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vs ALTRINCHAM
Saturday, 15th August | 3pm KO



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WELCOME TO SUTTON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

Setting the Scene

Although we have seen five pre-season friendlies here during the course of the past four weeks, this afternoon marks the start of the competitive season here and it begins, as the last one ended, with a visit from Altrincham, whose players, officials and supporters we welcome. That game in April saw our visitors recover from an early Jermaine Francis goal to win 2-1, and we will hope to reverse that result today.

Club Honours

- National League Champions**
2020/21
- National League South Champions**
2015/16
- Conference South Runners-up**
2013/14
- Isthmian League Champions**
1966/67, 1984/85, 1985/86, 1998/99, 2010/11
- Isthmian League Runners-up**
1967/68, 1970/71, 1981/82, 2003/04
- Isthmian League Cup Winners**
1982/83, 1983/84, 1985/86, 1997/98
- Full Members' Cup Winners**
1991/92, 1995/96
- Athenian League Champions**
1927/28, 1945/46, 1957/58
- Athenian League Runners-up**
1946/47
- Challenge Cup Winners**
1945/46, 1955/56, 1961/62, 1962/63
- FA Trophy Runners-up**
1980/81
- FA Amateur Cup Runners-up**
1962/63, 1968/69
- Anglo-Italian Cup Winners**
1978/79
- Anglo-Italian Cup Runners-up**
1979/80, 1981/82
- Bob Lord Trophy Winners**
1990/91
- London Senior Cup Winners**
1957/58, 1982/83
- Surrey Senior Cup Winners**
1945/46, 1964/65, 1967/68, 1969/70, 1979/80, 1982/83, 1983/84, 1984/85, 1985/86, 1986/87, 1987/88, 1992/93, 1994/95, 1998/99, 2002/03
- FA Cup 5th Round**
2016/17
- FA Cup 4th Round**
1969/70, 1988/89
- FA Cup 3rd Round**
1987/88, 1993/94
- EFL Trophy Finalists**
2021-22

The sides had differing fortunes last week, our 3-0 win at Woking our best result away from home on the first day of the season since a similar win at Wycombe in 1981, but Altrincham going down 3-1 at home to a Southend side who many expect to be in the hunt for honours this season, and having influential forward Matty Kosylo receive a red card that rules him out today.

Enjoy the game!

Club Records

- Record Appearances**
Larry Pritchard, 786, 1965-1984
- Record Goalscorer**
Paul McKinnon, 279
- Record Attendance**
14,000 v Leeds United, FA Cup 4th Round, 24th January 1970
- Record Victory**
11-1 v Clapton, 1966 and Leatherhead, 1982-83
- Record Defeat**
0-13 v Barking, 1925-26
- Record Transfer Fee Paid**
Paul McKinnon, undisclosed fee to Malmo FF, 1983
- Record Transfer Fee Received**
David Ajiboye, undisclosed fee from Peterborough United, 2022
- Best FA Cup Performance**
Fifth Round 2016-17; Fourth Round 1969-70, 1988-89; Third Round 1986-87, 1987-88, 1993-94
- Best FA Trophy Performance**
Runners-Up 1980-81
- Best FA Amateur Cup Performance**
Runners-Up 1962-63, 1968-69
- Best EFL Trophy Performance**
Runners-Up 2021-22

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MATCHDAY ITINERARY

Saturday, 15th August
3pm KO



12:30pm **MBA Lounge Opens for Hospitality**

1:00pm **Turnstiles, Fanzone, Club Shop, Supporters' Club Hub and Rowlen's Bar Opens**

- The Fanzone contains a bar and the club shop, as well as table football.
- DJ Percy will be performing in the Fanzone pre-match.
- Fosters will be available for £3.50 in the Fanzone.
- Season ticket holders are eligible for a 25% discount off real ale and a large wine purchased from the Rowlen's Bar and MBA Lounge.
- Season tickets will be available to collect from Gate A from 1pm until 3:05pm.

2:00pm **Starting Team Announced**

2:15pm **First Team Warm-Ups Begin**

3:00pm **Kick-Off**

3:45pm **Half Time**

Rowlen's Bar and Club Shop Remain Open

4:45pm **Full Time**

Rowlen's Bar Remains Open

5:45pm **Strikers are Key**

Rowlen's Bar



CHRIS'S COLUMN



CHRIS AGUTTER
HEAD COACH

A warm welcome back to Gander Green Lane to the magnificent Amber Army for this afternoon's National League contest against Altrincham FC.

What a brilliant turnout for last weekend's season opener at Woking FC, seeing and hearing our superb support completely dominating Woking off the pitch was added motivation for us to deliver on the pitch - THANK YOU for such brilliant backing! WE LOVE IT!

Altrincham play some lovely football, expansive, through the thirds, high energy, they're a good watch....today will be a very good game of football when you add this Sutton United team into the mix - no doubt!

'A key part of any successful team is winning games of football on your own patch and now we have a group of players that can deliver that. As I've said countless times, if we don't win a lot of games this year with this excellent group of players that is absolutely on me, we're very confident of bringing success back to this football club, we're very confident of bringing winning back to Gander Green Lane, we're very confident we can take our Pre-Season form into the competitive games programme.

A rallying call to the Amber Army, get your replica shirts on, get the pink hats on, get down to Gander Green Lane, bring a friend, bring a family member, buy a pint (or 10?!!), buy one of those amazing Burgers or some chicken tenders (my youngest son's favourite), and enjoy watching what we believe will be a cracking Sutton United team attack the National League. We're joint top, we're going to give everything to stay there!'

Agi

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Agi', with a stylized, scribbled flourish underneath.

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TIM ALLISON CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

It's lovely again to welcome National League football back to the Borough Sports Ground after around three months. Of course some will have attended one of the five pre-season fixtures here, but fun though they have been, this is "real".

Off the pitch there has been the usual behind the scenes work. There has been plenty of cleaning and painting, as well as some longer lasting changes. We have also invested again in the fanzone, mostly redeveloping the Club Shop, now partnered by VX3. But also reflooring toilets and making some changes in signage.

The more noticeable change happening – tomorrow as I write this and yesterday as you read it! – concerns the Sutton United Pavilion. On-site building works commenced just after New Year, but with that part of the ground closed,

being off camera, and with works mostly below ground level, little appeared to be happening other than a fenced off home to some construction equipment. The framework has sat waiting patiently in our car park for several months. If plans come to fruition as I hope, a new vista of our community vision will be there for supporters to see on the stadium footprint.

That project and its expected future use for the Club, Foundation and the wider community could be an entire programme's worth of material in its own right. In the meantime, I would just like to thank all that have been involved from its first mental inception to its current physical manifestation, and I look forward to the programme notes I will write at some point this season regarding its official opening.

Regarding the season itself we have already completed the first match of a 46-match marathon with the return to the EFL as our goal. Even were 3UP to be achieved that isn't an easy task. The Board and the manager know our budget, and with enough accuracy those of our main rivals. Last year was one of clear underperformance and disappointment. An early recognition of that and the subsequent change of management reset expectations around staying up as a priority. Now achieved, Aggy has his own team, has selected his own squad, and collectively we set the first easy target of "being better". That's not good enough in itself for me, and nor is it the vision sold to the players joining us through the summer's recruitment. I can assure you they wouldn't have got on board the project unless we were ambitious in asking for much more.

Targets and promises can always come back to haunt you, but Chris has already – semi-jokingly – referenced who would be hosting an October Meet-the-Manager event if things don't go as he wants them too.

I have already demanded in my own communications wanting the problems of a return to on-field success, and the off-field headaches that can bring. Significant increases in support on the back of winning more matches (especially at home). Bums-on-seats is already the rallying cry across the changing room as I'm constantly reminded (Charlie Carter especially!). But as many will also know the EFL will be treating us as a 3 year plus 1 day Football Club when we get promoted, and not as "newbies". We HAVE to be ready, not just for that first match in August whenever that year comes, but also to be convincing in our plans and execution capability to even be allowed to participate in the play-offs.

