

Royal Wootton Bassett Town F.C.

Brimmscombe & Thrupp F.C.

ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C.

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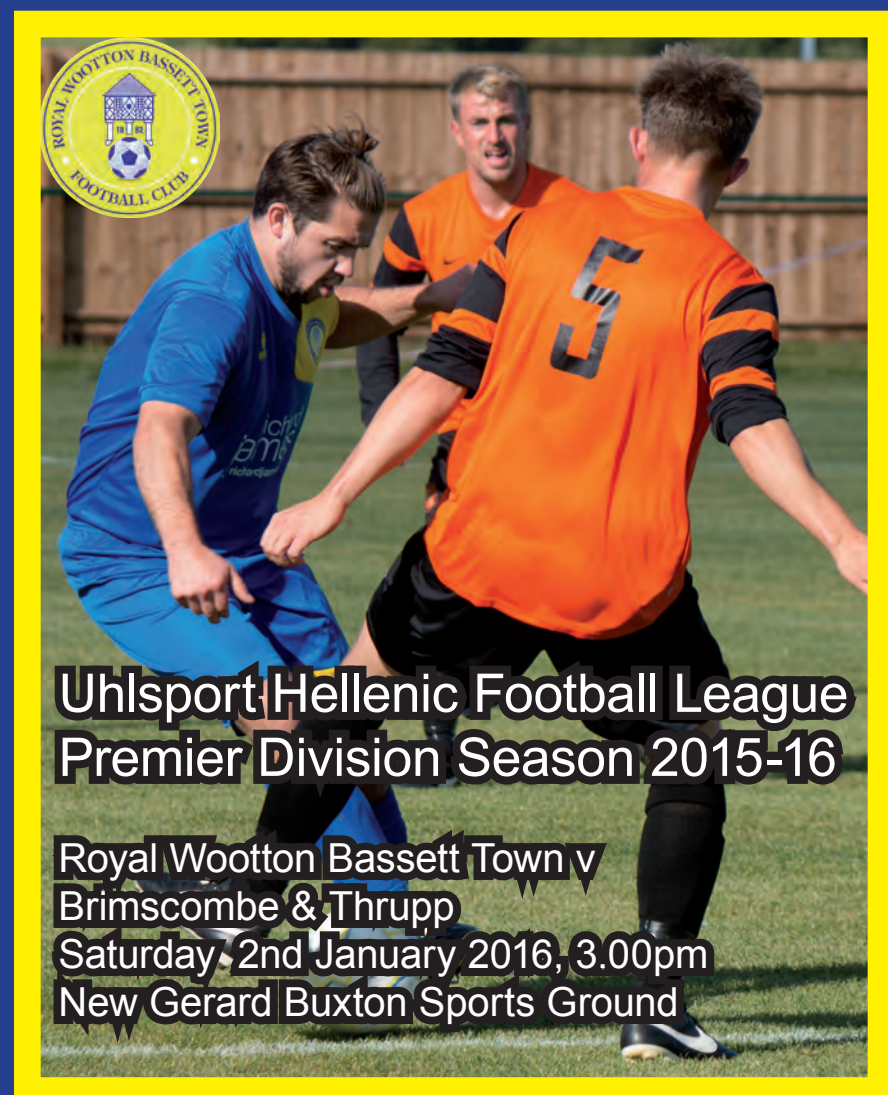
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8	Dave	Woodfield		
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10	Tom	Black		
11	Ash	Caldwell		
12	Ben	Snook		
14	Ben	Deakin		
15	Simon	Clarke		
16	Tom	Pass		
17	Josh	Jones		
18	Matt	Blythe		
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Assistant: Chris Green

Dugout Team
Manager: Sam Prior
Assistants: Tim Wilkins, Matt Blythe
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 Sat 09-Jan-16 v Cirencester Town Development (Bluefin Insurance Challenge Cup, k-off 3.00pm)
 Sun 17-Jan-16 v Bristol & West (Gloucestershire Womens League, k-off 2.00pm)
 Sat 23-Jan-16 v Oxford City Nomads (UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division, k-off 3.00pm)



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Editorial & RWBTFC News

Welcome to Brimscombe & Thrupp

A Happy New Year to all of our players, management and supporters. I hope 2016 will be a prosperous year for one and all. This afternoon sees Brimscombe & Thrupp become the first visitors of 2016 to the New Gerard Buxton Ground. A warm welcome to all from Brimscombe who have made the relatively short journey to Wootton Bassett for this afternoon's UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division fixture. We hope all from Brimscombe & Thrupp enjoy their first visit to our new ground and we wish them a safe journey home.

The two sides have met on nine occasions previously with Wootton Bassett Town having the better of things with five wins, Brimscombe having won three times (including a Subsidiary Cup win) and there being one drawn fixture. Wootton Bassett Town have won the last three fixtures between the two sides. In an end of season game back in April two goals from Steve Robertson and one a piece from Dan Bailey and Nathan Gambling goal gave us a 4-1 win at Cirencester. Earlier in December, in a game played in snow flurries at Brimscombe & Thrupp, Wootton Bassett had won 3-1, Steve Robertson again scoring twice and Dale Richards with one goal in this one. The previous encounter had seen Wootton Bassett win by a solitary goal scored by Chris Balfe. Hopefully that run of victories in the league will continue here this afternoon.

Brimscombe currently sit in 10th place in the league table with ten wins in their opening eighteen league fixtures. Half of those wins have come away from home and we will need to be at our best this afternoon to take anything out of this game. At the time of writing Brimscombe & Thrupp are still in the F.A. Vase (one of two Hellenic sides still in the national competition, the other being Kidlington who are home to Woking side Knaphill in the 4th Round). Brimscombe & Thrupp were scheduled to play their replay against Moneyhills on Tuesday night and hopefully by the time you read these notes they are still in this national competition and preparing for a 4th Round home tie against Bristol Manor Farm.

Brimscombe & Thrupp have in their ranks Kyle Pitts who made fourteen appearances for our First Team back in Season 2011-12 under manager Dave Turner. A very good player who in my view should have made more starts than he did (six of those fourteen appearances were from the bench). Welcome back to Bassett to Kyle.

Melksham

It was disappointing to go out of the County Cup at the Quarter-Final stage as it has been a few years since we made the final of this competition and this was also our fifth defeat in five county cup meetings with Melksham as they maintained their 100% record against us in the competition. Whilst this year's competition was always going to be a tough one to win with Steve Claridge's Salisbury involved I felt that we had a good chance of making the final if we avoided them in the draw. In the end it was a solitary goal from the prolific Gary Higdon that separated the two sides against Melksham. This defeat leaves us to now concentrate on the league and the Bluefin Insurance Cup where we have drawn yet another home tie (this is the 8th in all cup competitions this season – not that I am counting!) with Cirencester Town Development being the visitors to the New Gerard Buxton Ground. This Bluefin Cup fixture has been scheduled for next Saturday and will see a few players who have represented our Under 18 side return to play against us for Cirencester.

Youth Section Cup draws

The five Royal Wootton Bassett Town sides still alive in their age groups' respective North Wilts League Cup competitions now know the identity of the teams who stand between them and a place in the final. In the Under 18s competition, Bassett will meet Division Three outfit Ramsbury Juniors. While Bassett, currently fifth in Division One, will go into that game as favourites, they will need to be at their best to avoid being the victims of an upset as Ramsbury currently sit tied at the top of their division and are yet to taste defeat this season. The winners will face either Division One leaders Fairford Town Youth or Division Two Shrivenham & Watchfield Royals in the final.

Editorial & RWBTFC News

It's a rematch with their cup conquerors in last season's final for the Under 16 Blues as they take on Wroughton. Last year, Wroughton defeated Bassett 4-0 in the showpiece, and recorded a 5-2 win when they met for the first time in the league on Sunday. Bassett are cup specialists, however, and will be aiming to make a final for the fourth consecutive season. Should they make it, they will play either Kings Stanley or Croft Junior Red.

In the Under 15s competition, Bassett's Blue team have been paired with Division One rivals Swindon Supermarine 'L'. The sides are yet to play one another this season, though Supermarine have seven points from seven league games, compared to Bassett's record of four points from five matches. Division One leaders Swindon Rangers or Division Two Castle Combe Colts await in the final.

There will be no easy route to the final for the Under 13 Blues – reigning cup holders. With all four semi-finalists currently sitting in the top five in Division One, a strong field remains. And Bassett will take on Croft Junior Red for a place in the final. Both teams are undefeated in the league, though Croft have five wins and one draw from their first six games, compared to Bassett's five wins from five. Opponents in the final will be either Wickham Wanderers or Liden Community White, who recently eliminated Bassett from the County Cup.

The Under 12 Blues will have to defeat Division One pacesetters Croft Junior Red, who currently have seven wins from seven league games, if they are to reach the League Cup final. In their only meeting so far this season, Croft triumphed 3-0. FC Calne and Shrivenham & Watchfield Royals face one another in the other semi-final. All semi-finals will take place at Beversbrook on Sunday 13th March. Best of luck to all Bassett teams!

Highworth Town

Monday's away game at Highworth Town, which saw us go down 8-0 against our nearest neighbours, was a bad day at the office for the team. To lose 8-0 at any time is bad but when it is against your noisy neighbours it hurts even more. Hopefully the players are suitably embarrassed by that performance and Paul will get a reaction here this afternoon from the lads. After such a bad result it is important to get some kind of result to restore confidence.

Programme

Looking at what else is included in the programme this afternoon. The player featured in the First Team player profile is Matt Cheetham. There is a match report on the County Cup defeat against Melksham Town and from that league fixture with Highworth Town. Paul gives his latest thoughts in his Dugout Chat column and Stuart Smedley gives his Half Term Report for this season. The defunct former opponents feature this week looks at Cricklade Town and their short existence in the Hellenic League before they folded. In addition there is the usual article from a journalist from the Non-League Paper.

Next Up

The next game here at the New Gerard Buxton Ground sees more cup action as Cirencester Town Development are our visitors in the Bluefin Insurance Cup. Whilst struggling at the wrong end of Division One West Cirencester should not be underestimated as they have already knocked out one of the top Premier Division sides in Kidlington in reaching this stage of the competition. Match kicks-off at 3.00pm.

Enjoy the game and hopefully a win which will see us secure three vital league points.

Mark



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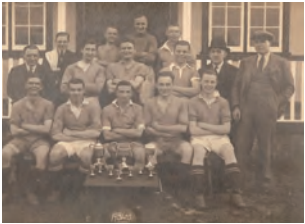
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- 1902/03 Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up
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- 1903/04 Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up
- 1905/06 Wiltshire County League Runners-up
- 1930/31 Calne & District League Runners-up
- 1931/32 Calne & District League Champions
- 1933/34 Vale of White Horse Cup Winners
- 1934/35 Calne & District League Champions
- Calne & District League Cup Winners
- 1935/36 Calne & District League Champions
- 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
- 1958/59 Wiltshire League Division 1 Champions
- 1978/79 Wiltshire County League Division 2 Runners-up
- 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
- Wiltshire County League Ghia Junior Cup Runners-up
- 1987/88 Wiltshire County League Division 1 Champions
- Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up
- 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
- Hellenic League Reserves Division 2 West Champions
- 2004/05 Wiltshire Youth Cup Runners-up
- 2009/10 Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up
- 2010/11 Wiltshire County FA Floodlit League Champions
- Wiltshire Youth Cup Runners-up
- 2012/13 Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up
- Wiltshire County League Junior Cup Runners-up



From The Dugout

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to Brimscombe & Thrupp to the New Gerard Buxton Ground for this UHlsport Hellenic League fixture. Before reflecting on recent defeats I would like to wish all of our players, club officials and supporters a Happy New Year and I hope that 2016 is a successful year for one and all.

Reflecting on affairs on the pitch in recent games is tough as we have now lost three games in a row, albeit all three games were against strong opponents in Kidlington, Melksham Town and Highworth Town. Firstly on behalf of the players and management I would like to apologise for our poor showing on Monday at Highworth. To lose 8-0 is bad enough at the best of times but when is against your nearest local rivals it hurts even more. On the day we were poor and Highworth showed us what a good side they are. They very much demonstrated why they are up at the top of the league challenging for the title. They scored some very good goals on the day but we allowed our heads to drop and that is not something we like to see and not what we expect from one of our sides.

We will be looking to put matters right here this afternoon and the management and players know that we owe all the spectators who made the trip to Highworth a performance. Please get behind the lads here this afternoon as we look to put matters right on the pitch. It will not be easy as Brimscombe are having another good season and are now establishing themselves as a Premier Division side for the foreseeable future.

We recently tried to strengthen our striking options, trying to persuade Nathan Gambling to return to the Club from Highworth Town. In the end Nathan decided to join Fairford Town instead, whilst disappointed at the outcome, with Fairford top of Division One West, I can see why he made that decision. Who knows he may want to return to Bassett at sometime in the future so all we can do now is wish him well at Fairford for the rest of the season. We will continue to look at other options to strengthen the side for the second half of the season but there is currently a dearth of players in the Swindon area compared to a few years ago.

The teams below us in the table are now starting to catch us up and it is important that we return to winning ways as soon as possible. Ardley are now just three points below us although they have played two more games than us. It is important not to get dragged into a relegation battle and the next few games will be important in defining how the rest of our season will pan out. Next week we play Cirencester Town Development in the Bluefin Insurance Cup. Another home draw gives us the chance to progress in this cup but we should not underestimate Cirencester given that they have already knocked out one of the Premier Division top sides in Kidlington.

Enjoy the game this afternoon and see you in the bar afterwards.

Paul



Opponents - History

Brimscombe & Thrupp • Club History

Brimscombe A.F.C. was founded in 1886 – the same year as the Gloucestershire Football Association!

The G.F.A. friendlies were played until the competitive league was formed in 1890. In 1902 the Stroud League was founded and Brimscombe were its first winners. Just after the First World War the Northern Senior League appeared. Its first season was 1922 and once again Brimscombe were the very first champions. Football was interrupted during the Second World War (1939–1945) but the game continued at 'The Meadow' where matches between the Army, Navy, Air Force and a team called 'Brimscombe Wanderers' took place

When the Gloucestershire County League was first formed in 1968/9, Brimscombe – affectionately known as "The Lilywhites", were again founder members, along with other local sides Forest Green Rovers and Stonehouse Town. In 1973/4 The Lilywhites, amid some controversy, found themselves back in the Senior League, just failing by one vote to secure a place in the Hellenic League.

It was at this time the Club experienced a difficult period and in the late 1970's Brimscombe and Thrupp amalgamated to secure both Club's futures. The Club hit a purple patch in the 1980's and won the Senior League Division One and Two and the County Cup all in the space of three seasons, eventually being promoted back to the County League and finishing 4th in 1987. There then followed many years of varying fortunes for the club including relegation to the lower leagues. However, in 2008 there were major changes to the Club Committee and the Football Management which immediately brought a successful period for the club. In season 2008/9 the First Eleven managed by Phil Baker were Runners-up to Longlevens and were promoted once again into the County League for the third time in its History.

