown's rasping drive out after the 'keeper had failed to claim a cross from the deep. Allison then needed two attempts to ensure a stabbed Blount effort did not beat him.

With Stanners' ingenuity and half time substitute Kalum Youngsam's rapid pace causing Flackwell's defence to retreat, there were chances for Bassett too. And they eventually made Flackwell pay with twenty minutes remaining.

and Rigley allowed the former to progress into the box and send a low ball into the crowded six vard box. Under pressure from Youngsam. Coker failed to collect the ball cleanly at the near post. This allowed the forward to square back into the danger area where Corcoran was lurking to bundle

Flackwell fought to get back on terms and would have done were it not for a heroic Allison save with guarter of an hour remaining. After batting away Dickens' searing 30 vard free kick, he threw his body in the way of the equally powerful follow up shot, taking a knock that in the process that required him to receive treatment.

With that courageous double save, it appeared as though the points would fall Bassett's way. But Blount's shot and Millward's gamble after Rigley was caught in possession meant the spoils would be shared.

Man of the Match: Jonny Aitkenhead (pictured below) outstanding at left back, he dominated in the air and let nothing get past him. After spending the majority of the season sidelined by injury, he has made the most of his recent run of games.



Rating: 7/10 - while disappointing to concede late, Bassett were well worth a point, more than matching in form Flackwell. That's eleven draws now in total, seven of which have come against teams currently in the top half.

### **WBTFC Stats Page 2013-14**

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	Appearances 2013/14	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals
1	Sam Ockwell	39		39	1
2	Adam Corcoran	33	1	34	3
3	Steve Yeardley	30	2	32	
	Jordan Roberts	30		30	8
5	Steve Allison	30		30	
6	Shaun Carter	28	2	30	3
	Ryan Stanners	27	1	28	4
	Lee Stevens	26		26	3
	Kyle Rigley	17	9	26	1
	Levi Cox	18	5	23	10
	Tyler Sheppard	13	9	22	2
	Dan Lardner	18		18	
	Craig Bowden	17		17	
	Sam Packer	13	4	17	1
15	Alex Rigley	13	1	14	1
	Justin Milhench	9	3	12	6
	Sam Collier	11		11	6
18	Shaun Terry	8	3	11	
19	Aaron Stevens	5	4	9	
	Jonny Aitkenhead	7	1	8	
	Callum Wright	4	4	8	
22	Sean Bailey	1	6	7	1
23	Kalum Youngsam	1	6	7	
24	Lewis Chatwin	4	2	6	2
25	Dennis Sorrenti	3	2	5	
26	Fraser Joyce	3	2	5	
27	Sam Brown	4		4	
28	Curtis Meare	2	2	4	
29	Scott Walduck		4	4	
30	Luke Kuczynski	3		3	
31	Chris Balfe	1	2	3	
32	Harry Ellis	2		2	
33	Wesley Clark	2		2	
34	Callum Parsons	2		2	
35	Liam Edmondson	1	1	2	
36	Craig Kent		2	2	
	Rory Worthington	1		1	1
	Jonathan Davis	1		1	
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### Football Was Better in My Day.....

Inspired by the fantastic books "Got, Not Got" and "The Lost World of Football" by Derrick Hammond and Gary Silke this Season's new feature looks at football related matters from the Editor's long lost youth that are no longer with us. Today it is......

#### The Big Match



These days ask people about whether they watched the "Big Match" vesterday and they will talk about the game the previous night between Manchester United and Bavern Munich or Manchester City v Everton on either Sky Sports or BT Sports. The game would have been in high definition with multiple camera angles and comments from pundits of all nationalities who can sometimes be very hard to understand (think especially Jamie Carragher). To kids growing up in the 1970's and 1980's The Big Match meant something quite different and maybe I am being too nostalgic but something much

The Big Match was originally launched by London Weekend Television, the ITV regional station that served London and the Home Counties at the weekend and screened highlights of football league matches. It ran from 1968 to 1992 with the last 4 years going out under the name The Match, oh those brand marketing guys with their new ideas, never quite work do they?

Other ITV regions had their own football shows, but would show The Big Match if they were not covering their own match — particularly often in the case of Southern and HTV (because Bristol City v Swindon was only played two Saturdays in the season).

The programme was set up in part as a response to the increased demand for televised football following the 1966 World Cup and partly as an alternative to the BBC's own football programme,

Match of the Day. Whilst he is best known for his time on Match of the Day, it was actually The Big Match which launched the media career of Jimmy Hill, who appeared on the programme as an analyst, and made Brian Moore one of the country's leading (and by far the best in my humble opinion) football commentators.



The Big Match originally screened match highlights on Sunday afternoons (while Match of the Day as now screened them on Saturday evenings).

Not sure why but I always preferred The Big Match. Perhaps it was the Brian Moore factor but they also seemed to have the more hip pundits. Malcolm Allison, Brian Clough, Peter Taylor, Rodney Marsh and Stan Bowles made regular appearances. Indeed as a QPR fan The Big Match did us proud with plenty of coverage in an era when we were in fact actually pretty good. This is evidenced by the fact that when in 2009 ITV issued a series of DVD's for individual Clubs QPR had two volumes, an honour that was also only bestowed on Leeds Utd and Tottenham. The Manchester United. Liverpool. Chelsea. West Ham and Arsenal had to make do with one.

The marketing material on Amazon states the following about the QPR DVD's "Focusing on the key seasons, 1973-74 and 1975-76, as well as select matches from beginning and the end of the Big Match era, once again fans will see favourites such as Bowles, Francis, Masson and Parkes pull on the hoops and give their all for Rangers.

footage, the second volume in the series includes an exclusive new feature reflecting on the career of the King of Queens Park Rangers Stan Bowles. The undisputed greatest ever player for QPR gives a frank and honest account about his incredible career with Rangers as well as Man City, Nottingham Forest and England. Quite simply

Containing previously unseen

unmissable for any QPR fan, this is a chance to hear the story, told in his own words, of this once controversial character, and legendary footballer."



As a kid I remember watching the The Big Match on an early Sunday afternoon and then going out to the park at

Road (Lyneham) to replay the game that had been shown with my mates, even if this meant being Steve Perryman for the rest of the afternoon.

The Big Match's days came to an end really because of ITV's own success in securing the rights to show live games. Full live games was now the order of the day and highlights programmes like The Big Match went out of fashion although, as Match of the Day demonstrates to this day, they still have their place.

Sadly Brian Moore passed away in September 2001 after covering 9 World Cups and more than 20 FA Cup finals. He was a lifelong supporter of Gillingham F.C., and a director at the club for 7 years. As a consequence he was the most popular choice to have a new stand at the club's Priestfield Stadium named after him. A fanzine devoted to the club was also named in honour of Moore. called Brian Moore's Head Looks Uncannily Like London Planetarium, a line from a song by the cult indie band Half Man Half



Biscuit. He
died at the
age of 69
just hours
before
England
Germany
5–1 in
Munich
during the
qualifying

the 2002 World Cup. For me England's players were honouring the passing of one of football's greatest personalities.

I recommend buying your Club's own Big Match DVD to see for yourself how good The Big Match was.

### The Non-league Paper Article











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#### The Non-League Paper

Published on a Sunday the Non-League paper goes from strength to strength. At £1.50 it is great value for money and essential if you want to stay up to date with non- glow in the dark thanks to league football. The paper are again providing us and other non-league Club's with an exclusive article each week written by their journalists to Premier title chaser said in a include in our programmes. This week an article from Sam Elliot on

#### **April Fools**

1st April 2014

SO, did they get you? April Fools' Day is quickly turning into a competition to see which clubs can come up with the best tall tale to pull a prank on their own supporters.