Without kicking a ball for the Club – an ambition long since recognised as being unachievable – I am working on the basis that finishing 7th is not just desirable but a credible possibility this year. That is my prediction and my "nice problem to have".

In that vein it was great to be standing with over 500 Sutton United supporters as part of that first incarnation of the season's Amber Army

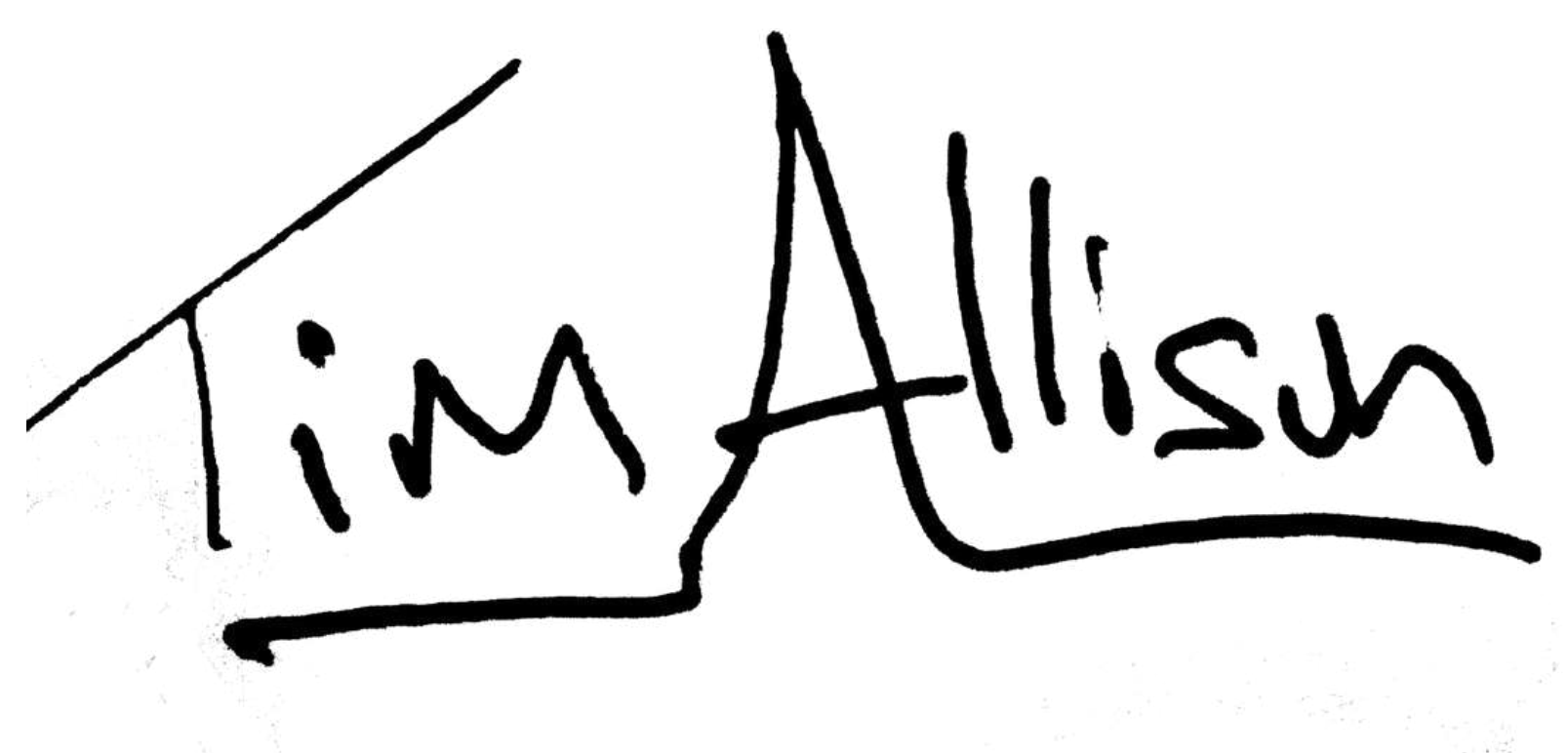
enjoying victory over local rivals last weekend. So much to enjoy. Charlie Bell as many people's Man of the Match selection returning to the scene of his league debut and first goal. Will Nighti(n)gale (ahem!) scoring on his competitive debut and making the National League Team of the Week. Aggy being reminded what a touchline looks like! But seriously. Three goals, a clean sheet, three points, third in the League (on alphabet behind Hornchurch!) , all at the only other team in Surrey competing at our level who topped us in the football pyramid last year for the first time in many years.

That can't be expected to happen every week of course, but for three years we have struggled to win, and in doing so mostly by the odd goal. Now I don't want to be the pessimist as I genuinely think it was both deserved but also a reflection on the improved team. But 2023/24 started with a 5-1 home victory on the opening game of the season. The rest of the year didn't go as well.

The last time we hosted today's visitors Altrincham as our first opponents in our own backyard it finished 5-0 in our favour. That season wasn't as bad but we still fell short of those play-off spots. So let's get behind the team as the 12th man today and drive them on to another three points. I'd like to think we'd go past at least one, if not both, of the teams ahead of us if we do.

I will use these pages in the coming weeks to add more on what is happening off the pitch and behind the scenes, and also be covering our other teams too as their respective seasons also start. But for today be magnificent in your support in the sunshine. Stay safe and look after one another.

Up the U's.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Allison". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style. Below the signature, there is a faint, light blue rectangular stamp that appears to be a date stamp, with the text "10/09/23" visible.



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PRE SEASON FRIENDLY ROUND UP

Tony Dolbear takes a quick look back at the pre-season schedule.

Saturday 11 July – AFC TOTTON 2 SUTTON UNITED 2

We played two third of the game with ten men after Besart Topallaj had been red carded for a dangerous challenge, and we lost Jordan Moore-Taylor to a serious injury at the end of the first half, but an early goal from Charlie Carter and, after Totton had levelled in the first half,a second half effort from Sam Folarin looked to have given us victory until the home side snatched a last minute equaliser.

Team: C Haigh, K Donkor(sub J Francis H-T), B Topallaj, J Moore-Taylor(sub A Kirk H-T), D Urpens(sub N Nzuzi H-T), R Ruiz(sub W Nightingale H-T)(sub A Reeves 52) E Osadebe(sub J Taylor H-T), C Carter(sub O Mussa H-T), D Ogbonna(sub C Bell H-T), T Babalola(sub S Folarin H-T), Trialist A (sub Trialist B H-T). Goals: Carter, Folarin

Tuesday 14 July – TONBRIDGE ANGELS 0 SUTTON UNITED 2.

Charlie Carter and Sam Folarin struck again with a goal in each half in a relatively comfortable victory, with academy graduate goalkeeper Klevis Muca taking his share of the limelight late on with a penalty save to deny Tonbridge a late consolation.

Team: C Haigh (sub K Muca), K Donkor, A Reeves, A Kirk(sub D Urpens), N Nzuzi, C Bell, E Osadebe(sub O Mussa), J Taylor(sub R Ruiz), D Ogbonna(sub J Francis), C Carter(sub S Folarin), Triallist B(sub T Babalola). All subs made at half time. Goals: Carter, Folarin.

Saturday 18 July – SUTTON UNITED 1 AFC WIMBLEDON 2.

We were slightly unfortunate to suffer our only defeat of the friendly programme, with both Wimbledon’s goals coming in the last ten minutes after we had been reduced to ten men, Emmanuel Osadebe’s injury coming when we had used all our substitutes. Temi Babalola’s towering far post header from Charlie Bell’s cross had given us the lead, and Muca had again saved a penalty before Wimbledon’s two late goals.

Team: C Haigh (sub K Muca), K Donkor(sub A Reeves), B Topallaj(sub R Ruiz), Triallist C, D Urpens, N Nzuzi, O Mussa(sub E Osadebe), J Taylor(sub C Bell), Triallist B(sub T Babalola), C Carter(sub J Francis),

S Folarin(Sub D Ogbonna). All subs at half time.
Goal: Babalola

Tuesday 21 July – SUTTON UNITED 1 WALTON & HERSHAM 1.

