

# Royal Wootton Bassett Town F.C.



# Wantage Town F.C.



Home Team Squad			Played No.	Sub
1	Ian	Gill		
2	George	Staten		
3	Jon	Beedon		
4	Chris	Jackson		
5	Steve	Yeardeley		
6	Harrison	Gough		
7	Dale	Richards		
8	Giorgio	Wrona		
9	Richie	Saunders		
10	George	Lance		
11	Callum	Wright		
12	Sam	Collier		
14	Kai	Robinson		
15	Tony	Joyce		
16	Adam	Corcoran		
17	Ben	Lodge		
18	Ryan	Withers		
19	Carl	Evans		
20	Lee	Beale		
21	Jonny	Aitkenhead		
22	Alex	Bowers		
23	Josh	Coombe		
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Visitors Team Squad			Played No.	Sub
1	Curtis	Meare		
2	Dan	Comer		
3	Paul	Alder		
4	Matt	Cheetham		
5	Chris	Jackson		
6	Brad	Cox		
7	Jim	Glover		
8	Mark	Flanagan		
9	Steve	Robertson		
10	Jack	Dunmall		
11	Harvey	Scholes		
12	Mark	Thelfall		
14	Mark	Francis		
15	Ryan	Markham		
16	Nick	Thorne		
17	Joe	Grant		
18	Ben	Willoughby		
19	Johnny	Davoille		
20	Jack	Powell		
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Dugout Team	
Manager:	Sam Collier
Assistant:	Rob Hopkins
Coach:	
Therapist:	Kara Gregory

Dugout Team	
Manager:	Ben Sadler
Assistant:	Joe Wood
Coach:	Paul Braithwaite
Therapist:	Marcus Brown

Match Officials	
Referee:	Ross Murphy
Assist. Ref (Red Flag):	Zach Bunce
Assist. Ref (Yellow Flag):	Gordon Varley

Next Home Games	
Sun	08-Apr-18 v Portishead Ladies (South West Womens League Eastern Division) kick-off 2.00PM
Sat	14-Apr-18 v Pewsey Vale Development (Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League) kick-off 6.30PM
Sat	21-Apr-18 v Kintbury Rangers (Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League) kick-off 6.30PM

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# Editorial & RWBTFC News

## Welcome to Wantage Town

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to the players, officials and spectators from Wantage Town for this final UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division home fixture of the 2017-18 Season. We hope all those from Wantage who have made the short journey along the M4 enjoy their stay with us this afternoon and we wish them a safe journey home.

There will be a few familiar faces in the opposition line up here at the Gerard Buxton ground today. On the playing side Wantage are likely to include in their side five players who donned the blue and yellow until fairly recently. In the Wantage line-up this afternoon could be goalkeeper Curtis Meare, defender Dan Comer, midfield players Matt Cheetham and Harvey Scholes and striker Steve Robertson. On the management side, former manager Paul Braithwaite is one of the coaching staff at Wantage. Welcome back to all six who provided sterling service to Wootton Bassett over the years and their presence will certainly make this afternoon's game more interesting.

This is the third meeting between the two sides this season with Wantage winning both the previous games comfortably. The two sides met in the league at Wantage back in November when a second half hat-trick from Steve Robertson gave Wantage all three points. We then met in the Bluefin Insurance Cup when a late collapse saw us go down 5-1 here at the Gerard Buxton Ground. Robbo only managed one that night, but he is currently the 2<sup>nd</sup> top scorer in the Premier Division with 37 goals, headed only by Shane Cooper-Clarke of Thatcham. We have certainly missed Robbo's goals this season and no doubt the defence will have their work cut out preventing him scoring here this afternoon. Wantage currently sit in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the table and have an outside chance in the promotion picture but would need to win all their games and hope those around them drop points if they are to return to the Southern League at the first attempt.

## Ascot (Home) and Bracknell Town (Away)

At last we were able to bring the dreadful run without a win to an end with a narrow 1-0 win over Ascot United, a repeat of the result at their place back in December. Back in December ironically with him lining up against us here this afternoon, it was a solitary strike from Harvey Scholes that settled matters in the first meeting. In the return match at the Gerard Buxton Ground a sublime goal on the stroke of half time from player-manager Sam Collier settled matters in our favour and the relief at the end of the match was there for all to see.

Buoyed by the win over Ascot the lads travelled to Bracknell on Easter Saturday with a number of youngsters in the squad to play one of the title challenging sides. The previous week Bracknell had smashed 10 past Fairford on their artificial pitch but there was never any danger of that type of score being repeated as the lads put in an excellent shift to push what will probably be a Southern League side next season all the way. A penalty from Steve Yeardley put us in front and if only we could have held onto the lead for a little longer. The equaliser came when Bracknell broke at pace from our own corner and then they went in front shortly after that. We still created chances of our own but then former player TJ Bohane settled matters with a 3<sup>rd</sup> for Bracknell. By all accounts we gave Bracknell more of a game than Highworth did a couple of days later which is surprisingly given that Highworth themselves are involved in the title race. With both Bracknell and Thatcham Town in such fine form it looks like Highworth Town might now miss out after heading the table for so long. It also looks like Wiltshire based sides may miss out in the Western League also, for more on this see today's Moonraker article later in the programme.

## Development Team

The Development sides recent poor form continued Saturday when they lost at home to Trowbridge Town, the second time this season that Trowbridge have put four goals past us. With just four wins to their name all season they certainly enjoy playing our Development side. This defeat had been preceded by two games against Purton. The first had seen Purton win 3-1 at the Red House

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followed by a 1-1 draw here at the Gerard Buxton, not a bad result given that we had to play for over 80 minutes with just 10 men after having a player sent-off. It took a late Scott Walduck goal to give Purton a share of the points, his second of the week against us. I am reliably informed by the Chairman that he was grounded with no food for the rest of the week!

## Sunday Team and Ladies Team

Danny Groom's Sunday side went back top of the league courtesy of an 8-0 home win over previous leaders Eldene, a stunning result against a side who were unbeaten up until that point. On target for Bassett were Josh Morse with a hat-trick, Lewis Petrie, Ryan Thomas, Aaron Dainton, Marcus Hall and Danny Hale. They now head Eldene by a point although Eldene have a game in hand. With plenty of games still to be played Bassett are definitely heavily involved in the title race.

The Ladies side continue to lead the South West Women's League Eastern Division ahead of Sunday's big game against 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Portishead Ladies here at the Gerard Buxton. Today's programme contains more details of big games coming up for the Ladies in the next few weeks.

## FA Vase

Congratulations to Thatcham Town on making it through to the final of the FA Vase. Today's programme includes an advert for the final which will be played as a double header with the FA Trophy. Thatcham are still involved on four fronts having made it through to the semi-final of the Bluefin Insurance Challenge Cup and could they do the quadruple this season?

## Thank You

As this is our last home game of the season it is the time of the year when it is appropriate to say thank you to people who have helped the club over the season. Apologies if I miss anyone out (this was not intentional) and in no apparent order I would like to say a BIG Thank you to:

- Rich, Chris, Mike, Sam, Hoppo and Kara for their duties with the First Team this season;
- Paul and Rab for their efforts with the Development side which has seen a number of players progress to the First Team, the Development side doing what it says on the tin;
- Danny and Dave for their efforts managing the Sunday Team;
- Becky and Woody for their efforts with the successful Ladies side and club operations;
- Andy, Trudy and Luke Walduck for all they continue to do for the club in what has been another tough season for the family due to Trudy's health issues;
- Gordy, Karen, Charlotte and Erk for their efforts with match day refreshments;
- Ian for all the Secretarial duties and also his lad James for his efforts on the gate. Thanks also to PC for his work as match secretary;
- Roger for looking after the kit for all the sides at the club and the other half of the long-time dynamic duo, Rod Carter for his continued work around the club;
- Andy Clinch for his efforts looking after all the pitches at the complex;
- Dave Thomas for helping to clean the dressing rooms on match days;
- Stuart and Scott for all their efforts on the club website and Twitter feeds;
- Pete for his efforts with the Sports Association as well as the Football Club;
- Mike for looking after the club funds in his role as Treasurer;
- All team managers of our various Youth Section sides;
- All of our various kit and player sponsors and those who have helped in other ways such as with advertising boards around the ground or programme adverts;
- All of our spectators who have supported our teams home and away this season;
- Cats for producing this programme and our Holland tour brochure; and finally
- All the players who have represented the Club this season from U7 through to the 1st Team.

Enjoy the summer break and see you back in August.

Mark

# Senior Honours List



- 1902-03 Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up
- 1902-03 Advertiser Cup Runners-up
- 1903-04 Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up
- 1904-05 Advertiser 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
- 2016-17 Gloucestershire Womens League Division 1 Runners-up
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# Opponents - History

## Wantage Town • Club History

Wantage Town FC (aka The Fred's or Alfredian's) have been affiliated to the Berks & Bucks FA since 1892.

They played in the Swindon & District, North Berks and Reading & District Leagues, achieving success in 1903-04 in the Swindon Advertiser Cup, which they repeated in 1907-08 as well as becoming the League Champions.

After the 1st World War, the Fred's briefly played in the North Berks League, winning the North Berks Cup in 1920 and 1921 and the Championship in 1921-22. After a brief period playing in the Reading & District League with no success they then re-entered the Swindon & District League, winning the title in 1933-34.



The Fifties was the most successful period for the Club, winning the League in 1952-53 (without losing a game) and again in 1955-56, while in 1954-55, the Fred's won no fewer than five cup competitions, including the Berks & Bucks Intermediate Cup.

Since joining the Hellenic League in 1956, the Fred's have spent most of their seasons in the Premier Division, winning promotion from Division 1 on six occasions - as runners-up in 1969-70, 1987-88, 1991-92 (where they set a club record of 32 games unbeaten) and 1995-96, and as Champions in 1980-81 and 2003-4.

Season 2003/2004 was one of the Fred's most successful. The First Team won Division One East to regain its position in the Premier Division of the Hellenic, and the Reserves finished top of their league, also winning promotion. In 2010-11, the Fred's won the Premier division title, but despite great effort on the part of the Club management, they were not promoted to the Southern League due to ground grading criteria not being achieved. In the 2012-2013 season, the club achieved the Southern League Ground grading, but finished runners-up to a very strong Marlow side, and again missed out on promotion.



In 2013-2014, the Fred's won the UHlsport Hellenic Premier title again, and this time with the appropriate ground grading in place, saw promotion to Division One (South and West) of the Southern League. The Fred's remained in the Southern League for 3 years, before seeing relegation back to the UHlsport Hellenic Premier League at the end of last season, at the same time as the Reserves saw relegation to the 2nd Division of the Hellenic League.

Throughout the years the Club has worked to upgrade the facilities at Alfredian Park. In the past seventeen years the main pitch has been renewed and a training pitch has been established. Two new and additional pitches have been formed, enabling five full sized pitches (including the adjacent School pitches) to be used by the growing number of teams supported by the Club (the Club supports teams, both boys and girls, from U7s upwards, and since 2016-2017, also a Ladies team).

The Club has recently been granted planning permission for the installation of a 3G pitch, which shows the continued investment in the facilities.



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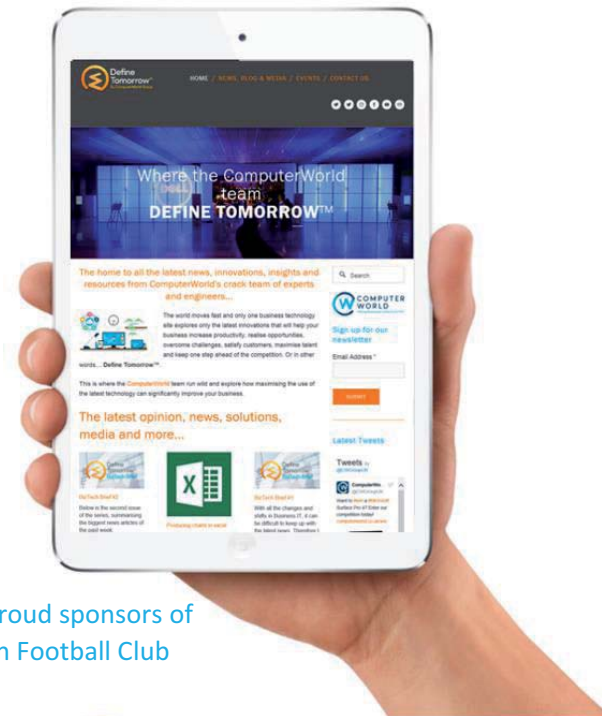
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## Wantage Town



**Curtis Meare**

Goal Keeper

Recent signing from Wootton Bassett having previously played for Thatcham Town. An excellent young shot stopper.

**Alfie Grant**

Defence

Young centre half signed from Highmoor Ibis. Calm and comfortable on the ball and looks to start attacks from the back.



**Dan Comer**

Defence

Another signing from Bassett. Dan is comfortable anywhere across the backline. Has excellent technical ability and delivery from wide areas.



**Chris Jackson**

Defence

Part of the Ardley team last season, Jacko is an imposing centre half who rarely loses a header. Maybe the oldest but certainly one of the fittest.



**Brad Cox**

Defence

Another signing from Ardley, Brad isn't the loudest centre half but has had an excellent pre season. Strong in the air and the tackle.

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**Ryan Markham**

Midfield

'Titch' joined us last season and made an instant impact. Likes to get the ball down and play but also just as comfortable in a midfield battle.



**Jim Glover**

Midfield

Club Captain. Jim has been with Wantage for two seasons in the Southern League. Will be looking to lead the squad to success this year.



**Mark Threlfall**

Midfield

"The ball never gets tired" is his mantra, and his experience in central midfield will be a key asset for Wantage this year, both as player and coach.



**Dan Sadler**

Midfield

'Digs' is a versatile midfielder capable of playing anywhere and always producing a performance. Previously with Carterton and North Leigh.



**Nick Thorne**

Midfield

A wide midfielder with the ability to ghost past any full back. Links play up in the final third and will be one to watch this year.



**Jack Powell**

Forward

Lightening quick forward with an excellent left foot. Will cause teams problems this season with his direct approach.



**Steve Robertson**

Forward

Summer signing from Bassett. The prolific frontman is already an influence in the dressing room and will be looking to better his impressive goal tally from last season.



**Jack Dunmall**

Forward

With Kidlington in the Southern League last year. JD is an intelligent forward with excellent feet and Wantage are lucky to have him on board.



**Harvey Scholes**

Forward

Harv missed the last three months last season through injury. Fit and ready to go this season, has excellent feet and an eye for a killer pass.



**Josh King**

Coach

Goalkeeper Coach. Joined Wantage last season. An asset to any club. Valued in the dressing room and will be taking more responsibility this year.



**Joe Wood**

Asst. Manager

Joined Wantage with Ben last season. Previously won the Hellenic League with North Leigh. Provides cover across the defence.



**Ben Sadler**

Manager

One of the youngest managers in the Hellenic League who won Division 1 West with Carterton. Positive in attitude and looking to get the team playing on the floor.

# Todays Opponents

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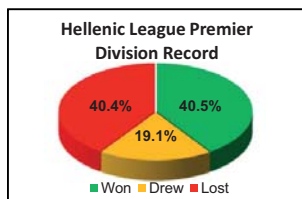
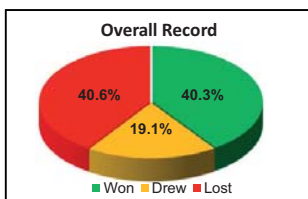
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Certain information taken from the excellent **Football Club History Database** which can be found at <http://fchd.info>

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Season	League & Division	FAC	FVR	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Top Scorer									
1988/89	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	EPR	32	9	9	14	42	57	36	12 out of 17	Not known									
1989/90	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	1st	34	10	10	14	52	58	40	14 out of 18	Not known									
1990/91	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	EPR	34	4	8	22	31	70	20	18 out of 18	Not known									
1991/92	Hellenic - Div 1	n/a	EPR	32	23	6	3	83	32	75	2 out of 17	Not known									
1992/93	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	PR	34	8	8	18	47	70	32	16 out of 18	Not known									
1993/94	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	PR	34	18	9	7	68	38	63	4 out of 18	K. Little 21									
1994/95	Hellenic - Div 1	n/a	1st	38	17	11	10	86	59	62	7 out of 20	Not known									
1995/96	Hellenic - Div 1	n/a	2QR	34	21	8	5	66	34	71	2 out of 18	J. Culley 20									
1996/97	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	1st	34	11	4	19	36	69	37	14 out of 18	Not known									
1997/98	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	2QR	34	12	4	18	45	72	40	11 out of 18	Not known									
1998/99	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	2QR	36	8	5	23	36	90	29	17 out of 19	Not known									
1999/00	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	2QR	36	15	4	17	50	64	49	12 out of 19	B. Spiero 20									
2000/01	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	2QR	38	11	4	23	48	83	37	16 out of 20	Not known									
2001/02	Hellenic - Premier	n/a	2QR	42	15	10	17	67	65	55	12 out of 22	Not known									
2002/03	Hellenic - Premier	PR	2nd	40	5	7	28	36	98	22	21 out of 21	G. Jones 8									
2003/04	Hellenic - Div 1 East	n/a	1st	32	23	7	2	85	16	76	1 out of 17	S. Tucker 24									
2004/05	Hellenic - Premier	PR	2QR	42	13	16	13	52	43	55	10 out of 22	S. Tucker 11									
2005/06	Hellenic - Premier	EPR	1st	40	19	7	14	73	70	64	9 out of 21	A. Giles 28									
2006/07	Hellenic - Premier	EPR	2nd	38	13	11	14	62	60	50	11 out of 20	P. Day 20									
2007/08	Hellenic - Premier	EPR	1QR	42	17	7	18	80	78	58	12 out of 22	D. Keen 25									
2008/09	Hellenic - Premier	EPR	2QR	42	17	3	22	71	69	54	11 out of 22	D. Keen 22									
2009/10	Hellenic - Premier	1QR	1st	42	24	11	7	92	52	83	5 out of 22	R. Claydon 28									
2010/11	Hellenic - Premier	EPR	3rd	42	29	5	8	109	51	92	1 out of 22	R. Claydon 34									
2011/12	Hellenic - Premier	PR	3rd	40	13	12	15	66	67	51	12 out of 21	R. Claydon 16									
2012/13	Hellenic - Premier	1QR	2nd	36	24	5	7	77	41	77	2 out of 19	R. Claydon 30									
2013/14	Hellenic - Premier	PR	2nd	38	30	3	5	103	40	93	1 out of 20	R. Claydon									
2014/15	Southern - 1 SW	1QR	PR*	42	8	4	30	43	100	28	20 out of 22	Not known									
2015/16	Southern - 1 SW	PR	PR*	42	8	5	29	45	100	29	20 out of 22	Not known									
2016/17	Southern - 1 SW	1QR	1QR*	42	4	9	29	29	110	21	21 out of 22	Not known									
2017/18	Hellenic - Premier	PR	2nd	34	25	3	6	81	36	78	3 out of 20	S. Robertson 37									
Totals					1,126	454	215	457	1,861	1,892											
Won:Drew:Lost Ratio					40.3% 19.1% 40.6%																

\* Indicates FA Trophy rather than FA Vase

League & Division	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Top Scorer	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	15.9%	14.3%	69.8%
Southern League - Div 1 SW	126	20	18	88	117	310				Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	15.9%	14.3%	69.8%
Hellenic Div 1	104	61	25	18	235	125				Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	58.7%	24.0%	17.3%
Hellenic League Div 1 East	32	23	7	2	85	16				Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	71.9%	21.9%	6.3%
Hellenic League Prem Div	864	350	165	349	1,424	1,441				Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	40.5%	19.1%	40.4%



Bassett held out for the remainder of the half, the only additional chance falling Bracknell's way coming when Bowerman sent a long-range drive directly at Gill.