Tuesday passed by with the usual collection of well thoughtout stunts announced online. with social media providing the perfect rod to collect some bites from the unsuspecting public.

Some of course will leave you wondering if, just if, they are actually real - step forward Farnborough!

Now here we have a club that announced in all seriousness let's not forget that they will be renaming their players after world greats to compete in the Skrill South. Zinedine Zidane, Lionel Messi and Diego Maradona would all be going in to battle against the likes of Tonbridge Angels and Whitehawk - that was last August, not April.

The brainchild of PaddyPower was thankfully short circuited by the Conference after a few days of general tutting and eye-rolling

With such madness, you wonder if April Fools' Day was a smokescreen, and their announcement on Tuesday that Farnborough would change their kit colour to the green of the bookmaker would mean fans laugh it off.... until they walk out at the start of next season in their new threads!

FC United of Manchester wanted to go even greener

"The new pitch in Moston is set to be the greenest in the UK and researchers at the University of Salford, who we are teaming up with to pioneer cutting-edge biotechnology involving anecic loam worms," the Evo-Stik statement

Kettering Town meanwhile said they would be opening up a new chip shop - but refused to confirm if fish would be served. Reely strange!

Southern League St Albans City came up with a good one. An historic groundshare with Dublinbased St Patricks

"Return flights with Ryan Air are around £100 including taxes," an official statement read.

"Fans are encouraged to book flights early to get the best deal once fixtures are released."

In fairness, they offered supporters a lift to Luton airport on matchdays!

Tunbridge Wells meanwhile went the extra mile, knocking spots off some with their attempt to get feathers flying.

"The majority of the first team squad are in quarantine following a bout of chicken pox." the club's website claimed

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### F.A. Competitions

### F.A. Vase



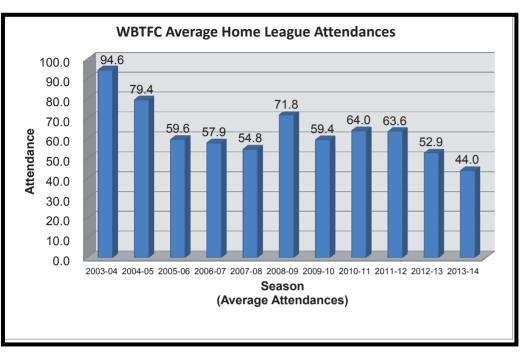
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7-Sep	-13 First Round Qualifying	٧	Bye		£600
21-Sep	-13 Second Round Qualifying	٧	Odd Down	A L0-7	£800
19-Oct	-13 First Round Proper	٧	Bishops Sutton	Α	£900
16-Nov	-13 Second Round Proper	V	Moneyfields	Н	£1,200
7-Dec	-13 Third Round Proper	V	Bitton	Н	£1,500
18-Jan	-14 Fourth Round Proper	V	Hadleigh United	Н	£2,000
15-Feb	-14 Fifth Round Proper	٧	Wisbech Town	Н	£2,500
8-Mar	-14 Sixth Round Proper	٧	Sholing	Α	£4,50
29-Mar	-14 Semi-final	٧	Eastbourne Utd	Two legs	£6,000
10-May	-14 Final winners	٧		Wembley	£25,000
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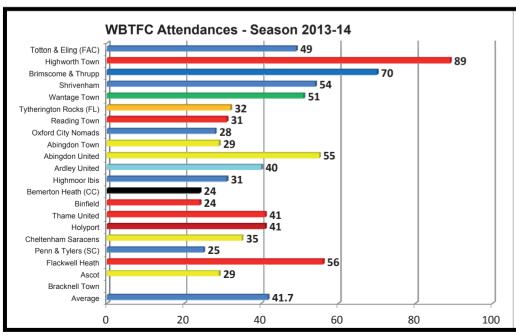
### F.A. Cup



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17-Aug-1	3 Extra Preliminary Round	٧	Totton & Eling	H L0-2	£1,50
31-Aug-1	3 Preliminary Round	٧	Sholing FC	Н	£1,92
14-Sep-1	3 First Qualifying Round	٧	AFC Totton	Н	£3,00
28-Sep-1	3 Second Qualifying Round	V	Clevedon Town	Α	£4,50
12-Oct-1	3 Third Qualifying Round	٧	Hartley Wintney	Α	£7,50
26-Oct-1	3 Fourth Qualifying Round	٧	Daventry Town	Н	£12,50
9-Nov-1	3 First Round	٧	Chesterfield	Α	£18,00
7-Dec-1	3 Second Round	٧	Southend United	Н	£27,00
4-Jan-1	4 Third Round	٧	Millwall	Н	£67,50
25-Jan-1	4 Fourth Round	٧	Hull City	Н	£90,00
15-Feb-1	4 Fifth Round	٧	Brighton	Α	£180,00
8-Mar-1	4 Sixth Round	v	Sunderland	Н	£360,00
12-Apr-1	4 Semi-Final	v	Sheffield United	Wembley	£900,00
17-May-1	4 Final	٧		Wembley	£1,800,00
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### **WBTFC Attendances**





### **Previous Meetings**

#### **Bassett Fry Yet Another Big Fish**

Rylands Way, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2007

Not content with one upset victory in the FA Cup – a victory against a local rival no less – Wootton Bassett Town produced another to advance to the First Qualifying Round of the world's greatest cup competition. Bracknell Town were the victims this time as the Southern League Division One South & West side went down 2-1.

Bassett were never in awe of their opposition – a team plying their trade two divisions higher – and took the game to them early on, resulting in a 15<sup>th</sup> minute lead. Paul Patel looped a shot over from range on five minutes before Richie Saunders saw a back post header palmed away by Michael Parkin after a pin-point Nathan Perkins corner seven minutes later. With quarter of an hour gone Steve Yeardley went one better, firing in from ten yards after a low, in-swinging Matty Bennett corner was allowed to run across the face of goal to the far post. Bassett were thankful to the frame of the goal in the 21<sup>st</sup> minute as a powerful Billy Matthews header crashed back off the bar after he connected with a Jermaine Lowe corner at the right post. The visitors continued surging forward in search of the equaliser and came close through Neil John, who found the side netting with a low 15-yard drive after Graham Lewis had beat Chris Mills down the left and cut the ball back. Another let off came with half an hour gone: Graham Lewis helped the ball on and John found himself goalside of Yeardley with only Sean Purcell to beat. He went for the lob from 20-yards which ended up inches wide of the left post. A minute later John Magani was gifted a great chance after a woeful backpass from Ian Brookes. However Magani hit a 12-yard effort straight at Parkin despite being one-on-one. The chances continued to flow before the break – John sent a free header at the front post wide from a Lowe corner before Lee Morse forced a fine save from Parkin with a curling 20-yard free kick that was acrobatically tipped over despite it looking as though the ball was headed for the top left corner.

Bracknell – winless in their first four league games – came out firing at the start of the second half as Bassett defender their lead somewhat nervously. The visitors nearly caught the hosts out in the  $56^{th}$  minute, outnumbering Bassett three to two, but Jordan Kiffin sent Lewis' through ball straight at Purcell. Two minutes later Chris Mills was caught in possession by Gavin Taylor deep inside the Bassett half and Kiffin fed the ball to Lewis, who fired into the bottom right corner from 12 yards with relative ease to tie things up.