In 2011 Brimscombe & Thrupp F.C. won the Gloucestershire County League for the first time and gained promotion to the Hellenic League under Phil Baker. Since promotion major redevelopments of the ground have taken place including an extension to the clubhouse and the installation of floodlights. Season 2012/13 saw Brimscombe & Thrupp F.C. win the UHlsport Hellenic League Division 1 West and gain acceptance into the Premier League. More ground improvements are underway which include a new 100 standing/100 seating stand and further walkways around the pitch.

Season 2013/14 saw Brimscombe and Thrupp F.C. playing in the highest league in the clubs history, the ground improvements were complete with the new stand finished and other improvements made. The club experienced its first ever F.A. Vase football and were quite successful reaching the first round proper. The season was also made memorable with the First XI winning three cup finals – those being the Stroud & District Charity Cup, the Hellenic League Flying Press Floodlit Cup and the Hellenic League Supplementary Cup.

Season 2014/15 was another historic occasion with the side playing in the F.A. Cup for the first time in its history.



Hellenic League Prem Top Scorers

UHlsport Hellenic League

Top Goalscorers (all games) as at 28th December 2015

		Goals	Apps	Strike- Rate	
1	Anaclet Odhiambo	Kidlington	24	30	80.0%
2	Stephen Robertson	Royal Wootton Bassett	22	22	100.0%
3	Shane Cooper-Clark	Bracknell Town / Thatcham	20	28	71.4%
4	T.J. Bohane	Highworth Town	19	21	90.5%
5	Daniel Burnell	Flackwell Heath	19	21	90.5%
6	Christopher Hurst	Flackwell Heath	18	18	100.0%
7	Matthew Hammond	Brackley Town Saints	18	28	64.3%
8	Lewis Coyle	Kidlington	17	23	73.9%
9	Ryan Brooks	Kidlington	16	24	66.7%
10	Declan Morley-Lyne	Lydney Town	15	27	55.6%
50	Harvey Scholes	Royal Wootton Bassett	7	31	22.6%
57	Stephen Olphert	Royal Wootton Bassett	6	26	23.1%
109	Steve Yeardley	Royal Wootton Bassett	3	15	20.0%
109	Sam Packer	Royal Wootton Bassett	3	28	10.7%
109	Dan Bailey	Royal Wootton Bassett	3	31	9.7%
142	Tyler Sheppard	Royal Wootton Bassett	2	16	12.5%
142	Dan Comer	Royal Wootton Bassett	2	30	6.7%
186	Joe Hiscock	Royal Wootton Bassett	1	11	9.1%
186	Ryan Thomas	Royal Wootton Bassett	1	17	5.9%
186	Nathan Hawkins	Royal Wootton Bassett	1	26	3.8%





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Defunct Opponents

A look back at former opponents who are no longer competing. Today's featured team is.....

Cricklade Town

Cricklade Town joined the Wiltshire Football League in the late 1980's. Starting in Division four of the league they gained promotion to Division three after the 1994-95 campaign when they finished third. The 1996-97 season saw the club gain further promotion when they finished as runners-up in Division two, and this was followed by another runners-up spot and promotion the season afterwards, to the newly formed Premier division. At the end of their third season in the Premier division the club were crowned the 2000-01 champions. Despite this league win the club were denied promotion to the Hellenic Football League due to their ground not meeting the required standards of the league. The following season saw the club finish bottom of the division but they were spared relegation. Two seasons later at the end of the 2004-05 campaign the club finished third, and were promoted to the Hellenic Football League as their application to join the league was successful this time. How Cricklade Town were able to enter the Hellenic League with their Spartan facilities at Cricklade Leisure Centre is one of life's many mysteries but in Season 2005-06 they joined the Hellenic League Division One West from the Wiltshire League.

Prior to that Wootton Bassett Town had met Cricklade three times in the Wiltshire Senior Cup in recent times. In Season 1999-2000, two goals from Ian Curtis and one from Richard Merchant secured a 3-2 win for Bassett. The two sides met again the following season in the semi-final of the same competition. This time extra time was needed to separate the two sides, but a goal from Mickey Goodwin and an own goal ensured Bassett made it through to the final against Shrewton United. Bassett were to go on and win the competition for the second time in three years. The two sides met again in Season 2002-03 with Wootton Bassett winning comfortably by three goals to nil, two goals from Paul Clegg and one from Gary Ashford doing the damage for Bassett.

Whilst Wootton Bassett had much the better of things in the Wiltshire Senior Cup it was a different story when they joined the Hellenic League as Graham Jackson's side became something of a bogey side for Wootton Bassett. In that first season the two sides met at Cricklade Leisure Centre the week before Christmas and shared the points in a 1-1 draw, Stuart Hemsley with the Bassett goal. The two sides met again just 5 weeks later at Rylands Way and it was Cricklade who left with all three points after a 2-1 win, Matty Bennett with the Wootton Bassett consolation goal.

It was honours even in Season 2006-07 as the two sides met twice in the last few weeks of the season. Goals from Matt Bennett, Chris Mills and Andy White gave Bassett all three points at Rylands Way but in the return 11 days later goals from Stevie Shaw and Scott Large were not enough to give Bassett the points in a 3-2 defeat.

Season 2007-08 was not a good one for Bassett as they lost both games against Cricklade, failing to score in either game as they went down 2-0 at Cricklade and 1-0 at Rylands Way. This started a pattern of one or other side doing the double over the other.

In Season 2008-09 it was Bassett's turn to win both games. The two sides met at Cricklade Leisure Centre on 13th September 2008 and the crowd were entertained in a game that saw eight goals with Bassett prevailing by five goals to three. Hero for Bassett on the day was Shaun Terry who fired a hat-trick with further goals from Steve Yeardley and Ryan Banks. In the return at Rylands in April Steve Yeardley was again on target with Scott Ward also netting in a 2-1 win for Wootton Bassett.





















Season 2009-10 and it was again Cricklade's turn to have the better of things, winning by a solitary goal at Cricklade Leisure Centre and then leaving Rylands with all three points following a 2-1 win, Andy Philpott with the consolation goal for Wootton Bassett.

Season 2011-12 continued the sequence of the two sides switching who did the double over whom. Goals from Craig Bowden, Ethan Delaney and Matt Bown gave Dave Turner's Bassett side the points in a 3-1 win at Rylands Way. In the return at the Leisure Centre in March two goals from Alex Green gave Bassett the points in a narrow 2-1 win.

The final season when the two sides were to meet each other was Season 2012-13 and the sequence of doubles came to an end as the two sides drew both games, At Rylands in February a Mark Barnes goal ensured as share of the points for Bassett whilst in the return game at the Leisure Centre neither side was able to find the net. This was to be Cricklade's last season in the Hellenic League as they folded just prior to the start of the 2012-14 Season.

Opponents Pen Pics

Brimscombe & Thrupp FC

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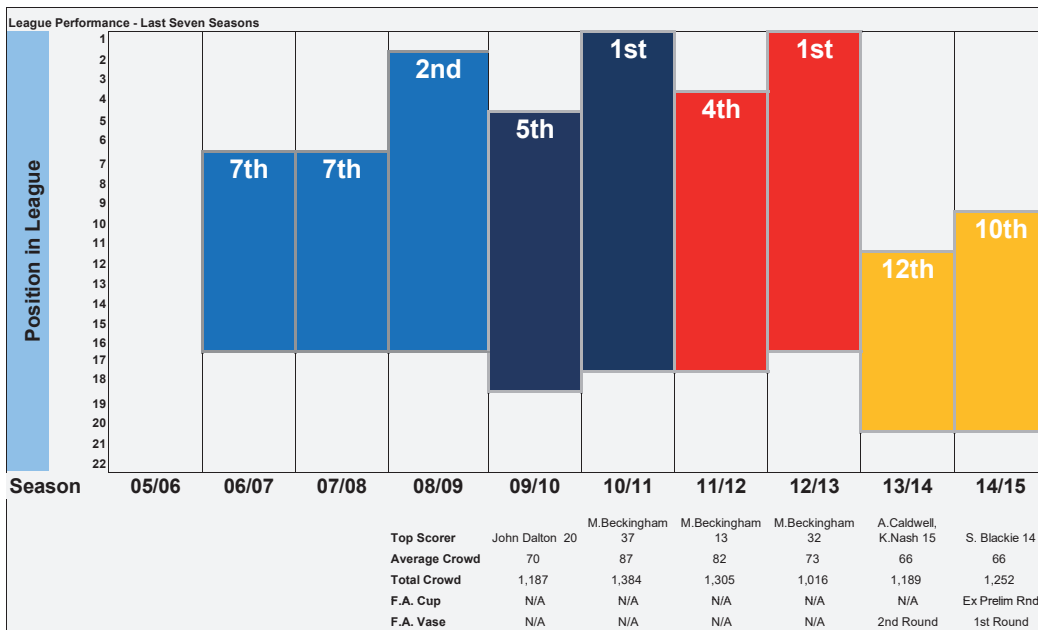
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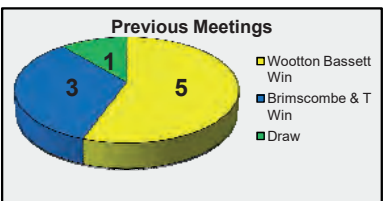
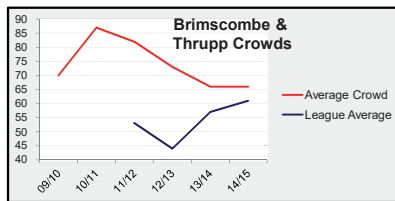


Current Form (Last Six Games)

Date	Opponents	Result
19-Dec-15	v Wokingham & Emmbrook (A)	W 4 - 0
12-Dec-15	v Moneyfields (A)	D 0 - 0
8-Dec-15	v North Leigh United (A)	W 3 - 0
5-Dec-15	v Woodley United (H)	W 6 - 0
1-Dec-15	v Cribbs FC (A)	D 2 - 2
28-Nov-15	v Longlevens (H)	L 0 - 2

v Wootton Bassett Town (Last Six Games)

Date	Fixture & Result
6-Apr-15	Wootton Bassett 4 Brimscombe & Thrupp 1
27-Dec-14	Brimscombe & Thrupp 1 Wootton Bassett 3
30-Apr-14	Wootton Bassett 1 Brimscombe & Thrupp 0
17-Apr-14	Brimscombe & Thrupp 1 Wootton Bassett 0
26-Aug-13	Wootton Bassett 2 Brimscombe & Thrupp 1
2-Feb-13	Brimscombe & Thrupp 2 Wootton Bassett 0



Wilts U18 Floodlit League



WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB SEASON 2015-16 U18 TEAM FIXTURES - WILTSHIRE COUNTY FLOODLIT LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Thurs 03-Sep-15	Calne Town	H	League	W 5 - 2	Collins 2, Covey, Harris, OG
Thurs 10-Sep-15	Shrivenham	A	League	W 3 - 0	Covey 3
Thurs 01-Oct-15	Chippenham Town	H	League	W 6 - 4	Collins 2, Covey 2, Thompson, OG
Thurs 08-Oct-15	New College	A	League	W 3 - 0	Murphy 2, Gregory
Thurs 19-Nov-15	New College	H	League	W 5 - 0	Collins 2, Covey 2, Thompson
Wed 25-Nov-15	Chippenham Town	A	League	L 1 - 2	Vivash
Thurs 10-Dec-15	Shrivenham	H	League	D 1 - 1	Covey
Wed 20-Jan-16	Calne Town	A	League		

AFC Corsham have withdrawn from the league

Wiltshire U18 Floodlit League - North Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC	7	5	1	1	24	9	16
2 Shrivenham FC	8	4	1	3	16	14	13
3 New College, Swindon FC	8	4	0	4	21	21	12
4 Chippenham Town FC	8	4	0	4	17	20	12
5 Calne Town FC	7	1	0	6	8	22	3

AFC Corsham withdrew from league

Wiltshire U18 Floodlit League - South Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Melksham Town FC	6	5	0	1	18	5	15
2 Laverstock and Salisbury FC	3	3	0	0	9	1	9
3 Bemerton Heath Harlequins FC	6	2	2	2	7	8	8
4 Bradford Town Youth FC	6	2	0	4	12	15	6
5 Amesbury Town FC	5	1	2	2	9	12	5
6 Pewsey Vale FC	6	1	0	5	8	22	3

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All programme back issues are priced at £1 plus £1.30 postage (postage for multiple orders will be provided on request).



Todays Opponents - This Season

Results Season 2015-16

Date	Result	League/Cup	Opponent	Score	Scorers	Att
8-Aug-15	W	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	4	Wokingham & Emmbrook	1
11-Aug-15	W	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	4	Lydney Town	2
15-Aug-15	W	FAC	Abingdon United	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	3
18-Aug-15	L	Prem	Tuffley Rovers	2	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1
22-Aug-15	L	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	2	Kidlington	4
25-Aug-15	L	Prem	Highworth Town	3	Brimscombe & Thrupp	0
29-Aug-15	D	FAC	Brimscombe & Thrupp	2	Bracknell Town	2
1-Sep-15	L	FAC	Bracknell Town	1	Brimscombe & Thrupp	0
5-Sep-15	W	FAV	Cheltenham Saracens	1	Brimscombe & Thrupp	2
12-Sep-15	D	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1	Abingdon United	1
15-Sep-15	W	CCup	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1	Bristol Telephones	0
19-Sep-15	W	Prem	Binfield	1	Brimscombe & Thrupp	2
22-Sep-15	D	Prem	Thatcham Town	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	0
26-Sep-15	W	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	3	Thame United	0
29-Sep-15	W	Prem	Milton United	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1
3-Oct-15	W	FAV	Thatcham Town	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	2
10-Oct-15	W	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	2	Bracknell Town	1
13-Oct-15	W	CCup	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1	AEK Boco	0
17-Oct-15	D	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1	Ascot United	1
20-Oct-15	W	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	4	Oxford City Nomads	0
24-Oct-15	W	Prem	Ardley United	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1
28-Oct-15	W	Prem	Lydney Town	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1
31-Oct-15	W	FAV	Fairford Town	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1
14-Nov-15	L	Prem	Brackley Town Saints	7	Brimscombe & Thrupp	2
21-Nov-15	W	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	3	Torpoint Athletic	2
28-Nov-15	L	Prem	Brimscombe & Thrupp	0	Longlevens AFC	2
1-Dec-15	D	CCup	Cribbs FC	2	Brimscombe & Thrupp	2
5-Dec-15	W	BCC	Brimscombe & Thrupp	6	Woodley United	0
8-Dec-15	W	FLC	North Leigh United	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	3
12-Dec-15	D	FAV	Moneyfields	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	0
19-Dec-15	W	Prem	Wokingham & Emmbrook	0	Brimscombe & Thrupp	4

Top Scorers	Goals	Strike Rate
Oliver Pitt	10	47.6%
Ben Deakin	9	29.0%
Simon Clarke	8	29.6%
Chris Greenhough	6	21.4%
Dave Woodfield	5	20.8%
Ben Snook	4	14.8%
Sam Blackie	4	80.0%
Thomas Black	3	20.0%
Christian Turner	3	10.3%
Joe Tustain	2	22.2%
Karl Nash	2	15.4%
Kyle Pitts	2	8.7%
Ashley Caldwell	1	7.1%



Previous Meetings

Comeback delivers

Christmas cheer

The Meadow, 27th December 2014

A second half comeback from Wootton Bassett Town ensured they could end the festive season in high spirits as they defeated Brimscombe and Thrupp 3-1 to secure three vital points.