Besart Topallaj put us in front in the first half with a fine far post header from a Charlie Bell cross, but an equaliser midway through the second half saw Walton go away with a draw, our late pressure unable to produce a winner.

Team: S Brits(sub C Haigh 62), J Francis, B Topallaj(sub A Reeves 62), N Nzuzi, D Urpens, C Bell, O Mussa(sub R Ruiz 62), J Taylor(sub O Bello 62), T Babalola(sub D Ogbonna 62), C Carter(sub K Donkor 58), S Folarin(sub Trialist B 62). Goal: Topallaj

Saturday 25 July – SUTTON UNITED 2 HORSHAM 0.

Temi Babalola was the match winner with two fine first half goals, the first a sensational overhead kick (left), the second a far post finish to a move that started in our own penalty area.

Team: S Brits(sub C Haigh 73), N Nzuzi, B Topallaj (sub A Reeves 80), A Kirk(sub K Donkor H-T), W Nightingale(sub D Urpens H-T), C Bell (sub R Ruiz 71), D Ogbonna, J Taylor(sub S Folarin 71), T Babalola (sub Trialist B 80), O Mussa, J Francis(sub O Bello 83). Goals: Babalola 2.

Tuesday 28 July – SUTTON UNITED 2 FOLKESTONE INVICTA 1

Two quickfire goals late in the game turned this game round after Folkestone had taken an early second half lead, with Noah Nzuzi equalising with eleven minutes left and our triallist hitting the winner three minutes later.

Team: S Brits (sub C Haigh H-T), K Donkor, A Reeves, A Kirk (sub D Urpens H-T) W Nightingale (sub B Topallaj H-T), C Bell (sub n Nzuzi H-T), R Ruiz, O Mussa, T Babalola (sub D Ogbonna H-T), J Francis (sub Trialist D 68), Triallist B. Goals: Nzuzi, Triallist B.

**Saturday 1 August – SUTTON UNITED 3
SOUTHAMPTON U21 2.**

A successful finish to the pre-season campaign as Alex Kirk and Will Nightingale both scored following long throws from Dan Urpens either side of a Southampton equaliser, and Sam Folarin scored a superb breakaway goal in the second half that gave us enough of a lead to withstand a late rally from Southampton that halved the deficit.

Team: S Brits, D Urpens, W Nightingale (sub A Reeves 80), A Kirk (sub Trialist D 83), B Topallaj (sub K Donkor 46 H-T), J Taylor, E Osadebe (sub R Ruiz 70), C Bell (sub D Ogbonna 66), N Nzuzi, T Babalola (sub Trialist B 76), S Folarin (sub J Francis 66).
Goals: Kirk, Nightingale, Folarin.



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IN FOCUS:



Founded: 1891

Nickname: The Robins

Manager: Neil Gibson

Top Scorer 25/26: Jimmy Knowles (11)

2025/26:

Pos:
13th

Form:

Inc. 26/27 Matchday One



Points:
57





Neil Gibson replaced long-serving manager Phil Parkinson at the end of 2025.

Born in St Asaph, Wales, Gibson began his career in Tranmere Rovers' Academy, spending five years there before making appearances for the first team. He went on to play for several clubs including Rhyl, Sheffield Wednesday, Southport, Halesowen Town, Leigh RMI and Prestatyn.

At Prestatyn he enjoyed a long association, making over 100 appearances and spending thirteen years as manager. He later managed Flint Town United and Connah's Quay Nomads before joining Wealdstone midway through the 2024/25 season.

After guiding the Stones to safety he returned north to Altrincham, initially as interim manager before being appointed permanently in November.

Neil Gibson

**MEET
THE
MANAGER**



THE KEY

10 **Aidan Barlow** Midfielder

26-year-old winger Aidan Barlow signed for Altrincham this summer after departing last season's National League play-off winners Rochdale.

Barlow started his career in Manchester United's academy, where he put up very impressive numbers. He also made appearances for England's youth teams, being capped at U17 and U18 level. In 2019 he spent four months out on loan at Norwegian side Tromsø IL, making seven appearances and scoring twice. Released by Manchester United, he spent nearly a year looking for clubs going on trials at clubs such as Stoke City and Ipswich Town. He finally found a new club at Doncaster Rovers where he spent two seasons before dropping down to the National League with Eastleigh. After a season with the Spitfires he joined Rochdale, and after featuring in their promotion last season he signed for Altrincham in the summer.





8 **Liam Humbles** Midfielder

Liam Humbles was born in Miami, USA, before moving to England to pursue a future in football. Spending his youth in the AFC Wimbledon set-up he moved to Salford City where he would gain his scholarship into the first team.

He would spend his three professional years at Salford mainly on loan at clubs such as Nantwich Town and Gateshead, as well as Altrincham, but he did make eleven appearances for the first team.

In 2025 he signed permanently for Rochdale, but made only one appearance in the single season he spent there as he was sent back on loan to Altrincham last campaign. Making 18 appearances and scoring three goals, he impressed to the point Altrincham decided to make the 22-year-old midfielder's move permanent this summer.





11 Jimmy Knowles Forward

Jimmy Knowles spent his younger years in the Nottingham Forest academy before moving to Mansfield Town at youth level.

In 2019 he scored four goals in a reserve game against Port Vale which earned him a two year professional contract with the club. However he would not get the chances he hoped for, spending three years out on loan at clubs like Notts County, Greenock Morton and Kettering Town, but still managing six appearances for Mansfield Town scoring once in those games.

In 2023 he moved permanently to Boston United, where he scored 18 times in 47 games, earning a move back into the EFL with Accrington Stanley, but after two goals in sixteen games he was sent back to Boston United on loan midway through the 2024-25 season.

In 2025 the 24-year-old signed permanently with Altrincham and enjoyed a good campaign last time out scoring eleven goals in 45 games.



STAT ATTACK

SUTTON UNITED VS ALTRINCHAM

HEAD TO HEAD

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RECENT FORM



L, L, L, L, W



L, W, W, W, L

TOP SCORERS

Will Nightingale

Omar Mussa

David Ogbonna

(1)

Jimmy Knowles

(1)

HISTORIC RAMBLINGS

Written by Mark Frake.

As this season will start on the back of a World Cup tournament involving Mexico as a host nation, I pop back to another where the same country was the sole host. England's defence of the Jules Rimet Trophy would be derailed by a number of controversies. Captain Bobby Moore and his alleged theft of some jewellery (he didn't) and Gordon Banks ill through food poisoning thus missing the quarter-final against West Germany. Conspiracy theories abound over the latter's ailment but I read somewhere he strayed off the official menu and ate a sandwich in a bar. Whatever, the reason England gave up a 2-0 lead to lose 3-2 in extra-time was Sir Alf's decision to protect Bobby Charlton and substitute him with twenty odd minutes left. Beckenbauer took over and England were out. And arguably the best national side ever assembled defeated Italy in the final at the Azteca by 4-1.

Manager Sid Cann's summer was ruined by the decision of Ted Powell and then Larry Pritchard to join Wycombe Wanderers. I asked Larry about that move some years ago and he said it was for better coaching. U's had also lost Micky Mellows as his studies took him to Winchester. Powell and Pritchard were the heartbeat of Sutton back then, two England internationals lost to an Isthmian rival.

Pre-season signings amounted to Alan Pentecost (Oxford City) and goalkeeper, Gary Bloom (Walton & Hersham). Robin Gonzales was given the Pritchard role with Pentecost wearing Powell's no 4 shirt. Neither was a patch on their illustrious predecessors.

Off the pitch the club considered buying what was then known as The Borough Sports Ground off Sutton Council. However, the current cost of the yearly lease, then £1,500 may suddenly rise by £2k as the club would need to meet the costs of maintenance, etc. As we know, it didn't happen.