That ensured the visitors were still in the game at the break, though no doubt conscious of the fact the Robins are a side who always look to turn the screw with their noses in front.

And, after a slow start following the restart, it was Gio Wrona who was first to come close to troubling the scorers again when he created enough space to strike a fizzing 25-yard drive, which Grace had to tip over.

As fatigue started to set in for Bassett – not helped by only having two substitutes available – Bracknell were able to assert themselves more than they did in the opening 45 minutes. And with the prolific TJ Bohane available to bring off the bench, Bassett's defence was in for a severe test.

They maintained their poise though, limiting Grant to a shot that he blazed over after a give-and-go with strike partner Adam Cornell before right back Elliott Legg forced Gill to save low with a daisy cutter from the edge of the area and Bowerman was denied by Gill.

Eventually Bracknell were able to put the game away. Their clinching goal came with eighteen minutes to go and was the result of fine work by Grant. He beat Chris Jackson to a header by a millisecond, and raced onto his own flick. Getting to the byline, he cut back for Bohane, who had checked his run, and the forward made no mistake from twelve yards.

Recent weeks have seen Bassett capitulate with the game beyond them. Not this time, however.

They owed a particular debt to Gill, who made three more fine saves to deny Bohane, Wheeler and Bowerman. The post also came to the visitors' rescue as a tight-angled Wheeler effort clipped the near post before working its way across the face of goal where it was scrambled to safety.

Despite the final score, overall Sam Collier and his troops can be proud of their spirited performance here.

With those around Bassett in the table serving as cannon fodder for Bracknell in recent weeks, the Robins may not have expected their first Easter visitors to have posed as many questions as they did. They'll certainly need to be as alert when title rivals Highworth Town make the trip to Berkshire on Monday.

**Man of the Match: Ian Gill** – there was little the 'keeper could do to keep out the three goals Bracknell recorded, but Gill produced a number of outstanding saves to frustrate the home side's fearsome attacking options.



# From The Press Office

## Youthful Bassett make rampant Robins work hard for latest victory

Royal Wootton Bassett Town made title hopefuls Bracknell Town work hard for their 3-1 victory in an entertaining Easter encounter in Berkshire.

### Larges Lane, 31st March 2018

With Bracknell Town just a week removed from a 10-3 hiding of Fairford Town and having not dropped a point in the league this calendar year, Royal Wootton Bassett Town's youth-infused side would have been forgiven for approaching their latest trip to Berkshire with more than a degree of trepidation.

However, though they did come out of the game on the end of a 3-1 defeat, they can hold their heads up high after forcing the promotion chasing Robins to work hard for their latest triumph.

It was admittedly an afternoon when Bassett spent a large amount of time chasing the ball.

Aided by knowledge of their superb, slick 4G playing surface, the home side's passing and movement was metronomic throughout. Yet, digging in and playing a disciplined game, Bassett were more than able to frustrate their opponents.

In the end though Bracknell made their incessant pressure tell, with the visitors - tired legs all over the pitch as the second period wore on - unable to claw their way back into an entertaining contest.

Unsurprisingly, Bracknell's dominance of possession was evident from the start. Yet it was the visitors who had the first real opening after only five minutes when Dale Richards beat the offside trap to race onto Richie Saunders' through ball. Yet the forward lacked composure when bearing down on Chris Grace's goal and the home shotstopper was able to save at his feet.

Bracknell then did have good chances of their own, but Joe Grant snatched at a near post shot before finding the post from an angle with his next effort. His early range continued to falter when he could direct a free header into territory where Ian Gill was able to comfortably tip around the post.

A fourth opportunity then fell Grant's way on twenty minutes when he beat Harrison Gough for pace, but Gill foiled him by smothering at his feet.

Unscathed from that spell of play, Bassett responded by seizing the next chance that fell their way. Awarded a free kick on halfway, Steve Yeardley fired a testing ball into the box, which caught Joe Gater on the hand following an awkward bounce. Yeardley stepped up to take the spot kick and confidently swept beyond Grace into the bottom left corner.

The lead wouldn't last long though. Within four minutes, Bracknell were level. Bassett failed to take advantage of a corner and the home side broke decisively. Assuming possession at midfield, Grant burst beyond George Staten on the right wing, before coolly slotting beyond Gill low into the opposite corner.

Bracknell soon turned a deficit into a lead, seizing upon slack defending from a set piece. A Seb Bowerman corner was headed only as far as an unmarked Darren Wheeler lurking in the right corner. And before he could be closed down, the winger had recycled the ball into the box, which Gater guided beyond Gill with a close range free header.

# Opponents This Season

## Results Season 2017-18

Date	Result	League/Cup			
1-Aug-17	HLP	Wantage Town	2	Binfield	0
5-Aug-17	FAC	Lydney Town	1	Wantage Town	3
12-Aug-17	HLP	Wantage Town	1	Lydney Town	2
15-Aug-17	HLP	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1	Wantage Town	0
19-Aug-17	FAC	Kidlington	1	Wantage Town	0
26-Aug-17	HLP	Ascot United	1	Wantage Town	3
28-Aug-17	HLP	Wantage Town	2	Thatcham Town	1
2-Sep-17	HLP	Wantage Town	1	Highworth Town	3
6-Sep-17	HLP	Longlevens	0	Wantage Town	2
12-Sep-17	HLP	Wantage Town	3	Brimscombe & Thrupp	1
16-Sep-17	HLP	Wantage Town	5	Abingdon United	0
19-Sep-17	BBSC	Wantage Town	3	Burnham	2
23-Sep-17	FAV	Wantage Town	2	Lydney Town	0
25-Sep-17	HLP	Binfield	1	Wantage Town	1
30-Sep-17	HLP	Highmoor Ibis	1	Wantage Town	3
3-Oct-17	HLP	Wantage Town	4	Woodley United	0
7-Oct-17	HLP	Wantage Town	3	Bracknell Town	2
14-Oct-17	HLP	Wantage Town	5	Burnham	0
17-Oct-17	HLP	Bracknell Town	3	Wantage Town	0
21-Oct-17	FAV	Wantage Town	4	Cadbury Heath	3
24-Oct-17	RIS	Thatcham Town	0	Wantage Town	1
28-Oct-17	HLP	Highworth Town	2	Wantage Town	4
4-Nov-17	HLP	Fairford Town	1	Wantage Town	3
7-Nov-17	HLP	Wantage Town	1	Longlevens	1
11-Nov-17	FAV	Wantage Town	1	Melksham Town	4
15-Nov-17	PPFC	Brackley Town Saints	5	Wantage Town	3
18-Nov-17	HLP	Wantage Town	3	Royal Wootton Bassett	0
28-Nov-17	BSCC	Wantage Town	1	Pewsey Vale	0
1-Dec-17	HLP	Wantage Town	4	Oxford City Nomads	1
9-Dec-17	HLP	Brackley Town Saints	1	Wantage Town	3
16-Dec-17	HLP	Wantage Town	0	Windsor	0
19-Dec-17	BBSC	Slough Town	5	Wantage Town	0
23-Dec-17	HLP	Abingdon United	1	Wantage Town	2
26-Dec-17	HLP	Thatcham Town	3	Wantage Town	1
6-Jan-18	HLP	Lydney Town	0	Wantage Town	4
13-Jan-18	HLP	Wantage Town	4	Ascot United	0
17-Jan-18	BSCC	Royal Wootton Bassett	1	Wantage Town	5
27-Jan-18	HLP	Wantage Town	2	Highmoor Ibis	0
30-Jan-18	RIS	Wantage Town	6	Woodcote/Stoke Row	2
5-Feb-18	HLP	Woodley United	2	Wantage Town	3
17-Feb-18	HLP	Wantage Town	2	Fairford Town	0
24-Feb-18	HLP	Flackwell Heath	4	Wantage Town	0
6-Mar-18	HLP	Tuffley Rovers	1	Wantage Town	2
17-Mar-18	HLP	Wantage Town	3	Brackley Town Saints	2
20-Mar-18	BSCC	Wantage Town	1	Abingdon United	1
24-Mar-18	HLP	Wantage Town	2	Flackwell Heath	0
2-Apr-18	HLP	Wantage Town	3	Tuffley Rovers	1

Goalscorers	Goals	Strike-Rate
Steve Robertson	37	78.7%
Jack Dunmall	22	52.4%
James Glover	10	23.8%
Jack Powell	8	30.8%
Ryan Markham	6	15.0%
Ben Willoughby	5	20.8%
Nicholas Thorne	5	18.5%
Chris Jackson	4	9.5%
Marl Flanagan	3	9.4%
Joe Grant	2	22.2%
Harvey Scholes	2	20.0%
Bradley Cox	2	4.7%
Dan Comer	2	4.4%
Sam Sheppard	1	16.7%
Dan Gardner	1	7.7%
Paul Alder	1	2.7%

# Previous Meetings



versus



- Royal Wootton Bassett Town and Wantage Town have met each other 21 times with our visitors certainly having the better of things, winning 17 games to just 4 for Wootton Bassett, surprisingly no games having been drawn.
- Prior to the cup game earlier this season the five games previously had been won by Wantage Town without Bassett scoring a solitary goal, thankfully Lewis Waldon ended that poor record scoring in the 5-1 defeat.
- The first league encounter came in the back in season 1991-92 when we lost 3-0 at Wantage.
- Nil or one is our usual goal tally against Wantage. Of the twenty one games we have failed to score on eight occasions and managed just one also on eight occasions.
- Our best result was a 3-1 win at Wantage in Season 1995-96 with two goals from Scott Vincent and one from Gavin Barron that day.
- Our biggest defeat was 5-1 in Season 1994-95 and in the cup game earlier this season. We have also lost 4-0 on four occasions.
- The only player of the current squad to score against Wantage is Sam Collier who score twice in the 2-1 away win in Season 2010-11, this was the last game we won against Wantage Town.
- Of the current sides in the Premier Division of the UHlsport Hellenic League, Wantage hold a number of records.
  - Wantage are the side that has spent most seasons in the Premier Division of the current 20 teams (43 seasons).
  - Wantage have secured the most points (1,808).
  - Wantage have scored the most goals (2,439) but have also conceded the most goals (2,789).

Wantage Town Major Honours Table	
<b>League Honours</b>	Hellenic Premier Division Winners 2010-11 and 2013-14 Hellenic Division 1 East Winners 1980-81 and 2003-04 Swindon & District League Winners 1907-08, 1933-34, 1952-53, and 1955-56. North Berks Division One Winners 1919-20 and 1921-22
<b>Cup Honours</b>	Hellenic League Division One Cup Winners 1980-81, 1991-92 Hellenic League Floodlit Cup Winners 2006-07 Berks & Bucks Intermediate Cup Winners 1954-55 North Berks Cup Winners 1919-20, 1920-21 Swindon Advertiser Cup Winners 1903-04, 1907-08 Reading Senior Cup Winners 1982-83
<b>Best FA Cup Performance</b>	First qualifying round 2009-10, 2012-13
<b>Best FA Vase Performance</b>	Third round 1974-75, 1983-84, 1986-87, 2010-11, 2011-12
<b>Record Attendance</b>	550 vs. Oxford United (August 2003)

# From The Press Office

## End of season preview: much still to fight for on a number of fronts

For the third successive season, Royal Wootton Bassett Town's Hellenic League Premier Division campaign is set to conclude before the middle of April has been reached. Yet there'll still be plenty of the club's other teams in action in the coming weeks, with a number eyeing up silverware as the season's denouement nears.

## Ladies

Most notable among those sides are Bassett's Ladies team, who are in the mix for league and cup success. And next Sunday sees them in Wiltshire County Cup final action as Becky Gammon's team take on Swindon Town Development at Melksham Town's Oakfield Stadium (3pm kick off). It's the first of three meetings in quick succession against the Robins' Development squad. On Thursday 19th April, they meet at Fairford Town's Cinder Lane ground (7.30pm kick off) for their first league meeting before squaring off in the return fixture at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground on Thursday 3rd May (7.30pm kick off). Those league encounters will go a long way towards determining the destination of the South West Women's League Eastern Division crown, with Bassett currently top and Swindon sitting third. Between them lie Portishead Town, who are Bassett's visitors this weekend (2pm kick off). As much support as possible for Becky and her team for all their remaining games – in particular, the four aforementioned contests – would be greatly appreciated as they seek to complete what would be an outstanding double.

## Sunday team

Also aiming for league success are the Sunday team, who, in their inaugural season, have taken Swindon Sunday League Division Two by storm. Featuring players who have played for Bassett at various levels in years gone by, the establishment of the team led by Danny Groom and Dave Terry has undoubtedly been a success. And they are currently locked in a battle with Eldene – a point behind with a game in hand over Bassett – for top spot. The weather has wreaked havoc with their schedule of late, and they still have eight games to play. Nevertheless Bassett arguably should consider themselves favourites to win all their remaining fixtures, with the toughest on paper being a trip to Highworth Town, scheduled for Thursday 19th April (6.15pm kick off). On Sunday they are at home to Swindon Athletic, with their only other remaining home fixture coming against Rudis on Thursday 26th.

## Development team

Though their form of late has tailed off, this has been a successful campaign for the Development side, who, under the guidance of Paul Gerrish, are firmly in the mix for a top half finish in the Wiltshire League. Both their remaining games are at home, with Pewsey Vale Development the visitors next Saturday before high-flying Kintbury Rangers come to town on Saturday 21st April (both 3pm kick offs).

## Veterans

Bassett's Veterans side – fresh from their runners-up finish in the Wiltshire Flexi League – are due to host their RAF FA equivalents in a charity game at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground on Sunday 29th April (12.30pm kick off). It promises to be an outstanding, entertaining occasion, raising money for the RAF Benevolent Fund and Prostate Cancer UK as part of the RAF's centenary celebrations. A big crowd would therefore be hugely appreciated, so it's important to spread the word! The teams first met last season, though this year sees them face one another on the stadium pitch.

## Youth section

North Wilts League action is set to continue into May due to the unfortunate number of postponements in recent weeks. But a number of Bassett's teams will be hoping to have secured honours by then. With four games remaining, the Under 18 Blues are locked in a battle with Malmesbury Victoria Development for the Division One title. Two of those games are against Malmesbury, so plenty of excitement is in store. The Under 15 Blues, meanwhile, are aiming for an unprecedented treble. They have already booked a North Wilts League Cup final place against Swindon Supermarine R, and will be hoping to secure a Wiltshire County Cup final spot too when they take on Trowbridge Town Youth Lions next Sunday. Should they win that they will face Castle Combe Colts White in the showpiece on Sunday 22nd April at Melksham Town. In the league, the Blues are in a three-way fight with Supermarine and Highworth Town Juniors T, with each still having eight games to play. While they currently sit top of Division Three, the Under 15 Yellows will potentially be overhauled by Swindon Supermarine J, currently in fourth, should they win their games in hand. But a top two finish is still well within their grasp with four games to play, a stretch that includes a pair of games against fellow challengers Ashton Keynes. The Under 14 Blues will be hoping for a top two placing as well in Division One. They also currently sit top of a congested division with three to play. There should be no stopping the Under 13 Blues from taking the Division Two crown, as four points from their final four games will guarantee them of that. Finally, the Under 12 Yellows' end to the season promises to be an exciting one. They are one of three Division Four teams still capable of winning the title. Bassett have four games to go, while rivals Ramsbury Youth and Lydiard Youth Spartans have three remaining. The Yellows currently sit third, three points behind Ramsbury.

With plenty of action still to come, and a huge amount at stake for a number of our teams, please do give as much support as you can to all of our teams!