After a dismal first half performance, which saw Bassett fortunate to go into the break just a goal down, Paul Braithwaite's team eventually clawed their way back into the game through Dale Richards' first goal in senior football before a late Steve Robertson double took them on to victory.

Against a side beginning the day with four games in hand over Bassett and seven points behind, this was a contest where a result was a must to avoid getting dragged into danger.

By any means, Bassett had to get something from the game. And that they did – with particular emphasis on the first clause of that sentence.

This was traditional Christmas football fare: two teams scrapping it out in torrid conditions on a pitch whose condition deteriorated quickly into a mudbath, with little quality play.

In the opening period Bassett's play lacked any semblance of fluency with Brimscombe adjusting best to the heavy surface. While the visitors packed the centre of midfield, the hosts looked to get wide men Dave Woodfield and Ben Deakin – operating in the least impacted areas of the pitch – involved as often as possible.

This was something Bassett struggled to deal with. In just the second minute Woodfield delivered a dangerous ball from the right which a stumbling Ash Caldwell headed straight into the arms of Luke Kuczynski at the near post.

Deakin proved to be the biggest threat. Midway through the half he raced onto Jonny Davis' pass into the space behind right back Steve Yeardley before cutting back across the box. Bassett were glad that Sam Blackie sliced his shot from twelve yards, but the loose ball fell to

Woodfield on the edge of the area, who sent in a low curling effort that was deflected inches wide.

A similar move eventually led to the opener for Brimscombe after 33 minutes. Chris Greenough this time played in Deakin whose testing cross was cleared only as far as Ollie Pitt. The left back then drove forward, shrugging off the challenge of Ryan Thomas, before firing beyond Kuczynski with a 20 yard thumper.

It was an advantage the hosts deserved and they should really have extended it prior to the break.

Minutes after taking the lead, Thomas conceded possession with an errant pass which Deakin seized upon. He played a pass inside to Caldwell whose shot on the turn from the edge of the area forced Kuczynski into a low save.

A sliding Blackie then knocked wide at the far post after another dangerous Deakin delivery played across the face of goal. The whistle for the break offered Bassett a lifeline and whatever was said in the dressing room certainly seemed to have an effect.

Within two minutes of the restart a rising Richards strike flew narrowly over, before the same player sent an opportunistic strike just wide when a clearance from Steve Sparrow fell straight to the full back with an open net to aim for.

The scores should have been level on the hour. Richards fed in an overlapping Thomas whose shot from a tight angle was tipped across goal. The ball fell to Robertson yards from goal but he fluffed his opportunity, allowing Brimscombe to clear.

However, where Robertson failed Richards soon succeeded as the youngster grabbed his first senior goal. He owed a great debt to Tyler Sheppard for setting it up though.

Awarded a free kick 25 yards from goal, Sheppard spotted space in the right channel where he was rolled a pass from Dan Bailey. Driving to the byline and belatedly attracting attention from two defenders, he successfully created space to clip a cross into the heart of the area where Richards rose highest to plant a header beyond Sparrow.

Parity almost lasted less than 120 seconds with Davis driving wide from distance following patient build up play involving Caldwell and Ben Snook.

With snow driving down and the grass well and truly cut up, the game was precariously balanced and one slip was going to prove costly.

And it was a slip from Sparrow that set up Bassett's second to with eight minutes to go. Pressure from Robertson when chasing down a Nathan Gambling lofted pass forced a mix-up between the 'keeper and centre half Christien Turner that eventually led to the former tripping over his own feet when trying to retrieve the ball near the edge of the box. Gambling, who had made his way forward, gained possession and squared across the six yard box for his strike partner to apply a simple tap in.

Brimscombe had one last chance to get back on level terms with Woodfield playing in Caldwell twelve yards from goal. But the forward lost his footing briefly when turning to shoot, allowing Callum Wright time to recover and get a crucial boot on the ball that directed it centimetres outside the left post. Without that deflection, Kuczynski would have been beaten.

With that scare survived, Bassett went on to wrap things up in the final minute. It was route one stuff that led to the goal, initiated by Bailey thrashing a clearance behind the Brimscombe defence. Gambling raced onto the ball before hold up play on the edge of the area and passing across to Robertson, who squeezed a toe poke between Sparrow's legs that trickled over the line.

Ugly and as messy it may have been, the victory was the perfect present Bassett had been waiting for.

Man of the Match: Callum Wright – with Nathan Hawkins and George Drewitt both missing, Bassett went with a makeshift centre half pairing of Wright and James Skinner. Both did a sterling job dealing as well as they could with the difficult conditions though, with Wright – calm and sensible as ever on the ball – especially standing out.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town F.C. Reserve Team Season 2015-16



Back: Ray Ellis (Assistant), Danny Groom (Manager), Luigi Hernandez, Tom Blackford, Richard Clarke, Kyle Brooks, Dan Murphy, Scott Walduck, Brendan Shaw, Dave Terry (Manager).
Front: Lewis Tidy, Scott Large, Jack Ellis, Steve Groom, Dave Groom, Ben Brown, Carl Shepherd, Jake Covey, Jake Kitchen

Royal Wootton Bassett Town F.C. First Team Season 2015-16



Back: Chris Green (Asst. Man), Marcus Lewis (GK Coach), Nathan Hawkins, Steve Yeardley, Sam Packer, Dan Comer, Dale Richards, Curtis Meare, Dan Bailey, George Drewitt, Stephen Olphert, Adam Cororan, Paul Braithwaite (Manager), Kara Gregory
Front: Oliver Smith (Mascot), Steve Robertson, Tyler Sheppard, Ryan Thomas, Harvey Scholes, Kalum Youngsam, Matt Cheetham

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Royal 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 on a ground grading technicality. They did well to finish in 5th place the following season after such heartbreak. In 2012-13 Bassett were never out the top 3 as they marched towards promotion, finishing 2nd. In addition they reached the FA Cup 2nd Qualifying Round for the first time. At the end of the season manager Dave Turner decided to move on after 5 years in charge. The Club were devastated when shortly after the fixture with his new club Shrivensham Dave tragically passed away.

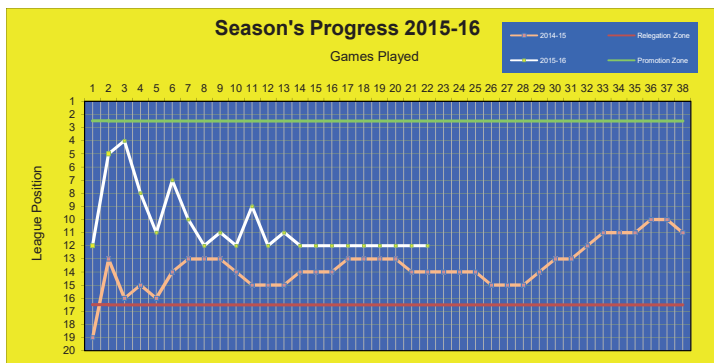
With plans for the club's and Sports Association's new facility finally moving ahead, the first team began a two year ground share with Cirencester Town in 2013-14, a year in which Bassett finished a comfortable 14th in the Hellenic Premier Division. That performance was bettered in 2014-15 under new manager Paul Braithwaite, Bassett's final year playing its games in Cirencester, with an 11th place finish – the club's highest ever in the non-league pyramid – and record points haul in the division. This season sees the club playing at the New Gerard Buxton Sports Ground, which was opened in the summer of 2015 and with the Royal title now included within the club name.



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WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB STATS PAGE



* Last season comparative Newbury
 ** Last season comparative Shrivensham
 *** Last season comparative Reading Town
 # Last season comparative Holyport
 #* Last season comparative Cheltenham Saracens

Points Progress v Last Season			
	This	Last	+/(-)
Brackley Town (H) #	1	3	(2)
Oxford City (A)	3	0	1
Ardley Utd (H)	3	3	1
Flackwell Heath (A)	0	1	0
Lydney Town (A)*	0	3	(3)
Ascot United (A)	3	0	0
Highworth Town (H)	0	0	0
Thame United (A)	0	0	0
Abingdon Utd (A)	3	1	2
Binfield (A)	0	0	2
Wokingham & Em (H)**	3	1	4
Tuffley Rovers (A)##	1	3	2
Abingdon Utd (H)	3	1	4
Longlevens (A)***	0	3	1
Flackwell Heath (H)	0	0	1
Highmoor Ibis (A)	0	0	1
Thatcham (A)	3	3	1
Milton United (H)	0	3	(2)
Bracknell Town (H)	3	0	1
Thame Utd (H)	3	1	3
Kidlington (H)	0	1	2
Highworth Town (A)	0	3	(1)
Brimcombe & T (H)	3		

	Appearances 2015/16	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals
1 Dan Bailey	31			31	3
2 Harvey Scholes	27	4		31	7
3 Dan Comer	30			30	2
4 Sam Packer	28			28	3
5 Nathan Hawkins	26	1		27	1
6 Stephen Olphert	24	2		26	6
7 Curtis Meare	24			24	
8 Dale Richards	23	1		24	
9 Matt Cheetham	19	5		24	
10 Steve Robertson	23			23	22
11 George Drewitt	14	6		20	
12 Adam Corcoran	19			19	
13 Ryan Thomas	7	10		17	1
14 Tyler Sheppard	6	10		16	2
15 Steve Yardley	15			15	2
16 Richie Carter	7	5		12	
17 Joe Hiscock	4	7		11	1
18 Kalum Youngsam	5	5		10	
19 Luke Kuczynski	8			8	
20 Dane Moulden	4	1		5	
21 Martin Sinclair	2	3		5	
22 Hugo Vivash		5		5	
22 Nathan Gambling	2	2		4	1
23 Cristy Millar		4		4	
24 Daniel Smith		3		3	
25 Dan Carter	2			2	
26 Scott Walduck	1	1		2	
27 Callum Wright	1	1		2	
28 James Skinner		2		2	
29 Josh Fowler		1		1	
30 Ryan Collins		1		1	
31 Jake Covey		1		1	
32 Jack Ellis		1		1	
Own Goals		-			1

Last Season	
Total	Goals
46	18
-	-
-	-
-	-
44	-
-	-
45	1
-	-
16	12
36	1
-	-
12	-
29	1
40	10
46	1
31	3
-	-
13	-
-	-
6	1
39	16
-	-
-	-
-	-
12	-
27	2
37	6
-	-
-	-
-	-
5	-

Wiltshire Senior Cup	
Season Winners	Runners-Up
1886-87 Swindon Town	Trowbridge Town
1887-88 Swindon Town	Swindon Temperance
1888-89 Swindon Town	Swindon Temperance
1889-90 Swindon Town	Trowbridge Town
1890-91 Swindon Town	Swindon Town Reserves
1891-92 Swindon Town	Swindon Town Reserves
1892-93 Swindon Athletic	Trowbridge Town
1893-94 Swindon Wanderers	Calne
1894-95 Trowbridge Town	Calne
1895-96 Swindon Town Reserves	West Swindon
1895-96 Trowbridge Town	Joint holders
1896-97 Swindon Town	Joint holders
1897-98 Trowbridge Town	Trowbridge Town
1898-99 Swindon Victoria	Swindon Victoria
1899-00 Chippenham Town	Devizes Town
1900-01 Warminster Town	Devizes Town
1901-02 Chippenham Town	Even Swindon United
1902-03 Warminster Town	Swindon Town Reserves
1903-04 Swindon Town Reserves	Wootton Bassett Town
1904-05 Melksham Town	Swindon Haydon St W
1905-06 Salisbury City	Swindon Haydon St W
1906-07 Swindon Town	Trowbridge Town
1907-08 Devizes Town	Trowbridge Town
1908-09 Swindon Town Reserves Cup held by President	Trowbridge Town
1908-09 Trowbridge Town	Warminster Town
1909-10 Salisbury City	Salisbury City
1910-11 Warminster Town	Salisbury City
1911-12 38th Brigade RFA	Calne
1912-13 Calne Town	Trowbridge Town
1913-14 3rd Wilts Regiment	Chippenham Town
1919-20 Swindon Town	Salisbury City
1920-21 Swindon Victoria	Stratton Reform
1921-22 Trowbridge Town	Chippenham Town
1922-23 Salisbury City	Devizes Town
1923-24 Spencers	Swindon Victoria
1924-25 Chippenham Town	Swindon Victoria
1925-26 Trowbridge Town	1st Batt. Wilts Regiment
1926-27 Chippenham Town	Warminster Town
1927-28 Swindon Corinthians	Chippenham Town
1928-29 Chippenham Town	Swindon Corinthians
1929-30 Garrard Athletic	Trowbridge Town
1930-31 Chippenham Town	Swindon Corinthians
1931-32 Westbury United	Swindon Victoria
1932-33 Westbury United	Warminster Town
1933-34 Trowbridge Town	Westbury United
1934-35 Swindon Corinthians	Swindon Victoria
1935-36 Swindon Corinthians	Swindon Corinthians
1936-37 Swindon Victoria	Salisbury Corinthians
1937-38 Trowbridge Town	1st Survey Coy R.A.
1938-39 Purton	Swindon Corinthians
1945-46 Salisbury Corinthians	Chippenham Town
1946-47 Swindon GWR Corinthians	Pewsey Vale
1947-48 Westbury United	Swindon BR Corinthians
1948-49 Purton	Swindon BR Corinthians
1949-50 Devizes Town	Calne & Harris United
1950-51 Purton	Salisbury City
1951-52 Westbury United	Bulford United
1952-53 Pinehurst YC	Swindon Victoria
1953-54 Pinehurst YC	Warminster Town
1954-55 Purton	Bulford United
1955-56 Swindon Victoria	Downton FC
1956-57 Devizes Town	Swindon B.R.
1957-58 Devizes Town	Melksham Town
1958-59 Devizes Town	Swindon B.R.
1959-60 Pinehurst	Devizes Town
1960-61 Devizes Town	Pinehurst
1961-62 Devizes Town	Malmesbury
1962-63 Devizes Town	Highworth Town
1963-64 Highworth Town	Westbury Untrd
1964-65 Pinehurst	Chippenham Town
1965-66 Devizes Town	Aldboune
1966-67 Pinehurst	Devizes Town
1967-68 Devizes Town	Pinehurst
1968-69 Chippenham Town	Melksham Town
1969-70 Melksham Town	Melksham Town
1970-71 Devizes Town	Devizes Town
1971-72 Devizes Town	Pinehurst
1972-73 Highworth Town	Sanford Youth
1973-74 Devizes Town	Devizes Town
1974-75 Chippenham Town	Park
1975-76 Pinehurst	Vickers
1976-77 Corsham Town	Devizes Town
1977-78 Melksham Town	Park
1978-79 Farnedale Athletic	Avon Bradford
1979-80 Downton FC	Devizes Town
1980-81 Downton FC	Tisbury United