Only two friendly fixtures were arranged and at either end of the attraction spectrum.

Wednesday 5th brought Chelsea's FA Cup winning

team to GGL for the Bud Flanagan Leukaemia Fund. Over 3,500 watched Barbara Windsor "kick-off", resplendent in tight white boots to just below the knee, and Chelsea run out 3-0 winners. The following Saturday, U's entertained '69/70 Midland Combination champions Paget Rangers. A small crowd saw Trevor Bladon net in each half in a 2-0 win. Mellows played in both matches but would make just one more appearance for the club, at Oxford City the Saturday before Christmas.

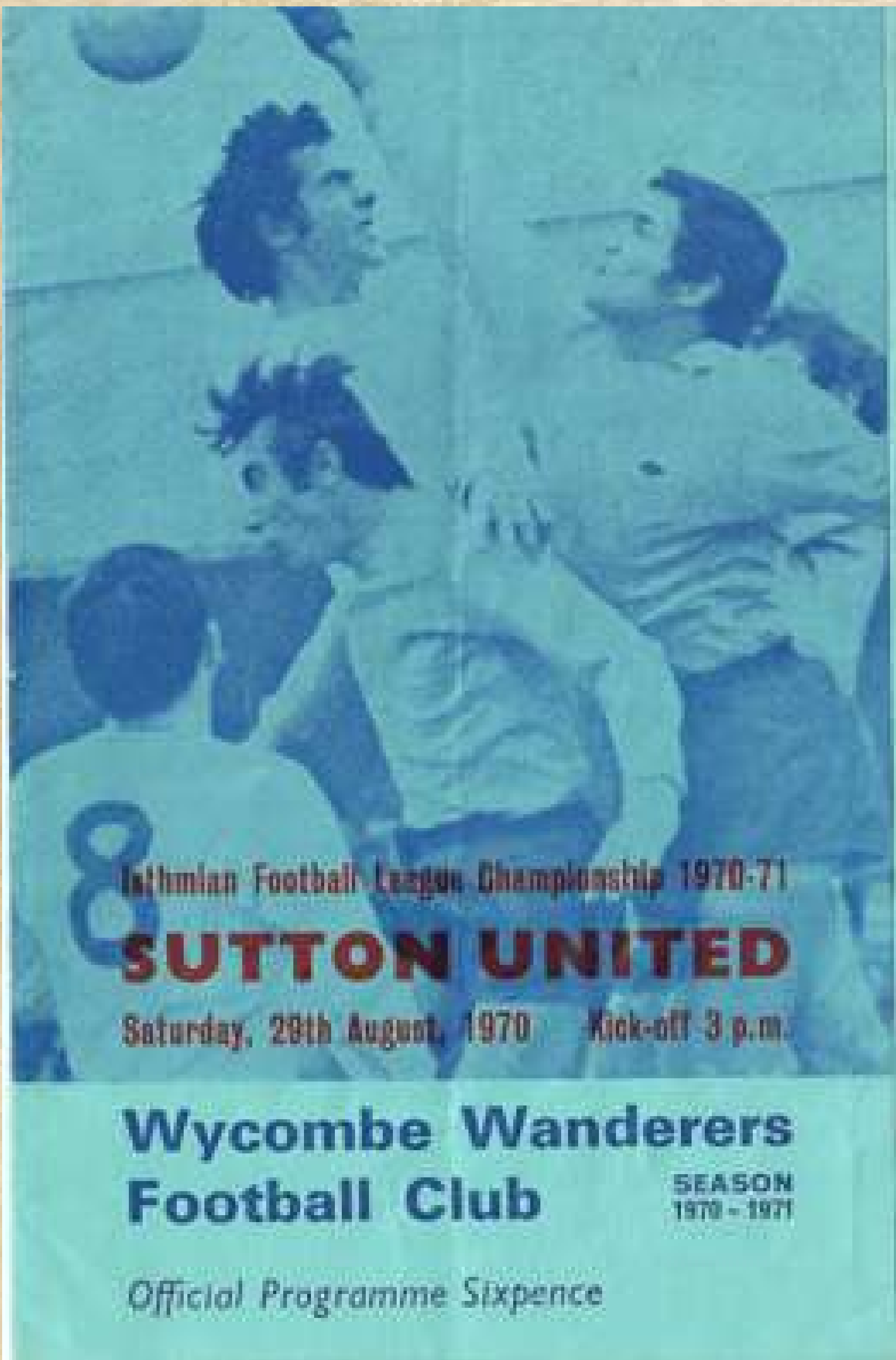
The Isthmian League season thus commenced on this day, fifty six years ago. U's travelled to Ilford's long gone Lynn Road ground. U's were under the cosh for much of the first half but fared better in the second after the hosts had failed to take their chances. Soon after the break, Peter Drabwell hooked in from a Trevor Waughman pass and Terry Howard slotted in following a Waughman long throw-in (63rd minute). A winning start post Powell and Pritchard. Both goal scorers would end the season as Ilford players. My main memory of that afternoon was the chap in his tiny back garden, rolled up shirt sleeves sitting in a deck chair reading his newspaper, oblivious to what was happening just twenty odd yards away; the Sutton Advertiser report suggested that he didn't miss much!

The following Tuesday, Leytonstone visited GGL for another IL match. Following a sunny Saturday, the first half was played in constant rain but that did not deter the hosts. Drabwell (9th) and Howard (37th) netted first half headers before Howard powered in another headed goal from Waughman's cross in the 65th minute. Five minutes later a long distance free-kick by Picking beat Bloom all ends up; 3-1 to U's.

The second Saturday of the season saw U's host Hitchin Town in another league encounter. Like Sutton, the visitors had started with two victories but it was U's who enjoyed the match's early portion and the Drabwell/Howard show continued with the latter setting up a headed

goal for the former (22nd). However, Hitchin scored a 37th minute goal through Grogan. The second half was much like the first with Sutton the attacking threat but the goals would not come; 1-1.

U's took a brief break from IL football to contest the delayed 1969/70 London Charity Cup Final. The match played on 25th August was against Kingstonian at their old Richmond Road ground. K's took an early lead but Howard scored in the 49th minute. K's again led but Bladon restored parity. Pentecost and Bladon with his second ensured that the LCC would at last nestle in the Sutton trophy cabinet, U's having lost the two previous finals, both to Dagenham.



Featured Match

29th August v Wycombe Wanderers at Loakes Park

Sutton ended the month with what would prove a chastening experience on Wycombe's infamous sloping pitch. As well as Powell and Pritchard, Wanderers also fielded former Sutton player Keith Blunt (all three would later manage SUFC). The hosts were just too strong for this Sutton side and Pritchard was in brilliant form, while U's 'keeper Bloom had a poor afternoon (sadly, it would not be his last).

In the 11th minute, Bloom palmed a Horseman corner into his own net and in the 27th minute, Pritchard burst through to curl a shot beyond the U's custodian. Delaney headed in from a free-kick in the 65th minute and four minutes later Bremer thumped home following another set-piece delivery, Bloom inexplicably diving away from the direction of the shot.

Only dogged defending prevented the defeat becoming an absolute humiliation but 4-0 it finished. I missed this match as my mother refused to go having had arguments with the locals on two previous visits, one of which was for an England amateur international. Solidarity. For the record I was 8 years old.

U's: Bloom, Clarke, Grose, Pentecost, Brookes, Gradi, Drabwell, Bladon, Waughman, Gonzales, Howard.

United ended the month with five points from four matches (two points for a win in those days), some five points adrift of leaders Wycombe who had played a game more and boasted a 100% record netting twenty goals. Of course, silverware had been won too. IL scorers for U's: Drabwell 3, Howard 2, Bladon 1.

U's would bounce back as Cann strengthened the side by signing Chris Kelly and Willie Smith from Tooting & Mitcham United in mid-September. Following a damaging home defeat to struggling Maidstone United,

he dropped Bloom in late September allowing Dave Roffey to return. From September to mid-November, U's won fifteen of seventeen IL matches propelling them into title contention. They would miss out by a point, Pritchard's goal winning the title decider at GGL in April 1971.