The equaliser didn't incite the dropping of heads from Bassett as they continued to find ways in which to frustrate Bracknell. Thirteen minutes from time Bennett controlled a cross-field ball perfectly before rolling Ross Watson and he set free down the right. From a tight angle he unleashed a powerful effort across goal that had Parkin beat. However it agonisingly flew just past the left post. The game was won eight minutes later with the award of a dubious penalty for an unintentional Watson handball, that appeared to hit the defender's shoulder. Bracknell were livid with the decision, which resulted in Taylor and Joel Havermans going into their book for their protests.

Yeardley couldn't care one bit about whether the decision was a correct one though and dispatched the spot kick coolly into the bottom right corner. Parkin guessed correctly but was beat by the perfectly placed penalty. The next ten minutes were as nerve-wracking as any ever at Rylands Way with Bracknell having two great chances to get back on level terms. Firstly a neat clip over the top of the defence from Damien Smith put John in behind the defence down the right flank. However, instead of advancing further with the ball he went for a long range lob that fell comfortably into Purcell's hands. Then with the final chance of the game Watson curled in a free kick from the left that Smith rose and met with a glancing header at the front post. All it needed was a touch as it sailed across goal but thankfully for Bassett the ball left the field of play without one. Moments earlier Magani had another one-on-one opening go begging with the chance of putting a seal on the game. Good combination play from Neil Dix and Bennett set up the opportunity but Parkin smothered at the forward's feet.

Scoop's Man of the Match: Steve Yeardley – as always the Bassett captain was composed and clinical with his defending, and he showed his great finishing skills too with a real poacher's finish for the first before converting - as ever - from the penalty spot.

Scoop Rating: 10/10 – another fantastic FA Cup display. Bassett were not frightened at the prospect of going up against a team from two divisions higher and really took the game to Bracknell. The defending was solid, the midfield energetic and outstanding both going forward and coming back whilst the front two of Magani and Dennis King (who was replaced by Neil Dix midway through the second half) frustrating for the Robins' defence. A truly complete performance.

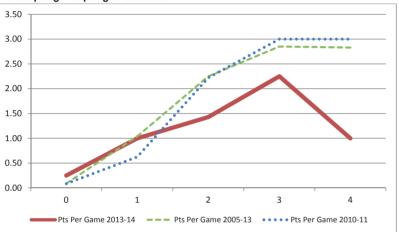
### **Uhlsport Hellenic League Insights**

#### The value of a Bassett goal in 2013/14

Earlier in the season these pages analysed how valuable the number of goals scored and conceded in a game by Bassett were truly worth between 2005 and last season by looking at the club's points per game record in such situations.

With the majority of this season in the bag, it is perhaps worth seeing how this season (up to Saturday's visit to Thame) stacks up.

#### Points per game per goals scored



Goals scored	PPG 2013-14	PPG 2010-11	PPG 2005-
			12/13
0	0.25	0.08	0.09
1	1.00	0.63	1.04
2	1.43	2.22	2.25
3	2.25	3.00	2.85
4	1.00	3.00	2.83

Despite being blanked eight times this season, strong defensive showings against Holyport and Thame United have allowed Bassett to snare a pair of points when a goal of our own has not been forthcoming; that is significant considering between 2005 and 2013 Bassett were involved in just five goalless draws. Our record when scoring once is only slightly below the 2005-12/13 average. But compared to our previous campaign in the Hellenic Premier Division it is much better, with points being gained from 7 out of 11 games (2 wins and 5 draws).

The biggest problems this season has been the inability to secure victory when scoring twice, with just two wins and four draws in the seven games when doing so. In the visit to Highmoor Ibis, Bassett twice surrendered leads, while away at Newbury a seemingly comfortable 2-0 half time advantage was thrown away.

Those figures for when scoring three or four times may seem low compared to the 2005-2013 average. However, that is down to sample size. When looking at the record when scoring three or more together, Bassett have earned 2.17 points per game. While again appearing low, this includes the 4-4 draw with Reading Town, which was a good result and earned a valuable point. The 4-3 loss to Abingdon United that sits inside this category, on the other hand, was a game to forget.

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### **Player Profile**

### Steve Yeardley Defence



A Bassett stalwart who spent seven seasons in the first team at Rylands Way between 2002 and 2009, Yeardley re-joined his home town club after having spent the past three years with Highworth Town in 2012. An extremely versatile and committed player, he is more than comfortable playing at centre half, full back and in the middle of midfield.

He made his debut with Bassett back in the 2002/03 season as a 17 year old in a 2-0 Supplementary Cup victory against Clanfield. He would go on to make 23 further appearances that year, only a few of which came from the bench. Establishing himself as a regular at full back, he played 42 times a year later 2004/05 He grabbed his first goal for the club during Bassett's final season in the Hellenic Premier Division in 2004/05, hitting a dramatic late winner away against Milton United in January before adding three more before the end of the campaign. That season he exceeded the century mark for appearances, playing 46 times in total

New manager Paul Burke appointed Yeardley captain ahead of the 2005/06 season. Featuring largely in defence, he helped pilot to a fifth place finish, only narrowly falling short of an immediate return to the Hellenic Premier, and scored five goals in 36 games along the way. He would also feature in goal that season, helping preserve a draw in an FA Vase clash with Christchurch

after an injury to John Haines. Yeardley's efforts that season saw him win both Manager's and Players' Player of the Year awards.

His goalscoring prowess continued to flourish a vear later when he featured 39 times and finished joint top scorer with Matt Bennett on 11 goals, which included two in the FA Vase and a pair of penalties in a 3-0 away win at Purton. He also produced a man of the match display in a Wiltshire Senior Cup tie against Calne Town that went to penalties just days after finishing the New York Marathon. In 2007/08 Yeardley was Bassett's leading appearance maker, playing 40 times and scoring six goals, in a disappointing campaign for the club. Burke's team did enjoy a fantastic run to the FA Cup First Qualifying round that year though, and his captain was a large reason for that, scoring a brace in the shock 2-1 victory against then-Southern League Bracknell Town at Rylands Way. He continued to resist overtures in order to remain with Bassett for the 2008/09 season. Dave Turner's first year in charge. Employed largely in midfield, he once again had a fine season in front of goal, finishing joint-second top scorer with 12 goals in 39 games. That included another two goals in the FA Vase in wins against Buckingham Athletic and Henley

After again narrowly missing out on promotion with Bassett who finished fourth, the lure of Hellenic Premier Division football was too much to turn down and Yeardley moved across to Highworth in the summer of 2009. In his first season with the Worthians he quickly established himself as one of the first names on the team sheet, featuring 39 times and scoring seven goals. He was once again a crucial part of the side that went close to winning the title a year later. Yeardley led the Worthians in appearances with 51 in all competitions - only two of which came from the bench - and three goals. Though Highworth's title challenge faltered in 2011/12, they would go on to win the Hellenic League Challenge Cup. with Yeardley grabbing a goal in a 6-0

demolition of Binfield in the final. In total during 2011/12 he played 46 times – a number of those spent wearing the captain's armband – and grabbed a pair of goals.