Wiltshire Senior Cup	
Season Winners	Runners-Up
1981-82 Avebury	Melksham Town
1982-83 Penhill	Chippenham Town
1983-84 Amesbury Town	Penhill
1984-85 Calne Town	Supermarine
1985-86 Supermarine	Penhill
1986-87 Penhill	Bernerton Athletic
1987-88 Purton	Wootton Bassett Town
1988-89 Purton	Highworth Town
1989-90 Swindon Athletic	Pewsey Vale
1990-91 Pewsey Vale	Swindon Athletic
1991-92 Wollen Sports	Downton FC
1992-93 Bemerton Heath Harl.	Wollen Sports
1993-94 Amesbury Town	Swindon Supermarine
1994-95 Purton	Downton FC
1995-96 Highworth Town	Amesbury Town
1996-97 Corsham Town	Marlborough Town
1997-98 Highworth Town	Purton
1998-99 Wootton Bassett Town	Pewsey Vale
1999-00 Pewsey Vale	Purton
2000-01 Wootton Bassett Town	Shrewton United
2001-02 Malmesbury Victoria	Pewsey Vale
2002-03 Melksham Town	Trowbridge Town
2003-04 Trowbridge Town	Corsham Town
2004-05 Corsham Town	Bemerton Heath Harl.
2005-06 Corsham Town	Melksham Town
2006-07 Corsham Town	Melksham Town
2007-08 Melksham Town	Laverstock & Ford
2008-09 Highworth Town	Warminster Town
2009-10 Calne Town	Laverstock & Ford
2010-11 Bemerton Heath Harl.	Bradford Town
2011-12 Calne Town	Bemerton Heath Harl.
2012-13 Melksham Town	Downton FC
2013-14 Melksham Town	Bradford Town
2014-15 Highworth Town	Bradford Town

Wiltshire Senior Cup	
List of Cup Winners	Wins
Devizes Town	14
Swindon Town	9
Chippenham Town	8
Trowbridge Town	8
Purton	7
Melksham Town	7
Highworth Town	6
Corsham Town	5
Calne Town (& Harris Utd)	4
Pinehurst	4
Swindon Victoria	4
Westbury United	4
Salisbury City (old club)	3
Swindon Corinthians	3
Warminster Town	3
Amesbury	2
Bemerton Heath Harl.	2
Downton FC	2
Penhill	2
Pewsey Vale	2
Pinehurst YC	2
Swindon Athletic	2
Swindon Town Reserves	2
Wootton Bassett Town	2
38th Brigade RFA	1
3rd Wilts Regiment	1
Avebury	1
Garrard Athletic	1
Malmesbury Vics	1
Salisbury Corinthians	1
Spencers	1
Swindon Supermarine	1
Swindon GWR Corinthians	1
Swindon Wanderers	1
Wollen Sports	1



Wiltshire Senior Cup

WILTSHIRE COUNTY SENIOR CUP SEASON 2015-16

First Round

Laverstock & Ford	9 - 0	Shrewton United
Westbury United	0 - 3	Melksham Town
Trowbridge Wanderers	1 - 3	Downton
Devizes Town	1 - 2	Bemerton Heath Harlequins
Saum Youth	2 - 4	Mere Town
Marlborough Town	0 - 4	Trowbridge Town
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	3 - 1	Ludgershall Sports
Warminster Town	2 - 3	Amesbury Town
Calne Town	0 - 2	Pewsey Vale
Corsham Town	1 - 0	Purton
Wroughton	1 - 6	Salisbury
Chippenham Park	W - L	Malmesbury Vics
New College Swindon	2 - 1	Wilts Calne Town
Vale of Pewsey		Bye but withdrawn from comp
Bradford Town		Bye
Highworth Town		Bye

Second Round

Chippenham Park	2 - 3	Bemerton Heath Harlequins
Downton	0 - 2	Trowbridge Town
Laverstock & Ford	4 - 0	Amesbury Town
Melksham Town	3 - 1	Bradford Town
Pewsey Vale	0 - 4	Corsham Town
Salisbury	7 - 0	Mere Town
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	4 - 0	New College
Highworth Town		Bye

Quarter Finals

Salisbury	6 - 1	Laverstock & Ford
Trowbridge Town	1 - 2	Bemerton Heath Harlequins
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	0 - 1	Melksham Town
Highworth Town	1 - 2	Corsham Town

Semi Finals

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Final

v

RWBTFC First Team Pen Pics



Curtis Meare

Goal Keeper

Highly rated young goalkeeper who joins from Forest Green Rovers Academy having played a handful of games for Bassett in Season 2013-14.



Nathan Hawkins

Defence

A cultured defender previously with Cirencester Town and Fairford. Regular last season who formed a great centre-back partnership with George Drewitt making 44 appearances



Daniel Comer

Defence

Young defender, comfortable at both centre half and right back. Joining from Cirencester Academy and having been selected to represent Wiltshire Under 18s. We have high expectations for Dan.



Steve Yeardley

Defence

Bassett lad who starts the season with 373 appearances before this season and 56 goals for the club. Battling midfield player or defender with tremendous energy and fans' favourite



Stephen Olphert

Midfield

Joins from Shrivenham. Previously captained Clanfield where he made over 300 appearances and had reputation as one of Division One West's better players through his all-round game



Matt Cheetham

Midfield

Hard tackling and skilful midfielder player who joins us from Division One West Clanfield.



James Skinner

Midfield

Regular last season making 37 appearances and scoring 6 times. Versatile player who can play either at the back or in midfield.



Ryan Thomas

Midfield

Skilful midfielder playmaker previously with Cricklade Town and Highworth Town. Suffered badly with injuries but on his day capable of opening up any defence.



Joe Hiscock

Forward

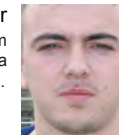
Skilful and hard working player who returns to Bassett after starting the season with Division One West side Purton. Ex-New College player who broke into our First Team last season.



Dan Bailey

Forward

Strong powerful player who can play in midfield or up front and was our top scorer last season with 18 goals from 46 appearances. Previously with Fairford Town.



Adam Corcoran

Defence

This will be his 4th season with Bassett having re-joined the Club from Shrivenham. Previously with Calne Town a player who gives 100% every game.



George Drewitt

Defence

Classy defender, product of the Club's Youth Section. Both Manager and Players player of the season in 2014-15 when he made 36 appearances and scored 1 goal.



Dale Richards

Defence

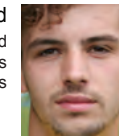
A product of the Club's youth section, a classy defender who made the step-up to adult football in style last season making 45 appearances.



Hugo Vivash

Midfield

Enthusiastic youngster who has come up through the Youth Section. Played a handful of games for the First Team already and attracted rave reviews from the management.



Harvey Scholes

Midfield

Attack minded midfielder player with great technical ability who joins us from New College where he was a regular but now keen to step-up to the Premier.



Callum Wright

Midfield

Former Swindon Town and Chelsea Academy player who joined us from Chippenham Town. Classy midfielder player who can also play at the back if needed.



Sam Packer

Midfield

Returning to the Club from Shrivenham. Hard working and talented midfielder player who played for the Club in season 2010-11 and 2013-14.



Josh Fowler

Forward

Pacy striker who recently joined the club from Purton. Formed a lethal partnership with Steve Robertson when at Shrivenham.



Tyler Sheppard

Forward

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



Steve Robertson

Forward

Free scoring forward who re-joined the Club from Shrivenham last season. Despite joining part way through the season he netted an impressive 12 times in just 16 games.

Matt Cheetham - Midfield



Cheetham is a tough tackling, combative midfielder who joins from Clanfield. Committed, strong and also boasting good technical ability, he spent parts of the past five seasons with the Robins having previously been with Cirencester Academy.

He made his debut with Clanfield during the 2010/11 season, playing 21 times and scoring once.

His appearance numbers dwindled over the course of the next three seasons while he was studying at the University of Sussex. However, Cheetham reclaimed a starting role for the Robins last season, making 27 appearances in all, while scoring once.















For appearances see this season's stats page elsewhere in the programme.













The table below shows the addresses of all the grounds we will be visiting this coming **2015-16** Season. With 5 new teams next season the league has moved West a bit during the summer and added over 100 miles to the travel that needs to be made. The table below includes the postcode to enter into your Sat Nav. A rough estimate of the distance from Wootton Bassett is also shown.

Total away travel = **1,806** miles (2014-15: 1,704 miles)




















Average away game travel (return journey) = **95.1** miles (2014-15: 89.7 miles)

Team	Address	Postcode	Distance (Miles)
Abingdon United	 Northcourt Rd Abingdon, Oxfordshire	OX14 1PL	46
Ardley United	 The Playing Fields, Oxford Road, Ardley	OX27 7NZ	52
Ascot United	 Ascot Racecourse, Car Park 10, Winkfield Road, Ascot	SL5 7RA	59
Binfield	 Hill Farm Lane, Binfield	RG42 5NR	56
Bracknell Town	 Bracknell Town FC. Larges Lane, Bracknell	RG12 9AN	56
Brackley Town Saints	 St James Park, Churchill Way, Brackley	NN13 7EJ	58
Brimscombe & Thrupp	 'The Meadow' ,London Road Brimscombe , Stroud	GL5 2SH	27
Flackwell Heath	 Wilks Park, Magpie Lane, Heath End Road, Flackwell H	HP10 9EA	68
Highmoor Ibis	 Palmer Park Stadium Wokingham Road Reading	RG6 1LF	45
Highworth Town	 Elm Recreation Ground, Highworth	SN6 7DD	12
Kidlington	 Yarnton Road, Kidlington	OX5 1AT	43
Longlevens	 Saw Mills End, Corinium Avenue, Gloucester	GL4 3DG	42
Lydney Town	 Lydney Recreation Ground, Swan Road, Lydney	GL15 5RU	53
Milton United	 Potash Lane, Milton Heights	OX13 6AG	40
Oxford City Nomads	 Court Place Farm Stadium, Marsh Lane, Oxford	OX3 0NQ	54
Thame United	 The ASM Stadium, Meadow View Park, Tythrop Way, Thame,	OX9 3RN	64
Thatcham Town	 Waterside Park, Crookham Hill, Thatcham, Berkshire	RG19 4PA	36
Tuffley Rovers	 Glevum Park Lower Tuffley Lane, Tuffley, Gloucester	GL2 5DT	41
Wokingham & Emmbrook	The Triangle Ground Mill Lane Henley	RG9 4HB	51

Half Time Quiz Answers

Lyric Quiz 2016 No 1		Artist and Song	
1		When I was young, it seemed that life was so wonderful, A miracle, oh it was beautiful, magical. And all the birds in the trees, well they'd be singing so happily, Joyfully, playfully watching me. But then they send me away to teach me how to be sensible,	Supertramp – The Logical Song
2		You were working as a waitress in a cocktail bar When I met you I picked you out, I shook you up And turned you around, Turned you into someone new	Human League – Don't You Want Me
3		Came in from a rainy Thursday On the avenue Thought I heard you talking softly I turned on the lights, the TV, And the radio Still I can't escape the ghost of you	Duran Duran – Ordinary World
4		Look at the stars, Look how they shine for you, And everything you do,	Coldplay - Yellow
5		Every night I'm there I'm always there She knows I'm there and heaven knows I hope she goes I find it hard to realize That love was in her eyes It's dying now She knows I'm crying now And every night I'm there I break my heart to please	The Damned - Eloise
6		Open your eyes, Look to the skies when you're lonely, There will be stars shining for you. Sleepers Awake! It's getting late, snow is falling, The whole wide world is Wombling too.	Wombles – Wombling Merry Christmas
7		I remember April when the sun was in the sky and love was burning in your eyes Nothing in the world could bother me 'cos I was living in a world of ecstasy. But now you're gone I'm just a.....	David Cassidy - Daydreamer
8		She keeps Moët et Chandon In her pretty cabinet 'Let them eat cake,' she says Just like Marie Antoinette A built-in remedy For Kruschev and Kennedy At anytime an invitation You can't decline	Queen – Killer Queen
9		Friday night and the lights are low Looking out for the place to go Where they play the right music, getting in the swing You come in to look for a king Anybody could be that guy	Abba – Dancing Queen
10		They're piling in the back seat They're generating steam heat Pulsating to the back beat	Ramones – Blitzkrieg Bop

First Team Player Kit Sponsorship

Player	Shirt	Shorts	Socks
Curtis Meare		Whole kit sponsored by Arctic Services (01793 848502)	
Luke Kuczynski		Whole kit sponsored by NV Consulting Solutions	
Adam Corcoran		Whole kit sponsored by Andy Walduck	
Dale Richards		Whole kit sponsored by Arctic Services (01793 848502)	
Joe Hiscock		Whole kit sponsored by John & Kath Fellows	
George Drewitt		Whole kit sponsored by Mark Smedley	
Nathan Hawkins		Whole kit sponsored by David Thomas	
Dan Comer		Whole kit sponsored by Dave & Carol Rowe	
Steve Yeardley		Whole kit sponsored by C.S. Building Services	
Stephen Olphert		Whole kit sponsored by Dave & Carol Rowe	
Harvey Scholes		Whole kit sponsored by RWB Kitchen Design	
Matt Cheetham		Whole kit sponsored by Roger Williamson	
Hugo Vivash		Whole kit sponsored by NV Consulting Solutions	
Ryan Thomas		Whole kit sponsored by C.S. Building Services	
Sam Packer		Whole kit sponsored by Debbie and Paul Comer	
Steve Robertson		Whole kit sponsored by C.S. Building Services	
Dan Bailey		Whole kit sponsored by Mark Smedley	
Tyler Sheppard		Whole kit sponsored by Charlotte Bull	
Paul Braithwaite		Whole kit sponsored by Andy Walduck	
Kara Gregory		Whole kit sponsored by Dave & Carol Rowe	

Cost = Shirt only (£25), Shorts (£15) and Socks (£10) and for the whole kit £40 (fixed at 2014-15 prices)
To arrange player kit sponsorship please contact Mark Smedley on 07887634887

Match Report

Torn Apart

The Elms, 28th December 2015

Royal Wootton Bassett Town's latest visit to Highworth Town was a derby encounter like none that had come before. And, following an embarrassing 8-0 undressing at the hands of their local rivals, it's a meeting they will want to forget as quickly as possible.