Right: Peter Drabwell



SUFC v Alty

The NL’s perverse fixture list (don’t get me started on Gateshead away, they really don’t care about the travelling fan) brings Altrincham back to GGL having been our final opponents at home last season.

Alty claimed a third success at Sutton with a 2-1 victory as U’s end of season form rather collapsed to leave a finishing position of 19th.

Jermaine Francis’s first goal for U’s gave them a 20th minute lead but two Oliver Crankshaw goals (71st and 74th minutes) secured the points.

Therefore, Altrincham recorded their third league double over Sutton.

This is the Robins tenth visit to GGL, all contested at GMVC/NL level. Alty were successful on their first visit back in September 1986 by 3-2 and won here again in November 1990. Sutton have won five and drawn one of the other six, the rather mis-leading 5-0 success two seasons ago referred to above being the biggest margin of victory between the two clubs. U’s 4-0 win at

Moss Road in April 2021 is the biggest between the two clubs at that venue, Alty recording a 3-0 success in March 2000. Sutton’s only previous success in Cheshire was in November, 1987a by 1-0 (Micky Stephens), which together with a 2-1 win at GGL later in the season gave U’s their only league double in the fixture to date.

U’s home record W5 D1 L3 F21 A13

Sutton’s top scorer in matches with Altrincham is Lenny Dennis with three goals. Players to have played for both clubs include midfielders Peter Byrne and Alistair Smith and forward Nick Welton.

A BLAST FROM THE PAST

We pick another notable clash with Altrincham from the U’s 128-year history.



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Saturday 17th August 2024 | VBS Community Stadium

Four goals in fourteen minutes late in the first half eased Sutton to a victory that saw them score five in the first home league game of the season for the second year running. For half an hour there was little between the sides and it was Altrincham, last season’s beaten play-off semi finalists, who looked marginally the likelier to break through. Then a mistake from Altrincham defender Jake Cooper, who would endure a nightmare quarter of an hour, was seized on by Josh Coley and from there Sutton didn’t look back, opening up a four goal gap by half time and then preserving a clean sheet during the second half, the performance rounded off by a superb Ashley Nadesan header six minutes from time.





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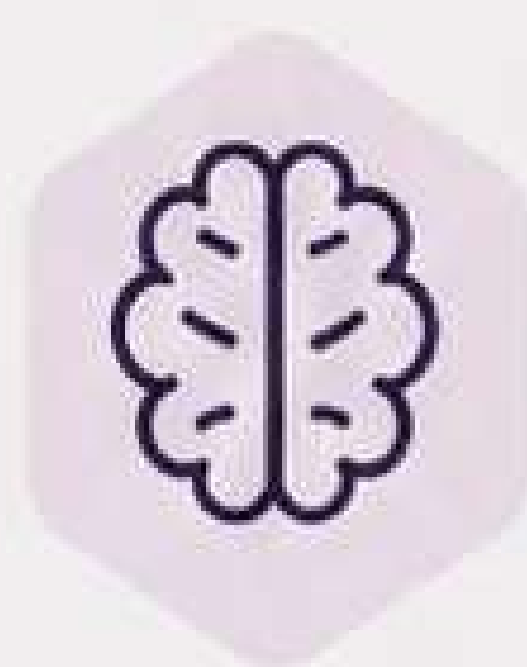
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ACADEMY

The Academy Side Begin Their Season This Wednesday - Here's All You Need To Know About The Summer Activity.

After going so close to a league and cup double last season, finishing narrowly second behind Dartford in the National League Academy South and being beaten 2-1 by FC Halifax Town in the final of the National League Academy Cup (below – lining up before the game), our Academy side have warmed up for the new season impressively with five wins out of five in pre-season games against Tooting & Mitcham, Chessington & Hook, Kinetic Academy, Corinthian Casuals and Mass Elite FC – there was also a game scheduled away to Carshalton last night.

We have lost a number of last season's squad, with Liam Moore, who scored a brilliant free kick in the cup final and followed it up by scoring from inside his own half in the last league game of the season against Welling, and Mehmet Halim joining Whitehawk, where goalkeeper Klevis Muca has subsequently gone on loan, and Luke Ashburn signing for Steyning. A number of other players were released, and we wish them all well, but on the other side of the coin we saw Noah Nzuzi, Charlie Bell and Dan Urpens all excel at Woking last week, with Adam Reeves and Ronny Ruiz among the substitutes.

We have made a number of additions over the summer, with goalkeeper Timi Akande and defender Oscar Oguli joining from Dagenham & Redbridge, Lewis Bullen and Frankie Humphreys,

also respectively goalkeeper and defender, from Bromley, and defender Yobor Sorae (Southend), midfielders Pedro Buburuzan (Barnet) and Nico Schipper (Rising Ballers Kensington) and forwards Salifou Sidibe (Welling), Winston Iworh (Mass Elite) and Josh Arthur, who joins from Fox Academy Leicester but had a spell with Epsom & Ewell last season. all part of the Under 19 squad. In addition Luca Severini and Archie Smart have returned having been with us at Category 3 and Stiven Muca, younger brother of Klevis, has also played, and scored, in the pre-season games.

We are now no longer eligible for the EFL Youth Alliance, which means there won't be any Saturday games this season, so as well as the National League Academy South and Under 19 Division F teams we will also be fielding a team in the Isthmian Youth League, and that season begins this coming Wednesday with a home game against Aldershot Town.



Home games in this competition will be played at Banstead Athletic and will be midweek evenings. We have been placed in the Western Division and in addition to Aldershot will face Ascot, Camberley, Hayes & Yeading, Northwood, Tooting & Mitcham, Walton & Hersham and Woking.

In the National League Academy South we open on Wednesday 2nd September at home to Dorking Wanderers at Tooting & Mitcham, which will be our home ground for those games. Dartford and Welling have left the division from last season and Forest Green Rovers are the only new team. In Division F Hertford have been replaced by AFC Greenwich Borough and Metropolitan Police and we will play home games at Cheam Sports Club.



Up Next:



Isthmian Youth League
Banstead Athletic FC
Wednesday 19th August 2026 | 7.30pm

SUFC WOMEN

Manager Lucy Clark rounds up the pre-season activity for the Women's team.

Sutton United Women enjoyed an excellent pre-season, recording six victories from seven matches as we prepared for the new campaign.

We began with a remarkable 4-3 victory over Reading, fighting back from 3-0 down to complete a brilliant turnaround. That was followed by a crazy game at Farnham Town, where we suffered our only defeat of pre-season. The team responded strongly, beating SE Dons 2-1 before securing a convincing 4-1 victory away at Ashford United.

We then travelled to QPR and came away with an impressive 3-1 win. Our preparations concluded with two more victories. We defeated local rivals Carshalton Athletic 4-1 (below) before rounding off the schedule with a well-deserved 2-1 win at Saltdean United, who were promoted from our division last season.

There has also been plenty of movement within the squad over the summer. Sadly, Nadia Sabania has moved abroad for work and will therefore not be available for selection. We thank Nadia for everything she has contributed to the team and wish her every success for the future.

We have strengthened the squad with the additions of Georgia Heasman from Dorking Wanderers, Naomi Bradley from Fulham, Izzy Rafique from Richmond, Chloe O'Donoghue from QPR, Lucy Coker from Farnham Town, Rosie Redman from Sport London e Benfica and exciting young prospect Lexie Durrant, who makes the step up from youth football.

Work behind the scenes is continuing, with a few more signings still to get over the line as we look to complete a squad capable of enjoying a successful season. Six victories, plenty of goals and some very encouraging performances, it has been a productive pre-season so far as we prepare for our league opener away at Aylesford next Sunday, 23rd August (3.30pm).