# RWBTFC Fantasy Football League

Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC  
Fantasy Football Competition - Season 2017-18  
As at 4th April 2018

Week	Total
1	1,888
2	1,839
3	1,826
4	1,826
5	1,815
6	1,811
7	1,806
8	1,800
9	1,780
10	1,777
11	1,776
12	1,776
13	1,773
14	1,771
15	1,768
16	1,766
17	1,755
18	1,753
19	1,744
20	1,744
21	1,735
22	1,732
23	1,730
24	1,723
25	1,718
26	1,717
27	1,714
28	1,709
29	1,700
30	1,690
31	1,690
32	1,672
33	1,667
34	1,664
35	1,662
36	1,662
37	1,653
38	1,649
39	1,648
40	1,648
41	1,639
42	1,633
43	1,632
44	1,616
45	1,607
46	1,590
47	1,590
48	1,580
49	1,580
50	1,578
51	1,578
52	1,574
53	1,572
54	1,569
55	1,567
56	1,566
57	1,562
58	1,555
59	1,554
60	1,534
61	1,533
62	1,521
63	1,507
64	1,502
65	1,493
66	1,492
67	1,476
68	1,472
69	1,458
70	1,456
71	1,449
72	1,449
73	1,442
74	1,436
75	1,433
76	1,433
77	1,432
78	1,398
79	1,397
80	1,394
81	1,385
82	1,372
83	1,352
84	1,350
85	1,345
86	1,344
87	1,297
88	1,279
89	1,169
90	1,151
91	326

## RWBTFC Fantasy Football League Hall of Fame

- 2016-17 - Andy Guppy
- 2015-16 - Andy Guppy
- 2014-15 - Andy Guppy
- 2013-14 - Michael Case
- 2012-13 - Sam Lawro
- 2011-12 - Sam Lawro
- 2010-11 - Josh Dimond



# Previous Meetings

Season	Date	L/Cup	Opponents	H/A	Result	Goalscorers
1991.92	31-Aug-91	L	Wantage Town	A	L 0 - 3	
1991.92	25-Jan-92	L	Wantage Town	H	L 1 - 2	Wilson
1994.95	5-Nov-94	L	Wantage Town	A	L 1 - 5	Jell
1994.95	14-Jan-95	L	Wantage Town	H	L 2 - 4	Thomas, OG
1995.96	25-Nov-95	L	Wantage Town	A	W 3 - 1	Vincent 2, Barron
1995.96	17-Feb-96	L	Wantage Town	H	L 1 - 2	Packer
2000.01	16-Dec-00	L	Wantage Town	A	L 2 - 3	Stoddart 2
2000.01	30-Jan-01	L	Wantage Town	H	W 2 - 0	P.Davis, Stoddart
2001.02	8-Sep-01	L	Wantage Town	A	L 1 - 3	Vaughan
2001.02	16-Apr-02	L	Wantage Town	H	L 0 - 4	
2002.03	21-Dec-02	L	Wantage Town	A	W 1 - 0	Clayton
2002.03	18-Mar-03	L	Wantage Town	H	L 0 - 1	
2004.05	18-Sep-04	L	Wantage Town	H	L 1 - 2	Bennett
2004.05	11-Dec-04	L	Wantage Town	A	L 1 - 3	Swatton
2010.11	25-Sep-10	L	Wantage Town	A	W 2 - 1	Collier 2
2010.11	16-Apr-11	L	Wantage Town	H	L 0 - 4	
2012.13	29-Sep-12	LC	Wantage Town	A	L 0 - 2	
2013.14	4-Sep-13	L	Wantage Town	H	L 0 - 4	
2013.14	11-Mar-14	L	Wantage Town	A	L 0 - 1	
2017.18	18-Nov-17	L	Wantage Town	A	L 0 - 3	
2017.18	17-Jan-18	LC	Wantage Town	H	L 1 - 5	Waldon







# Sunday Team

## ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

### SEASON 2017-18 SUNDAY TEAM FIXTURES - SWINDON SUNDAY LEAGUE DIVISION 2

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sun 03-Sep-17	Nationwide	H	League	W 7 - 0	Thomas 3, Duckers 2, Hale, Hall
Sun 10-Sep-17	Northern Lights	A	Cup	W 15 - 1	Duckers 4, L.Petrie 4, Hall, Groom, Brown English, Stevens, Sheppard, Dainton
Sun 24-Sep-17	FC Walcot	H	Cup	L 1 - 4	Hall
Sun 15-Oct-17	Croft Juniors	A	League	D 4 - 4	Hale, Morse, Duckers, Dainton
Sun 22-Oct-17	Stratton Saints	H	League	W 11 - 0	Duckers 4, Morse 3, L.Petrie 2, Hall, M.Petrie
Sun 29-Oct-17	Save on Tyres Athletic	H	League	W 9 - 0	Petrie 4, English 2, Stevens, Hall, OG
Sun 05-Nov-17	Wanborough	H	League	W 13 - 0	Hale 5, L.Petrie 4, Duckers, Morse, M. Petrie, OG
Sun 12-Nov-17	Eldene	A	League	L 0 - 2	
Sun 26-Nov-17	Save on Tyres Athletic	A	League	W 3 - 2	Shepherd, C.Hall, M.Hall
Sun 17-Dec-17	Highworth Town Sunday	H	League	D 2 - 2	C.Hall, Dainton
Sun 07-Jan-18	Croft Juniors	H	League	W 8 - 0	Petrie 2, Thomas 2, English, Guppy, Morse, Walduck
Sun 14-Jan-18	Purton Red House	H	League	W 8 - 1	English 2, Morse 2, Petrie 2, Hale, Staffell
Sun 28-Jan-18	Athletico Marlborough	H	League	W 4 - 1	Petrie, Morse, Hale, Duckers
Sun 04-Feb-18	Swindon Athletic	A	League	W 10 - 1	Duckers 2, Hale 2, Staffell 2, Morse 2, M.Petrie, Shepherd
Sun 11-Mar-18	Nationwide	A	League	W 12 - 2	Hale 4, Petrie 3, Duckers 2, Groom, Hall, Morse
Sun 25-Mar-18	Eldene	H	League	W 8 - 0	Morse 3, Dainton, Hale, Hall, Petrie, Thomas
Sun 08-Apr-18	Swindon Athletic	H	League		
Thur 12-Apr-18	Wanborough	A	League		
Sun 15-Apr-18	Athletico Marlborough	A	League		
Thur 19-Apr-18	Highworth Town Sunday	A	League		
Sun 22-Apr-18	Stratton Saints	A	League		
Thur 26-Apr-18	Rudis FC	H	League		
Sun 03-May-18	Purton Red House	A	League		
TBA	Rudis FC	A	League		



## Swindon Sunday League

### Division Two - Season 2017-18

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 <b>Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>35</b>
2 Eldene FC	13	11	1	1	55	32	34
3 Purton RedHouse FC	14	7	0	7	37	37	21
4 Croft Junior FC	13	6	2	5	40	36	20
5 Highworth Town Sunday FC	11	6	2	3	31	28	20
6 Athletico Marlborough FC	12	6	1	5	37	33	19
7 Rudis FC	11	6	0	5	34	26	18
8 Wanborough FC	12	5	2	5	30	46	17
9 Save on Tyres Athletic PFC	15	4	4	7	33	57	16
10 Stratton Saints FC	14	5	0	9	37	52	15
11 Nationwide FC	16	4	0	12	28	63	12
12 Swindon Athletic FC	13	1	0	12	21	57	3

# RWBTFC First Team Pen Pics

## Royal Wootton Bassett Town



**Dan Lawrence** Goal Keeper  
Former England schoolboys' goalkeeper who also has Southern League experience with Swindon Supermarine and Hellenic League experience with New College. A quality signing for the Club.



**Steve Yeardley** Defence  
Bassett stalwart entering his thirteenth season with the club and over 440 appearances. He has played in every position though most comfortable playing at full back or central midfield.



**Chris Jackson** Defence  
Strong and cultured centre-back who joined in the summer from Fairford Town and who has previously played for Highworth Town and Malmesbury Victoria. Was with Swindon Town as a trainee.



**Jonny Aitkenhead** Defence  
Re-joins Bassett from Fairford Town having come through the Youth Section at Bassett. Also played for Highworth. Popular player with both his teammates and fans due to his committed style.



**Dale Richards** Defence  
Product of the Club's youth section, classy young defender who also knows where the net is. Already made 119 appearances with 14 goals ahead of new season.



**Sam Collier** Defence  
Re-joins the club as player coach having spent time away at Thattham Town and Cricklade Town amongst others. Previously made over 100 appearances for Bassett scoring 60 goals.



**Kieran Diaz-Benitez** Defence  
Former Oxford United and Bristol Rovers youngster who joins from Cirencester Town where he made 38 appearances last season. Previously with Purton.



**Adam Corcoran** Defence  
Talented, imposing defender, with the ability to play either at centre half or full back, re-joined Bassett for second spell in summer of 2015 and now in his 6th season.



**Tony Joyce** Defence  
Experienced defender who has won the Hellenic League at both Swindon Supermarine and Highworth Town. Now in the twilight of his career but still a cultured and calm defender.



**Mason Hathaway** Defence  
Skilful left back who joined us mid-season from Fairford Town where he had been on loan from Swindon Supermarine. Some great performances since signing.



**Callum Wright** Midfield  
Former Swindon Town and Chelsea Academy player returning from injury. Classy midfielder player who can also play at the back with 42 appearances before the start of this season.



**Giorgio Wrona** Midfield  
Joins from Wiltshire League Cricklade Town having scored 12 goals last season. Experienced at this level as previously with Swindon Supermarine, North Leigh, Larkhall Athletic and Thattham Town.



**Kai Robinson** Midfield  
Hard working centre midfielder who joins us from Wantage Town. Made an impressive debut in first league game of the season against Bracknell.



**Sam Packer** Midfield  
Talented midfielder player who can also play up front who in his fourth season with the club. Prior to this season had made 119 appearances scoring 16 times.



**Aaron Stevens** Midfield  
Product of RWBTFC Youth Section who re-joins the club from Purton. Previously played in the UHlsport Hellenic Premier league for Bassett under Jeff Roberts.



**Ben Lodge** Midfield  
Talented youngster who is on loan to us from Southern league Swindon Supermarine. Scored on his Royal Wootton Bassett Town debut against Bracknell.



**Antonio Gerrish** Midfield  
Promising, energetic young midfielder dual-signed for Bassett with Swindon Supermarine. All-round midfielder, combining fine touch, skill and great passing range, with willingness to get stuck in and a non-stop motor.



**Mason Thompson** Midfield  
Has played at Southern League level with both Wantage Town and Cirencester Town and joins Bassett for the forthcoming season looking to make an impact in the Hellenic Premier.



**George Lance** Midfield  
Highly rated youngster who broke into the First Team last season. Big things expected this season from George who will cause the opposition lots of problems.



**Shane Hibbert** Forward  
Forward who has spent most of the season at Wroughton in the Wiltshire Senior League where he scored 20 goals this season. Looking to make the step up to Hellenic Premier

# Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC • Club History

Situated in the small market town six miles west of Swindon, Royal Wootton Bassett Town Football Club was first established within the town in 1882, making the club one of the oldest in the county of Wiltshire. The club's early achievements came in the prestigious Wiltshire Senior Cup, making the final in both 1902-3 and 1903-4, although both ended in defeat. Wootton Bassett Town F.C. folded for a period pre World War 1 before re-forming in the Calne & District League when the club began playing at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground which had been donated by local dignitary Major Gerard Buxton for sporting activities within the town and opened in 1930.



Early successes included winning the Calne & District League in the 1930-31 Season, having finished runners-up the previous season, and then again in 1934-35. Following a move up to the Wiltshire League Division 2 promotion was earned again the following season and the team then remained in the top division in the county until the outbreak of war.

After the war Wootton Bassett Town F.C. recommenced in the County Senior League with limited success until Season 1958-59 when they won their first Wiltshire League title. In 1987-88 the Wiltshire League Division 1 title was won, elevating the Club into the Hellenic League, where they have remained ever since. Season 1987-88 also saw the club again reach the final of the Wiltshire Senior Cup but that first win remained elusive. That changed in 1998-99, however, when the Club defeated Pewsey Vale 3-2 in the final at the County Ground and success was again achieved in Season 2000-01 when Shrewton were defeated 2-0 in the final. The First Team, having finished runners-up in Division One West in Season 2012-13, currently play in the Premier Division of the Hellenic League, at Step 5 of the Football Pyramid.

As well as the First Team the Club has always run an adult Development/Reserve team. Since the onset of the new millennium the club has also expanded significantly, with the establishment of a large thriving Youth Section and a very successful Ladies Section. The Ladies side recently did the "double" of being cup winners and securing promotion in the same season. The latest addition to the Club has been the establishment of a Veterans team, so the club now operates 26 teams from under 7s upwards. This growth led to the club being awarded Charter Standard Development Club status by the Football Association in 2008 before this was upgraded to Community Club status a year later. Wootton Bassett Town F.C. was the first club in Wiltshire to achieve this. International ties have also been established, with three Youth Section teams touring Holland annually since 2001. This has led to a relationship with amateur side FC 's-Gravenzande, who are based near The Hague.

The club now play their games at the fantastic New Gerard Buxton Sports Ground, which was opened in the summer of 2015 and with the Royal title now included within the club name, the Club continues to thrive as a key part of the community of Royal Wootton Bassett. Season 2017-18 again sees Rich Hunter in charge of the First Team as the Club looks to better its highest ever position in Non-League football the 11th place finish achieved in Season 2014-15. The Club will again be entering the F.A. Cup and F.A. Vase with the Development side playing in the Wiltshire County League.

# Premier Division Travel 2017-18

Distance Between Clubs (One-way)

Hellenic League Premier Season 2017-18	Abingdon Utd	Ascot United	Binfield	Brackley Town	Bracknell Town	Brimscom & Thripp	Burnham	Fairford	Fleckwell Heath	Highmoor Bils	Highw'th Town	Longfns	Lydney Town	Oxford City Nomads	Royal W. Bassett	Thatcham Town	Tuffley Rovers	Wantage Town	Windsor	Woodley Utd	Total
Abingdon Utd		50	46	28	47	51	43	26	34	26	24	50	72	13	46	27	54	13	55	26	731
Ascot United	50		7	61	5	80	12	69	21	15	60	86	109	45	59	30	90	45	6	15	865
Binfield	46	7		55	4	76	13	65	15	11	56	82	105	40	56	26	86	41	11	11	806
Brackley Town	28	61	55		60	64	52	46	44	56	45	62	84	22	58	54	66	39	58	56	1,010
Bracknell Town	47	5	4	60		76	14	65	47	11	56	82	105	43	56	26	86	42	8	11	844
Brimscombe & T	51	80	76	64	76		83	21	88	74	28	15	31	48	27	57	11	44	85	74	1,033
Burnham	43	12	13	52	14	83		71	6	20	63	89	111	37	63	33	93	48	7	20	878
Fairford	26	69	65	46	65	21	71		56	63	8	26	47	30	17	46	30	20	73	63	842
Fleckwell Heath	34	21	15	44	47	88	6	56		16	68	75	116	30	68	38	79	46	18	16	881
Highmoor Bils	26	15	11	56	11	74	20	63	16		48	75	103	46	43	15	79	23	29	0	753
Highworth Town	24	60	56	45	56	28	63	8	68	48		32	55	30	12	37	36	17	65	48	788
Longfens	50	86	82	62	82	15	89	26	75	75	32		23	21	42	63	4	50	91	75	1,043
Lydney Town	72	109	105	84	105	31	111	47	116	103	55	23		68	53	86	21	80	113	103	1,485
Oxford City Nom	13	45	40	22	43	48	37	30	46	30	21	68		54	39	50	25	42	46		729
Royal W Bassett	46	59	56	58	56	27	63	17	68	43	12	42	53	54		36	41	31	65	43	870
Thatcham Town	27	30	26	54	26	57	33	46	38	15	37	63	86	39	36		67	20	35	15	750
Tuffley Rovers	54	90	86	66	86	11	93	30	79	79	36	4	21	50	41	67		54	95	79	1,121
Wantage Town	13	45	41	39	42	44	48	20	46	23	17	50	80	25	31	20	54		50	23	711
Windsor	55	6	11	58	8	85	7	73	18	29	65	91	113	42	65	35	95	50		29	935
Woodley Utd	26	15	11	56	11	74	20	63	16	0	48	75	103	46	43	15	79	23	29		753

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## Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC First Team Season 2017-18

**Back:** Mike Brewer, Sam Collier, Rory Sproule, Sam Packer, Aaron Stevens, Dale Richards, Steve Yearley, Dan Lawrence, Chris Jackson, Matt Cheetham, Callum Wright, Rich Hunter, Chris Green, Kara Gregory.

**Front:** Mason Thompson, Ben Lodge, Kai Robinson, Gio Wrona, 3 mascots, Harvey Scholes
























# Away Travel Season 2017-18

The table below shows the addresses of all the grounds we will be visiting this coming **2017-18** Season. This season we have 5 new teams in the shape of old friends Abingdon Utd, Fairford Town and Wantage Town plus two sides new to the Premier Division in Woodley United and Windsor, the latter moving across from the Combined Counties League. The table below includes the postcode to enter into your Sat Nav. A rough estimate of the distance from Royal Wootton Bassett is also shown. This season we have 70 more miles of travel in total with but the average journey has reduced by 6.7 miles mainly due to Fairford's promotion.

Total away travel = **1,740** miles (2016-17: 1,670 miles)

Average away game travel (return journey) = **91.6** miles (2016-17: 98.3 miles)

Team	Address	Postcode	Distance (Miles)
Abingdon United	 Northcourt Rd, Abingdon, Oxfordshire	OX14 1PL	46
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
Burnham	 Wymers Wood Road, Burnham, Bucks	SL1 8JG	63
Fairford	 Cinder Lane London Road Fairford	GL7 4AX	17
Flackwell Heath	 Wilks Park, Magpie Lane, Heath End Road, Flackwell H	HP10 9EA	68
Highmoor Ibis	 Scours Lane, Reading, Berkshire, RG30 6AY	RG30 6AY	43
Highworth Town	 Elm Recreation Ground, Highworth	SN6 7DD	12
Longlevens	 Saw Mills End, Corinium Avenue, Gloucester	GL4 3DG	42
Lydney Town	 Lydney Recreation Ground, Swan Road, Lydney	GL15 5RU	53
Oxford City Nomads	 Court Place Farm Stadium, Marsh Lane, Oxford	OX3 0NQ	54
Thatcham Town	 Waterside Park, Crookham Hill, Thatcham, Berkshire	RG19 4PA	36
Tuffley Rovers	 Glevum Park Lower Tuffley Lane, Tuffley, Gloucester	GL2 5DT	41
Wantage Town	 Manor Road Wantage	OX12 8DW	31
Windsor	 St Leonards Road Windsor	SL4 3DR	65
Woodley United	 Scours Lane, Reading, Berkshire, RG30 6AY	RG30 6AY	43

# First Team Player Kit Sponsorship

Player	Kit Sponsor
 Dan Lawrence	Whole kit sponsored by R.A. Nicholas Garden Maintenance Tel: 07745922420
 Jonny Aitkenhead	Whole kit sponsored by Mark Smedley
 Aaron Stevens	Whole kit sponsored by Mark Smedley
 Tony Joyce	Whole kit sponsored by Roger Williamson
 Sam Collier	Whole kit sponsored by John & Kath Fellows
 Callum Wright	Whole kit sponsored by rwbtfc.co.uk
 Chris Jackson	Whole kit sponsored by the Wood Family
 Kieran Diaz-Benitez	Whole kit sponsored by Andrew Watkins
 Steve Yearley	Whole kit sponsored by Mem-Star Distribution
 Sam Packer	Whole kit sponsored by Sophos plc
 Kai Robinson	Whole kit sponsored by Wason & Webb
 Mason Thompson	Whole kit sponsored by R.A. Nicholas Garden Maintenance Tel: 07745922420
 Ben Lodge	Whole kit sponsored by Webb's Wood Tel:(01793) 783 879
 Antonio Gerrish	Whole kit sponsored by Webb's Wood Tel:(01793) 783 879
 Giorgio Wrona	Whole kit sponsored by Dave Thomas
 Dale Richards	Whole kit sponsored by Gordon Reeves
 Adam Corcoran	
 Richie Saunders	
 Mason Hathaway	
 Kara Gregory	Whole kit sponsored by the Walduck Family