Highworth may well be Hellenic League Premier Division title contenders. But Bassett – at near enough full strength, save for the absence of George Drewitt and Dale Richards – made life far too easy for their near neighbours, crumbling apart and showing no fight having fallen into a 2-0 deficit after just ten minutes. As shellshocked as those goals from Dan Drewett and Richie Saunders left Bassett, the early hole into which they fell was less the result of poor play from the visitors than it was tactical error. The decision by Paul Braithwaite to start with a 4-3-3 formation, using Dan Bailey and Sam Packer in advanced attacking roles to support Steve Robertson, may have been intended to cause as much damage as possible to Highworth on the counter attack. However, the narrowness with which his side played allowed home full backs Tony Joyce and Tom Butler the freedom to play high up the pitch and outnumber Bassett down the wings when in possession. That allowed the hosts to frequently cross the ball into the box or work it inside into dangerous areas from where goals – many of them – were ultimately scored. Left back Butler, in particular, proved to be a constant source of trouble. It was a cross delivered by Aaron Maximen from his side of the pitch, which led to Highworth putting the ball into the back of the net for the first time. However, TJ Bohane's strike was ruled out as he was penalised for a high foot on Nathan Hawkins. It didn't take long for them to grab a legitimate goal though, Drewett bundling in at the right post after Curtis Meare could only bat away a curling Butler effort which had been helped on by a deflection off Callum Parsons. Two minutes later and Highworth's lead was doubled. Again Bassett allowed Highworth to move freely down the left before a square pass inside provided Saunders the opportunity to thump a vicious 20-yard drive beyond a despairing Meare. Braithwaite soon ordered a switch to a more conventional four-man midfield in an attempt to stem the flow of Highworth attacks being launched down the wings. For a short period of time it helped, even allowing his team to come close when a glancing Robertson header from a Dan Comer cross was turned around the post by a sprawling Kurtis Sharkey. However, the band aid provided by that tactical shift proved temporary, the mental damage already inflicted proving overwhelming. Thereafter the Bassett goal lay under siege. A powerful Maximen shot forced an awkward parry from Meare before Drewett clipped narrowly over from a Parsons cut back and Bohane forced Meare into action again from a tight angle. A third seemed imminent and duly arrived. Butler was involved once more, feeding Bohane who had made a run into the left channel. He then crossed for the all-action midfielder Saunders, who planted a towering header into the top corner. With half time looming Highworth then grabbed another, the simplest of moves culminating in Bohane setting back to Parsons to hammer a low drive from the edge of the area into the bottom right corner.

The break provided only the briefest respite for Bassett. Within two minutes of the restart the bloodletting continued as Steve Yeardley headed a Parsons corner, which had been allowed to sail across the six-yard box without a challenge, into his own net. Saunders reminded his former club of his goalscoring abilities with another headed goal – unmarked – from a Butler free kick to complete his hat trick and make it 6-0. Highworth's sprightly young attacking trio of Parsons, Drewett and Nathan Blackford then combined to serve up a pair of quality goals to complete their side's heaven of an afternoon and Bassett's hell. Fifteen minutes from time, Parsons initiated an incisive break that opened up the visiting defence and ended with substitute Blackford picking out the bottom corner from twenty yards. Blackford's second came in the closing stages, as he connected with a Drewett delivery from the right and sent a powerful header from the edge of the area in off the post.

8-0 – a disastrous afternoon.



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Ladies Team Player Kit Sponsorship

Half Time Quiz - Lyrics are back..

Player	Shirt	Shorts	Socks
Nikki Butler			
Tasha Harper			
Caroline Hook			
Claire Edwards-Evans			
Jenny Galvin			
Sophie Harper			
Laura Jefferies		Whole kit sponsored by Virtua Mobile (www.virtua.uk.com)	
Jody Nicholls			
Sam Wood			
Lisa Curtis			
Mandy Cook			
Joanne Duncan			
Kate Edwards			
Amber Eggerton			
Jenna Blake			
Zoe Holland			
Charlotte Harrison			
Tina Williams			
Aly Lyons	Whole kit sponsored by Paul Braithwaite		
Emily Bogg			
Laura Gammon		Whole kit sponsored by Chris Jones	
Katherine Wilson			
Becky Gammon		Whole kit sponsored by Mark Smedley	

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Lyric Quiz 2016 No 1		
1		When I was young, it seemed that life was so wonderful, A miracle, oh it was beautiful, magical. And all the birds in the trees, well they'd be singing so happily, Joyfully, playfully watching me. But then they send me away to teach me how to be sensible,
2		You were working as a waitress in a cocktail bar When I met you I picked you out, I shook you up And turned you around, Turned you into someone new
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Just name the song and the artist from the lyrics to the 10 songs above.

Fixtures, Results and Tables

Season 2015-16

Uhsport Hellenic League

Position Vacant



ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

AN FA CHARTER STANDARD COMMUNITY CLUB
Established 1882

JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Head of Senior Section
REPORTS TO: Football Club Executive
DATE: November 2015

SUMMARY/JOB PURPOSE

Develop and implement the Club's Men's and Ladies football strategy with the goal of agreeing and driving in the club Ethos while maintaining links to the youth section. Setting and maintaining a good level of player / coach integration as well as promoting player development through to the first team. Maintaining a good level of player and coach discipline by leading by example.

- Develop, agree and implement a senior's strategy / objectives which grows senior football within our club.
- Take responsibility for the management of operational duties, working with and communicating to coaches, ensuring players kit and training facilities are in place.
- Assist with obtaining team / club sponsorship, which will enable the purchase of new kit and training equipment.
- Assist with maintaining and promoting RWBTFCC coaching standards.
- Help to ensure that the senior section financially breaks even, as a minimum, in terms of spend for each month / season.
- Keep the Chairman and Executive informed of key progress on an ongoing basis by reporting to the Executive every 6 – 8 weeks.
- Ensure that coaching is of high quality and is common throughout the section thus ensuring player movement wherever possible.
- Form excellent relationships with all managers, members of the executive and volunteers at the club.

SKILLS/KNOWLEDGE:

Essential

- 4-5 years of managing senior teams.
- Good communication skills required at all levels.
- Can be assertive within a volunteer base.

Hellenic League Premier Season 2015-16	Abingdon Utd	Ardley Utd	Ascot Utd	Binfield	Brackley Town	Bracknell Town	Brimscom & Thrupp	Flackwell Heath	Highmoor Ibis	Highw'th	Kidlington	Longfms	Lydney Town	Milton Utd	Oxford City Nomads	Thame United	Thatcham Town	Tuffley Rovers	Woking'm & E	W.Bassett Town	
Abingdon Utd	1-5																				
Ardley Utd		1-3																			
Ascot United			3-0																		
Binfield				3-0																	
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Bracknell Town						2-2															
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Thame United																3-0					
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Tuffley Rovers																		3-2			
Wokingham & E																			3-1		
W.Bassett Town																				0-0	

2015-2016 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division as at 28th December 2015

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Flackwell Heath	23	17	2	4	68	32	53
2 Kidlington	21	16	3	2	63	19	51
3 Thatcham Town	21	16	3	2	59	22	51
4 Ascot United	25	15	5	5	45	23	50
5 Highw'th	21	15	1	5	62	18	46
6 Longlevens AFC	22	12	2	8	38	33	38
7 Binfield	23	11	4	8	42	35	37
8 Highmoor-Ibis	25	11	3	11	41	39	36
9 Thame United	21	11	2	8	27	25	35
10 Brimscombe & Thrupp	18	10	3	5	33	25	33
11 Oxford City Nomads	23	9	3	11	38	44	30
12 Royal Wootton Bassett	22	9	2	11	32	49	29
13 Ardley United	24	8	2	14	34	52	26
14 Lydney Town	20	6	6	8	30	36	24
15 Milton United	26	6	6	14	33	50	24
16 Brackley Town Saints	25	7	2	16	46	68	23
17 Tuffley Rovers	20	5	5	10	31	38	20
18 Abingdon United	28	6	2	20	36	81	20
19 Bracknell Town	21	4	5	12	30	45	17
20 Wokingham & Emmbrook	27	2	3	22	27	81	9

2015-2016 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One (West) as at 28th December 2015

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Fairford Town	15	10	1	4	34	21	31
2 Easington Sports	16	8	2	6	39	26	26
3 Cheltenham Saracens	11	8	1	2	28	13	25
4 Carterton	11	7	2	2	27	18	23
5 Purton	17	5	6	6	28	26	21
6 Letcombe	15	5	6	4	20	22	21
7 Hook Norton	10	6	2	2	22	11	20
8 North Leigh United	15	6	2	7	27	34	20
9 Clanfield 85'	16	4	5	7	22	32	17
10 Cirencester Town Dev'	14	3	6	5	28	32	15
11 Shortwood United Res'	11	4	3	4	24	19	14
12 Tytherington Rocks	16	3	2	11	16	41	11
13 New College Swindon	11	3	1	7	9	17	10
14 Shrivenham	12	3	1	8	11	23	10

* = One point deducted for playing ineligible player

2015-2016 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One (East) as at 28th December 2015

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Bicester Town	16	11	3	2	46	23	36
2 Penn & Tylers Green	14	10	3	1	54	9	33
3 Henley Town	15	9	3	3	42	23	30
4 Finchampstead	16	8	4	4	34	17	28
5 Headington Amateur's	15	8	2	5	35	18	26
6 Chinnor	13	7	1	5	31	21	22
7 Holyport	13	6	3	4	25	26	21
8 Rayners Lane	14	5	4	5	29	22	19
9 Didcot Town Res'	15	5	2	8	36	36	17
10 Chalfont Wasps	9	4	2	3	16	21	14
11 Wantage Town Res'	14	3	2	9	19	37	11
12 Woodley United	14	2	2	10	13	39	8
13 Old Woodstock Town	12	2	0	10	7	40	6
14 Reading Town	14	1	1	12	14	69	4



Ladies Section In Focus

Gloucestershire County Womens League Season 2015-16

Division One Fixtures

Date	Opponents	H/A	Competition	Result	Scorers
6-Sep-15	Downend Flyers	H	W FA Cup	L 1 - 5	Bogg
13-Sep-15	Bristol Ladies Union Dev	H	League	L 1 - 8	Jefferies
20-Sep-15	Cheltenham Town Dev	A	League	L 1 - 5	Jefferies
4-Oct-15	Cirencester Town	A	League	L 1 - 3	Gammon
18-Oct-15	AEK Boco	H	L. Cup	L 1 - 4	Bogg
25-Oct-15	Dursley Town	A	League	D 2 - 2	Gammon, Hook
1-Nov-15	Forest of Dean	H	League	W 6 - 0	Bogg, Gammon, Rose, Edwards, Hook, Egerton
8-Nov-15	Longlevens	H	League	W 4 - 2	Bogg 2, Gammon 2
22-Nov-15	St Nicholas	H	League	W 3 - 1	Jefferies 2, Gammon
20-Dec-15	Almondsbury UWE	H	League	W 1 - 0	Turner
10-Jan-16	Almondsbury UWE	A	League		
17-Jan-16	Bristol & West	H	League		
24-Jan-16	Bristol Ladies Union Dev	A	League		
31-Jan-16	Cheltenham Town Dev	H	League		
7-Feb-16	Cirencester Town	H	League		
21-Feb-16	Dursley Town	H	League		
28-Feb-16	Forest of Dean	A	League		
6-Mar-16	Longlevens	A	League		
13-Mar-16	St Nicholas	A	League		
3-Apr-16	AEK Boco	H	League		
17-Apr-16	Bristol & West	A	League		
	TBA AEK Boco	A	League		

Gloucestershire County Womens League Season 2015-16

Division One League Table as at 13th December 2015

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Cheltenham Town Development	8	6	0	2	25	9	18
2 Almondsbury UWE	8	5	2	1	17	6	17
3 AEK Boco Ladies	5	5	0	0	20	3	15
4 Wootton Bassett Ladies	8	4	1	3	23	21	13
5 St Nicholas Ladies Reserves	7	2	3	2	14	14	9
6 Forest of Dean Ladies	7	2	3	2	3	10	9
7 Longlevens Womens FC	8	1	3	4	7	17	6
8 Cirencester Town Ladies	7	1	2	4	6	9	5
9 Dursley Town Ladies	7	1	2	4	7	24	5
10 Bristol Ladies Union Development	5	1	1	3	8	5	4
11 Bristol & West Ladies	6	1	1	4	6	14	4