Our first four games are away, with the trip to Aylesford followed by games at Ashford Town (30th August, 3pm), divisional newcomers Eastbourne Borough (6th September, 3pm) and Bromley, another addition to the division (13th September, 2pm). Check Our first home game is against Millwall Lionesses on Sunday 27th September at the David Weir Centre (2pm).



Up next
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FOUNDATION

Welcome Back from the Sutton United Foundation.

Welcome back to Gander Green Lane and to another season of Sutton United Football Club.

It is fantastic to see supporters returning for the first game of the new campaign, and on behalf of everyone at the Sutton United Foundation, I would like to wish the club, our players, staff and, most importantly, you, our supporters, a very successful season ahead.

Looking back on last season, there was plenty to be proud of across the Foundation. While the football club rightly takes centre stage on matchdays, we have continued to work hard away from the pitch

To make a positive difference across our local community. From football and sports sessions to schools work, inclusion projects, wellbeing activities and opportunities for young people, our aim remains the same: using the power of Sutton United to make a genuine difference to people's lives.

As we look ahead to the new season, there is plenty for us to be excited about. We have ambitious plans for the Foundation and are looking forward to building on the work we have already undertaken. We want to reach even more people, develop new partnerships and create more opportunities for children, young people, families and members of our community to engage with the club.

A huge part of what makes the Foundation special is the variety of work that takes place throughout the year. Whether it is our community football sessions, work in local schools, inclusive football opportunities, wellbeing projects, youth activities or the many other programmes we deliver, every session gives us another opportunity to connect with our community and show what Sutton United

can offer beyond the football pitch.

None of this would be possible without the incredible support we receive. I would like to thank our volunteers, coaches, staff, trustees, partners and everyone who gives their time and energy to help us deliver our work. I would also like to thank you, our supporters. Your backing for the Foundation and the wider club makes a huge difference, and we are incredibly grateful for it.

As we begin another season, I hope we can continue to demonstrate what can be achieved when the whole Sutton United family pulls together. The football club, Foundation, supporters, volunteers, partners and wider community all have an important role to play, and by working together we can make this a season to remember both on and off the pitch.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you throughout the season and, hopefully, celebrating plenty of success together.

Come on, Sutton!

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Harry Dunne
Community Engagement Lead
Sutton United Foundation





TODAY'S

A very warm welcome to our Matchday Mascots, who we hope are having a special time here at Gander Green Lane today. We hope you enjoy your day!

MATCHDAY MASCOTS

To enquire about the matchday mascot experience at the Borough Sports Ground, please contact harry.dunne@suttonunited.net.



- Name: Alexander Sosnowski
- Age: 3
- Favourite Player: Alex Kirk
- Interesting Fact: Alex love wheels and everything to do with cars, trains and airplanes.

**Wishing Rob Hall a happy birthday.
We hope you enjoy your day!**

SUPPORTERS' CLUB

Supporters' Club Secretary Mark Thompson With The Latest News.

FORTHCOMING COACH TRAVEL

See below for details of Supporters' Club coaches for the trips to Gateshead, Barrow and Halifax over the next month.

Gateshead 28/08-26 £60 return. Discounted travel for accompanied U16s or a single trip will be £40.

Meet at GGL car park 09:45 for 10:00 departure. *This is a Friday evening kick off therefore we will return to GGL early hours of Saturday.

2 rest stops will be planned into the outward trip.

Barrow AFC 05/09/26 £60 return, Discounted travel for accompanied U16s or single travel £40.

Meet at GGL car park 05:45 for 06:00 departure. 2 rest stops will be planned into the outward journey.

Halifax Town 19/09/26 £60 return, Discounted travel for accompanied U16s or a single trip £40.

Meet at GGL car park 05:45 for 06:00 departure. 2 rest stops will be planned into the outward journey.

The three coaches above are still open to run, however, we are experiencing a shortfall in passengers.

We will need more "bums on seats" to enable them to continue to run, as the subsidy for the coach does not currently cover the empty seats.

All coaches are subject to a booking deadline of one week prior to departure to enable alternative arrangements to be made if required. Members will be advised if this is the case.

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THANK YOU

After a wonderful four years as our Supporter Liaison Officer, we say goodbye to Claire Loughlin.

All at Sutton United would like to thank Claire for her outstanding work as SLO, her valuable time and terrific patience in organising events such as Fans' Forums, Meet the Manager and many others that helped fans feel closer to the club, as well as her efforts on match days.

Claire created and brought to life the annual supporter's game, which sees two teams of fans managed by club legends for the Shoebox Memorial Trophy.

Not forgetting that Strikers Are Key would not have been the success it is today with her annual efforts in selling the syndicates for the last five years.

Claire will of course be here on matchdays but will be enjoying the football rather than working so please thank her for all her efforts.

The close-season also saw Graham Cowell leave the role of kit-man at Sutton United. After smiling through 2 years of occasional washing machine faults and often working through the night to ensure kit was ready for training he has announced he's taking a well-earned break before embarking on a new challenge. Along with all the other volunteers at the club Graham proved to be very generous with his time here, all at Sutton United are hugely grateful.

Graham's replacement is Adam Groom who has joined us from Bromley FC. Welcome Groomie!

Thanks again to both for their dedication and efforts at the club.



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MATCH ACTION



Goals either side of the break from Will Nightingale, Omar Mussa and David Ogbonna saw Sutton start as they mean to go on, thumping Woking 3-0 away from home in a wonderful performance to start the season.

The U's got off to the perfect start when Nightingale took advantage of Will Jääskeläinen misjudging Dan Urpens' dangerous long throw-in, tapping Sutton into the lead with 28 minutes on the clock, before Mussa gave the visitors a two-goal cushion with a tremendous free kick ten minutes into the second half.

Despite Woking hitting back with a handful of half chances, Sutton made the win safe when David Ogbonna came off the bench to latch onto Urpens' deep through ball and evade Chinwike Okoli before calmly slotting past the Finnish goalkeeper to secure all three points, and send Sutton to joint-top of the Enterprise National League after gameweek one.



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Nightingale (27')
Mussa (55')
Ogbonna (85')

Sutton United: Brits (GK), Nzuzi (Donkor 70'), Nightingale, Urpens, Topallaj, Taylor (C), Osadebe, Mussa (Francis 78'), Bell, Folarin (Ogbonna 65'), Babalola

Woking: Jääskeläinen (GK), Asare, Richards, Okoli (C), Odusina (Ogie 76'), Sylva (Sohna 76'), Kelly, O'Brien (Harris 58'), Ward, Akinola (Turner 58'), Adarkwa (Ayres 65')