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## RWBTFC F.A. Vase Record

2001-02	QR2	Calne Town	H	W 3 - 2
	R1	St Blazey	H	L 0 - 2
2002-03	QR2	Shortwood United	A	L 1 - 5
2003-04	QR2	Bemerton Heath Harl's	A	L 1 - 4
2004-05	QR1	Wellington	A	L 0 - 4
2005-06	QR1	Christchurch	H	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Christchurch	A	L 0 - 1
2006-07	QR1	Shrewton United	A	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Shrewton United	H	L 2 - 3
2007-08	QR2	Bournemouth	A	L 0 - 12
2008-09	QR1	Buckingham Athletic	A	W 5 - 3
	QR2	Henley Town	A	W 6 - 0
	R1	Kidlington	H	W 3 - 2
	R2	Wimbourne Town	A	L 0 - 4
2009-10	QR1	Hamble ASSC	H	L 2 - 3
2010-11	QR2	Devizes Town	A	W 4 - 0
	R1	Cadbury Heath	A	L 1 - 2
2011-12	QR1	Shortwood United	A	L 0 - 4
2012-13	QR1	GE Hamble	A	L 0 - 6
2013-14	QR2	Odd Down	A	L 0 - 7
2014-15	QR1	Cove	A	W 3 - 2
	QR2	Abingdon United	H	L 2 - 3
2015-16	QR1	Binfield	H	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Binfield	A	W 4 - 3
	QR2	Windsor FC	A	L 1 - 2
2016-17	QR2	Thame Utd	H	L 2 - 4

## THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 2016-17

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
					Winner	Loser
10-Sep-16	First Round Qualifying	v Bye			£450	£150
24-Sep-16	Second Round Qualifying	v Thame United	H		£600	£200
22-Oct-16	First Round Proper	v Walton & Hersham	A		£675	£225
12-Nov-16	Second Round Proper	v Glebe	H		£750	£250
3-Dec-16	Third Round Proper	v Croydon	A		£975	£325
7-Jan-17	Fourth Round Proper	v Team Solent	A		£1,500	£500
28-Jan-17	Fifth Round Proper	v South Shields	H		£1,875	£625
18-Feb-17	Sixth Round Proper	v Newport Pagnell	H		£3,375	£1,125
11-Mar-17	Semi-final	v Coleshill Town	Two legs		£4,500	£1,500
21-May-17	Final	v Cleethorpes Town	Wembley		£25,000	£17,000
<b>Total Prize Money Won</b>					<b>£200</b>	

## THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 2017-18

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
					Winner	Loser
9-Sep-17	First Round Qualifying	v Fairford Town	H	W 3 - 1	£550	£175
23-Sep-17	Second Round Qualifying	v Codicote	H	W 5 - 0	£725	£250
21-Oct-17	First Round Proper	v Amptihill Town	H	W 2 - 1	£825	£275
11-Nov-17	Second Round Proper	v Horndean	A	L 2 - 3	£900	£300
2-Dec-17	Third Round Proper	v Hamble Club	A		£1,125	£375
6-Jan-18	Fourth Round Proper	v Westfields	A		£1,875	£625
3-Feb-18	Fifth Round Proper	v Windsor	A		£2,250	£750
24-Feb-18	Sixth Round Proper	v Stockton Town*	A		£4,125	£1,375
17-Mar-18	Semi-final	v Marske United	Two legs		£5,500	£1,750
20-May-18	Final	v Thatcham Town*	Wembley		£30,000	£20,000
<b>Total Prize Money Won</b>					<b>£2,400</b>	

# Half Time Quiz

## Lyric Quiz

1		Our hearts were ringing In the key that our souls were singing As we danced in the night Remember, how the stars stole the night away, yeah yeah yeah Hey hey hey Ba de ya, say do you remember
2		The silicon chip inside her head Gets switched to overload. And nobody's gonna go to school today, She's going to make them stay at home. And daddy doesn't understand it, He always said she was as good as gold
3		Oh, what a night You know, I didn't even know her name But I was never gonna be the same What a lady, what a night
4		here comes the rain again falling from the stars drenched in my pain again becoming who we are as my memory rests but never forgets what I lost
5		I don't care if Monday's blue Tuesday's grey and Wednesday too Thursday I don't care about you
6		How does it feel To treat me like you do When you've laid laid your hands upon me And told me who you are
7		Trudging slowly over wet sand Back to the bench Where your clothes were stolen This is the coastal town That they forgot to close down
8		I know a girl from a lonely street Cold as ice cream but still as sweet
9		There she goes, I won't see her again She's gone to school with her best friend She only does the things she likes to do Now, she wants something new
10		When I look into your eyes I can see a love restrained But darlin' when I hold you Don't you know I feel the same 'Cause nothin' lasts forever And we both know hearts can change And it's hard to hold a candle
What is the link between all 10 songs?		

# Music Lyrics Quiz

# Fixtures, Results and Tables

## Current Season 2017-18

### Uhsport Hellenic League Premier Division

Hellenic League Premier Season 2017-18	Abingdon Utd	Ascot United	Binfield	Brackley Town	Bracknell Town	Brimscombe & Thrupp	Burnham	Fairford	Flackwell Heath	Highmoor Ibis	Highw'th Town	Long'ns	Lydney Town	Oxford City Nomads	Royal W. Bassett	Thatcham Town	Tuffley Rovers	Wantage Town	Windsor	Woodley Utd
Abingdon Utd		4-0	0-3	1-1	0-5	0-2	2-3	1-0	0-1	TBA	2-2	3-1	4-2	0-2	6-1	1-8	1-1	1-2	0-4	3-0
Ascot United	1-1		2-6	1-2	2-0	4-0	2-0	4-2	2-2	2-3	2-6	7-Apr	4-3	0-4	0-1	1-2	1-1	1-3	4-2	1-3
Binfield	3-2	3-1		1-4	0-1	2-3	3-1	3-2	1-1	2-2	3-2	2-2	1-0	3-1	14-Apr	2-2	1-1	2-3	3-0	3-0
Brackley Town	2-2	TBA	7-Apr		0-2	4-0	8-0	TBA	2-0	0-1	0-1	1-1	0-1	2-2	0-2	23-Apr	1-3	3-1	2-0	2-0
Bracknell Town	3-2	2-0	6-1	17-Apr		2-0	2-0	10-3	3-2	7-0	2-0	4-0	4-1	5-0	3-1	1-1	28-Apr	3-0	5-0	6-0
Brimscombe & T	7-Apr	3-0	1-2	4-1	0-2		14-Apr	23-Apr	21-Apr	1-3	0-2	1-0	1-0	2-0	3-0	0-1	1-0	1-0	4-4	2-0
Burnham	2-2	0-2	1-4	0-8	0-7	0-6		1-3	3-3	2-6	1-5	1-0	TBA	2-0	7-Apr	0-2	21-Apr	0-2	1-1	1-1
Fairford	2-2	4-4	1-2	1-2	2-7	1-1		2-6	3-1	1-5	2-6	1-2	1-3	4-0	1-3	2-1	1-3	6-2	0-1	0-1
Flackwell Heath	1-1	1-0	1-3	4-2	1-3	TBA	2-1	2-2	6-0	1-3	6-2	4-0	2-0	4-0	1-5	3-1	4-0	3-1	0-0	0-0
Highmoor Ibis	0-3	2-5	16-Apr	3-2	2-2	1-2	0-1	14-Apr	2-3	1-3	0-0	1-1	9-Apr	0-3	0-6	12-Apr	1-3	23-Apr	2-2	2-2
Highw'th Town	2-4	3-0	1-1	1-0	1-0	4-0	1-1	3-1	2-3	5-3		3-3	5-1	7-0	3-2	16-Apr	3-0	2-4	TBA	6-0
Longlevens	3-2	2-0	21-Apr	4-3	0-3	1-1	2-1	1-1	0-2	2-0	1-6		4-1	3-5	1-1	0-2	1-1	0-2	14-Apr	18-Apr
Lydney Town	1-2	14-Apr	2-3	21-Apr	10-Apr	1-2	17-Apr	2-1	7-Apr	1-2	2-4	1-1		3-2	1-1	1-3	1-0	0-4	TBA	1-0
Oxford City Nom	3-1	1-3	2-3	2-2	1-5	0-1	3-1	17-Apr	2-3	4-3	2-3	5-1	23-Apr		5-0	1-2	0-2	14-Apr	2-5	4-0
Royal W. Bassett	1-1	1-1	0-0	7-3	1-0	1-3	1-3	3-1	1-1	0-2	1-3	0-1	2-1	1-0	0-5		0-3	3-4	7-Apr	1-1
Thatcham Town	1-0	3-1	0-0	26-Apr	3-0	3-0	10-Apr	5-1	3-3	2-1	1-2	8-1	8-0	5-1	6-0		21-Apr	3-1	2-2	3-0
Tuffley Rovers	2-0	2-1	2-3	3-3	14-Apr	3-1	TBA	1-1	1-2	2-1	0-4	0-1	2-1	2-1	0-2	0-7		1-2	1-0	1-0
Wantage Town	5-0	4-0	2-0	3-2	3-2	3-1	5-0	2-0	2-0	2-0	1-3	1-1	1-2	4-1	3-0	2-1	3-1		0-0	4-0
Windsor	2-3	3-0	10-Apr	4-2	20-Apr	2-3	2-0	1-1	17-Apr	3-1	1-2	0-3	2-1	3-0	0-1	1-3	7-Apr	25-Apr		2-1
Woodley Utd	1-1	21-Apr	3-2	2-1	24-Apr	1-2	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-0	10-Apr	TBA	1-1	0-4	13-Apr	1-1	TBA	2-3	4-4	

#### 2017-2018 Season

#### UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Highworth Town	35	26	4	5	107	45	82
2 Thatcham Town	32	25	5	2	106	24	80
3 Wantage Town	34	25	3	6	81	36	78
4 Bracknell Town	31	25	2	4	103	25	77
5 Flackwell Heath	33	21	6	6	80	45	69
6 Binfield	33	18	7	8	74	61	61
7 Brimscombe & Thrupp	33	19	2	12	58	49	59
8 Longlevens	33	11	8	14	54	71	41
9 Oxford City Nomads	33	13	1	19	66	73	40
10 Abingdon United	36	10	10	16	58	73	40
11 Windsor	29	11	6	12	57	58	39
12 Tuffley Rovers	30	11	6	13	39	51	39
13 Royal Wootton Bassett	36	11	6	19	42	79	39
14 Brackley Town Saints	30	9	6	15	60	51	33
15 Ascot United	34	9	4	21	51	79	31
16 Fairford Town	33	6	8	19	55	88	26
17 Lydney Town	31	6	6	19	36	72	24
18 Highmoor Ibis	32	5	7	20	41	84	22
19 Woodley United	31	4	8	19	24	66	20
20 Burnham	31	5	5	21	28	90	17

# points deducted for playing ineligible player



# From The Ladies Section

Date	Opponents	H/A	Competition	Result	Scorers
3-Sep-17	AFC Bournemouth	H	FA Cup	L 2-5	Gammon, Huckin
10-Sep-17	St Nicholas Res	A	SWWFL	W 4-3	Huckin, Gammon, Levett, Rich
17-Sep-17	Swindon Spitfires	H	SWWFL	W 9-3	Levett 3, Westlake 3, Huckin 2, Jefferies
24-Sep-17	Cheltenham Civil Service	A	SWWFL	W 1-0	Gammon
1-Oct-17	Market Lavington & Easterton Utd	A	Wilts Cup	W 21-0	Gammon 5, Westlake 4, Jefferies 3, Wood Bridger 2, Dent 2, Baker, Moores, Sykes, OG
8-Oct-17	Almondsbury	H	SWWFL	W 4-2	Gammon 3, Sykes
22-Oct-17	Team Mendip	A	SWWFL	W 5-1	Westlake 3, Jefferies, Rich
29-Oct-17	Oldland Abbotonians	H	SWWFL	W 4-1	Westlake 2, Egerton, Huckin
5-Nov-17	FC Chippenham	A	SWWFL	W 4-1	Westlake 4
12-Nov-17	Frome Town Ladies	H	SWWFL	W 10-0	Huckin 5, Baker, Dent, Rich, Usher, Westlake
3-Dec-17	Laverstock & Ford	H	Wilts Cup	W 6-2	Gammon 3, Westlake 2, Huckin
7-Jan-18	Swindon Spitfires	A	SWWFL	W 2-1	Westlake, Egerton
14-Jan-18	Cheltenham Civil Service	H	SWWFL	Won - awarded to Royal Wootton Bassett Town	
4-Feb-18	Team Mendip	H	SWWFL	W 3-1	Gammon, Rich, OG
18-Feb-18	FC Chippenham	H	SWWFL	W 4-0	Rich 2, Coe, Gammon
25-Feb-18	St Nicholas Res	H	SWWFL	W 4-0	Gammon 2, Huckin 2
11-Mar-18	Swindon Spitfires	A	Wilts Cup	W 7-0	Huckin 6, Jefferies
25-Mar-18	Portishead Town	A	SWWFL	D 1-1	Coe
8-Apr-18	Portishead Town	H	SWWFL		
15-Apr-18	Frome Town Ladies	A	SWWFL		
19-Apr-18	Swindon Town Dev	A	SWWFL		
22-Apr-18	Cheltenham Town Dev	H	SWWFL		
3-May-18	Swindon Town Dev	H	SWWFL		
6-May-18	Almondsbury	A	SWWFL		
13-May-18	Oldland Abbotonians	A	SWWFL		
20-May-18	Cheltenham Town Dev	A	SWWFL		



#### Ladies Top Scorers 2017-2018

Beth Westlake	20
Hayley Huckin	19
Laura Gammon	18
Michelle Rich	6
Laura Jefferies	6
Robyn Levett	4
Jess Dent	3
Gracie Bridger	2
Emma Sykes	2
Own Goals	2
Holly Baker	2
Amber Egerton	2
Lisa Coe	2
Angel Moores	1
Sam Wood	1
Lauren Usher	1

#### Wiltshire County Women's Cup Season 2017-18

First Round		
FC Chippenham Youth	1 - 9	Swindon Town Ladies
Market Lavington & Easterton Utd	0 - 21	Royal Wootton Bassett Town
Trowbridge Town	2 - 0	Marlborough Town
Laverstock & Ford	Bye	
Melksham Town	Bye	
Salisbury	Bye	
Swindon Spitfires	Bye	
Swindon Supermarine	Bye	
Quarter Finals		
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	6 - 2	Laverstock & Ford
Swindon Spitfires	6 - 1	Salisbury
Swindon Town	6 - 0	Swindon Supermarine
Trowbridge Town	2 - 1	Melksham Town
Semi Finals		
Swindon Spitfires	0 - 7	Royal Wootton Bassett Town
Trowbridge Town	2 - 4	Swindon Town
Final		
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	-	Swindon Town

#### South West Women's Football League - Eastern Division Season 2017-18

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Wootton Bassett Town Ladies First	14	13	1	0	55	14	40
2 Portishead Ladies First	14	11	3	0	46	15	36
3 Swindon Town Ladies (Sun) Development	14	11	2	1	49	16	35
4 Almondsbury Women First	13	9	2	2	42	17	29
5 Swindon Spitfires FC Womens 1st	15	7	2	6	35	33	23
6 Team Mendip Ladies First	13	7	1	5	33	26	22
7 Cheltenham Civil Service Ladies First	16	4	1	11	18	31	13
8 Oldland Abbotonians Ladies First	12	3	3	6	14	31	12
9 Fc Chippenham Youth Ladies First	12	3	1	8	13	42	10
10 Cheltenham Town Ladies Development	14	2	2	10	23	48	8
11 Frome Town Ladies (WOMEN) First	12	1	1	10	10	38	4
12 St Nicholas Ladies Reserves	15	0	3	12	10	37	3



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## Premier Division Statistics

Uhsport Hellenic League Premier Division Season 2017-18 - Alltime Record in Hellenic League Premier Division															
	PL	First	Total							Win	Draw	Lost	Avg Pts	Avg	Avg
	Seasons	Season	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Ratio	Ratio	Ratio	Ratio	Goals F	Goals A
Abingdon United	32	1977-78	1,114	467	217	430	1,810	1,702	1,589	41.9%	19.5%	38.6%	1.43	1.6	1.5
Ascot United	9	2009-10	342	147	63	132	666	588	504	43.0%	18.4%	38.6%	1.47	1.9	1.7
Binfield	9	2009-10	341	185	54	102	742	486	609	54.3%	15.8%	29.9%	1.79	2.2	1.4
Brackley Town Saints	3	2015-16	102	29	15	58	170	238	102	28.4%	14.7%	56.9%	1.00	1.7	2.3
Bracknell Town	7	2010-11	261	115	39	107	515	477	384	44.1%	14.9%	41.0%	1.47	2.0	1.8
Brimmscombe & Thrupp	5	2013-14	181	90	20	71	352	310	290	49.7%	11.0%	39.2%	1.60	1.9	1.7
Burnham	10	1973-74	327	161	68	98	592	497	534	49.2%	20.8%	30.0%	1.63	1.8	1.5
Fairford Town	39	1972-73	1,367	482	317	568	2,008	2,198	1,677	35.3%	23.2%	41.6%	1.23	1.5	1.6
Flackwell Heath	16	1977-78	571	299	105	167	1,218	776	948	52.4%	18.4%	29.2%	1.66	2.1	1.4
Highmoor-Ibis	6	2012-13	216	93	37	86	395	384	315	43.1%	17.1%	39.8%	1.46	1.8	1.8
Highworth Town	24	1994-95	913	437	155	321	1,770	1,394	1,463	47.9%	17.0%	35.2%	1.60	1.9	1.5
Longlevens AFC	3	2015-16	105	40	13	52	185	224	133	38.1%	12.4%	49.5%	1.27	1.8	2.1
Lydney Town	4	2007-08	145	54	28	63	224	273	190	37.2%	19.3%	43.4%	1.31	1.5	1.9
Oxford City Nomads	9	2009-10	341	154	46	141	715	658	505	45.2%	13.5%	41.3%	1.48	2.1	1.9
Royal Wootton Bassett	11	2000-01	430	128	85	217	531	819	466	29.8%	19.8%	50.5%	1.08	1.2	1.9
Thattham Town	17	1953-54	556	222	97	237	1,066	1,158	673	39.9%	17.4%	42.6%	1.21	1.9	2.1
Tuffley Rovers	16	1993-94	544	222	115	207	871	821	781	40.8%	21.1%	38.1%	1.44	1.6	1.5
Wantage Town	43	1956-57	1,500	565	276	659	2,439	2,789	1,808	37.7%	18.4%	43.9%	1.21	1.6	1.9
Windsor	1	2017-18	29	11	6	12	57	58	39	37.9%	20.7%	41.4%	1.34	2.0	2.0
Woodley United	1	2017-18	31	4	8	19	24	66	20	12.9%	25.8%	61.3%	0.65	0.8	2.1

3 points for a win was first introduced in 1974-75, but reverted to 2 points in 1978-79 before permanently becoming 3 again in 1983-84