With Highworth boss Dave Webb moving onto Supermarine that summer. Yeardlev returned to Rylands Way and skippered the side to promotion from Division One West. He made the second most appearances out of any player. playing 37 times and scoring 8 goals. Half of those strikes came in the first month of the season. Yeardley netted Bassett's first goal of the season at Malmesbury before sealing victory against Calne in the FA Cup following a man of the match performance. He grabbed another FA Cup goal in the First Qualifying round against Highworth, netting the equaliser. His final goal of the season came on Boxing Day at Purton after just 17 seconds.

2002/03: 24 appearances 2003/04: 42 appearances 2004/05: 46 appearances, 4 goals 2005/06: 36 appearances, 5 goals 2006/07: 39 appearances, 11 goals 2007/08: 40 appearances, 6 goals 2008/09: 39 appearances, 12 goals 2012/13: 37 appearances, 8 goals 2013/14: 32 appearances Total: 335 appearances, 38 goals



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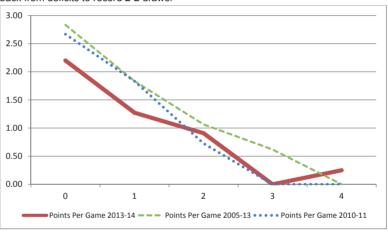
#### Point per game per goals conceded

Defensive strength has meant that Bassett are yet to concede more than four goals in a league game this season. Back in 2010/11 four or more goals were conceded in eight games, compared to just half that number in 2013/14.

In fact, in 27 of 32 games so far played, two or fewer goals have been let in.

Inevitably however, Bassett's lack of goals means the team's record when keeping a clean sheet this season – 2.20 points per game – is lower than the average between 2005 and 2012/13 (2.83 PPG). 5 clean sheets have yielded 3 wins (against Shrivenham, Binfield and Cheltenham Saracens) and 2 draws. It is also behind the record when conceding once falling from 1.83 PPG to 1.27, with draws the order of the day in those scenarios.

Conceding twice hasn't been as negative an indicator as it was during our last stint in the Premier Division though, with 0.91 PPG earned this season compared to just 0.73 in 2010/11. Just as the visits to Highmoor and Newbury saw Bassett see leads slips, the home contests with Highmoor and Thame saw Bassett come back from deficits to record 2-2 draws



Goals conceded	PPG 2013-14	PPG 2010-11	PPG 2005-12/13
0	2.20	2.67	2.83
1	1.27	1.83	1.83
2	0.91	0.73	1.07
3	0.00	0.00	0.62
4	0.25	0.00	0.00

#### Conclusions

At the start of the season, two conclusions were made: the need to convert more clean sheets into goalless draws and more 1-1 draws into 1-0 victories. The former has been done.

However, Bassett haven't been quite so successful in achieving the latter and should remain a goal for next year. Meanwhile there will also be a need to ensure victory when scoring twice rather than recording as many draws.

Still, there's a need to cut the team a good deal of slack considering the quality of opposition played this season is far superior to that in Division One West; the 2005-12/13 figures do admittedly contain results for just one year at Premier Division level.

Bassett have certainly been difficult to play against this season. And our record in taking points off all teams bar three (possibly four if Bracknell win tonight) is highly commendable.

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#### **MATCH REPORTS**

#### **PREMIER DIVISION**

The race for the Premier Division title looks like running right down to the wire. A single point still separates leaders Ardley Utd from second placed Wantage Town. Ardley were in Cup action so Wantage had the opportunity to go top by winning at Flackwell Heath but sadly missed out going down 0-1 to a late Stuart Glynn goal for Flackwell Heath. Highmoor Ibis in fourth place hosted Highworth Town in fifth position and ran out comfortable 3-0 winners with two goals from Mitchell Parker and one from Devonn Reid. Binfield won 3-2 at Holyport with goals from Gary Callaway, Callum Whitty and Conor Reeves, Holyport's goals came from Ryan Tye and Kris Drake. Kidlington moved into the top six following a 3-1 win over Cheltenham Saracens with goals from Lewis Coyle, Michael Duerden and Tom Castle. Cheltenham Saracens goal was scored by Declan Chick. Oxford city Nomads racked up the day's highest score with a 9-1 defeat of Newbury. Louis Joyce led the way with a four timer. John Rixon scored twice and further goals were scored by Mark Janes, Adam Morris and Dan Leggett. Newbury scored through an own goal. At the other end of the scale Thame Utd and Wootton Bassett Town fought out a 0-0 draw.

#### **DIVISION ONE WEST**

Newly crowned champions, Tytherington Rocks were in cup action. Lydney Town took the spotlight beating Old Woodstock Town 7-3. Richard Keir scored a hat trick, Jarred Liddington two and the other goals for Lydney came from Matt Timmins and Dan Morgan. James Washington with two and Max Roberts scored for Old Woodstock. Tuffley Rovers beat Carterton 4-1 with two goals from Shayne Bradley and a goal each from Jordan Fletcher and Elliot King. James Harris scored for Carterton. Clanfield beat Letcombe 1-0 with the only goal of the match coming from Letcombe 'old boy' Adam Pendell. Easington Sports drew 1-1 with Hook Norton. Peter Moulder scored for Hook Norton and Craig Robinson for Hook Norton. Similarly, New College Swindon and Malmesbury Victoria drew 1-1 with Alex Hiscock scoring for New College and Ryan Latham replying for Malmesbury.

#### **DIVISION ONE EAST**

Milton Utd won 3-0 away at Finchampstead as their title challenge gathers momentum at exactly the right time. Harry Dalton with two and Dan Cox-Rogers scored Milton's goals. AFC Hinksey who led the Division for most of the season appear to have lost their way a bit and went down 0-2 to Wokingham & Embrook for whom Jake Butler and Elliot Rushforth were on target. Didcot Town beat Penn & Tylers Green 1-0 with Lee Newport scoring the only goal of the match. Chinnor beat Burnham 2-1 with both goals coming from Jack Wright. Joe Lloyd replied for Burnham. Henley Town beat bottom club Woodley town 2-1 with goals from Louis Howell and Graham Sims. James Pheby scored Woodley's goal.

#### **Hellenic Cups**

There were two Quarter final ties played in the Bluefin Sports Challenge Cup. In an intriguing tie between Ardley Utd top of the Premier Division and Tytherington Rocks, Champions of Division One West, only one goal separated the two sides with Ryan Brooks scoring the only goal of the match for Ardley with ten minutes remaining. Ascot Utd had an easier time beating Rayners Lane 4-0 with goals from Joe Grant, Daryl McLean, Joe Yeates and Arafat Kubaye. Brimscombe & Thrupp beat Chalfont Wasps 2-1 in the Quarter finals of the Bluefin Sports Supplementary Challenge Cup with goals from Ashley Caldwell and Matt Blythe. Fred Tripp scored for Chalfont. Wantage Town beat Oxford City Nomads Development 3-0 in the Chairman's Hellenic Challenge Cup and Wootton Bassett Town beat Thame Utd 3-1 in the President's Division Two Challenge Cup.