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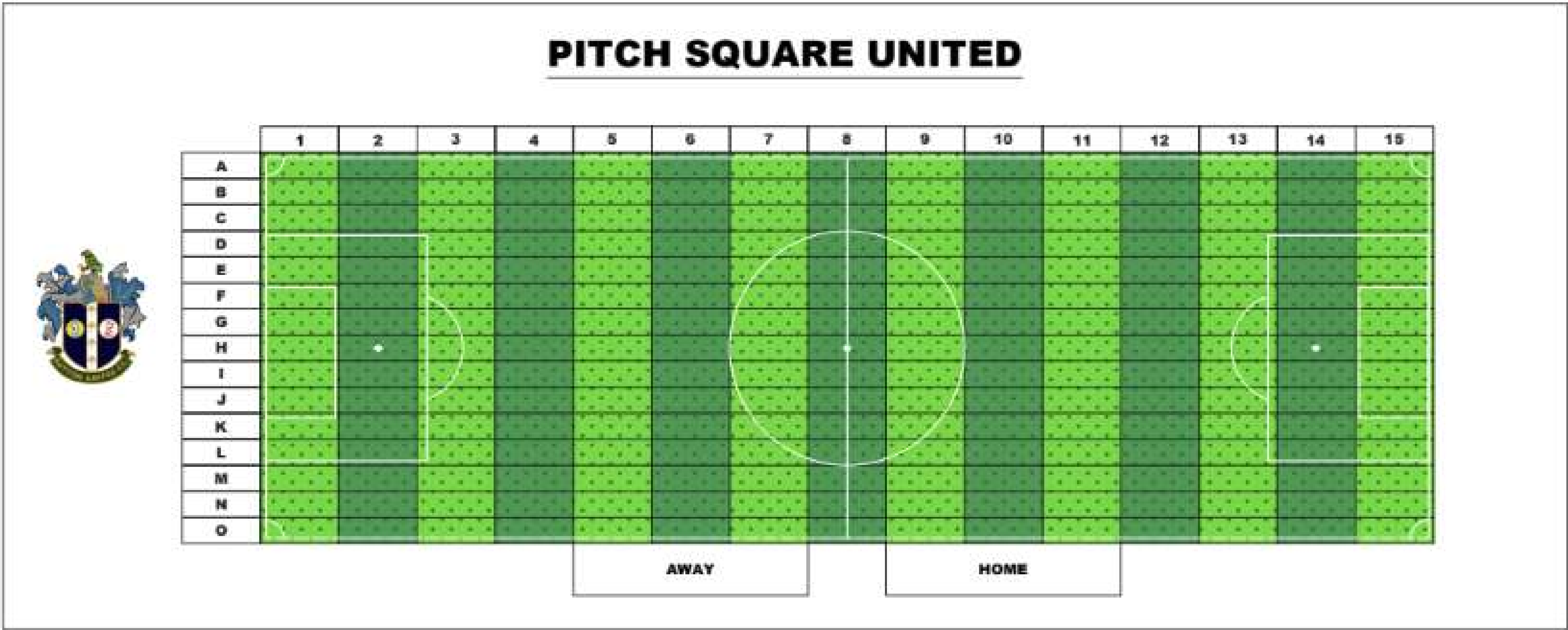


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G8 — Alex Clifford	J6 — Slippery G	Home Dugout — Sutton
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AROUND THE GROUNDS

Louis Massingham Rowell rounds up the latest in the Enterprise National League.

The 2026-27 National League campaign returned with its usual drama and excitement last weekend, with 39 goals scored across the twelve games.

Today's opponents, Altrincham, scored the first goal of the new campaign before eventually losing 3-1 at home to Southend United. Tom Crawford's seventh-minute opener kicked off the new season before Leon Chambers-Parillon, Oli Coker and Harry Cardwell gave the Essex side an opening day win. The victory was a first in the dugout for new Southend manager Kieron Dyer and made it four opening-day fixtures without defeat for the Shrimpers.

It was an opening day to remember for some of the division's new boys. Harrogate Town began their first campaign at the level since 2020 with a 5-2 win over Solihull Moors. Despite coming back from two goals down to level 2-2 in the 81st minute, Solihull succumbed to Harrogate's pressure and left empty-handed. A six-minute brace from substitute Ciaran McGuckin secured the three points for Simon Weaver's side.

Two sides promoted from the National League South, making their debuts in the National League, secured their first wins at the level. Worthing had to ride their luck in the first half at Carlisle and could have been more than one goal down at half-time had Carlisle been more clinical. Some fantastic finishes from Dom Hutchinson, Razzaq Coleman De-Graft and Ricky Aguiar turned the game around in the second half and gave Rob Elliot the worst possible start in his first game as Carlisle manager.

Daryl McMahon's Hornchurch secured a historic victory at home to National League North play-off winners Kidderminster. By the 34th minute, the Urchins were 3-0 up and comfortable thereafter as the Harriers created two attempts on goal, neither on target. Former U's defender Joe Kizzi opened the scoring in the win on his debut for the East London side, having moved from Barnet in the summer.

The Harriers will be looking to get their first win of the season today against Eastleigh. The Hampshire side secured their first win under former Sutton manager Matt Gray last weekend, beating Gateshead 2-1 at the Silverlake Stadium. The opening goal came from two sons of ex-Premier League players, Paul Dickov and Steve Sidwell. Max Dickov crossed for Harry Sidwell to head home in the 13th minute before Josh Lundstram added Eastleigh's second in the second half. Ashley Boatswain scored a consolation in the 91st minute in Lee Cattermole's managerial debut, having joined the Heed in the summer.

Cattermole will be hoping he can get his first win today against a Woking side that are still without a permanent manager after their 3-0 defeat at home to the U's last weekend. Another side looking to put an opening day defeat behind them is Barrow. Having finished bottom of League Two in the last campaign, the Bluebirds were given a tough start, travelling to big spenders Hartlepool United. Two of Pool's debutants, Will Harris and Jack Nolan, gave Lee Clark's side the three points at Victoria Park.

Boston's opener against Aldershot saw twenty players making their debuts. New Shots manager Scott Davies, who signed eighteen players in the summer, secured a 1-0 victory thanks to John Gilbert's goal in the 59th minute. The hosts had Jake Rooney sent off in second-half injury time, and they will look to bounce back today with their trip to Solihull.

Robbie Savage's Forest Green Rovers side scored three second-half goals to see off a spirited performance from Halifax Town. Will Flint gave the Shaymen the lead in the first half, but goals from Filoofe Mabete, Sean Etaluku and Kyle McAllister were enough for Rovers to seal the three points. Halifax's new manager, John McGrath, will be looking to get his first win at home today against a Boreham Wood side who dropped two points late on last weekend.

Having scored 27 goals and finished joint-second top scorer last season, Matt Rush started where he left off, scoring a hat-trick for Luke Garrard's side in a 3-3 draw at home to Tamworth. The Lambs start the season under new American ownership, with money spent on several summer arrivals including Kieren Donnelly, who scored a brace on his debut. The Wood looked set to secure an opening day win until ex-Sutton loanee Danny Cashman, making his Boreham Wood debut, conceded a 100th-minute penalty that allowed the Lambs to leave Hertfordshire with a point.

National League North champions AFC Fylde started the season with a 2-2 draw at home to Wealdstone. The Coasters will be disappointed not to have secured three points having created numerous chances across the 90 minutes. Adam Lewis' goal of the season contender in the 67th minute opened the scoring before the Stones came from behind twice, getting their second equaliser in the 89th minute through Olufela Olomola. The result ended a run of fourteen consecutive wins in the league at Mill Farm for Fylde, dating back to 22nd November

2025 when Buxton took all three points in a 2-1 win.

Another player who scored on his debut was Luke Brennan, whose lovely finish in the 89th minute secured a 1-1 draw for Scunthorpe at home to Yeovil. Brennan joined in the summer from Buxton, having scored 15 goals in the National League North last season. His goal cancelled out Mason Obeng's debut goal for Yeovil. Obeng is also making the step up to the National League this season after signing from Walton & Hersham, having registered 22 goal contributions in 42 appearances for the Swans in the Southern Premier South.



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5	Will Nightingale	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2
6	Charlie Bell	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	5
7	Emmanuel Osadebe	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
8	Jake Taylor	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	0
9	Temi Babalola	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	3
10	Charlie Carter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2
11	Sam Folarin	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	3
12	Dan Urpens	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0
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21	Adam Reeves	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0
22	Ronny Ruiz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0
23	Noah Nzuzi	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	1
25	Klevis Muca	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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FIXTURES AND RESULTS