Most seasons in the Premier Division	Wantage Town	43
Least seasons in Premier Division	Windsor / Woodley United	1
Most points in the Premier Division	Wantage Town	1,808
Highest average points in Prem. Division	Binfield	1.79
Lowest average points in Prem. Division	Woodley United	0.65
Most goals scored in Prem. Division	Wantage Town	2,439
Highest average goals for in Prem. Div.	Binfield	2.2
Lowest average goals for in Prem. Div.	Woodley United	0.8
Lowest average goals conceded in Prem.	Binfield & Flackwell Heath	1.4
Highest average goals conceded	Brackley Town Saints	2.3
Most goals conceded in Prem. Div.	Wantage Town	2,789
Best win ratio in Premier Division	Binfield	54.3%
Worst win ratio in Premier Division	Woodley United	12.9%



# Division One West & East

## Step 6



### 2017-2018 Season

#### UHS SPORT Hellenic League Division One West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Ardley United	22	17	2	3	95	24	53
2 Shrivenham	23	14	3	6	62	35	45
3 North Leigh United	23	13	4	6	45	26	43
4 Pewsey Vale	21	12	3	6	58	29	39
5 Cirencester Town Dev'	22	12	3	7	56	35	39
6 Clanfield 85	22	11	4	7	53	29	37
7 Easington Sports	18	10	3	5	44	20	33
8 Headington Amateurs	23	10	1	12	45	40	31
9 Letcombe	22	9	4	9	49	49	31
10 Cheltenham Saracens	21	10	4	7	45	45	31
11 Kidlington Reserves	19	7	4	8	37	27	25
12 Woodstock Town	23	5	3	15	35	80	18
13 New College	23	2	0	21	20	97	6
14 Tytherington Rocks	20	0	0	20	12	120	0

Shortwood Utd Reserves withdrew and record expunged

### 2017-2018 Season

#### UHS SPORT Hellenic League Division One East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Bicester Town	23	16	3	4	58	29	51
2 Virginia Water	21	15	4	2	54	24	49
3 Penn & Tylers Green	22	15	3	4	58	26	48
4 Sandhurst Town	20	12	3	5	55	28	39
5 Wokingham & Emmbrook	20	10	2	8	47	31	32
6 Wallingford Town	22	9	5	8	37	37	32
7 Holyport	19	8	3	8	45	43	27
8 Thame Rangers	18	7	2	9	32	55	23
9 Didcot Town Reserves	22	3	10	9	33	38	19
10 Chinnor	22	5	4	13	25	49	19
11 AFC Aldermaston	18	4	3	11	27	47	15
12 Chalfont Wasps	20	4	3	13	25	51	15
13 Milton United	21	2	3	16	21	59	9

Henley Town withdrew and record expunged

### 2017-2018 Season

#### UHS SPORT Hellenic League Division Two West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Newent Town	16	11	3	2	47	18	36
2 Moreton Rangers	16	9	6	1	48	14	33
3 Carterton	16	10	2	4	58	32	32
4 Bourton Rovers	15	8	4	3	49	21	28
5 Highworth Town Res'	16	6	3	7	38	41	21
6 Bishops Cleeve Dev'	12	6	2	4	35	25	20
7 Brimscombe & Thrupp R	13	6	2	5	34	26	20
8 Faringdon Town	16	5	4	7	28	22	19
9 Clanfield 85 Dev'	13	3	1	9	11	37	10
10 Shrivenham Res'	17	2	3	12	18	55	9
11 Cheltenham Saracens R	14	0	2	12	8	83	2

### 2017-2018 Season

#### UHS SPORT Hellenic League Division Two East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Abingdon United Dev'	17	13	2	2	67	22	41
2 Chalvey Sports	15	11	3	1	57	10	36
3 Long Crendon	18	10	3	5	43	23	33
4 Virginia Water Res'	20	10	2	8	51	43	32
5 Abingdon Town	15	9	2	4	50	40	29
6 Thame Rangers Dev'	20	7	2	11	35	50	23
7 Aston Clinton	19	7	2	10	33	52	23
8 Penn & Tylers Green Res'	12	6	2	4	32	22	20
9 Stokenchurch	17	6	1	10	48	50	19
10 Chinnor Res'	16	5	2	9	27	43	17
11 Chalfont Wasps Res'	15	4	3	8	34	38	15
12 London Rangers	20	2	0	18	31	115	6



# From The Development Side

## ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

### SEASON 2017-18 DEVELOPMENT TEAM FIXTURES - CORSHAM PRINT WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sat	12-Aug-17 Ludgershall Sports	A	League	L 0 - 3	
Wed	16-Aug-17 Bassett Bulldogs	H	League	W 6 - 1	Withers 3, Rawlins, Coombe, Clark
Sat	19-Aug-17 Westbury United Res	A	League	L 1 - 5	Clark
Tue	22-Aug-17 Marlborough Town	H	League	W 4 - 1	Withers 2, Vivash, Sanderson
Sat	26-Aug-17 Trowbridge Town	A	League	L 0 - 4	
Tue	29-Aug-17 Cricklade Town	H	League	W 4 - 1	Coombe, Stevens, Withers, Sinclair
Sat	02-Sep-17 Corsham Town Res	H	League	W 5 - 1	Withers 2, Sinclair, Murphy, Coombe
Sat	09-Sep-17 Bremhill FC	A	League	W 3 - 2	Yeardley 2, Staten
Sat	16-Sep-17 Melksham Town Res	H	League	L 3 - 5	Stevens, Coombe, Cassidy
Sat	23-Sep-17 Shrewton United	A	League	L 0 - 5	
Sat	30-Sep-17 Kintbury Rangers	A	League	L 1 - 4	Withers
Sat	07-Oct-17 Devizes Town Res	H	League	W 2 - 1	Herbert, Clark
Sat	21-Oct-17 Wroughton	A	League	W 4 - 3	Cassidy 2, Marsh, Stevens
Sat	28-Oct-17 Bassett Bulldogs	A	League	W 4 - 0	Bolton, Gough, Staten, Richards
Sat	04-Nov-17 Pewsey Vale Devel't	A	League	W 3 - 2	Withers, Cassidy, Richards
Fri	10-Nov-17 Malmesbury Vics Dev	A	League	L 2 - 6	Gough 2
Sat	18-Nov-17 Bremhill FC	H	Cup	L 2 - 4	Staten, Gough
Sat	25-Nov-17 Westbury United Res	H	League	D 3 - 3	Withers, Miller, OG
Sat	02-Dec-17 Malmesbury Vics Dev	H	League	D 0 - 0	
Sat	16-Dec-17 Wroughton	H	League	W 4 - 2	Bolton 3, Miller
Sat	06-Jan-18 Marlborough Town	A	League	W 2 - 0	Withers, Cassidy
Sat	13-Jan-18 Bremhill FC	H	League	L 1 - 3	T. Miller
Sat	27-Jan-18 Ludgershall Sports	H	League	W 5 - 1	Withers 2, Gough, Lodge, Lance
Sat	03-Feb-18 Devizes Town Res	A	League	L 1 - 2	Cassidy
Sat	17-Feb-18 Shrewton United	H	League	W 3 - 2	Cassidy, Bolton, Shepherd
Sat	24-Feb-18 Cricklade Town	A	League	L 0 - 1	
Sat	10-Mar-18 Corsham Town Res	A	League	L 0 - 4	
Sat	17-Mar-18 Melksham Town Res	A	League	L 0 - 3	
Sat	24-Mar-18 Purton	A	League	L 1 - 3	Mason
Wed	28-Mar-18 Purton	H	League	D 1 - 1	Richards
Sat	31-Mar-18 Trowbridge Town	H	League	L 1 - 4	Clarke
Sat	14-Apr-18 Pewsey Vale Devel't	H	League		
Sat	21-Apr-18 Kintbury Rangers	H	League		

### Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League

#### Premier Division Season 2017-18

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Melksham Town FC Res	23	20	0	3	91	25	60
2 Cricklade Town FC	20	16	1	3	80	24	49
3 Kintbury Rangers FC	19	16	0	3	77	20	48
4 Shrewton United FC #	23	16	1	6	81	44	47
5 Wroughton FC #	23	16	2	5	70	40	47
6 Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC Dev	30	13	3	14	64	73	42
7 Marlborough Town FC	24	12	2	10	44	51	38
8 Westbury United FC Res #	22	10	6	6	54	36	34
9 Purton FC #	18	10	2	6	29	27	30
10 Corsham Town FC Res	24	9	2	13	44	53	29
11 Ludgershall Sports FC	26	8	4	14	49	80	28
12 Devizes Town FC Res #	24	7	6	11	29	53	25
13 Trowbridge Town FC	20	4	5	11	28	48	17
14 Pewsey Vale FC Dev #	23	4	4	15	28	60	14
15 Bremhill FC	21	3	4	14	39	54	13
16 Malmesbury Victoria FC Dev #	24	4	3	17	34	79	13
17 Bassett Bulldogs FC	22	2	1	19	13	87	7

# points deducted



# From The Development Side

## Round-up Week 32 – Rain, Rain Go Away

Just as we see the back of the snow we have then had a week of heavy rain that has drenched already saturated pitches and more games have been postponed as a result. Already facing a heavy backlog of fixtures, it is certainly going to be a busy April for some teams, with Purton having 14 games still to play and Kintbury Rangers, who are involved in the title race, still having 13 games to get in between now and the end of the season.

Despite all the rain there were a handful of games that went ahead, including a number of midweek games as sides seek to catch-up with the backlog. The midweek action kicked-off on Tuesday with a battle of the bottom two in the "Calne derby". Bremhill's results have improved of late and they climbed out of the bottom two with a comprehensive 6-0 home win over visitors Bassett Bulldogs. Bremhill dominated the game from start to finish and were clinical in front of goal. Alfie Presley led the way firing a hat-trick to take his total to 9 for the season. Alex Pippard also got on the scoresheet to deny Presley joining him as top scorer for Bremhill, firing in his 10<sup>th</sup> of the season. Further goals from Eddiong Essien and Freddie Porter completed the scoring for Bremhill. The defeat left Bulldogs six points adrift at the bottom of the table.

There was also Tuesday night action at Pewsey where Westbury United Reserves were the visitors. Goals from Sean Brereton, with his 8<sup>th</sup> of the season, and Jamie Hughes did the damage for the visitors in a 2-0 win that saw Westbury do the double over their opponents this season. Westbury remained in 8<sup>th</sup> place as a result of this latest win but have games in hand over the two sides immediately above them in the table.

The following night it was the second leg of the local derby between Purton and Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development which had seen Purton win the first leg 3-1 on Saturday. Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development were up against it on Wednesday night when they had a player sent off in the opening 10 minutes of the game giving Purton a one-man advantage for most of the game. However, despite being a man down it was Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development who went in front on 21 minutes when Dale Richards scored. Purton were finally able to take advantage of the extra man 10 minutes from time when Scott Walduck, son of the Royal Wootton Bassett Town Chairman, scored his second of the week against Bassett to salvage a point for his side. If they had taken all their chances it could easily have been all three points and the double, but it was not to be as the 10 men of Royal Wootton Bassett held out for a share of the points.

On Saturday just one game survived the weather and ironically it was at the side who are most advanced with their fixtures, and probably least needed to get their game played, Royal Wootton Bassett Town. Whilst the home side now have just two games to play visitors Trowbridge Town with 12 still to play after Saturday's game were relieved to see some action for the first time since 24<sup>th</sup> February and they certainly enjoyed their afternoon as they ran out impressive 4-1 winners. It was the second time this season they have hit four goals past the Bassett defence. Trowbridge led 2-0 at the break thanks to goals from Elliott Caldicott and Ben Ryder, the second coming when Ryder got on the end of a free kick into the Bassett box. Rich Clarke pulled a goal back for the home side after the restart before Trowbridge hit another two themselves through Kieron Taylor and Dan Sandford to make sure of all three points. The best goal of the day went to Sandford who ran from the half way line and beat the whole of the Bassett defence before firing into the bottom corner of the net to seal the points. That is now two wins on the bounce for Trowbridge who have put their bad run behind them and with games at home to teams below them in the table scheduled in the next week they will be keen to extend that winning run further. Hopefully the rain will finally stop allowing the scheduled midweek fixtures in the league to go ahead.

### Midweek Results

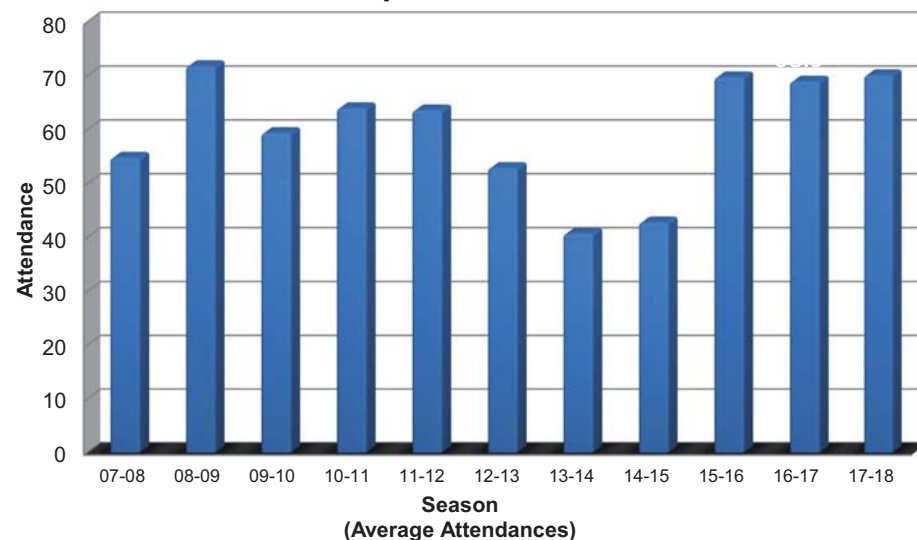
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 Pewsey Vale Development 0 Westbury United Reserves 2  
 Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development 1 Purton 1

### Saturday Result

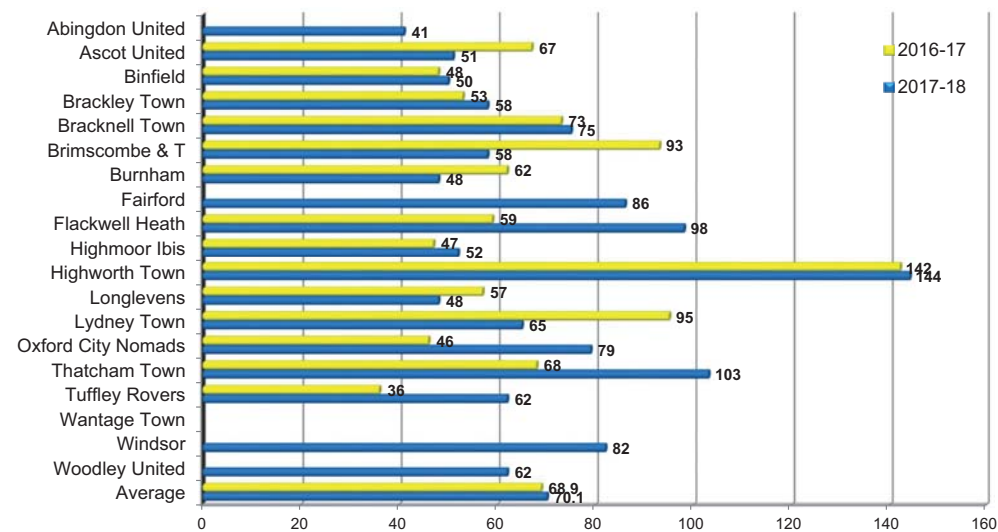
Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1 Trowbridge Town 4

# RWBTFC Attendances

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



## RWBTFC Attendances - Season 2017-18 (and comparison to 2016-17)



# RWBTFC Hellenic League Record

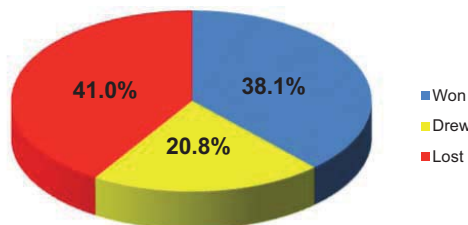
ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 30 YEARS IN THE HELLENIC LEAGUE																					
22nd	21st	20th	19th	18th	17th	16th	15th	14th	13th	12th	11th	10th	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	1st
Season	Div	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Manager	Top Scorer										
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15	Mick Woolford	Damon York										
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York 25										
1990/91	1	30	11	8	11	32	36	41	8 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York										
1991/92	1	32	10	8	14	45	59	38	12 out of 17	Mick Woolford	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	11	9	22	39	75	42	19 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Mark Vaughan 14										
2002/03	P	40	10	10	20	36	70	40	15 out of 21	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 9										
2003/04	P	42	11	5	26	38	73	38	16 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 16										
2004/05	P	42	6	9	27	30	85	27	21 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley /Chris Jones	Matty Bennett 10										
2005/06	1W	34	17	10	7	58	30	61	5 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett 12										
2006/07	1W	34	14	5	15	64	62	47	11 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett/Steve Yeardeley 11										
2007/08	1W	34	11	3	20	43	66	36	15 out of 18	Paul Burke	Richie Saunders 12										
2008/09	1W	32	17	9	6	61	31	60	4 out of 17	Dave Turner	Shaun Terry 26										
2009/10	1W	30	20	7	3	74	34	67	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 22										
2010/11	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	69	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	38	12	5	21	50	86	41	15 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Steve Robertson 30										
2016/17	P	34	15	3	16	61	64	45	11 out of 19	P.Braithwaite/R.Hunter	Steve Robertson 27										
2017/18	P	36	11	6	19	42	79	39	13 out of 20	Richard Hunter/Sam Collier	Sam Collier 11										
Total		1,036	395	216	425	1,598	1,725	1,398		Division 1	Premier Division										
Won:Drew:Lost Ratio			38.1%	20.8%	41.0%																

Premier Division	430	128	85	217	531	819	466	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	29.8%	19.8%	50.5%
Division 1 West	226	116	44	66	444	310	392	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	51.3%	19.5%	29.2%
Division 1	380	151	87	142	623	596	540	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	39.7%	22.9%	37.4%

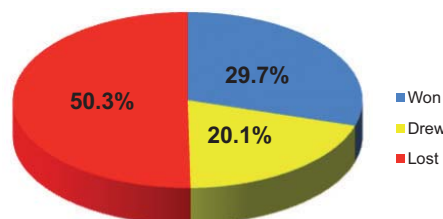
Nickname	Bassett
Record Gate	2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)
Best Gate - 2015/16	204 v Highworth Town
Average Hellenic Attendance 2015/16	69.7 (14/15 = 42.8)
Top Scorer - 2016/17	Steve Robertson - 27 Goals
Record Known Win	16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)
Record Known Defeat	1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)

Most Frequent Results	Games
Draw 1 - 1	111
Lose 0 - 1	87
Win 2 - 1	69
Win 1 - 0	67
Lose 1 - 2	66
Draw 2 - 2	61