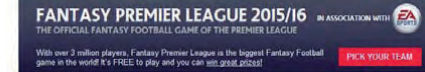
Fantasy Football

Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC

Fantasy Football Competition - Season 2015-16

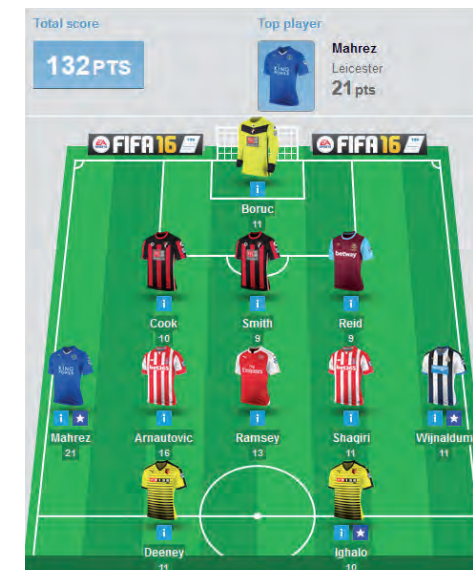
As at 28th December 2015

		Week	Total
1	latorrefc	Alejandro Stock	72 1062
2	Largie's Lads	Scott Large	65 1049
3	Gerrard's Slippers	Chris Green	47 1035
4	Benford Rejects	Benny Brown	64 1030
5	SuarezBitesBack	Rockin Robin	71 1020
6	Cupid Punts	Michael Case	47 1010
7	Liverpool	Ethan Joe	51 1007
8	Dirty Oars	Andrew Guppy	66 999
9	Michu at De Gea Ba	Dane Moulden	33 997
10	Gillie's Army FC	Ryan Gillie	53 992
11	Viva Paul Curtis...	SJ Lawro	73 992
12	High flying	Samuel Case	56 981
13	Fantasy XI	Reece Holloway	48 980
14	Shumps Gooner get ya	Steven Humphrey	39 979
15	Tekkerslovakia	Ryan Collins	33 963
16	JoseParksTheBus	Jose Moanalot	69 961
17	Coutinho Defence Up	Jacob Hayden	60 955
18	Inter Minan	Joe topping	52 954
19	C-Bomb's	Jack Paish	37 954
20	The Koeman League	Stuart Smedley	62 944
21	Gotta be my year	Becky Gammon	56 942
22	barcaloaner	Murcia Guy	39 939
22	Yoyo XI	Scott Smedley	67 932
24	SMG	James Skinner	56 929
25	Jose Fonte Baby	Josh Dimond	53 926
26	fc barcelona	Ethan Alejandro	38 925
27	Charlie's Angels	Karen Avery	28 924
28	MerkelsPanzaDivision	Helmut Cheese	65 921
29	Sims United	Simon G	34 915
30	Square Ball Tel	David Topping	35 915
31	Footysavedmybacon	Ken G	45 914
32	Sticks & John Stones	Ollie Sinclair	48 909
33	Stick The Blue Flag	Mark Smedley	54 901
34	David Beldon's kids	Rhys Holdsworth	54 893
35	Kids R Utd	Paul Gillie	26 890
36	Hannover Hangover	Ben Gerrish	24 888
37	Le Saux Solid Crew	Ryan Thomas	50 883
38	royal woodpecker utd	bryan wood	58 875
39	Swift's bathwater FC	Phillip Forster	50 875
40	FirstTimeLucky?	Keren Brodye	46 863
41	PC's Havin A Party	Paul Curtis	69 891
42	Moves like Agger	Andy Tye	26 858
43	Winning Fc	Jayden Handel	30 847
44	FC United of Wood	Ali Wood	32 844
45	Royal rovers	Teresa Andow	43 843
46	REUS krispies	Harry Gough	13 838
47	Nottingham Florist	James Evans	20 825
48	Gregs Demons	Ian Bull	33 823
49	Halls' Town	Tim Hall	16 816
50	Irish Allstars	Sam Jackson	30 815
51	Swagenham&Redbridge	Dave Groom	38 812
52	Pathetic Athletic	Alex Webb	49 803
53	Spiral Tribe FC	joe hockham	35 801
54	BainesONtoast	Oliver Case	38 801
55	????????? enough!!!!	luke jones	24 772
56	Rigs Warriors	Paul Haworth	23 760
57	United We Stand	Simon Jones	16 749
58	Crazy's Robins	Paul Burke	65 749
59	Joe's hoe's	joe dixon	13 740
60	Wright's Warriors	Callum Wright	12 737
61	Mein Bergkampf	george Fry	27 726
62	Monye XI	hugo vivash	22 726
63	MyLittleBony FC	Euan Burke	19 721
64	QPR	joe Wych	36 717
65	bassett legend	steve thomas	27 716
66	poops	thomas haworth	10 703
67	Who Ate All Depays?	JACK HOLDER	29 678



Previous Winners

- 2014/15 – Andy Guppy (Dirty Oars)
- 2013/14 – Michael Case (Cupid Punts)
- 2012/13 – Sam Lawro (Top of the Perch -19)
- 2011/12 – Sam Lawro (19- Top Of Your Perch)
- 2010/11 – Josh Dimond (Liquidation FC)



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By Sheridan Robins

Boxing Day Games

Christmas may be over for another year but the tradition of Boxing Day football means that clubs may be able to extend the celebrations with three points for their valued fans.

As players, managers, officials and supporters travel all over the country, surely now is the time to celebrate your club's achievements over the last year.

But it is also a time to thank YOU – the loyal fans and volunteers that keep this great institution of football going.

Christmas is a busy time for many and not least football clubs. With a packed festive schedule, sacrifices have to be made in order to perform on a day like today.

When Premier League players miss out on a glass of wine or excessive amounts of turkey, sympathy is limited due to the other excess in their life – their bank balance.

But in the world of Non-League, this reward does not exist. With a range of other commitments – not to mention family life – travelling to a game today is not easy for the players, managers, volunteers or supporters.

The Class of 92 documentary just a few months ago highlighted this with Salford City's volunteers at the forefront of their football community.

Despite their FA Cup second round heroics, they were cruelly knocked out after extra time at Hartlepool.

But one thing that won't change now they have returned to Evo-Stik Northern Premier action are those same volunteers who graced our television screens.

This is true for all clubs at this level and no doubt all sides in action today will want to reward their loyal supporters and volunteers for their continued hard work.

What makes them particularly special? They do it for the love of it – nothing more and nothing less.

In the wake of some Football League adversity, the Non-League flag once again flew high and proud when Welling auctioned off their match ball following their match with League Two side Carlisle United.

The money will be used to help the community of Cumbria that have been severely affected by Storm Desmond. Subsequently, the club who ultimately ended Welling's FA Cup dream, has suffered more heavily than many can imagine.

All clubs – Non-League or otherwise – have come together in a time of crisis and for once there has been a number of positive stories about football and how powerful it can be.

So whether it be a painful relegation battle or an exciting promotion challenge that your side are facing today, none of it would be possible without the volunteers selling food and drink or the selfless people who do their utmost to keep matches on in this time of unpredictable weather – to name just a few.

As the (slightly adjusted) cliché goes, a football club is not just for Christmas – it's for life and no matter how much we want to sometimes, we can't alter the place the club has in our hearts.



WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB SEASON 2015-16 RESERVE TEAM FIXTURES - WILTSHIRE COUNTY LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sat	15-Aug-15 Ludgershall Sports	A	League	D 2 - 2	Shepherd, Large
Tue	18-Aug-15 Wroughton	A	League	L 2 - 3	Covey, Dixon
Sat	22-Aug-15 Melksham Town Res	A	League	L 0 - 1	
Tue	25-Aug-15 Chippenham Park Dev	H	League	W 3 - 1	Shaw 2, Clark
Sat	29-Aug-15 Wroughton	H	League	L 4 - 5	Clark, Ellis, Shaw, Large
Sat	05-Sep-15 Wilts Calne Town	A	League	W 4 - 2	Clarke 2, Tidy, Hayden
Sat	12-Sep-15 Shrewton United	A	League	L 1 - 6	Tidy
Sat	19-Sep-15 Devizes Town Res	H	League	L 2 - 4	Tidy 2
Sat	26-Sep-15 Corsham Town Res	A	League	D 1 - 1	Shepherd
Sat	03-Oct-15 Andover New Street Sw*	H	League	D 3 - 3	Shepherd 3
Sat	10-Oct-15 Vale of Pewsey	A	League	D 1 - 1	Matthews
Sat	24-Oct-15 Devizes Town Res	A	League	L 0 - 1	
Sat	31-Oct-15 Trowbridge Wanderers	H	League	L 2 - 3	Adams 2
Sat	14-Nov-15 Corsham Town Res	H	League	W 4 - 3	Tidy, Shepherd, Groom, Adams
Sat	28-Nov-15 Chippenham Park Dev	A	League	L 2 - 3	Collins, Shepherd
Sat	05-Dec-15 Malmesbury Vics	A	League	W 1 - 0	Bolton
Sat	09-Jan-16 Marlborough Town	A	League		
Sat	16-Jan-16 Sarum Youth	A	League		
Sat	23-Jan-16 Trowbridge Town	A	League		
Sat	30-Jan-16 Wilts Calne Town	H	Cup		
	Ludgershall Sports	H	League		
	Malmesbury Vics	H	League		
	Marlborough Town	H	League		
	Melksham Town Res	H	League		
	Sarum Youth	H	League		
	Shrewton United	H	League		
	Trowbridge Town	H	League		
	Trowbridge Wanderers	A	League		
	Vale of Pewsey	H	League		
	Wilts Calne Town	H	League		

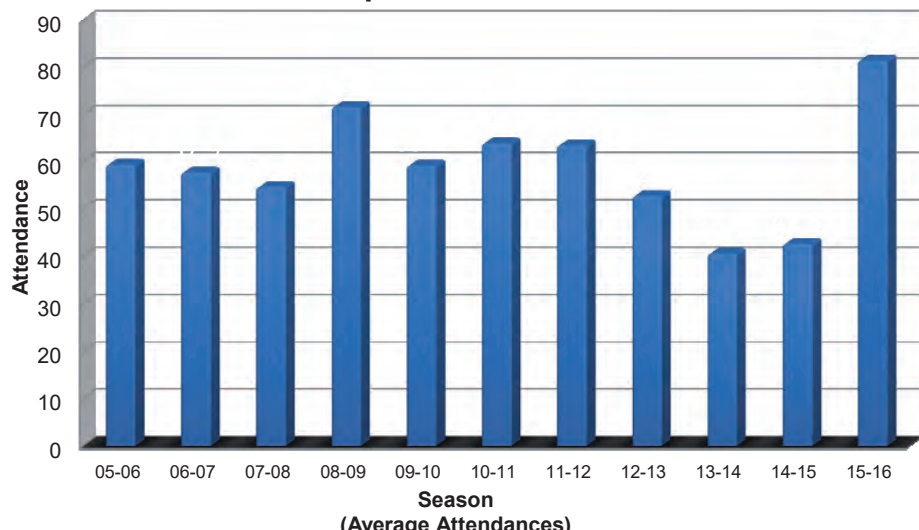
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Wiltshire County Football League

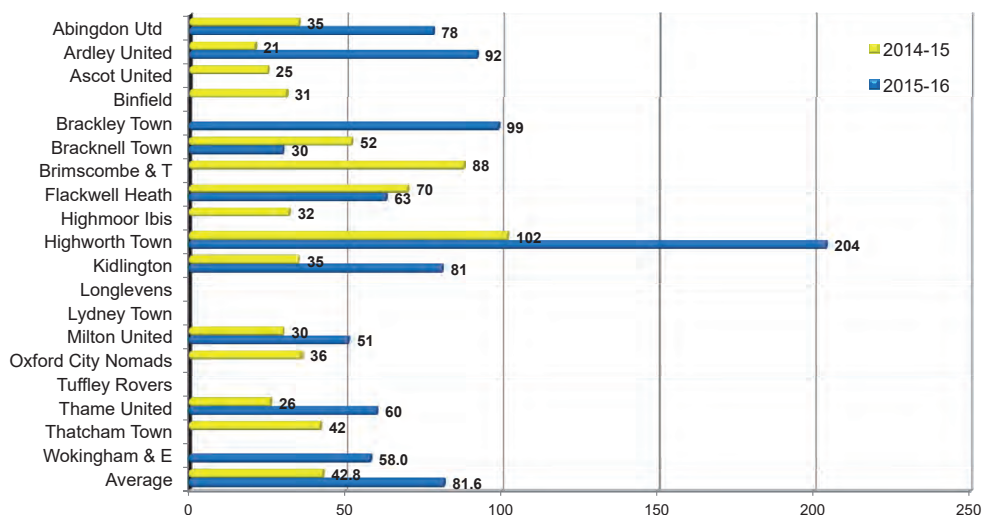
Premier Division Season 2015-16 as at 22nd December 2015

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Trowbridge Town FC	13	12	1	0	65	11	37
2 Shrewton Utd FC	17	11	2	4	56	26	35
3 Malmesbury Victoria FC	17	11	1	5	59	27	34
4 Melksham Town FC Res	14	10	1	3	39	14	31
5 Trowbridge Wanderers FC	13	8	1	4	30	20	25
6 Chippenham Park FC Development	17	8	1	8	37	34	25
7 Corsham Town FC Res	17	8	1	8	39	39	25
8 Wroughton FC	15	7	2	6	41	42	23
9 Ludgershall Sports FC	15	6	4	5	30	29	22
10 Devizes Town FC Res	16	7	1	8	22	35	22
11 Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC Res	15	4	3	8	29	36	15
12 Marlborough Town FC	14	4	3	7	24	34	15
13 Vale of Pewsey FC	14	3	3	8	14	54	12
14 Wilts Calne Town FC	15	1	3	11	21	52	6
15 Sarum Youth FC	16	0	1	15	13	66	1
Andover New Street Swifts FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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



WBTFC Attendances - Season 2015-16 (and comparison to 2014-15)



Half Term Report

Moving into a new home can often be a stressful undertaking. Although it's certainly been a whirlwind, hectic few months since the club finally moved into the New Gerard Buxton Sports Ground, for all involved with Royal Wootton Bassett Town, the chance to train and play at such an exceptional facility certainly makes all the stresses and strains worthwhile.

While there is still work to do and though some youth teams are still playing matches at Beversbrook, the facility has helped foster a greater sense of unity between all sections of the club. Evidence of this is the increased attendance at first team games, with a youth section coaches and players consistently present, the well-attended youth section photo day and the successful social evenings which have been held in the Sports Association clubhouse. On top of this, the club has been able to invigorate its Community Football offering. After a brief hiatus, the Free Saturday Skills Sessions run by Jeff Tidy, have successfully resumed; the Soccer Skills Academy, run in conjunction with Advanced Sports Coaching, has expanded; and free goalkeeper training sessions have also been introduced for club members. A huge thanks must go to all members who have supported the club in this period.

Not only has the facility received internal approval though, as visitors – be they opponents, FA and league officials or groundhoppers – have heaped praise on the grounds. In the few months since its opening, the Football Club and Sports Association have already hosted numerous events for the North Wilts League, Wiltshire FA – including their Veterans and Under 21s Flexi Leagues – as well as Swindon Town. In the case of the latter, they have held two well attended youth team fixtures on the stadium pitch, while their first team have used the 3G pitch for training in recent weeks. Fortunately, these off-field achievements have coincided with on-field success so far during this campaign. The first team go into Christmas 12th in a Hellenic League Premier Division that is stronger than it has been for a long time. Their mid-table position – earned in part through standout away victories against Ascot United and early pacesetters Thatcham United – is a relatively secure one and, although they remain alive in just the Bluefin Sports Challenge Cup, Paul Braithwaite's have enjoyed some cup success too, including a thrilling 4-3 FA Vase replay victory against Binfield.

Following a slow start – the result of not being able to name a consistent side during the early weeks of the season – the Ladies have picked up the pace in Division One of the Gloucestershire County Women's League. A five game unbeaten streak has seen them climb to fourth and they will be looking to improve that position even further when they resume in the New Year. Although the Reserves sit in the bottom half of the Wiltshire League Premier Division, they have been extremely competitive, with six of their eight losses being by just a single goal. The side managed by Dave Terry and Danny Groom have claimed a significant scalp too, defeating reigning champions Malmesbury Victoria 1-0 away from home. Of the club's 'senior' sides, the Under 18s have had the most notable achievement. Reintroduced this season, the Floodlit League squad clinched top spot in the North Division with a game to spare. With one game left to go, they have dropped just four points, winning five of their seven games.