2026 / 27

Date	Opponent	Venue	Competition	Score	Goalscorers
Sat 8 Aug	Woking	A	ENL	0-3	Will Nightingale (27'), Omar Mussa (55'), David Ogbonna (85')
Sat 15 Aug	Altrincham	H	ENL		
Tue 18 Aug	Leicester City	H	NLC		
Sat 22 Aug	Hartlepool United	H	ENL		
Fri 28 Aug	Gateshead	A	ENL		
Mon 31 Aug	Wealdstone	H	ENL		
Sat 5 Sep	Barrow	A	ENL		
Tue 8 Sep	Birmingham City	H	NLC		
Sat 12 Sep	Scunthorpe United	H	ENL		
Tue 15 Sep	Eastleigh	H	ENL		
Sat 19 Sep	FC Halifax Town	A	ENL		
Sat 26 Sep	Forest Green Rovers	H	ENL		
Wed 30 Sep	Tamworth	A	ENL		
Sat 3 Oct	Kidderminster Harriers	A	ENL		
Fri 9 Oct	Boreham Wood	H	ENL		
Tue 13 Oct	West Bromwich Albion	H	NLC		
Sat 24 Oct	Harrogate Town	A	ENL		
Wed 28 Oct	Aldershot Town	H	ENL		
Sat 31 Oct	Worthing	A	ENL		
Tue 3 Nov	Southampton	H	NLC		
Sat 14 Nov	Solihull Moors	H	ENL		
Sat 21 Nov	Boston United	H	ENL		
Tue 24 Nov	Hornchurch	A	ENL		
Sat 28 Nov	Carlisle United	A	ENL		
Sat 5 Dec	AFC Fylde	H	ENL		
Wed 9 Dec	Boreham Wood	A	ENL		
Sat 19 Dec	Kidderminster Harriers	H	ENL		
Sat 26 Dec	Yeovil Town	A	ENL		
Mon 28 Dec	Southend United	H	ENL		
Sat 2 Jan	Harrogate Town	H	ENL		
Fri 8 Jan	Aldershot Town	A	ENL		
Sat 23 Jan	Altrincham	A	ENL		
Tue 26 Jan	Hornchurch	H	ENL		
Sat 30 Jan	Woking	H	ENL		
Sat 6 Feb	Boston United	A	ENL		
Sat 13 Feb	Forest Green Rovers	A	ENL		
Tue 16 Feb	Tamworth	H	ENL		
Sat 20 Feb	FC Halifax Town	H	ENL		
Tue 23 Feb	Eastleigh	A	ENL		
Sat 27 Feb	Hartlepool United	A	ENL		
Sat 6 Mar	Gateshead	H	ENL		
Tue 9 Mar	Wealdstone	A	ENL		
Sat 13 Mar	Barrow	H	ENL		
Sat 20 Mar	Scunthorpe United	A	ENL		
Fri 26 Mar	Southend United	A	ENL		
Mon 29 Mar	Yeovil Town	H	ENL		
Sat 3 Apr	Worthing	H	ENL		
Sat 10 Apr	Solihull Moors	A	ENL		
Sat 17 Apr	AFC Fylde	A	ENL		
Sat 24 Apr	Carlisle United	H	ENL		

LEAGUE TABLE

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	PL	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
1 Harrogate Town	1	1	0	0	5	2	3	3
2 Hornchurch	1	1	0	0	3	0	3	3
3 Sutton United	1	1	0	0	3	0	3	3
4 Southend United	1	1	0	0	3	1	2	3
5 Hartlepool United	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	3
6 Forest Green Rovers	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	3
7 Worthing	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	3
8 Eastleigh	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
9 Aldershot Town	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
10 Boreham Wood	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
11 Tamworth	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
12 AFC Fylde	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	1
13 Wealdstone	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	1
14 Scunthorpe United	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
15 Yeovil Town	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
16 Carlisle United	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0
17 FC Halifax Town	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0
18 Gateshead	1	0	0	1	0	2	-1	0
19 Boston United	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
20 Altrincham	1	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0
21 Barrow	1	0	0	1	0	2	-2	0
22 Solihull Moors	1	0	0	1	2	5	-3	0
23 Kidderminster Harriers	1	0	0	1	0	3	-3	0
24 Woking	1	0	0	1	0	3	-3	0

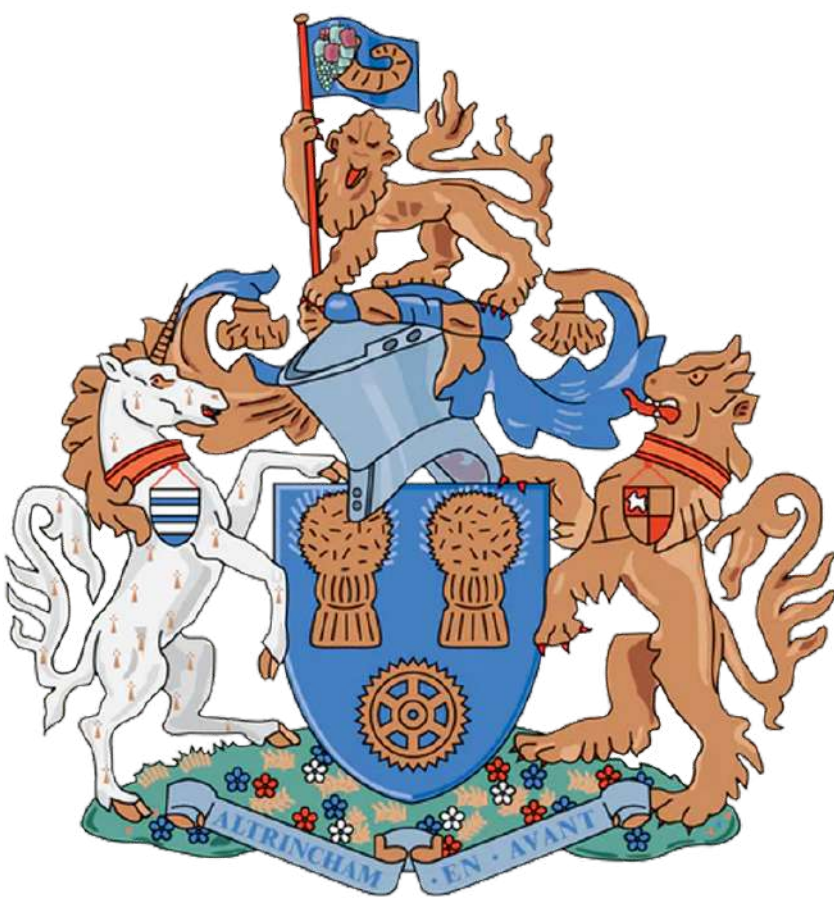
Today's Other Games

Aldershot Town vs Hartlepool United; Barrow vs Hornchurch; FC Halifax Town vs Boreham Wood;
Gateshead vs Woking; Kidderminster Harriers vs Eastleigh; Solihull Moors vs Boston United;
Southend United vs Scunthorpe United; Tamworth vs AFC Fylde; Wealdstone vs Harrogate Town;
Worthing vs Forest Green Rovers; Yeovil Town vs Carlisle United



Head Coach
Chris Agutter

- 1 Spike Brits
- 2 Kwaku Donkor
- 3 Besart Topallaj
- 4 Alex Kirk
- 5 Will Nightingale
- 6 Charlie Bell
- 7 Emmanuel Osadebe
- 8 Jake Taylor
- 9 Temi Babalola
- 10 Charlie Carter
- 11 Sam Folarin
- 12 Dan Urpens
- 13 Chris Haigh
- 14 Omar Mussa
- 15 Jordan Moore-Taylor
- 16 Brandon Njoku
- 17 Toby Byron
- 18 David Ogbonna
- 20 Jermaine Francis
- 21 Adam Reeves
- 22 Ronny Ruiz
- 23 Noah Nzuzi
- 25 Klevis Muca



Manager
Neil Gibson

- 1 Owen Evans
- 2 Lewis Banks
- 3 Eddy Jones
- 4 Jack Hinchy
- 5 Jake Cooper
- 6 Charlie Olson
- 7 Otis Khan
- 8 Liam Humbles
- 9 Kristian Dennis
- 10 Aidan Barlow
- 11 Jimmy Knowles
- 12 Kian Breckin
- 13 Andy Firth
- 14 Matty Kosylo
- 15 Sam Taylor
- 16 Remi Raymond
- 17 Lucas Weaver
- 18 Owen German
- 20 Kahrel Reddin
- 22 Tom Crawford
- 23 Charlie Kirk
- 24 Sam Barnes
- 25 Joel Bailey
- 26 Anthony Forde
- 27 Louie Fallon
- 32 Max Beddow

Referee George Laflin // **Assistants** James Hurst (red/yellow), Karl Sear (yellow) // **Fourth Official** Redmond Egan