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



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



# Half Time Quiz Answers

Lyric Quiz	Artist and Song
1 	Our hearts were ringing In the key that our souls were singing As we danced in the night Remember, how the stars stole the night away, yeah yeah yeah Hey hey hey Ba de ya, say do you remember Earth Wind & Fire - September
2 	The silicon chip inside her head Gets switched to overload. And nobody's gonna go to school today, She's going to make them stay at home. And daddy doesn't understand it, He always said she was as good as gold Boombtown Rats - I Don't Like Mondays
3 	Oh, what a night You know, I didn't even know her name But I was never gonna be the same What a lady, what a night Frankie Valli - December, 1963 (Oh What a Night)
4 	here comes the rain again falling from the stars drenched in my pain again becoming who we are as my memory rests but never forgets what I lost Green Day - Wake me up when September Ends
5 	I don't care if Monday's blue Tuesday's grey and Wednesday too Thursday I don't care about you The Cure - Friday I'm in Love
6 	How does it feel To treat me like you do When you've laid laid your hands upon me And told me who you are New Order - Blue Monday
7 	Trudging slowly over wet sand Back to the bench Where your clothes were stolen This is the coastal town That they forgot to close down Morrissey - Everyday is Like Sunday
8 	I know a girl from a lonely street Cold as ice cream but still as sweet Blondie - Sunday Girl
9 	There she goes, I won't see her again She's gone to school with her best friend She only does the things she likes to do Now, she wants something new The Undertones - Wednesday Week
10 	When I look into your eyes I can see a love restrained But darlin' when I hold you Don't you know I feel the same 'Cause nothin' lasts forever And we both know hearts can change And it's hard to hold a candle Guns and Roses - November Rain
	What is the link between all 10 songs? Songs relating to days or months in the calendar





# RWBTFC - Road to Wembley



## RWBTFC F.A. Cup Record

1938-39	Pr	Wiltshire Mental Hospital	A	L 0 - 6
1939-40	Pr	Frome Town (War)	A	P -
1946-47	EPR	Dilton Rovers	H	W 5 - 1
	Pr	Swindon GWR Corinthians	A	L 1 - 5
1947-48	EPR	Pewsey Vale	H	L 0 - 2
1948-49	EPR	Swindon BR Corinthians	A	L 3 - 6
1949-50	EPR	Warminster Town	H	L 4 - 5
1950-51	EPR	Spencer Moulton	H	W 2 - 1
	Pr	Devizes Town	A	L 0 - 4
2004-05	Pr	Exmouth	A	L 2 - 3
2007-08	EPR	Highworth Town	A	D 0 - 0
	EPR	Highworth Town	H	W 2 - 1
	Pr	Bracknell Town	H	W 2 - 1
	QR1	Brockenhurst	A	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Brockenhurst	H	L 1 - 5
2008-09	EPR	Flackwell Heath	A	D 1 - 1
	EPR	Flackwell Heath	H	L 1 - 6
2009-10	EPR	Westbury United	H	D 2 - 2
	EPR	Westbury United	A	W 3 - 2
	Pr	Brockenhurst	H	L 0 - 1
2010-11	EPR	Bradford Town	A	D 1 - 1
	EPR	Bradford Town (W4-3 pens)	H	D 3 - 3
	Pr	Almondsbury UWWE	A	W 1 - 0
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	A	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	H	L 0 - 2
2011-12	EPR	Radstock Town	A	L 1 - 2
2012-13	EPR	Calne Town	H	W 4 - 2
	Pr	Hamworthy United	H	W 1 - 0
	QR1	Highworth Town	H	W 3 - 1
	QR2	Dorchester Town	A	L 0 - 4
2013-14	EPR	Totton & Eling	H	L 0 - 2
2014-15	EPR	Brockenhurst	A	W 3 - 0
	Pr	Bradford Town	A	L 1 - 2
2015-16	EPR	Bracknell Town	H	L 0 - 2
2016-17	EPR	Andover Town	A	L 2 - 5
2017-18	EPR	Crawley Green	H	L 1 - 2

# RWBTFC Hellenic League Record

## Royal Wootton Bassett Town - Head to Head in Hellenic League Fixtures

	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Against	Points	Ratio
North Leigh Reserves	4	4	0	0	16	6	12	3.00
Worcester College OB	4	4	0	0	11	2	12	3.00
The Herd	4	4	0	0	11	3	12	3.00
Middle Barton	2	2	0	0	5	2	6	3.00
<b>Wootley United</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.00</b>
Wallingford Town	4	3	1	0	11	4	10	2.50
Newbury	4	3	1	0	9	4	10	2.50
Wokingham & Emmb'rk	4	3	1	0	6	3	10	2.50
Shrivenham	6	4	2	0	11	5	14	2.33
Abingdon Town	4	3	0	1	12	4	9	2.25
Launton Sports	4	3	0	1	11	3	9	2.25
Banbury United Reserves	4	3	0	1	14	7	9	2.25
New College Swindon	4	3	0	1	13	8	9	2.25
Yarnon	14	10	1	3	32	15	31	2.21
Bicester Town	10	7	0	3	16	9	21	2.10
Letcombe	26	16	5	5	45	30	53	2.04
Cianfield	38	23	8	7	81	38	77	2.03
Ross Town	12	7	3	2	26	9	24	2.00
<b>Brackley T Saints</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2.00</b>
<b>Windsor</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2.00</b>
Winterbourne United	12	7	2	3	25	23	23	1.92
Cirencester United	30	16	9	5	70	35	57	1.90
Easington Sports	36	20	8	8	79	42	68	1.89
Almondsbury Town	10	5	3	2	12	9	18	1.80
Tytherington Rocks	14	8	1	5	21	18	25	1.79
Headington Amateurs	24	12	6	6	53	35	42	1.75
Holyport	4	2	1	1	10	4	7	1.75
Harrow Hill	10	5	2	3	11	10	17	1.70
Gloucester United	6	3	1	2	9	8	10	1.67
<b>Brimcombe &amp; Thrupp</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1.64</b>
Cheltenham Saracens	42	20	8	14	62	63	68	1.62
<b>Burnham</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1.50</b>
Hook Norton	12	5	3	4	16	14	18	1.50
Swindon Supermarine	6	3	0	3	6	5	9	1.50
Rayners Lane	4	2	0	2	5	5	6	1.50
Cirencester Town Dev	2	1	0	1	2	1	3	1.50
Forest Green Rov Res	2	1	0	1	5	5	3	1.50
Purton	38	15	10	13	54	48	55	1.45
<b>Oxford City Nomads</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1.44</b>
Malmesbury Victoria	12	4	5	3	18	14	17	1.42
<b>Ascot United</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1.42</b>
Henley Town	10	4	2	4	13	9	14	1.40
Lambour Sports	16	6	4	6	25	24	22	1.38
Cricklade Town	14	5	3	6	21	20	18	1.29
Bishops Cleeve	24	8	6	10	39	46	30	1.25
Carterton Town	24	8	6	10	35	37	30	1.25
Trowbridge Town	12	4	3	5	33	22	15	1.25
Viking Sports	4	1	2	1	5	3	5	1.25
Chipping Norton Town	14	4	5	5	20	22	17	1.21
Pegasus Juniors	22	7	5	10	32	42	26	1.18
<b>Longlevens #</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1.17</b>
Reading Town	6	2	1	3	13	13	7	1.17
<b>Thatcham Town</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1.13</b>
<b>Highmoor Ibis</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1.10</b>
Shortwood United	12	4	1	7	17	24	13	1.08
Old Woodstock Town	14	4	3	7	23	23	15	1.07
Kidlington	32	9	7	16	45	64	34	1.06
<b>Abingdon United</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1.06</b>
<b>Highworth Town</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>1.03</b>
<b>Tuffley Rovers</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1.00</b>
Milton United	20	5	5	10	26	46	20	1.00
Didcot Town	14	4	2	8	17	30	14	1.00
Cirencester Town	6	1	3	2	7	8	6	1.00
Cheltenham Town Res	4	1	1	2	6	8	4	1.00
<b>Lydney Town</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0.94</b>
Wallingford Town	12	3	2	7	17	28	11	0.92
<b>Fairford Town</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0.88</b>
Yate Town	6	1	2	3	6	12	5	0.83
Pewsey Vale	14	2	5	7	16	22	11	0.79
Witney United	4	1	0	3	5	8	3	0.75
Hungerford Town	4	1	0	3	5	13	3	0.75
Ardley United	26	4	7	15	28	55	19	0.73
Thame United	10	1	4	5	10	18	7	0.70
<b>Wantage Town</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0.63</b>
North Leigh	16	2	4	10	10	37	10	0.63
Hallen	8	0	5	3	9	18	5	0.63
<b>Binfield</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0.58</b>
<b>Flackwell Heath</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0.50</b>
Brackley Town	8	1	1	6	8	21	4	0.50
Cirencester Academy	6	1	0	5	6	14	3	0.50
Almondsbury Picksons	2	0	1	1	2	3	1	0.50
<b>Bracknell Town</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0.42</b>
Slimbridge	8	1	0	7	4	17	3	0.38
Southall Town	6	0	1	5	2	16	1	0.17
Endsleigh	2	0	0	2	2	5	0	0.00
Hardwicke	2	0	0	2	0	3	0	0.00
Wollen Sports	2	0	0	2	1	6	0	0.00
Cinderford Town	2	0	0	2	0	6	0	0.00
<b>1,036</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>1,598</b>	<b>1,725</b>	<b>1,398</b>	<b>1.35</b>	

# 3 points deducted for playing ineligible player



## THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 2016-17

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money
6-Aug-16	Extra Preliminary Round	Andover Town	A	L 2 - 5	£1,500
20-Aug-16	Preliminary Round	Spelthorne Sports	A		£1,925
3-Sep-16	First Qualifying Round	Farnborough	H		£3,000
17-Sep-16	Second Qualifying Round	Swindon Supermarine	A		£4,500
1-Oct-16	Third Qualifying Round	Welling United	A		£7,500
15-Oct-16	Fourth Qualifying Round	Whitehawk	H		£12,500
5-Nov-16	First Round	Stourbridge	H		£18,000
3-Dec-16	Second Round	Northampton	H		£27,000
7-Jan-17	Third Round	Wycombe	A		£67,500
28-Jan-17	Fourth Round	Tottenham	A		£90,000
18-Feb-17	Fifth Round	Fulham	A		£180,000
11-Mar-17	Sixth Round	Millwall	H		£360,000
22-Apr-17	Semi-Final	Chelsea	Wembley		£900,000
27-May-17	Final	Arsenal	Wembley		£1,800,000
<b>Total Prize Money Won</b>					<b>£Nil</b>

## THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 2017-18

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money
5-Aug-17	Extra Preliminary Round	Crawley Green	H	L 1 - 2	£1,500
19-Aug-17	Preliminary Round	Berkhampsted	H		£1,925
2-Sep-17	First Qualifying Round	Slough Town	H		£3,000
16-Sep-17	Second Qualifying Round	Dulwich Hamlet	H		£4,500
30-Sep-17	Third Qualifying Round	Poole Town	H		£7,500
14-Oct-17	Fourth Qualifying Round	Fokestone Invicta	H		£12,500
4-Nov-17	First Round	Gainsborough Trinity	A		£18,000
2-Dec-17	Second Round	Rochdale	H		£27,000
6-Jan-18	Third Round	Doncaster Rovers	A		£67,500
27-Jan-18	Fourth Round	Millwall	A		£90,000
17-Feb-18	Fifth Round	Tottenham*	H		£180,000
17-Mar-18	Sixth Round	Swansea	A		£360,000
21-Apr-18	Semi-Final	Manchester United*	Wembley		£900,000
19-May-18	Final		Wembley		£1,800,000
<b>Total Prize Money Won</b>					<b>£Nil</b>

# From The Local Press

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## Swindon Advertiser

### Highworth Town's Hellenic League Premier Division title tilt hurt by defeat at Bracknell Town

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018

HIGHWORTH Town's quest to be crowned Hellenic League Premier Division champions suffered another setback on Easter Monday after they fell to a 2-0 defeat at Bracknell Town. Jeff Roberts' side were undone by two goals in the opening half-hour at Larges Lane, with the Worthians actually finding themselves behind with less than two minutes on the clock.

Although they remain top of the table, the result continues a tough recent run for Town as they have taken just three points from the last four games. That has allowed Thatcham Town to climb to within two points of the Worthians at the summit, with the Berkshire side also having three games in hand.

Bracknell are now up to third in the table and are just five points behind Highworth with four games in hand themselves. Seb Bowerman fired them ahead inside the opening two minutes and Kensley Maloney doubled the lead just before the half-hour mark, with the Worthians unable to rally themselves into a response in the second half.

Elsewhere, Shrivenham saw their scheduled game in Division One West at home to Woodstock Town postponed due to a waterlogged pitch.

### Royal Wootton Bassett Town lose at Bracknell

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018

ROYAL Wootton Bassett Town were the sole survivors of a depleted fixture list in the Hellenic Premier Division as they slipped to a 3-1 defeat away to Bracknell Town.

Initially, things were looking good for temporary manager Sam Collier as veteran striker Steve Yeardley handed the visitors the lead from the spot after Joe Gater was guilty of a sloppy handball in the opening exchanges. Before the first half had finished, Bracknell managed to level through Joe Grant as the hosts broke well. Gater later redeemed himself for his earlier handball as he headed the hosts into a 2-1 lead, before Bracknell wrapped up the win in the second half with a goal from TJ Bohane, however, it wasn't all bad according to Collier.

"It was a disappointing result but I was pleased with the way we played," he said.

"We were always in the game and had some young lads in the side who came up against a strong team.

"They're a decent team who will push Thatcham and Highworth all the way for the title.

Highworth Town's home clash with Windsor was postponed, while Fairford Town had a free weekend. In Division One West, Shrivenham Town also had a weekend off as did New College.

# Perpetuapress Floodlit Cup

HELLENIC LEAGUE FLOODLIT CUP SPONSORED BY PERPETUA PRINT SEASON 2017-18		
<b>First Round</b>		
Ardley United	1 - 4	Bicester Town
Burnham	2 - 3	Holyport
Cheltenham Saracens	1 - 4	Cirencester Town Development
Clanfield	2 - 1	North Leigh
Didcot Town	8 - 2	Abingdon Town
Henley Town (4 - 3 pens)	3 - 3	AFC Aldermaston
Kidlington	3 - 0	Carterton
New College Swindon	1 - 3	Bishops Cleeve Dev
Shortwood United	4 - 5	Pewsey Vale
Shrivenham	1 - 4	Oxford City Nomads
Thame Rangers	5 - 1	Sandhurst Town
Tytherington Rocks	0 - 9	Easington Sports
Virginia Water	3 - 1	Milton United
Wallingford Town	1 - 0	Chinnor
<b>Second Round</b>		
Abingdon United	1 - 2	Brimscombe & Thrupp
Binfield	2 - 0	Ascot United
Brackley Town Saints	5 - 3	Wantage Town
Cirencester Town Development	1 - 3	Bishops Cleeve Dev
Clanfield SS	0 - 2	Tuffley Rovers
Didcot Town Res	2 - 1	Bicester Town
Flackwell Heath	2 - 1	Lydney Town
Highmoor Ibis	L - W	Bracknell Town
Highworth Town	11 - 0	Wallingford Town
Holyport	1 - 1	Virginia Water (4 - 5 on pens)
Longlevens	4 - 0	Fairford Town
Oxford City Nomads	5 - 1	Henley Town
Pewsey Vale	0 - 6	Thatcham Town
Royal Wootton Bassett Town	3 - 2	Kidlington Reserves
Thame Rangers	2 - 1	Easington Sports
Woodley United	0 - 5	Windsor
<b>Third Round</b>		
Brackley Town Saints	3 - 4	Flackwell Heath
Bishops Cleeve Development	1 - 2	Binfield
Didcot Town	2 - 6	Bracknell Town
Highworth Town	1 - 2	Royal Wootton Bassett Town
Longlevens	3 - 0	Thame Rangers
Thatcham Town	3 - 1	Windsor
Tuffley Rovers	1 - 2	Brimscombe & Thrupp
Virginia Water	4 - 3	Oxford City Nomads
<b>Quarter Finals</b>		
Flackwell Heath	6 - 0	Royal Wootton Bassett Town
Longlevens	2 - 5	Bracknell Town
Virginia Water	1 - 3	Binfield
Brimscombe & Thrupp	v	Thatcham Town
<b>Semi Finals</b>		
Binfield	3 - 1	Flackwell Heath
<b>Final</b>		
Binfield		

### Floodlit Cup - Winners

1994-95	Cinderford Town
1995-96	Bicester Town
1996-97	Abingdon United
1997-98	Swindon Supermarine
1998-99	Tuffley Rovers
1999-00	Swindon Supermarine
2000-01	Swindon Supermarine
2001-02	Fairford Town
2002-03	Tuffley Rovers
2003-04	Slimbridge
2004-05	Almondsbury Town
2005-06	Slimbridge
2006-07	Wantage Town
2007-08	Kidlington
2008-09	Marlow United
2009-10	Shortwood United
2010-11	Holyport
2011-12	Binfield
2012-13	Ardley United
2013-14	Brimscombe & Thrupp
2014-15	North Leigh
2015-16	Ascot United
2016-17	Lydney United



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# This Week From the Archives...

## Stoddart brace helps Bassett breeze by Banbury

Rylands Way, 12<sup>th</sup> April 2008 v Banbury Utd (Won 3-0)

Whilst it wasn't the most attractive or exciting victory of the year for Wootton Bassett Town, their 3-0 triumph over relegation bound Banbury United reserves was arguably the most comfortable.

All three goals came in the second half after Bassett appeared to be unwilling to score in the opening 45 minutes, despite looking like the only team present capable of finding the back of the net.

Twice in quick succession, Lee Stoddart – who had struggled to beat the visitor's offside trap early on – missed the target with left footed efforts after racing onto balls over the top of the Banbury defence.

To his credit though, on both occasions there was a defender within close proximity of him. That was not the case for Phil Tearle nine minutes from the break, when he latched onto Stu Hemsley's lofted through ball and shrugged off the attentions of William Jones.

After doing the hard work, the youngster found himself with only 'keeper Edward Samm to beat. However, by opting to strike the ball with his laces, he put the ball the wrong side of the right upright from a mere ten yards out.

Still though, the misses did not appear as though they would come back to haunt Bassett when the final whistle arrived. Bar a ten minute spell in the second half just after Tearle had finally given Bassett the lead, the threat posed from Banbury was minimal at best.

That first goal arrived with less than sixty seconds of the second half on the clock. Tom Marchment's superb cross-field pass left Tearle with only Jones between him and the 'keeper. As before, he easily outmuscled his opponent and fired left-footed into the top right corner from an angle.

That small period of pressure from the visitors did see them find the back of the net after a swift move down the right cut open the Bassett defence, but a flag for offside prevented them from equalising.