#### **County Cups**

Henley Town went down 2-3 to Wargrave in the Quarter finals of the Reading Junior Cup

Clubs and individuals are invited to submit news items of interest for possible inclusion in Boot Room Chatter. Please send your items to Brian King, General Manager, 7 Stoneleigh Drive, Carterton, Oxon, OX18 1EE. Please send contributions by E-mail to: office@hellenicleague.co.uk

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Division One	Lge	C2	C4	C5	SO2	SO3	SO6	TA & M Melee	Total	Ave per
East & West	Matches	2pts	1 pt	1 pt	4pts	10pts	6pts	10pts		Match
Clanfield	23	15	4	0	0	0	0	3	64	2.78
Chalfont Wasps	16	9	1	0	1	0	1	1	39	2.44
Headington Amateur's	19	12	2	0	1	0	1	1	46	2.42
Didcot Town	20	11	2	0	3	0	0	1	46	2.30
Wokingham & Emmb'	18	6	0	1	2	0	0	2	41	2.28
AFC Hinksey	18	16	3	0	1	0	0		39	2.17
Purton	20	15	0	0	0	0	0	1	40	2.00
Burnham	19	6	4	0	1	0	1	1	36	1.89
Old Woodstock Town	22	8	0	0	1	0	0	2	40	1.82
Woodley Town	18	8	1	0	2	0	1		31	1.72
Hook Norton	19	16	0	0	0	0	0		32	1.68
Tytherington Rocks	22	6	1	0	2	0	1	1	37	1.68
Finchampstead	19	10	1	0	0	0	0	1	31	1.63
Chinnor	16	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	26	1.63
North Leigh	19	7	1	0	2	0	1		29	1.53
Malmesbury Vic's	15	9	0	0	1	0	0		22	1.47
Carterton	17	2	1	0	2	0	0	1	23	1.35
Tuffley Rovers	20	7	3	0	2	0	0		25	1.25
Maidenhead United	16	5	2	0	2	0	0		20	1.25
Easington Sports	19	9	2	0	0	0	0		20	1.05
Fairford Town	22	10	2	0	0	0	0		22	1.00
Henley Town	18	4	2	0	2	0	0		18	1.00
Rayners Lane	21	8	2	0	0	0	0		18	0.86
Lydney Town	15	3	0	0	1	0	0		10	0.67
Milton United	18	5	2	0	0	0	0		12	0.67
Penn & Tylers Green	16	5	0	0	0	0	0		10	0.63
Shortwood United	21	2	3	0	0	0	0		7	0.33
New College Swindon	17	1	2	0	0	0	0		4	0.24
Letcombe	19	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0.00
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### Respect League Tables

to 28<sup>th</sup> February

Unfortunately due to the level of rainfall the number of matches played in FEBRUARY was very low. The KELLOW band across the tables indicates those clubs that currently have an average per match below the overall divisional average.

Matches to

28-Feb

Premier Div		Lge	C2	C4	C5	SO2	SO3	SO6	TA & M Melee	Total	Ave per
		Matches	2pts	1 pt	1 pt	4pts	10pts	6pts	10pts		Match
Highmoor-Ibis		28	32	4	0	1	0	2	1	94	3.36
Wootton Bassett Town		26	24	4	1	0	0	0	2	73	2.81
Highworth Town		26	11	3	0	3	0	1	2	63	2.42
Wantage Town		24	16	4	1	2	0	0	1	55	2.29
Newbury		29	10	2	1	3	0	1	1	51	1.76
Bracknell Town		28	5	1	1	1	0	0	3	46	1.64
Holyport	-	24	17	1	0	1	0	0		39	1.63
Cheltenham Sar's		22	7	1	1	2	0	0	1	34	1.55
Abingdon Town		25	11	3	0	0	0	0	1	35	1.40
Kidlington		23	6	6	0	3	0	0		30	1.30
Binfield		23	8	3	0	0	0	0	1	29	1.26
Reading Town		27	14	3	0	0	0	0		31	1.15
Abingdon United		30	11	4	0	1	0	0		30	1.00
Ascot United		27	9	3	0	0	0	1		27	1.00
Oxford City Nom's		28	3	2	0	1	0	1	1	28	1.00
Thame United		30	1	2	0	2	0	1	1	28	0.93
Brimscombe & Thrupp		24	8	1	1	1	0	0		22	0.92
Shrivenham		25	7	2	0	1	0	0		20	0.80
Ardley United		27	5	2	0	1	0	0		16	0.59
Flackwell Heath		28	4	2	0	0	0	1		16	0.57
		524	209	53	6	23	0	8	15	767	1.46

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#### NEXT 4 DAYS FIXTURES

UHLSPORT Hellenic League matches kick-off at 3.00 pm on Saturday and 7.45 pm midweek, unless stated otherwise. For "outside" cup competitions, if not shown, check with home club if in doubt.

Wednesday 9 April Premier Division		
Wootton Bassett Town	V	Bracknell Town
Division One West		
Hook Norton	٧	Letcombe
Lydney Town	V	Tuffley Rovers
Division Two West		•
Shrivenham	٧	Beversbrook
Division Two East		
Chalfont Wasps	٧	Binfield
Veterans Premier Division	1	
Milton United	٧	Old Hooky
Thame United	٧	Shrivenham
Veterans Division One		
Watlington Town	٧	Carterton
Witney Royals	٧	Chinnor B
Thursday 10 April		
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Flackwell Heath	٧	Wantage Town
Brimscombe & Thrupp	٧	North Leigh Utd
<b>Presidents Division 2 Cha</b>	llenge	Cup
Ascot United	٧	Wokingham & Emmb
Bracknell Town Res	٧	Penn & Tylers Green
Oxfordshire Senior Cup S	emi Fi	nal
Oxford City	٧	Ardley United
Oxfordshire Intermediate	Cup Fi	nal
Watlington Town	٧	Thame United Res
Premier Division		
Abingdon Town	٧	Shrivenham
Cheltenham Saracens	٧	Kidlington
Oxford City Nomads	٧	Highmoor Ibis
Division Two West		
Highworth Town Res	V	Oxford City Nomads Dv

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Abingdon United	v	Highmoor Ibis
Ascot United	v	Oxford City Nomads
Binfield	V	Shrivenham
Bracknell Town	٧	Reading Town
Brimscombe & Thrupp	٧	Flackwell Heath
Holyport	٧	Wantage Town
Newbury	٧	Abingdon Town
Division One West		
Easington Sports	٧	Lydney Town
Fairford Town	٧	Malmesbury Vic
New College Swindon	٧	Hook Norton
North Leigh	٧	Carterton
Tuffley Rovers	٧	Purton
Division One East		
AFC Hinksey	٧	Rayners Lane
Chalfont Wasps	٧	Didcot Town Res
Finchampstead	٧	Henley Town
Headington Amateurs	٧	Burnham
Penn & Tylers Green	٧	Woodley Town
Wokingham & Emmb	٧	Chinnor
Division Two West		
Beversbrook	٧	Brimscombe & Thrupp
Highworth Town	Н	Cheltenham Saracens
Old Woodstock Town	٧	Wootton Bassett Town
Wantage Town	٧	Cirencester Town Dev
Division Two East		
Chinnor	٧	Chalfont Wasps
Finchampstead	٧	Bracknell Town
Rayners Lane	٧	Ascot United Dev
Thame United	٧	Binfield

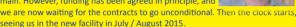
Saturday 12 April										
Bluefin Sports (Supp) Cup QF										
Cheltenham Saracens	٧	Wootton Bassett Town								
Chairmans Hellenic Challeng	Chairmans Hellenic Challenge Cup									
Hook Norton Res	Rayners Lane Res									
Premier Division										

**FREE DATES:** - Free Saturdays can only be confirmed on the Sunday prior to the free date. Teams shown as free may be allocated a match, at any time, up to and including the Sunday before a Saturday date in the event that circumstances

# Touchline

#### Chairman's Welcome

Have you spotted the "portaloo" on the ground of the new facility? This is a sign of things to come. I would expect to see fencing and ground works commence at the end of March / early April. There has been a couple of weeks' delay due to paperwork in the main. However, funding has been agreed in principle, and



There is still a lot to do in terms of interior design and contract management. while it's imperative that the new facility is utilised fully so that the operational budget is met.