Within the youth section, there are teams competing for honours in all six of the age groups where competitive football is played too – a fantastic achievement. The Under 12 Blue, 13 Blue, 15 Blue, 16 Blue and 18 teams have all advanced to the semi-finals of their respective North Wilts League Cup competitions. Meanwhile, the Under 13 Blues also currently boast a 100% record in Division One, while the Under 14 Blue side are one of three sides sitting on 12 points at the top of Division Two. The Under 12 Blue and 16 Blue teams are also well positioned for a tilt at a top two league finish. Development and providing opportunities for boys and girls of all ages and abilities is the primary goal of the youth section. And Bassett finally again has teams at age groups from Under 7s right through to Under 18s, with twenty in all. Next season the club will be looking to extend that number. In the meantime, here's hoping the success enjoyed so far this season continues to the campaign's conclusion.

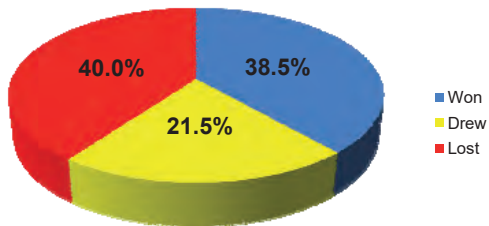
RWBTFC Hellenic Record

WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 27 YEARS IN THE HELLENIC LEAGUE

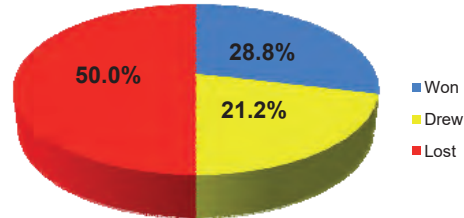
22nd Season	21st Div	20th Pld	19th Won	18th Draw	17th Lost	16th For	15th Agst	14th Pts	13th Position	12th Manager	11th Top Scorer	10th	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	1st
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15	Mick Woolford	Damon York										
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16	Mick Woolford	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	Not known										
1992/93	1	30	8	6	16	40	53	30	12 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent										
1993/94	1	34	15	8	11	65	57	53	9 out of 18	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent										
1994/95	1	38	18	5	15	67	68	59	9 out of 20	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent/Darren Jell										
1995/96	1	34	12	9	13	50	64	45	10 out of 18	Kevin Maloney	Scott Vincent										
1996/97	1	32	9	8	15	37	50	35	11 out of 17	Kevin Maloney	Ian Curtis/Gary Ashford 8										
1997/98	1	32	12	6	14	67	58	42	10 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart/Peter Dearlove 10										
1998/99	1	32	17	7	8	64	43	58	5 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart 17										
1999/00	1	28	15	7	6	54	32	52	3 out of 15	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart										
2000/01	P	38	14	10	14	54	60	52	13 out of 20	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart 25										
2001/02	P	42	9	22	39	75	42	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	34	14	5	15	64	62	47	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	P	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 32										
2013/14	P	38	11	12	15	60	60	45	14 out of 20	Jeff Roberts	Levi Cox 14										
2014/15	P	38	14	9	15	66	80	51	11 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Dan Bailey 18										
2015/16	P	22	9	2	11	32	49	29	12 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Steve Robertson 22										
Total		950	366	204	380	1,477	1,545	1,296													
Won:Draw:Lost Ratio		38.5%	21.5%	40.0%						Division 1	Premier Division										

Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2014/15	102 v Highworth Town
Average Hellenic Attendance 2014/15	42.8 (13/14 = 40.7)
Top Scorer - 2014/15	Dan Bailey - 18 Goals
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)

% of Games Won, Drawn & Lost in Hellenic League (Total)



% of Games Won, Drawn & Lost in Hellenic League (Premier Division)



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THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C.						
Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
15-Aug-15	Extra Preliminary Round	v Bracknell Town	H	L 0 - 2	£1,500	
29-Aug-15	Preliminary Round	v Brimscombe & Thrupp	A		£1,925	
12-Sep-15	First Qualifying Round	v Shortwood United	A		£3,000	
26-Sep-15	Second Qualifying Round	v Oxford City	A		£4,500	
14-Oct-15	Third Qualifying Round	v Bogner Regis Town	A		£7,500	
24-Oct-15	Fourth Qualifying Round	v Wealdstone Town	A		£12,500	
7-Nov-15	First Round	v Colchester United	H		£18,000	
5-Dec-15	Second Round	v Altrincham	H		£27,000	
9-Jan-16	Third Round	v Charlton Athletic	H		£67,500	
30-Jan-16	Fourth Round	v			£90,000	
20-Feb-16	Fifth Round	v			£180,000	
12-Mar-16	Sixth Round	v			£360,000	
23-Apr-16	Semi-Final	v	Wembley		£900,000	
21-May-16	Final	v	Wembley		£1,800,000	
Total Prize Money Won					£Nil	



F.A. Vase

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C.						
Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
5-Sep-15	First Round Qualifying	v Binfield	H		£600	
3-Oct-15	Second Round Qualifying	v Windsor	A		£800	
31-Oct-15	First Round Proper	v Croydon	H		£900	
21-Nov-15	Second Round Proper	v Hartley Wintney	A		£1,200	
12-Dec-15	Third Round Proper	v Colliers Wood United	A		£1,500	
9-Jan-16	Fourth Round Proper	v Bradford Town	H		£2,000	
30-Jan-16	Fifth Round Proper	v			£2,500	
20-Feb-16	Sixth Round Proper	v			£4,500	
12-Mar-16	Semi-final	v	Two legs		£6,000	
22-May-16	Final	v	Wembley		£25,000	
Total Prize Money Won					£600	

Match Reports

County Cup Hopes Extinguished

New Gerard Buxton Sports Ground, 19th December 2015

A Gary Higdon header ten minutes from time decided the outcome of the Wiltshire Senior Cup quarter final clash between Royal Wootton Bassett Town and Melksham Town in the visitors' favour. It was ultimately one lapse in concentration which cost Bassett and ensured their search for a third success in the premier knockout competition in the County goes on. The prolific Higdon – a muted presence for the majority of the contest – was able to lose his marker at the far post and re-direct Ben Thompson's free kick into the opposite corner beyond a helpless Curtis Meare from ten yards. That was only the third shot Melksham registered on target in the entire match. But it was enough.

For a side who last year claimed the Western League Premier Division title, there appeared little remarkable about them on this afternoon. Functional and well organised they may have been. Yet they were there for the taking. Paul Braithwaite's team certainly did their utmost to oust Melksham from a competition they have triumphed in twice in the last three seasons. However, without the suspended Steve Robertson, their own goalscoring hero throughout this campaign, they were unable to make the required breakthrough.

During the opening period they had the advantage of playing with the swift wind blowing from the Coped Hall end – something that is becoming a staple feature at Bassett's new home – behind them. Melksham did not appear overly comfortable playing into this, and a botched clearance following a Dan Bailey flick on presented Steve Olphert with a golden chance just seven minutes in. However, the Bassett midfielder struck his snap shot from twelve yards straight at visiting 'keeper Rob Brown. Patient build up play soon led to Olphert setting the ball down for Bailey to shoot from 25 yards, and he fired narrowly off target. Bassett continued to give the impression that they had settled into the game better than their visitors. Yet, a goal still proved elusive. A curling, inswinging corner from Dale Richards forced Brown to scramble to his near post and tip over. A fizzing low free kick from the same player then had Brown diving low to steer the ball around his right post after it had evaded all others camped in the box. Matt Cheetham was next to have a shot on goal, but his stinging half volley from just outside the area was comfortably dealt with by Brown. At the other end, Meare was forced into a couple of awkward parries, the first from Mike Perrott, the second from Joe Stradling, but aside from that the visitors had posed little threat.

That was set to change after the restart as Melksham enjoyed the benefit of the Bassett breeze. Despite that, Bassett should have been ahead within two minutes of the second half beginning. Harvey Scholes floated a perfectly weighted clipped pass in behind the visiting defence, which Bailey latched onto. With just Brown to beat, Bailey strode towards goal, but dragged his effort across the face of goal from ten yards. The angle was a little tight, but a goal should really have been scored. There followed an intense spell of Melksham pressure, with Bassett pinned ever deeper. Yet the worst that the home side conceded was a succession of corners, which Melksham failed to convert. Set pieces have consistently been an area of weakness for Bassett this season though, and the deadlock was finally broken – and the game decided - when Thomson teased in a left footed delivery from a free kick on the right wing and Higdon ghosted free of his marker before coolly guiding a header home.

Man of the Match: Matt Cheetham – playing at the base of the midfield, Cheetham was his usual self, battling away and keeping things ticking.

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Shrivenham	0 - 1	Carterton
Thame United	4 - 0	Milton United
Thatcham Town	4 - 2	Didcot Town
Tuffley Rovers	2 - 4	Kidlington

Second Round		
Abingdon United	3 - 1	Henley Town
Ardley United	4 - 2	Hook Norton
Brackley Town Saints	1 - 3	Lydney Town
Bracknell Town	2 - 3	Highmoor Ibis
Cheltenham Saracens	1 - 2	Carterton
Chinnor	2 - 0	Wokingham & Emmbrook
Cirencester Town Dev	2 - 1	Longlevens
Clanfield	3 - 2	Wantage Town
Holyport	1 - 2	Kidlington
New College Swindon	2 - 1	Bicester Town
North Leigh	0 - 3	Brimscombe & Thrupp
Oxford City Nomads	1 - 4	Thatcham Town
Reading Town	0 - 5	Ascot United
Sandhurst Town	3 - 7	Flackwell Heath
Tytherington Rocks	1 - 2	Royal Wootton Bassett Town
Woodley United	0 - 2	Thame United

Third Round		
Abingdon United	0 - 3	Thatcham Town
Ardley United	5 - 0	New College Swindon
Ascot United	5 - 0	Chinnor
Carterton	4 - 1	Highmoor Ibis
Cirencester Town Dev	v	Brimscombe & T
Kidlington	3 - 4	Flackwell Heath
Thame United	3 - 0	Clanfield
Royal Wootton Bassett	1 - 2	Lydney Town

Quarter Finals		
Ardley United	v	Flackwell Heath
Carterton	v	Ascot United
Cirencester Dev or Brimscombe & T	v	Lydney Town
Thatcham Town	v	Thame United

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1	National League (24 clubs) (Vanarama National)					
	Promoted to League Two of The Football League: <i>Champion and winner of 2nd-5th playoff.</i> Relegated to either National League North or National League South: 4 clubs.					
2	National League North (22 clubs) (Vanarama National North)			National League South (22 clubs) (Vanarama National South)		
	Promoted to National League: <i>Champions of each division; the winners of a 2nd-5th playoff in each division will also be promoted.</i> Relegated to Step 3 leagues: 3 clubs from each division.					
3	Northern Prem. League (24 clubs) (Evo-stick League) Premier Division		Southern League (24 clubs) (Evo-stick League) Premier Division		Isthmian League (24 clubs) (Ryman League) Premier Division	
	Promoted to National League North or South: <i>Champion and winner of 2nd-5th playoff for each league.</i> Relegated to Step 4 leagues: 4 clubs from each league.					
4	Northern Premier League (Evo-stick League) Division One North	Northern Premier League (Evo-stick League) Division One South	Southern Football League (Evo-stick League) Division One Central	Southern Football League (Evo-stick League) Division One South & West	Isthmian League (Ryman League) Division One South	Isthmian League (Ryman League) Division One North
	*All divisions of 22 clubs except Isthmian League divisions which have 24 teams in each Promoted to Step 3 leagues: <i>Champion and winner of 2nd-5th playoff for each league.</i> Relegated to Step 5 leagues determined by NLS Committee: 2 clubs from each league.					
5	Combined Counties League Premier Division Eastern Counties League Premier Division Hellenic League Premier Division Southern Counties East League Premier Division Midland League Premier Division Northern Counties East League Premier Division Northern League Division One North West Counties League Premier Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division Southern Combination League Premier Division One United Counties League Premier Division Wessex League Premier Division Western League Premier Division					
	Promoted to Step 4 leagues determined by NLS Committee: <i>Total of 12.</i> Clubs must have applied to the Football Association for promotion to Step Four for the 2016/17 season by 31 December 2015, must then pass ground grading requirements 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: <i>Arranged according to separate agreements with Step 6 leagues, as approved by the FA.</i>					
6	Combined Counties League - Division One East Midlands Counties League Eastern Counties League - Division One Hellenic League - Division One East Hellenic League - Division One West Kent Invicta League Midland League - Division One Northern Counties East - Division One Northern League - Division Two North West Counties League - Division One Southern Combination League - Division One South West Peninsula League - Premier Division Spartan South Midlands League - Division One United Counties League - Division One Wessex League - Division One West Midlands (Regional) League - Premier Division Western League - Division One					
	Promotion and relegation: <i>Arranged according to separate agreements with appropriate leagues.</i>					
7	Anglian Combination - Premier Division Cambridgeshire League - Premier Division Central Midlands League - North Division Central Midlands League - South Division Cheshire League - Premier Division Dorset Premier League Essex Olympian League - Premier Division Essex & Suffolk Border League - Premier Division Gloucestershire County League Hampshire Premier League - Senior Division Hertfordshire Senior County League - Premier Division Humber Premier League - Premier Division Leicestershire Senior League - Premier Division Liverpool County Premier League - Premier Division Manchester League - Premier Division Middlesex County League - Premier Division Midland League - Division Two Northern Alliance - Premier Division Nottinghamshire Senior League - Premier Division Peterborough and District League - Premier Division Sheffield and Hallamshire County Senior League - Premier Division Somerset County League - Premier Division South West Peninsula League - Division One East South West Peninsula League - Division One West Staffordshire Senior League - Premier Division Suffolk and Ipswich League - Senior Division Wearside Football League West Cheshire Amateur League - Division One West Lancashire League - Premier Division West Yorkshire League - Premier Division Wiltshire Football League					
	Promotion and relegation: <i>Arranged according to separate agreements with appropriate leagues.</i>					
7A	Northamptonshire Combination League - Premier Division Oxfordshire Senior Football League - Premier Division Thames Valley League - Premier Division Teesside Football League West Midlands (Regional) League - Division One York Football League - Premier Division					
7B	Bedfordshire County Football League - Premier Division Kent County League - Premier Division Spartan South Midlands League - Division Two Surrey Elite Intermediate League West Riding County Amateur League - Premier Division					

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First Round		
Ardley United	1 - 2	Carterton
Ascot United	1 - 0	Wokingham & Emmbrook
Bracknell Town	1 - 0	Chinnor
Chalfont Wasps	0 - 4	Thatcham Town
Cheltenham Saracens	1 - 2	Longlevens
Cirencester Town Dev*	2 - 2	Kidlington (4 -2 on pens)
Fairford Town	3 - 3	Highworth Town (3-2 on pens)
Flackwell Heath	3 - 0	Didcot Town
Henley Town	1 - 2	Binfield
Hook Norton	2 - 1	Tytherington Rocks
New College Swindon	5 - 3	Purton
North Leigh United	2 - 0	Shrivenham
Old Woodstock Town	0 - 7	Highmoor Ibis
Oxford City Nomads	4 - 0	Abingdon United
Penn & Tylers Green	2 - 0	Bicester Town
Rayners Lane	2 - 1	Stokenchurch
Reading Town	L - W	Holyport
Wantage Town	1 - 8	Lydney Town