Just before the hour, they were once again able to carve out an opening. Dan Reeves delivered a testing cross from the right wing that Sean Purcell was unable to snag out of the air. It fell to Jason Goddard at the left hand post and he immediately squared the ball across goal.

Steve Adkins was ready and raring to pounce on the loose ball but fluffed his shot from six yards and Rich Gee was able to scramble clear.

With their lead intact, Lee Stoddart went about wrapping up the three points, finding the net twice in a two minute period midway through the half.

A minute before he grabbed his first, Marchment was unlucky not to open his first team account. A Stu Hemsley free kick from the left flank caused more trouble than the midfielder intended as Dan Drummond was forced to head off the line.

His clearance did not travel far, and Marchment – ever the poacher – stabbed a foot at the ball from close range and Samm was forced to parry away an effort he knew little about.

Drummond turned into the villain seconds later, playing a woefully under-hit backpass towards Samm, which Stoddart raced onto before keeping his composure in order to slot past the stranded 'keeper.

Two minutes later he supplied the finishing touch to a far more aesthetically pleasing goal. Rob Hopkins initiated the move, winning a brilliantly timed sliding tackle and the loose ball fell into the feet of Hemsley.

On the halfway line, he squared the ball out left to Danny Heath, who then took a touch before splitting the Banbury defence with a fine through pass to Tearle. In the left corner of the box, Tearle drew the 'keeper towards him before squaring across goal for an unaccounted for Stoddart to tap in for his brace.

**Scoop's Man of the Match: Stu Hemsley** – directed the game from the centre of midfield and really didn't put a foot wrong over the course of the 90 minutes.

**Scoop Rating: 7/10** – the football Bassett played wasn't the best, but a hard pitch made it difficult because the ball was racing about the field. However, in the end it was a comfortable three points and a deserved clean sheet too. Enough was done to ensure victory, and that's all you can ask for.



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By Tom Blackett

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Once again, the Community Club of the Year Award is backed by The Football Foundation, who pump £30m into grassroots football every year, helping clubs to build or improve their facilities for the good of not just players and fans, but local people too.

With so many Non-League clubs doing their bit for their cities, towns and villages, we want you to have your say and let us know who should pick up the coveted prize.

We've had some worthy winners over the years: in 2016, Dulwich Hamlet took home the award thanks to a variety of initiatives, such as free tickets for local schools and charity games to raise funds for refugees. Last year, Sutton United's efforts to open up their Gander Green Lane home to over 40 clubs – including youth, ladies and disability teams – and breathe life into the community, was enough to bag them NGA recognition.

Big shoes to fill then in 2018, but with community being at the heart of the grassroots game there are plenty of clubs to pick from.

Bromley have been putting their state-of-the-art 3G pitch to excellent use, nurturing young talent through weekend soccer schools while also hosting a new recreational women's team for over 30s.

Harrogate Town, too, have been doing their bit for the future of English football through a partnership with a local college as well as their impressive Youth Development Programme, offering youngsters a chance to learn from professional UEFA-licenced coaches such as Town gaffer Simon Weaver. Their inclusive weekly football sessions for sufferers of mental health are also breaking down boundaries and prejudice within the community.

These are just a couple of examples of teams switched on to the fact football clubs live or die by their work in the community, and so, like many of our awards, we need you to help us highlight the best of Non-League so we make sure to pick the most deserving winner come May.

# Predictions

## Uhsport Hellenic League Predictions

Just prior to the start of the season I sent an email out to a number of local football experts asking them to provide me with their predicted top 3, bottom 3 in the Uhsport Hellenic Premier League and the top 2 in each of Division One West and Division One East. At the same time, the excellent website "Football in Bracknell" ([www.footballinbracknell.co.uk](http://www.footballinbracknell.co.uk)) run by Tom Canning and Duds were running a poll to predict the outcome of the 2017-18 Uhsport Hellenic Premier Division.

So how has everyone including myself done? Well unless today's visitors manage to pip Highworth Town for 3<sup>rd</sup> spot it looks like I will have the top 3 correct but in the wrong order. Interestingly no-one had predicted current title favourites Thatcham Town to take the title and three of the experts didn't even have them in their top 3. Bracknell Town were the overwhelming favourite choice to be champions and there is still a chance that this may prove to be the case. Other favoured teams Flackwell Heath and Brimscombe & Thrupp are also in the top half of the table. Football in Bracknell and our former Chairman Paul Harrison look like being the only ones who get the top 2 correct, although possibly in the wrong order.

In terms of predictions at the other end of the table, Burmham and Woodley United have both struggled as predicted but Brackley Town Saints and Oxford City Nomads have performed much better than several of my experts had predicted. There is then one prediction that has proved to be way off the mark and may explain why the said expert is also struggling in this season's fantasy football competition. You may not see a certain Woody today or he may be in disguise given his prediction that today's opponents Wantage Town would be in the bottom 3! With Wantage in with a shout of finishing in the top 3 this looks to be a strange prediction with hindsight and no doubt Woody was hoping that we would retain the services of Robbo when he made the prediction.

Football in Bracknell did not extend its predictions to Division One West and Division One East and so we just have the views of my local football experts here. In Division One West, four of the six experts had predicted that Ardley United would bounce back from their "relegation" last season. Still think this stinks and the League Committee should hang their heads in shame for allowing this "relegation" to happen. Said it at the beginning of the season and repeat it here this is like Justin Gatlin winning a World Championship Gold, this is Step 5/6 football not kids football and should not have been allowed. None of my experts had predicted Shrevenham and North Leigh to be in the mix at the top of the table and unless Cirencester Town Development put together an unbeaten run to the end of the season it looks like Ardley as champions is the only prediction that is going to be correct in Division One West.

In the East Penn & Tylers are involved in a 3-way battle for the title with Bicester Town and Virginia Water. Nobody had predicted the latter to be in the mix but current assistant manager Rob Hopkins, at the time of the prediction not involved with team affairs, had Bicester to take the title with Penn & Tylers runners-up and he may yet prove to be 100% correct with these predictions. All the details of the original predictions are shown in the table below:

### Season 2017-18 Predictions

	Mark Smedley	Bryan Wood	Chris Green	Stuart Smedley	Rob Hopkins	Paul Harrison	Football in Bracknell
<b>Premier Division</b>							
1	Highworth Town	Flackwell Heath	Bracknell Town	Flackwell Heath	Bracknell Town	Bracknell Town	Bracknell Town
2	Bracknell Town	Highworth Town	Flackwell Heath	Bracknell Town	Highworth Town	Thatcham Town	Thatcham Town
3	Thatcham Town	Bracknell Town	Highworth Town	Brimscombe & Th	Thatcham Town	Flackwell Heath	Highworth Town
18	Ascot Utd	Wantage Town	Brackley T. Saints	Brackley T. Saints	Highmoor Ibis	Woodley Utd	Fairford Town
19	Brackley T. Saints	Brackley T. Saints	Ascot Utd	Highmoor Ibis	Oxford City Nom	Ascot Utd	Highmoor Ibis
20	Burmham	Burmham	Woodley Utd	Oxford City Nom	Burmham	Burmham	Ascot Utd
<b>Division One West</b>							
1	Ardley Utd	Cheltenham Saras	Ardley Utd	Easington Sports	Ardley Utd	Ardley Utd	
2	Cirencester T Dev	Headington Am	Shortwood	Shrevenham	Easington Sports	Easington Sports	
<b>Division One East</b>							
1	Penn & Tylers Gr	AFC Aldermaston	Milton	Penn & Tylers Gr	Bicester	Wokingham & Em.	
2	Wokingham & Em.	Penn & Tylers Gr	Henley Town	Wokingham & Em.	Penn & Tylers Gr	Henley Town	

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The resulting free kick almost led to Bassett's second too. Catching the Ascot defence napping, Wright played a short pass to an unmarked Wrona on his left. However, the ball took a bobble as the midfielder shaped to shoot from close range and the visitors conceded only a corner, from which Saunders saw a far post header blocked on the line.

On the hour the impressive George Lance floated a cross from the left to an open Saunders at the far post, but the veteran midfielder sent his controlled volley narrowly over.

Six minutes later Ascot finally had a shot in anger, but Samir Regragui was only able to find the side netting after a misplaced pass was seized upon and counter initiated.

With both midfields stretched, opportunities arose at both ends. And Regragui was again close when he skipped past two attempted tackles on the edge of the box before seeing his shot from twelve yards parried away at his feet by Gill. Substitute James Goodey then hoisted over from just outside the area.

Gill's fine save was soon answered by opposite number Allen, who did brilliantly to tip wide from Wright's fizzing drive following a well worked move that culminated in Josh Coombe knocking down a Tony Joyce cross for the midfielder to shoot from the edge of the box.

As time wound down, Ascot's attempts to restore parity became increasingly frantic, with a few fractious moments thrown in as Bassett sought to milk the clock.

Yet, they would be unsuccessful thanks to Bassett's dogged and disciplined response to the increased pressure.

A trip from Collier presented the visitors with a free kick just twenty yards out, but Regragui was unable to take advantage as he steered over.

Goodey then fired over after cutting inside from the right before the game's final chance saw a fine reaction save at his near post by Gill to turn Phil da Silva's snap shot away following George Lock's inside pass.

**Man of the Match:** Harrison Gough – the youngster was composed and impressive at centre half and a key reason his side kept a clean sheet. The only blot on his copybook was a yellow card, but even then he showed smarts, taking one for the team to prevent an attack where Ascot outnumbered Bassett.





# From The Press Office

## Collier stunner brings slumps to an end

A Sam Collier stunner on the stroke of half time delivered Royal Wootton Bassett Town their first league win in over three months as his team defeated Ascot United 1-0.

### Gerard Buxton Ground, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2018

For three long months Royal Wootton Bassett Town had failed to register a league win. And with the season winding down, fears were mounting that they would go into the summer not having tasted victory this calendar year.

Their miserable spell encompassed eleven games in which Bassett yielded just two points and scored on just six occasions, while suffering thumpings at the hands of sides from both ends of the table.

Now though, finally, that run is over.

Interim manager Sam Collier's stunning strike on the stroke of half time proved enough to secure a win by the narrowest of margins over Ascot United – the team they had last defeated by the same score in mid-December.

It was a deserved triumph too, as Bassett were resolute in defence and attacked with intent and intelligence.

Given the slump they had fallen into, any kind of victory – merited or not - would have sufficed. But Collier and his team can be hugely satisfied with the way in which they returned to winning ways.

The visiting Yellamen enjoyed the majority of possession and played some attractive football. However, their attacking threat was blunted by a disciplined Bassett backline.

Indeed, Ascot failed to register a shot on goal in the opening period, and it wasn't until midway through the second half – when the game had started to open up – that they managed to test home 'keeper Ian Gill.

Bassett, meanwhile, played a patient game, effectively utilising centre forward Dave Coleman's ability to hold up the ball and his strike partner Dale Richards' pace.

They also made the most of set pieces and almost took the lead from one on 24 minutes when Richards' near post header from a Gio Wrona corner was awkwardly kept out by Lee Allen.

Coleman then brought the best out of Allen after a give-and-go with Richie Saunders on the edge of the area set the forward free to shoot from a tight angle.

There was little the 'keeper could do to keep out Bassett's next attack though.

With half time looming, Callum Wright lofted forward a deep free kick, which Saunders rose to redirect across the box. The ball fell perfectly for Collier, who, firing on the turn, hooked a fierce, dipping volley into the top corner.

It was the perfect way to end the first half and, ultimately, would prove to be the winner.

Yet there was still plenty of action to come as both teams battled positively following the restart.

Ascot were fortunate not to be reduced to ten men in the 52nd minute when Coleman outmuscled Jonny Denton to get to a ball played in behind the defence before being hauled down by Allen who had rushed from his goal. He only received a yellow though.

# From The Press Office

## Review of the Season by Stuart Smedley

### Away day woes scupper top half hopes?

In the early months of the 2017-18 campaign, Royal Wootton Bassett Town appeared well on course to securing a top half league finish. Yet now Bassett seem destined to occupy a lower mid-table spot come the season's conclusion. What then has been the cause of this?

### Home form

With just today's game to go, Bassett's home record this year is more or less in line with that from their first two seasons playing at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground. Eighteen games have yielded seven wins, three draws and eight defeats, with 33 goals conceded against 26 scored. That gives a points-per-game average of 1.33.

Last season Bassett were slightly better on home turf, notching eight wins, a single draw and eight losses (1.47 points per game), while netting 28 goals and conceding 27. In comparison, Bassett's inaugural season at their new ground under Paul Braithwaite saw them record seven wins, two draws and ten defeats (1.21 points per game). Bassett's home goal difference was similar to that recorded this year as 21 goals were scored and 29 shipped. While it's clear Bassett are yet to turn their surroundings into a fortress, their form at home hasn't been too bad. Indeed, in league contests, only one thrashing has been suffered, that coming at the hands of Oxford City Nomads in October.

### Lack of goals

Losing Steve Robertson, scorer of 28 goals for Bassett last season, to this afternoon's visitors in the summer was always going to leave big boots to fill. And there's no doubt his departure has impacted upon a team whose goals per game ratio currently ranks as the fourth worst in the division.

Yet there's more to the story of Bassett's meagre goals haul than Robertson's move. Sam Packer's ankle injury, suffered in a November victory against Longlevens, meant Bassett had to do without a player who had started the season in outstanding form. Both Lewis Waldon and Rory Sproule appeared to be shrewd signings, between them finding the net sixteen times. Yet both were lured away by Highworth Town, desperate to make up for the departures of Aysa Corrick and Callum Parsons, at a critical point of the season. Injury and transfers have therefore robbed Bassett of three of their top four scorers.

### Away form















More than anything, however, it is Bassett's pitiful away form that has seen a season that promised much descend into one of disappointment. With a single away game, remaining Bassett's record on their travels is eerily similar to that from 2015-16 when they wound up a more than frustrating 15<sup>th</sup>. That year, they won five, drew three and lost eleven when playing away (0.94 points per game), scoring 29 and conceding 57.

This season the record stands at won four, drew three and lost eleven (0.83 points per game), with 16 goals scored and 46 conceded. After a solid start to the campaign that saw impressive victories at Tuffley Rovers and Windsor, since the middle of October Bassett have picked up just four points on the road. And amongst their losses are heavy defeats against Thatcham Town, Oxford City, Fairford Town and Abingdon United. In comparison, Bassett's 2016-17 away form was extremely impressive, resulting in seven wins, two draws and eight losses (1.35 points per game), and only four more goals being conceded (37) than were scored (33).

It's therefore clear that next season Bassett will need to address their fragile away form, while also looking to make strides when at home. Certainty in terms of players available will go a long way to ensuring that too.

# Football Pyramid 2017-18

Step	League/Division					
1	National League (24 clubs) ( <i>Vanarama National</i> )					
	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: <i>4 clubs.</i>					
2	National League North (22 clubs) ( <i>Vanarama National North</i> )			National League South (22 clubs) ( <i>Vanarama National South</i> )		
	Promoted to National League: <i>Champions of each division;</i> <i>the winners of a 2nd-5th playoff in each division will also be promoted.</i> Relegated to Step 3 leagues: <i>3 clubs from each division.</i>					
3	Northern Prem. League (24 clubs) ( <i>Evo-stick League</i> ) Premier Division		Southern League (24 clubs) ( <i>Evo-stick League</i> ) Premier Division		Isthmian League (24 clubs) ( <i>Ryman League</i> ) 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: <i>4 clubs from each league.</i>					
4	Northern Premier League ( <i>Evo-stick League</i> ) Division One North	Northern Premier League ( <i>Evo-stick League</i> ) Division One South	Southern Football League ( <i>Evo-stick League</i> ) Division One Central	Southern Football League ( <i>Evo-stick League</i> ) Division One South & West	Isthmian League ( <i>Ryman League</i> ) Division One South	Isthmian League ( <i>Ryman League</i> ) 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: <i>2 clubs from each league.</i>					
5	Combined Counties League Premier Division   Eastern Counties League Premier Division   Essex Senior League   <b>Hellenic League Premier Division</b>   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   <b>Hellenic League - Division One East</b>   <b>Hellenic League - Division One West</b>   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 County 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					

	Combined Counties League		Northern League		Wessex League
	Eastern Counties League		North West Counties League		Western League
	Essex Senior League		Southern Counties East Football League		
	Hellenic League		Spartan South Midlands League		
	Midland Football League		Sussex County League		
	Northern Counties East League		United Counties League		

# Bluefin Hellenic Challenge Cup

## HELLENIC LEAGUE CHALLENGE CUP SPONSORED BY BLUEFIN SEASON 2017-18

First Round		
<b>Binfield</b>	1 - 0	Woodley United (aet)
Burnham	0 - 1	<b>Thame Rangers</b>
Chalfont Wasps	1 - 7	<b>Oxford City Nomads</b>
<b>Chalvey Sports</b>	3 - 0	Headington Amateurs
<b>Cheltenham Saracens</b>	2 - 1	Woodstock Town
Cirencester Town Dev	0 - 3	<b>Bishops Cleeve Dev</b>
<b>Clanfield</b>	0 - 1	<b>Royal Wootton Bassett Town</b>
<b>Didcot Town Res</b>	4 - 2	Wokingham & Emmbrook
<b>Easington Sports</b>	3 - 0	Newent Town
<b>Fairford Town</b>	2 - 1	Kidlington Res
Henley Town	2 - 3	<b>AFC Aldermaston</b>
Highmoor Ibis	0 - 2	<b>Windsor</b>
<b>Highworth Town</b>	4 - 1	Tytherington Rocks
Holyport	1 - 2	<b>Chinnor</b>
Letcombe (aet)	1 - 2	<b>Bourton Rovers</b>
London Rangers	2 - 12	<b>Abingdon United</b>
<b>Longlevens</b>	2 - 1	Tuffley Rovers
<b>Lydney Town</b>	4 - 0	Faringdon Town
<b>Milton United</b>	1 - 0	Long Crendon
New College Swindon	1 - 4	<b>Moreton Rangers</b>
North Leigh	2 - 5	<b>Ardley United</b>
<b>Penn &amp; Tylers Green</b>	2 - 1	Abingdon Town
<b>Pewsey Vale</b>	1 - 0	Carterton
<b>Sandhurst Town</b>	2 - 0	Bicester Town
Shortwood United	3 - 5	<b>Brimscombe &amp; Thrupp</b>
<b>Shrivenham</b>	2 - 1	Brackley Town Saints
<b>Virginia Water</b>	8 - 1	Aston Clinton
Wallingford Town	0 - 2	<b>Ascot United</b>
<b>Bracknell Town</b>		Bye
<b>Flackwell Heath</b>		Bye
<b>Thatcham Town</b>		Bye
<b>Wantage Town</b>		Bye