With another eye on the future, myself and Development Officer Jeff Tidy are holding discussions with Royal Wootton Bassett Academy to create a Wootton Bassett Town FC Football Academy, which will combine education with football This is just one of the initiatives currently being run.

For a while we have been looking to address our marketing and commercial activities gap; you may have seen our advert for a Commercial Manager to join the team. This is to drive local company awareness, specifically with the new facility in mind, and I'm looking to build long-term sponsorship relationships. We have offered this role to Ben Brown. Ben is an independent marketing professional and will join the team. We will then look to formally invite Ben to ioin the committee at the next AGM. Ben also plays for the Reserve team, so knows us quite well already.

The sad news of Dave Turner's death hit us all hard. It was very much out of the blue. As a reminder, Dave ran our senior first team for 5 years. He will be missed by us all, but more so, by the local football community which he served for so many years. There have been many great tributes to Dave within the local press, so there is no need to say any more, other than at his funeral there must have been close to 450-500 people paying their respects. This demonstrated the impact his tragic death had within local football.

Good luck to those teams who are pushing hard in cup games and fighting for high league positions as the season reaches its conclusion.

In the meantime, please key an eye on the grounds of the new facility as shortly we will see some progress - exciting times!

#### **Andy Walduck**

#### **Club Directory**

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#### **Upcoming Events**

aturday 5th - Wednesday 9th April - Holland Tour

Monday 14th - Thursday 17th April - Soccer Skills cademy Easter Holiday Camp

riday 23rd May - Senior Section Presentation (Rylands Way

aturday 7th - Sunday 8th June - 2014 Six-a-Side urnament (Ballards Ash)

### **Touchline**

#### WBTFC Touchline - March 2014

#### Saturday Morning Skills Sessions

The bad weather this winter has meant a frustrating start for the free Saturday Morning Skills Sessions at Ballards Ash, with a number being cancelled.

However, they continue to be run and are open to those aged 5-12

Sessions run from 10am to 11am.

As reported in our previous newsletter, the club's sessions have also been set up and affiliated to the Wiltshire FA as a girls-only mini soccer centre on Saturday mornings (also 10am to 11am) at the U7 and U8 age groups. Amy Rowlands will in time run these centres

Any member of our youth section interested in coaching and who wishes to gain some experience through helping on Saturday mornings should contact Development Officer Jeff Tidy .

#### Soccer Skills Academy



The Soccer Skills Academy will be holding a four day holiday camp between Monday 14th and Thursday 17th April.

Sessions will run from 9.30am to 2.30pm. Cost will be £60 per child for the four days or £17 per day. Additional children from the same family will cost £55 for the four days or £15 per day.

A downloadable application form is available on the club website SSA page. For more information please contact Nick Bolton or visit the Advanced Sports Coaching website.

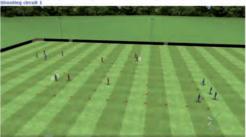
Places are also still available at the weekly Monday night sessions. These cost £20 per month. Sessions for children in Reception and Year One run from 5-6pm at the Lime Kiln Sports Centre, while those for school years 2 to 8 are held from 6-7pm on the Royal Wootton Bassett Academy astroturf.

Advanced Sports Coaching will also be holding a four day dodgeball camp during the Easter holidays. This will run from Monday 7th to Thursday 10th April at Brinkworth Earl Danby's School. Those interested in this can use the same application form as for the SSA football camp.



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#### Coach's Corner

Coach's Corner, the interactive facility available to all the club's managers and coaches, was added to the website at the end of 2013.

This forms part of the club's commitment to developing its coaches and allows those with access to take advantage of a database of age-specific training drills, which include demonstration instructional videos (as shown above), PDF files containing instructions, and session planning advice.

Drills included come from the The Future Game - The FA Technical Guide for Young Player Development. 36 videos are available for drills suitable for players aged 8-11, with 29 for players aged 12-16 and a further 29 for those aged 17+.

Not only is it a great learning tool for coaches, but also for helping develop the close to 400 playing members at our club.

So far a number of youth team coaches have been using the facility, although this figure could be better. All our managers and coaches are highly encouraged to use this website and should have received a user name and password to access this section of

If you have not received this information, please contact webmaster Scott Smedley.

#### Old Men Wanted for Veterans Team

After an enjoyable time in last season's Wiltshire County FA Veterans Summer League, Wootton Bassett Town will again be looking to enter a team when this summer's competition begins in June.

Bassett finished third last time out, winning a thrilling penalty shoot-out 8-7 following a 4-4 draw in their playoff against Swindon Centurions.

The County FA have expanded the Summer League, with two six-team events planned. One will be held in Swindon at Lydiard Park Academy and Kingsdown School, while the other is scheduled to take place in Chippenham at Stanley Park.

Players must be over 35 to take part. Already within the club there has been strong nterest in taking part, so if you are interested and have not yet made contact, please get in touch with Rob Mitchell or Martin Young.

here is a cost of £40 per team per fixture. The more players available, the cheaper (and easier on old, aching joints) this will be per player! For a squad of 16 this cost ould work out at £2.50 per player per game - great value for money.

Last year's tournament, featuring four teams, was excellent fun for all involved. With plans for a bigger, better competition this summer, those who feel their playing days are not over vet would be daft to miss out on this!



### **Touchline**

WBTFC Touchline - March 2014

#### 2014 Tournament

After a one year hiatus, Wootton Bassett Town's youth six-a-side tournament will be returning this summer. The tournament will be held over the weekend of the 7th and 8th June at Ballards Ash.

Building works on the rugby club's new clubhouse meant last year's event did not go ahead. But this year the competition, which in the past has attracted clubs from all corners of the country, including Scotland, Wales and Norfolk, will be back.

The following age groups will be run on the following days:

Saturday 7th June AM: Under 9 and Under 11

Saturday 7th June PM: Under 7 and Under 13

Sunday 8th June AM: Under 12 and Under 14

Sunday 8th June PM: Under 6, Under 8 and Under 10

Competitions for the Under 6, 7 and 8 age groups will be run on a non-competitive Festival of Football basis. All children taking part will receive a memento in recognition of their participation, while there will be an additional award for the most sporting team in each age group All other age groups will run on a group basis followed by a knockout stage, with trophies for the winners and runners-up in each age group.

For teams wishing to enter, there is an entry fee of £20 per team.

A maximum number of two teams per club per age group will be permitted. Please download and return the application form with the relevant payment as soon as possible to secure your team's place.

The tournament will be affiliated to the Wiltshire County Football Association and all teams who enter must be affiliated to their relevant county football association.

For further details please contact Youth Section Secretary Gill Gascoigne.

#### 2014 Tournament - Volunteers Needed!

As the club's biggest fundraising event, it is a necessity that we come together to put on a spectacular event, which matches (and hopefully betters) those ran in previous years.

To achieve that, the club needs volunteers to come forward and help out across the weekend. A number of the original tournament committee have now moved on, so we will need new faces to come forward and make the event as successful as possible.