Second Round		
Brackley Town Saints	5 - 2	Headington Amateurs
Bracknell Town	0 - 2	Royal Wootton Bassett Town
Brimscombe & Thrupp	6 - 0	Woodley United
Cirencester Town Dev	1 - 0	Letcombe
Finchampstead	2 - 1	Fairford Town
Flackwell Heath	3 - 2	Highmoor Ibis
Longlevens	4 - 1	Clanfield
Milton United	1 - 3	Tuffley Rovers
Moreton Rangers	0 - 3	Binfield
New College Swindon	0 - 2	Lydney United
North Leigh United	0 - 5	Thatcham Town
Penn & Tylers Green	0 - 2	Ascot United
Rayners Lane	0 - 4	Hook Norton
Holyport	1 - 3	Oxford City Nomads
Shortwood United Res	2 - 0	Carterton
Thame United	2 - 0	Easington Sports

Third Round		
Ascot United	v	Thame United
Finchampstead	v	Binfield
Hook Norton	v	Brackley Town Saints
Longlevens	v	Flackwell Heath
Lydney Town	v	Oxford City Nomads
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	v	Cirencester Town Development
Thatcham Town	v	Shortwood United Res
Tuffley Rovers *	v	Brimscombe & Thrupp*

Quarter Finals		
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Semi Finals		
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Final		
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* Not sure which team is at home in this tie



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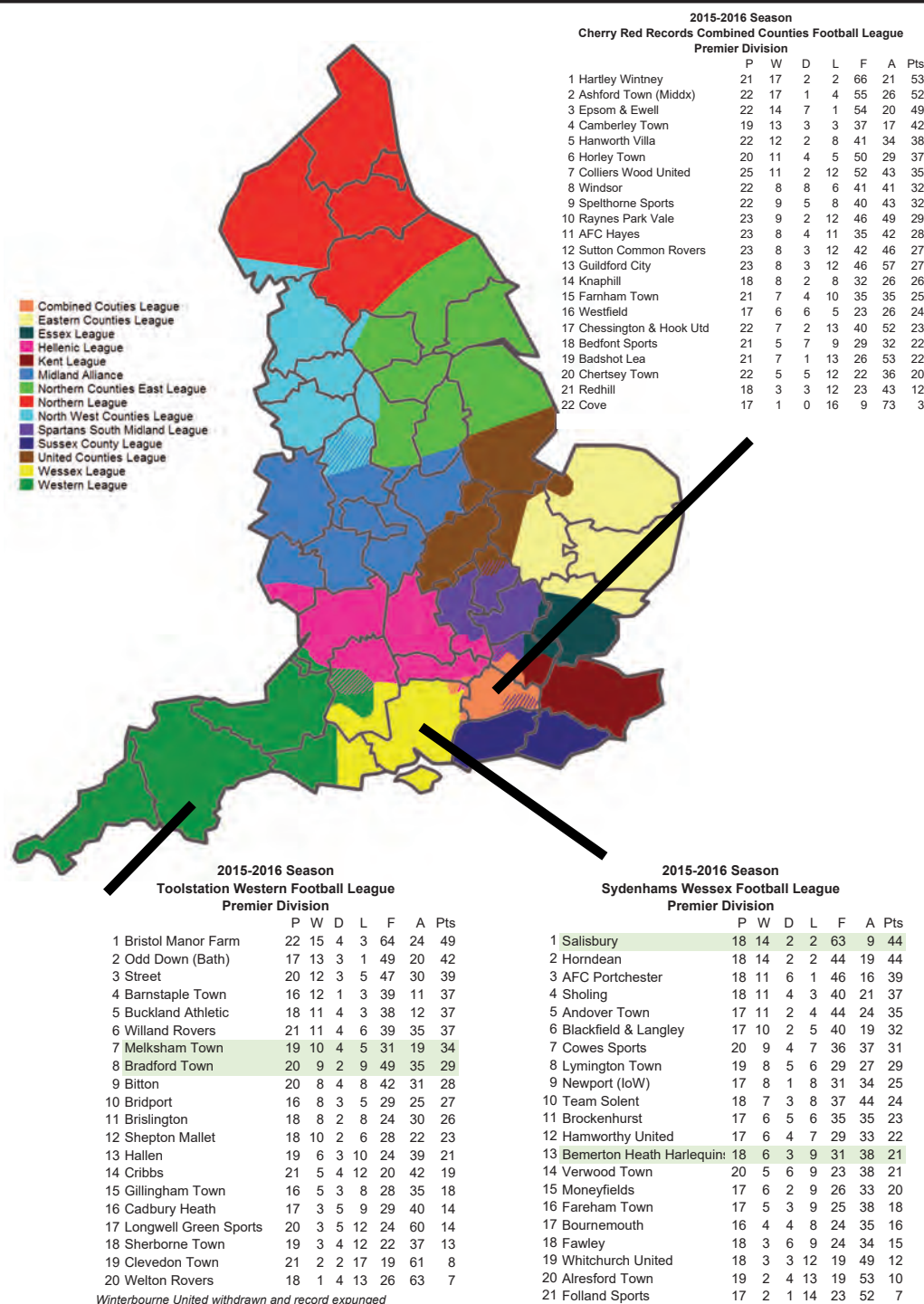
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Royal Wootton Bassett Town F.C. Season 2015-16 First Team Line-ups, Results and Fixtures

Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15
Sat 08-Aug	Brackley Saints	H	D 1 - 1	99	Meare	Comer	Richards	Wright	Hawkins	Packer	Olphert (1)	Bailey	Youngsam	Sheppard	R.Carter	Thomas	Scholes	Moulden
Wed 12-Aug	Oxford City Nomads	A	W 2 - 0	72	Meare	Comer	Richards	Moulden	Hawkins	Packer	Olphert	Bailey	Youngsam	Corcoran	R.Carter	Thomas (1)	Scholes (1)	Cheetham
Sat 15-Aug	Bracknell (FAC EP)	H	L 0 - 2	121	Meare	Comer	Corcoran	Moulden	Drewitt	Packer	Scholes	Bailey	Youngsam	Sheppard	R.Carter	Thomas	Richards	Cheetham
Wed 20-Aug	Ardley United	H	W 2 - 1	92	Meare	Comer	Richards	Moulden	Drewitt	Packer (1)	Scholes	Bailey (1)	Robertson	Thomas	R.Carter	Ellis	Skinner	Youngsam
Sat 22-Aug	Flackwell Heath	A	L 2 - 7	46	Meare	Comer	Richards	Moulden	Corcoran	Packer	Sheppard	Bailey	Robertson (2)	Yearley	R.Carter	Youngsam	Gambling	Cheetham
Wed 26-Aug	Lydney Town	A	L 2 - 3	87	Meare	Comer	Richards	Hawkins	Corcoran	Packer	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson (1)	Yearley (1)	R.Carter	Youngsam	Gambling	Olphert
Sat 29-Aug	Ascot United	A	W 4 - 1	67	Kuczynski	Comer	Richards	Hawkins	Corcoran	Packer	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson (3)	Yearley	Gambling (1)	Olphert	Sheppard	R.Carter
Mon 31-Aug	Highworth Town	H	L 0 - 2	204	Kuczynski	Comer	Richards	Drewitt	Corcoran	Packer	Scholes	Bailey	Gambling	Yearley	R.Carter	Youngsam	Hawkins	Cheetham
Sat 05-Sep	Binfield (FAV 1st QR)	H	D 1 - 1	83	Meare	Comer	Richards	Hawkins	Corcoran	Packer	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson (1)	Yearley	Youngsam	Thomas	Drewitt	Sheppard
Mon 07-Sep	Binfield (FAV 1st QR Rep)	A	W 4 - 3	84	Meare	Comer	Richards	Drewitt	Hawkins (1)	Packer	Scholes (2)	Bailey (1)	Youngsam	Cheetham	Olphert	Skinner	Vivash	Sheppard
Sat 12-Sep	Thame United	A	L 1 - 3	67	Meare	Comer	Richards	Cheetham	Hawkins	Packer	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson (1)	Yearley	Olphert	Youngsam	Drewitt	Sheppard
Wed 16-Sep	Fairford Town (F/L1)	H	W 3 - 1	84	Meare	Comer	Richards	Drewitt	Hawkins	Packer	Scholes	Thomas	Robertson (3)	Yearley	Cheetham	R.Carter		
Sat 19-Sep	Abingdon United	A	W 4 - 2	49	Meare	Comer	Thomas	Drewitt	Hawkins	Cheetham	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson (3)	Yearley	Olphert (1)	R.Carter	Sheppard	
Mon 21-Sep	Binfield	A	L 0 - 2	92	Meare	Comer	Richards	Drewitt	Hawkins	Packer	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson	Cheetham	Olphert	R.Carter	Covey	Millar
Sat 26-Sep	Wokingham & Emmbrook	H	W 2 - 1	58	Meare	Comer	Yearley	Corcoran	Hawkins	Packer (1)	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson	Cheetham	Olphert (1)	R.Carter	Drewitt	
Tue 29-Sep	Tuffley Rovers	A	D 2 - 2	60	Meare	Richards	Yearley	Corcoran	Hawkins	Packer (1)	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson	Cheetham	Olphert (1)	Thomas	Drewitt	Sheppard
Sat 03-Oct	Windsor (FAV 2ndQR)	A	L 1 - 2	106	Kuczynski	Comer	Yearley (1)	Corcoran	Hawkins	Packer	Scholes	Bailey	Richards	Cheetham	Olphert	Thomas	Drewitt	Sheppard
Sat 10-Oct	Ludgershall Sports (CC1)	H	W 3 - 1	54	Kuczynski	Comer	Yearley	Corcoran	Hawkins	Thomas	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson (2)	Cheetham	Olphert (1)	Millar	Hiscock	Smith
Sat 17-Oct	Abingdon United	H	W 2 - 0	78	Kuczynski	Comer	Yearley	Hiscock	Sinclair	Packer	Scholes	Bailey (1)	Robertson	Cheetham	Olphert(1)	Smith	Walduck	Sheppard
Tue 20-Oct	Longlevens	A	L 2 - 3	47	Meare	Comer	Yearley	Corcoran	Hawkins	Packer	Richards	Bailey	Robertson	Cheetham	Olphert	Scholes (1)	Drewitt	
Sat 24-Oct	Flackwell Heath	H	L 0 - 3	63	Kuczynski	Comer	Drewitt	Corcoran	Hawkins	Packer	Scholes	Bailey	Hiscock	Cheetham	Olphert	Millar	Sinclair	
Mon 26-Oct	Highmoor Ibis	A	L 0 - 4	54	Kuczynski	Comer	Richards	Walduck	Hawkins	Sinclair	Scholes	Bailey	Hiscock	Cheetham	Olphert	Millar		
Wed 04-Nov	Tytherington Rocks (F/L2)	A	W 2 - 1	51	Meare	Comer	Richards	Corcoran	Drewitt	Sheppard (1)	Scholes	Bailey	Hiscock	Cheetham	Olphert	Vivash	Thomas	
Sat 07-Nov	New College (CC2)	H	W 4 - 0	66	Meare	Comer	Richards	Drewitt	Hawkins	Sheppard (1)	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson (2)	Packer	Olphert	Hiscock (1)	Thomas	Cheetham
Tue 10-Nov	Bracknell Town (BICC2)	A	W 2 - 0	82	Meare	Cheetham	Richards	Drewitt	Hawkins	Thomas	Scholes (1)	Bailey	Robertson (1)	Packer	Olphert	Sheppard	Smith	Vivash
Sat 14-Nov	Thatcham Town	A	W 2 - 1	96	Meare	Comer	Cheetham	Drewitt	Hawkins	Corcoran	Scholes (1)	Bailey	Robertson (1)	Packer	Olphert	Thomas		
Sat 21-Nov	Milton United	H	L 0 - 2	51	Kuczynski	Comer	Cheetham	Drewitt	Hawkins	Corcoran	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson	Packer	Olphert	Vivash	Sheppard	Hiscock
Sat 28-Nov	Bracknell Town	H	W 2 - 1	30	Meare	Comer	Richards	Sheppard	Hawkins	Corcoran	Scholes (1)	Bailey	Robertson (1)	Packer	Olphert	Hiscock		
Wed 02-Dec	Lydney Town (F/L3)	H	L 1 - 2	70	Meare	Comer	Richards	Drewitt	Hawkins	Thomas	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson (1)	Packer	Olphert	Vivash	Sinclair	Collins
Sat 05-Dec	Thame United	H	W 2 - 0	60	Meare	Comer (2)	Richards	D.Carter	Hawkins	Thomas	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson	Packer	Olphert	Hiscock	Sinclair	
Wed 09-Dec	Kidlington	H	L 0 - 2	81	Meare	Comer	Richards	Cheetham	Hawkins	Corcoran	Scholes	Bailey	Robertson	Packer	Olphert	Hiscock	Wright	Fowler
Sat 19-Dec	Melksham Town (CC3)	H	L 0 - 1	74	Meare	Comer	Richards	Cheetham	Hawkins	Thomas	Scholes	Bailey	Wright	Drewitt	Olphert	Hiscock	Yearley	
Mon 28-Dec	Highworth Town	A	L 0 - 8	189	Meare	Comer	D.Carter	Cheetham	Hawkins	Corcoran	Yearley	Bailey	Robertson	Packer	Olphert	Hiscock	Scholes	Thomas
Sat 02-Jan	Brimscombe & Thrupp	H																
Sat 09-Jan	Cirencester Town Dev (BICC3)	H																
Sat 16-Jan	Ardley United	A																
Sat 23-Jan	Oxford City Nomads	H																
Sat 06-Feb	Wokingham & Emmbrook	A																
Sat 13-Feb	Kidlington	A																
Wed 17-Feb	Tuffley Rovers	H																
Sat 27-Feb	Lydney Town	H																
Wed 02-Mar	Highmoor Ibis	H																
Sat 05-Mar	Milton United	A																
Tue 08-Mar	Bracknell Town	A																
Wed 16-Mar	Brackley Saints	A																
Tue 22-Mar	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A																
Sat 19-Mar	Binfield	H																
Sat 26-Mar	Ascot United	H																
Mon 28-Mar	Longlevens	H																
Sat 02-Apr	Thatcham Town	H																

FAC - FA Cup, FL - Floodlight Cup, FAV - FA Vase, CC - County Cup, BICC - Challenge Cup, SC - Supplementary Cup