Second Round		
<b>Abingdon United</b>	3 - 2	Brimscombe & Thrupp
<b>Ardley United</b>	5 - 2	Sandhurst Town
<b>Bishops Cleeve Development</b>	1 - 0	Ascot United
<b>Bracknell Town</b>	9 - 2	Cheltenham Saracens
Chinnor	1 - 2	<b>Binfield</b>
<b>Didcot Town Res</b>	5 - 2	Bourton Rovers
<b>Fairford Town</b>	1 - 2	<b>Royal Wootton Bassett Town</b>
Flackwell Heath	2 - 3	<b>Windsor</b>
Milton United	0 - 6	<b>Chalvey Sports</b>
<b>Moreton Rangers</b>	5 - 1	Oxford City Nomads
<b>Penn &amp; Tylers Green</b>	2 - 4	<b>Easington Sports</b>
<b>Shrivenham (3 - 2 on pens)</b>	1 - 1	Highworth Town
Thame Rangers	1 - 2	<b>Lydney Town</b>
<b>Thatcham Town</b>	2 - 1	Longlevens
<b>Virginia Water</b>	3 - 0	AFC Aldermaston
<b>Wantage Town</b>	1 - 0	Pewsey Vale

Third Round		
Ardley United	0 - 1	<b>Bracknell Town</b>
Bishops Cleeve	0 - 6	<b>Virginia Water</b>
Chalvey Sports	0 - 2	<b>Windsor</b>
Didcot Town	5 - 8	<b>Thatcham Town</b>
Lydney Town	0 - 2	<b>Abingdon United</b>
Moreton Rangers	0 - 1	<b>Easington Sports</b>
<b>Royal Wootton Bassett Town</b>	1 - 5	<b>Wantage Town</b>
Shrivenham	1 - 6	<b>Binfield</b>

Quarter Finals		
Wantage Town	1 - 1	<b>Abingdon United (2-4 on pens)</b>
Virginia Water	0 - 1	<b>Bracknell Town</b>
<b>Windsor</b>	4 - 1	Easington Sports
Thatcham Town	-	Binfield

Semi Finals		
Bracknell Town	-	Windsor
	-	

Final		
	-	

### Cup - Winners

1998-99	Burnham
1999-00	Swindon Supermarine
2000-01	Carterton Town
2001-02	Gloucester United
2002-03	Yate Town
2003-04	Didcot Town
2004-05	Didcot Town
2005-06	Didcot Town
2006-07	Hungerford Town
2007-08	Hungerford Town
2008-09	Almondsbury Town
2009-10	Ardley United
2010-11	Holyport
2011-12	Highworth Town
2012-13	Oxford City Nomads
2013-14	Ascot United
2014-15	Ardley United
2015-16	Flackwell Heath
2016-17	Bracknell Town





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# Moonraker Football



Since the last programme what a change in fortunes for the top non-league side in the county, Chippenham Town. Three wins in the space of eight days has seen Chippenham shoot up the table into 13<sup>th</sup> place, some 15 points clear of the relegation places. One more win from their last four games would mean safety will have definitely been achieved but third from bottom Poole Town would need to win all six of their remaining fixtures to catch Chippenham so for all intents and purposes it is

mission accomplished for Mark Collier in his first season at Step 2. On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Chippenham won 2-0 away at East Thurrock as the Bluebirds put in one of their most impressive away performances of the season at a very opportunistic time as they moved nine points clear of the relegation zone with a hard working and professional performance in Essex. The Bluebirds took the lead just before the half hour mark when Andy Sandell's long throw saw Alex Ferguson get the faintest of touches to deceive the home defence and keeper to roll over the line. Chippenham made the game safe on sixty four minutes when Ferguson fed Curtis McDonald out wide and his cross saw Josh Smile swivel and fire a low shot into the corner of the net for his first league goal for the Bluebirds. Chippenham followed this fine away win with a comprehensive 4-0 home success over Eastbourne Borough thanks to goals from Alex Ferguson, Andy Sandell, Josh Smile and Karnell Chambers. Two days later Chippenham tasted Bank Holiday Monday success with a 1-0 away win at Oxford City on their 4G pitch, Jake Jackson with the solitary goal. Chippenham took the lead on twenty nine minutes when City keeper Craig King punched the ball clear but it found its way to Jackson who thumped home a low shot from twenty five yards out to complete a great nine days for Mark Collier's men.

At Step 4 there is now just one automatic promotion place to compete for as Taunton Town secured their promotion to the Premier Division as they chalked up their 27<sup>th</sup> consecutive game unbeaten with a 3-3 home win over former Hellenic League side Kidlington. Salisbury are odds on favourites to secure that second automatic promotion place followed a 6-1 trouncing of another former Hellenic side Shortwood United on Saturday, two goals for Sam Roberts. Unfortunately they were unable to repeat this performance on Bank Holiday Monday, going down 4-2 away at Wimborne, Tobias Holmes firing a hat-trick for Wimborne. The defeat left Salisbury five points clear of third placed Bristol Manor Farm with a game in hand and with Salisbury having seven games still to play. Swindon Supermarine remain in the play-off places this after a 2-2 draw at home on Saturday against Mangosfield United, former Highworth player Callum Parsons getting the equaliser, how Highworth could have done with both him and Aysa Corrick in the run-in to the Hellenic season. On Monday Supermarine's trip to Kidlington was one of the games to fall victim to the weather.















In the UHlsport Hellenic League Highworth Town lost the big show down with Bracknell Town on Bank Holiday Monday and now look like they will be overtaken by both Thatcham Town and Bracknell Town and possibly also today's visitors Wantage Town.

In the Western League Premier Division the two Wiltshire sides are still very much in the promotion mix. Melksham sit 2<sup>nd</sup> in the table with Bradford Town in 3<sup>rd</sup> spot but both have played two games more than Willand Rovers who are two points behind Melksham and a point behind Bradford Town. The game between Melksham and Bradford last Saturday was abandoned at half time due to the state of the pitch and Melksham's cause was not helped on Monday when they lost 4-2 away at Cribbs. Whilst it looked like there was going to be a Wiltshire promotion to Step 4 from both the Hellenic and Western League's there is now a serious danger that there will be no promotion from either. In the Wessex League the highest placed side are Bemerton Heath Harlequins in 9<sup>th</sup> place whilst Amesbury Town are in a relegation battle at the wrong end of the table. They did themselves a huge favour by winning 4-2 away at Newport Isle of Wight on Saturday creating a 4 point gap to the second from bottom side which, had they lost they would have dropped below them into the bottom two.

At Step 6, Westbury United are looking good for promotion in the Western league. Reports on the latest action from the Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League is contained elsewhere in the programme.



# Royal Wootton Bassett Town F.C. Season 2017-18 First Team Fixtures, Results & Line-ups

Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd														
Wed 02-Aug	Brackley Town Saints	A	D 2 - 2	53	A.Brown	Hughes	D.Richards	Drewett	Yearley	Cheetham	Wright(1)	Wrona	Gambling (1)	Packer	Cox	Thompson	Bailey	Lance
Sat 05-Aug	Crawley Green (FAC EP)	H	L 1 - 2	89	A.Brown	Hughes	D.Richards	Hawkins	Yearley	Cheetham	Wright	Wrona	Gambling (1)	Packer	Bailey	Thompson	Lance	
Sat 12-Aug	Bracknell Town	H	L 1 - 3	75	Bulman	Stevens	D.Richards	Aitkenhead	Robinson	Cheetham	Thompson	Wrona	Coleman	Packer	Lodge (1)	Rawlins	Bailey	Wright
Tue 15-Aug	Lydney Town	A	D 1 - 1	87	Bulman	Stevens	D.Richards	Jones	Yearley	Cheetham	Wright	Wrona	Coleman	Packer	Lodge	Gambling (1)	Bailey	
Sat 19-Aug	Windsor	H	D 1 - 1	82	Bulman	Stevens	D.Richards	Drewett	Jackson (1)	Thompson	Wright	Wrona	Gambling	Packer	Coleman	Lance	Bailey	
Sat 26-Aug	Thatcham Town	H	L 0 - 3	103	Lawrence	Cheetham	D.Richards	Yearley	Jackson	Robinson	Wright	Wrona	Sproule	Packer	Scholes	Aitkenhead	Gambling	Lodge
Mon 28-Aug	Highworth Town	A	L 2 - 3	171	Lawrence	Aitkenhead	Collier	Yearley	Jackson	Robinson	Wright (1)	Wrona	Sproule	Packer (1)	Scholes	Cheetham	D. Richards	Lodge
Sat 02-Sep	Flackwell Heath	A	L 0 - 4	55	Lawrence	Cheetham	Collier	Yearley	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Wright	Wrona	Sproule	Packer	Scholes	Cox	Stevens	Lodge
Tue 05-Sep	Brackley Town Saints	H	W 1 - 0	58	Lawrence	Cheetham	Collier	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Lodge	Wright	Wrona	Sproule	Packer (1)	Scholes	Gerrish	Stevens	Corcoran
Fri 08-Sep	Fairford Town (FAV 1QR)	H	W 3 - 1	159	Lawrence	Corcoran	Collier (1)	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Wright	Gerrish	Sproule	Packer (1)	Scholes (1)	Yearley	Wrona	Lodge
Wed 13-Sep	Lydney Town	H	W 1 - 0	65	Lawrence	Corcoran	Collier	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Wright	Wrona (1)	Cox	Packer	Scholes	Yearley	Maximen	
Sat 16-Sep	Highmoor Ibis	A	W 3 - 0	56	Lawrence	Cheetham	Yearley (1)	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Gerrish	Wrona	Maximen	Lodge	Scholes (1)	Collier (1)	Withers	
Tue 19-Sep	Tuffley Rovers	A	W 2 - 0	77	Lawrence	Cheetham	Corcoran	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Gerrish	Wrona	Collier (2)	Packer	Scholes	Lodge		
Sat 23-Sep	Codicote (FAV 2QR)	H	W 5 - 0	62	Lawrence	Cheetham	Yearley	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Gerrish	Wrona	Sproule (1)	Packer (4)	Scholes	Lodge	Collier	Wright
Sat 30-Sep	Burnham	H	W 3 - 1	48	Lawrence	Cheetham	Yearley (1)	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Wright	Gerrish	Wrona	Collier (1)	Packer (1)	Scholes	Lodge	Maximen	Corcoran
Tue 03-Oct	Windsor	A	W 1 - 0	102	Lawrence	Cheetham	Corcoran	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Gerrish	Wrona	Collier	Packer	Scholes	Lodge (1)	Maximen	Wright
Sat 07-Oct	Clanfield ' 85 (BICC1)	A	W 1 - 0	35	Lawrence	Cheetham	Yearley	Aitkenhead	Diaz-Benitez	Wright	Gerrish	Wrona	Sproule	Lodge	Maximen	Collier (1)	Scholes	Coombe
Sat 14-Oct	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A	L 0 - 3	78	Lawrence	Cheetham	Wright	Aitkenhead	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Gerrish	Wrona	Sproule	Packer	Scholes	Maximen	Lodge	Collier
Wed 18-Oct	Cricklade Town (WSC1)	H	W 4 - 1	35	Lawrence	Corcoran (1)	Yearley	Aitkenhead	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Wright	Wrona (1)	Collier (1)	Packer	Scholes	Maximen (1)	Lodge	Thompson
Sat 21-Oct	Amphill Town (FAV 1)	H	W 2 - 1	62	Lawrence	Cheetham	Yearley (1)	Aitkenhead	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Gerrish	Wrona	Sproule	Packer	Corcoran	Collier (1)	Scholes	
Wed 25-Oct	Oxford City Nomads	H	L 0 - 5	79	Lawrence	Cheetham	Yearley	Beeden	Diaz-Benitez	Collier	Gerrish	Wrona	Sproule	Packer	Corcoran	Lodge	Scholes	Jackson
Sat 28-Oct	Fairford Town	H	D 1 - 1	86	Lawrence	Corcoran	Yearley	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Wright	Gerrish	Wrona	Sproule	Packer (1)	Scholes	Cheetham	Collier	Lodge
Wed 01-Nov	Kidlington Res (FLC2)	H	W 3 - 2	45	Lawrence	Corcoran	Aitkenhead	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Gerrish	Thompson	Lodge (1)	Packer (1)	Scholes (1)	Cheetham	Gough	Yearley
Sat 04-Nov	Longlevens	H	W 2 - 1	48	Lawrence	Evans	Aitkenhead	Yearley	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Gerrish	Wright	Collier (1)	Packer	Wrona	Thompson (1)	Scholes	Lodge
Wed 08-Nov	Fairford (BICC2)	A	W 2 - 1	64	Lawrence	Cheetham	Aitkenhead	Yearley (1)	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Sproule	Wright	Collier (1)	Waldon	Wrona	Gerrish	Scholes	
Tue 14-Nov	Hordean (FAV 2)	A	L 2 - 3	52	Lawrence	Corcoran	Aitkenhead	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Gerrish (1)	Wright	Collier	Waldon (1)	Wrona	Cheetham	Scholes	Withers
Sat 18-Nov	Wantage Town	A	L 0 - 3	46	Lawrence	Yearley	Aitkenhead	Jackson	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Collier	Wright	Sproule	Waldon	Wrona	Cheetham	Scholes	
Wed 22-Nov	Trowbridge Town (WSC2)	H	W 4 - 0	34	Lawrence	Corcoran	Aitkenhead	Yearley (1)	Joyce	Cheetham	Clark	Scholes	Sproule (2)	Waldon (1)	Wrona	Lodge	Maximen	Marsh
Wed 29-Nov	Binfield	H	W 7 - 3	50	Lawrence	Corcoran	Aitkenhead	Jackson	Yearley	Robinson	Clark	Scholes (2)	Sproule (2)	Waldon (3)	Wrona	Cheetham	Maximen	D.Richatrds
Sat 02-Dec	Abingdon United	A	L 1 - 6	25	C.Thompson	Corcoran	Aitkenhead	Jackson	Yearley	Robinson	Hathaway	Scholes	Collier	Maximen (1)	Wrona	Cheetham	Joyce	D.Richatrds
Wed 06-Dec	Tuffley Rovers	H	L 3 - 4	62	Lawrence	Corcoran	Joyce	Jackson	Yearley	Robinson	Hathaway	Scholes	Sproule (2)	Waldon	Wrona	Collier	Maximen	Dodson
Sat 09-Dec	Woodley Utd	H	W 2 - 1	62	Lawrence	Joyce	Aitkenhead	Jackson	Yearley (1)	Richards	Hathaway	Scholes	Collier	Waldon	Wrona	Withers (1)		
Wed 13-Dec	Highworth Town (WSC3)	H	L 2 - 5	84	Lawrence	Corcoran	Evans	Gerrish	Diaz-Benitez	Robinson	Hathaway	Scholes	Sproule	Waldon (1)	Wrona (1)	Collier	Richards	
Sat 16-Dec	Ascot United	A	W 1 - 0	54	Sharkey	Joyce	Evans	Dodson	Yearley	Johns	Hathaway	Scholes (1)	Collier	Waldon	Wrona	Lodge	Richards	
Sat 23-Dec	Highmoor Ibis	H	L 1 - 3	52	Sharkey	Joyce	Corcoran	Jackson	Richards	Johns	Hathaway	Scholes	Cheetham	Waldon	Wrona (1)	Lodge	Wright	Yearley
Tue 26-Dec	Highworth Town	H	L 0 - 1	144	Lawrence	Joyce	Aitkenhead	Cheetham	Yearley	Robinson	Hathaway	Scholes	Lodge	Waldon	Wrona	Collier	Wright	
Sat 30-Dec	Binfield	A	L 1 - 3	79	Lawrence	Joyce	Aitkenhead	Cheetham	Yearley	Robinson	Collier	Scholes	Lodge	Waldon (1)	Wrona	Richards	Wright	Johns
Sat 13-Jan	Thatcham Town	A	L 0 - 6	144	Lawrence	Joyce	Collier	Jackson	Richards	Robinson	Hathaway	Scholes	Johns	Waldon	Wrona	Lodge	Coombe	
Wed 17-Jan	Wantage Town (BICC3)	H	L 1 - 5	36	Lawrence	Corcoran	Aitkenhead	Jackson	Yearley	Robinson	Hathaway	Richards	Withers	Waldon (1)	Wrona	Johnson	Collier	Wright
Sat 20-Jan	Flackwell Heath	H	L 0 - 2	98	Lawrence	Joyce	Aitkenhead	Jackson	Corcoran	Robinson	Wright	Richards	Hibbert	Waldon	Wrona	Coombe	Lodge	
Sat 03-Feb	Brimscombe & Thrupp	H	L 1 - 3	58	Lawrence	Joyce	Aitkenhead	Wright	Yearley	Robinson	Hathaway	Withers	Hibbert	Waldon (1)	Wrona	Jackson	Lodge	Richards
Wed 07-Feb	Highworth Town (FLC3)	A	W 2 - 1	76	Lawrence	Joyce	Wright	Jackson	Yearley	Robinson (1)	Hathaway	Richards	Lodge (1)	Evans	Wrona	Hibbert	Lance	Withers
Wed 14-Feb	Fairford Town	A	L 0 - 4	40	Lawrence	Joyce	Wright	Jackson	Yearley	Robinson	Collier	Richards	Lodge	Hibbert	Wrona	Coombe	Gough	Lance
Sat 17-Feb	Longlevens	A	D 1 - 1	35	Lawrence	Joyce	Wright	Jackson	Yearley	Robinson	Corcoran (1)	Lance	Evans	Withers	Wrona	Richards		
Tue 20-Feb	Flackwell Heath (FLC4)	A	L 0 - 6	51	Gill	Joyce	Wright	Jackson	Richards	Robinson	Corcoran	Lance	Lodge	Maximen	Wrona	Page	Gough	
Sat 24-Feb	Burnham	A	L 0 - 2	75	Gill	Saunders	Wright	Jackson	Yearley	Robinson	Richards	Lance	Lodge	Evans	Wrona	Beale	Collier	
Sat 10-Mar	Abingdon United	H	D 1 - 1	41	Bowers	Staten	Wright	Beeden	Yearley	Robinson	Saunders	Lance	Withers	Corcoran	Wrona	Richards (1)		
Tue 20-Mar	Oxford City Nomads	A	L 0 - 5	37	Bowers	Staten	Wright	Jackson	Joyce	Richards	Saunders	Lance	Lodge	Corcoran	Wrona	Gough	Cassidy	
Sat 24-Mar	Ascot United	H	W 1 - 0	51	Gill	Gough	Wright	Beeden	Joyce	Richards	Saunders	Lance	Coleman	Collier (1)	Wrona	Coombe	Lodge	Robinson
Sat 31-Mar	Bracknell Town	A	L 1 - 3	237	Gill	Staten	Wright	Jackson	Yearley (1)	Richards	Saunders	Lance	Collier	Gough	Wrona	Lodge	Beale	
Sat 07-Apr	Wantage Town	H																
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