Help will be needed across a number of areas, including:

- Setting up goals, gazebos etc. on the Friday evening prior to the tournament
- Putting out goals and corner flags on the Saturday and Sunday mornings
- Tidying up and packing away on both the Saturday and Sunday evenings
- Car park duties
- Organising and looking after referees
- Refreshments
- Litter picking throughout the day
- First aid
- Relaying of results to control something for our youth section players!

The list is an extensive one, but all are necessary jobs to ensure the tournaments runs on time and is as enjoyable as possible for all teams that enter.

Pulling this off brings a great sense of satisfaction for all involved and helps make the day of the children taking part.

If interested, please contact Youth Section Secretary Gill Gascoigne or Head of Youth Section Pete Yeardley.

Whether for an hour or two, or for the whole weekend, any help that can be provided will go a long way to making the tournament another success and will be greatly appreciated!

#### Holland Tour Itinerary

Always the highlight of the Youth Section calendar, this year's Holland Tour sees members of our under 12, 13 and 14 squads travel to the continent from Saturday 5th to Wednesday 9th April.

The 37 strong tour party will be in for a treat too as their visit will see them stay with the families of members from our sister club FC 's-Gravenzande. This year's trip comprises the first half of an exchange that will be completed next year when FC 's-Gravenzande come to England and stay with families in Bassett.

This year's tour party will meet in the Sainsbury's car park in Boroughfields at 5.30 am on the Saturday in preparation for a 6am depart. After travelling via Eurotunnel, they will travel through France and Belgium before arriving at 's-Gravenzande at 4.30pm. That evening will be spent with host families.

On Sunday the party will take in some top flight Dutch football action, watching ADO Den Haag take on FC Utrecht in a relegation dogfight at the former's Kyocera Stadium.

On the Monday they will enjoy a tour of Sparta Rotterdam's unique Het Kasteel stadium. They will return to FC s'-Gravenzande for a skills coaching session in the early afternoon before competing in three matches for the "Friendship Trophy" in the evening. A social evening and presentations will then follow.

On Tuesday morning, goodbyes will be said to host families as the tour group depart for a final evening in Dordrecht. An afternoon meal at FC Dordrecht will be followed by evening matches against SC Emma before final presentations in their clubhouse.

After a final evening at the Stay Okay Hostel in Dordrecht, the group will travel back home, with an estimated arrival time in Roval Wootton Bassett of 6pm.



Congratulations to
the Under 14 Blues on
reaching the North Wilts
League Cup final!



### **Touchline**

#### WBTFC Touchline - March 2014

#### Senior Section -

Bill Shankly once said that football was more important than life and death! The recent events of the passing of Dave Turner has made me reflect on that quote.

We are all passionate about the sport we love and sometimes we can react in different ways. Some of us are quiet, some are very vocal and some including the incumbent Newcastle Manager can take matters into their own hands!!

Football is important - it's part of our lives, it's inbuilt into us from an early age. But it can never be more important than life. It's just a part of our lives.

Dave was an important part of this club's history. He was fiercely loyal to his players and was one of our most successful managers of recent times. I spoke with Dave most Monday mornings about the previous weekend's game and he felt the losses and enjoyed the wins. Although at the end of his tenure at the club it's true that we did have some disagreements, showing the man that he was, he phoned me to discuss these issues which we agreed to put aside aside and continue with our personal friendship.

The eulogies that I am sure we have all read have given Trish and the boys comfort that so many thought so highly of Dave.

Rest in peace Big Man.

On the pitch, the football has been a complete wash out due to the persistent rain this winter, but we continue to strive to finish the season!

Although this is a short review for this edition of Touchline, I will be looking to say a few things in this season's last Touchline ......
Watch this space.

#### **Chris Jones**



The Reserves' final league game at Rylands Way ended in a cloud of fog. Leading Fairford Town 2-0 thanks to a pair of Shaun Terry goals, the game was abandoned early in the second half as a thick mist descended.

(Picture courtesy of Fairford Town)

#### Youth Section -

After one of the mildest but wettest winters in many years most of our teams are now frantically trying to play catch up with their fixtures.

Particular mention and praise must be given to Hayley Gillie (our facilities coordinator) as during these past few weeks she has been patiently trying to re -arrange fixtures and venues for all our teams. This has not been eased by some teams having outstanding County Cup obligations which take precedence over any league fixtures. With the weather now having improved, normal service has thankfully been more or less resumed and we have all been able to welcome back regular football.

forecast several years ago that these few seasons will prove to be the most difficult to coordinate for the club. Our total lack of inhouse facilities are proving a nightmare with teams playing "home games" at no less than seven different venues!

Trying to establish and maintain a one club ethos during all this is proving a challenge and I for one will relish our relocation in the summer of 2015. On behalf of the club I would like to extend thanks to all managers, players and parents for standing by and supporting the club during these "relocation years". Believe me, it will all be worth it in the end.

On April 5th we will be taking three teams on our annual visit to Holland. This will be the 26th trip since its inauguration (and 13th since they started running within the club), and the U14, U13 and U12 teams travelling can expect unparralled hospitality and facilities during their visit.

I am sure the party travelling will once again be proud ambassadors of our club and country and maybe even return with a trophy. More importantly, many more friendships will be made and our players' football and social development skills will be enhanced.

You can keep fully informed as to our progress with regular updates available on the WBTFC website and social media feeds.

Another date to put in your diaries will be 7th and 8th June as after a year's break we attempt to restage our popular and successful 6-a-side tournament. This will once again be held at Ballards Ash but this time with the ground being under the ownership of the Rugby Club.

This in itself will offer many different, and no doubt difficult challenges, but I am sure with the support of many we can once again reestablish the tournament.

With over 1,500 people visiting each day we will need many volunteers to assist with car park marshalling, catering, stewarding

As this is our major fundraising event of the year it is essential we can count on your support to once again make the tournament a resounding success. If you can help in any way please register your interest with your team manager and we will arrange a rota system.

I look forward to seeing you all over the coming months.

#### Pete Yeardley



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### Wootton Bassett Town F.C. Season 2013-14 First Team Fixtures, Results, Teams & Goal Scorers

Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15
10-Aug	Bracknell Town	Α	L1-4	82	Ellis	Bowden	Edmondson	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	Sheppard	Ockwell (1)	Terry	L.Stevens	A.Rigley	Kent		
14-Aug	Highworth Town	Н	L 1 - 2	89	Kuczynski	Bowden	Roberts	Corcoran	Carter (1)	Stanners	Sheppard	Ockwell	Terry	L.Stevens	A.Rigley	Cox		
17-Aug	Totton &Eling (FAC EX Prelim)	Н	L 0 - 2	49	Kuczynski	Bowden	Bailey	Corcoran	Carter	K.Rigley	Sheppard	Ockwell	Terry	L.Stevens	Packer	Kent	Youngsam	Edmondson
24-Aug	Flackwell Heath	Α		43	Allison	Bowden	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter	K.Rigley	A.Stevens	Ockwell	Worthington (1)	L.Stevens	A.Rigley	Bailey		
26-Aug	Brimscombe & Thrupp	Н	W 2 - 1	70	Allison	Bowden	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter	K.Rigley	A.Stevens	Ockwell	Roberts (1)	L.Stevens (1)	A.Rigley	Terry	Packer	
31-Aug	Shrivenham	-			Allison	Bowden	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	A.Stevens	Ockwell	Roberts (1)	Packer (1)	A.Rigley	Bailey (1)	Sheppard	Youngsam
4-Sep	Wantage Town	Н		51	Allison	Bowden	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	Terry	Ockwell	Roberts	Packer	A.Rigley	Bailey	Chatwin	
07-Sep	Highmoor Ibis	Α	D 2 - 2	30	Allison	Bowden	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter (1)	Stanners	Terry	Ockwell	Roberts	Packer	Chatwin	Cox	Wright	
11-Sep	Tytherington Rocks (F/L 1)	H	L 1 - 3	32	Ellis	Wright	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter	K.Rigley	Terry	Ockwell	Roberts	Packer	Cox	A.Rigley (1)	Youngsam	Pleass
14-Sep	Ascot United	Α	D1-1	62	Kuczynski	Bowden	Yeardley	Corcoran	K.Rigley	Stanners	Cox (1)	Ockwell	Roberts	Packer	A.Rigley	Chatwin		
17-Sep	Kidlington	Α	W 3 - 2	32	Clark	Davis	Yeardley	Corcoran	Chatwin (1)	Stanners (1)	Cox	Ockwell	Roberts (1)	Packer	A.Rigley	Bailey		
21-Sep	Odd Down (FAV 2nd QR)	Α	L 0 - 7		Clark	Chatwin	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter	Packer	A.Stevens	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	A.Rigley	Bailey	Walduck	
25-Sep	Reading Town	H	D 4 - 4	31	Allison	Wright	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter	Cox (1)	Milhench (2)	Ockwell	Roberts (1)	L.Stevens	A.Rigley	Bailey	Baife	
28-Sep	Lydney Town (BICC 1)	Α	L 2 - 5	62	Allison	Bowden	Yeardley	Wright	Carter	Cox	Chatwin	Ockwell	Roberts (2)	L.Stevens	A.Rigley	Baife	K.Rigley	
5-Oct	Oxford City Nomads	Н	L 0 - 1	28	Allison	Bowden	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter	Wright	Terry	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	Packer	Stanners	K.Rigley	Cox
9-Oct	Abingdon Town	Н	W 3 - 1	29	Allison	Bowden	Yeardley	Corcoran	Carter	K.Rigley	Milhench (1)	Ockwell	Cox (2)	L.Stevens	A.Rigley	Packer	Sheppard	Walduck
26-Oct	Reading Town	Α	L 1 - 2	60	Meare	Bowden	Collier	Corcoran	K.Rigley	Stanners	Packer	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	A.Rigley	Milhench (1)	Sheppard	Wright
30-Oct	Abingdon United	Н	L 2 - 3	55	Allison	Bowden	Collier (1)	Brown	K.Rigley	Stanners	Packer	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	Milhench (1)	Carter	Sheppard	Yeardley
2-Nov	Ardley United	Н	L1-2	40	Allison	Bowden	Collier	Brown	K.Rigley	Stanners	Packer	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	Milhench	Carter	Sheppard (1)	Wright
11-Nov	Binfield	Α	L 0 - 1	92	Allison	Bowden	Collier	Brown	Carter	Stanners	Packer	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	Lardner	Corcoran	Sheppard	Wright
16-Nov	Abingdon United	Α	L 3 - 4	27	Allison	Bowden	Yeardley	Corcoran (2)	Carter	Stanners	K.Rigley (1)	Ockwell	Brown	Collier	Lardner	Walduck	Sorrenti	
23-Nov	Ardley United	Α	D1-1	45	Allison	Sheppard	Collier (1)	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	K.Rigley	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	Lardner	Cox		
27-Nov	Highmoor Ibis	Н	D2-2	31	Allison	Sheppard	Collier	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	K.Rigley	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens (1)	Lardner	Cox (1)	Yeardley	Milhench
30-Nov	Old Woodstock Town (SC2)	Α	W 3 - 0	48	Allison	Yeardley	Collier (1)	Corcoran	Carter (1)	Stanners	K.Rigley	Ockwell	Roberts (1)	L.Stevens	Lardner	Packer	Youngsam	
7-Dec	Bemerton Heath Harl (CC2)	Н	L 2 - 3	24	Meare	Yeardley	Collier (1)	Corcoran	Carter	Cox (1)	K.Rigley	Ockwell	Roberts	Milhench	Lardner	Walduck	Sorrenti	
11-Dec	Binfield		W 1 - 0		Allison	Yeardley	Collier (1)	Corcoran	Milhench	Stanners	Cox	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	Lardner	K.Rigley		
14-Dec	Highworth Town	Α	D1-1	90	Allison	Yeardley	Milhench	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	Cox (1)	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	Lardner	K.Rigley	Packer	Sheppard
21-Dec	Thame United	_	D2-2		Allison	Yeardley	Collier (1)	Corcoran	Milhench	Stanners	Sheppard	Ockwell	Roberts (1)	L.Stevens	Lardner			
26-Dec	Newbury	Α	D 2 - 2	60	Allison	Yeardley	Joyce	Sorrenti	Sheppard	Stanners (2)	Cox	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	Lardner	K.Rigley	A.Stevens	
28-Dec	Holyport				Allison	Yeardley	Sorrenti	Corcoran	Sheppard (1)	Stanners (2)	Cox	Ockwell (1)	Roberts	L.Stevens	Milhench (2)		A.Stevens	
11-Jan	Shrivenham	Α		84	Allison	Yeardley	Sorrenti	Randhawa	Sheppard (1)	Stanners	Cox (1)	Ockwell	Roberts	Joyce	Lardner	K.Rigley		
22-Feb	Oxford City Nomads	Α	L 0 - 2	35	Allison	Yeardley	Parsons	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	Cox	Ockwell	Joyce	L.Stevens	Lardner	K.Rigley	Miles	
5-Mar	Cheltenham Saracens	Н	W 1 - 0	35	Allison	Yeardley	Aitkenhead	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	Cox	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens (1)	Lardner	Sheppard	Terry	
08-Mar	Holyport	Α	D 0 - 0	46	Allison	Yeardley	Aitkenhead	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	Cox	Ockwell	Roberts	Terry	Lardner	Sheppard	Joyce	
11-Mar	Wantage Town	Α	L 0 - 1	46	Allison	Yeardley	Aitkenhead	Corcoran	Carter	Sheppard	Cox	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens	Lardner	K.Rigley	Terry	
15-Mar	Penn & Tylers (SC 3)	Н	W 3 - 1	25	Allison	Yeardley	Aitkenhead	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	Cox (2)	Ockwell	Roberts	L.Stevens (1)		K.Rigley	Joyce	
29-Mar	Flackwell Heath		D1-1	56	Allison	Yeardley	Aitkenhead	Corcoran (1)	Carter	Stanners	Parsons	Ockwell	Rigley	Sheppard	Lardner	Meare	Youngsam	
2-Apr	Ascot United	Н		29	Allison	Yeardley	Aitkenhead	Corcoran	Carter	Stanners	Cox	Ockwell	Rigley	Sheppard	Lardner	Milhench	A.Stevens	Youngsam
05-Apr	Thame United	Α	D 0 - 0	68	Allison	Yeardley	Aitkenhead	Corcoran	Youngsam	Balfe	Cox	Ockwell	Rigley	A.Stevens	Lardner	Meare		
07-Apr	Cheltenham Saracens	Α																
9-Apr	Bracknell Town	Н																
12-Apr	Cheltenham Saracens (SC4)	Α																
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17-Apr	Brimscombe & Thrupp	Α																
23-Apr	Newbury	H																
26-Apr	Kidlington	Н																
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