



WELCOME TO EDITION NUMBER 17 - WEEK ENDING SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER

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You are more than welcome to use any material (excluding attributed photographs) but it would be appreciated if any material used is acknowledged. It is hoped you enjoy reading this each week. With readership quite widespread, not only within our own competition, but across the three counties and beyond- if ANY club has anything they would like to have published in here, whether that be a request for helpers, promotion of forthcoming events, items required or available for sale please do get in touch.

The Wessex Post will be published each Saturday night. Please would all contributors note that the deadline for anything is 21:30 on the Saturday and this includes match reports- all home clubs are reminded to get their reports in before then, although if an away side does the report that will also be welcome. It should also be noted that whilst all contributions are welcome, they are subject to editorial scrutiny.

KICK OFF



The top two in the Premier Division went head to head in the week. Hamble (yellow) needed a late leveller against table topping Fareham Town- ending one apiece. Robin Caddy captured this goalmouth action.



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Just a quick reminder that all Clubs must include the advertisements indicated by the League in **every** Match Programme they produce- in either the PRINTED or ON-LINE version.

In addition the Industrial Boiler Services advert **must** be included in ANY League Cup programme.

New ones for 2026/27 are now available. Page 2 shows our Partners for 2026/27, this **must** be a full page and must also be in all programmes issued.

That for the "Wessex League Football Show" and the "Kick it Out" campaign are no longer **compulsory** for reproduction in club programmes.

THROUGH THE DOORS



These attendance weekly total figures are those **reported** by the home club this season for all their games in accordance with League requirements.

In addition to League and League Cup games they do include FA Cup, FA Vase, FA Youth Cup and any County or District FA cup matches.

WEEK ENDING	TOTAL	QUALIFYING GAMES	AVGE	+/- ON LAST WEEK	+/- ON LAST YEAR	RUNNING TOTAL
01-Aug-26	2,918	19	153.58	2,918	-1,197	2,918
08-Aug-26	5,395	34	158.68	2,477	1,767	8,313
15-Aug-26	3,958	31	127.68	-1,437	195	12,271
22-Aug-26	5,035	38	132.50	1,077	1,253	17,306
29-Aug-26	4,292	21	204.38	-743	474	21,598
05-Sep-26	6,751	43	157.00	2,459	3,444	28,349
12-Sep-26	4,804	37	129.84	-1,947	-1,440	33,153
19-Sep-26	4,042	36	112.28	-762	1,425	37,195
26-Sep-26	5,944	36	165.11	1,902	2,912	43,139
03-Oct-26	4,318	34	127.00	-1,626	1,337	47,457
10-Oct-26	5,733	35	163.80	1,415	2,459	53,190
17-Oct-26	4,369	32	136.53	-1,364	357	57,559
24-Oct-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
31-Oct-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
07-Nov-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
14-Nov-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
21-Nov-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
28-Nov-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
05-Dec-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
12-Dec-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
19-Dec-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
26-Dec-26	*	*	*	*	*	*
02-Jan-27	*	*	*	*	*	*

FA VASE SECOND ROUND

The draw was made last Monday and here's those tie details; five home and four away-

Amesbury Town v Highworth Town

Downton v New Milton Town

Andover New Street v Mangotsfield United

Elburton Villa v Sturminster Newton United

Cove v Lancing

Hallen v Hythe & Dibden

Cowes Sports v Buckland Athletic

Tunbridge Wells v Ash United

Scheduled for Saturday 31 October, the remainder of the draw is shown on the next two pages.

With many thanks to John Treleven for the background work.

Maghull	NWC-N	v	Retford	NCE-P
Chadderton	NWC-P	v	Bottesford Town	NCE-P
Thornton Cleveleys	NWC-N	v	Billingham Town	NL-2
Holker Old Boys	NWC-N	v	Winsford United	MID-P
Schildon	NL-1	v	Carlisle City	NL-1
West Didsbury & Chorlton	MID-P	v	Prestwich Heys	NWC-P
Bishop Auckland	NL-1	v	Atherton Laburnum Rovers	NWC-P
Cheadle Town	MID-P	v	Droylsden	NWC-P
F.C. St. Helens	NWC-P	v	Boldon C.A.	NL-2
North Shields	NL-1	v	Brigg Town	NCE-1
Woolton	NWC-N	v	Durham United	NL-2
Northwich Victoria	MID-P	v	Yarm & Eaglescliffe	NL-1
Sheffield F.C.	UC-N	v	South Liverpool	NWC-P
Nelson	NWC-P	v	Parkgate	NCE-P
Bilston Town	NWC-S	v	Heanor Town	UC-N
Birstall United	MID-1	v	Cinderford Town	HEL-P
Ashby Ivanhoe	UC-N	v	Gornal Athletic	MID-1
Abbey Hulton United	MID-P	v	Brocton	MID-P
A.F.C. Bridgnorth	NWC-S	v	Desborough Town	UC-S
Atherstone Town	UC-S	v	G.N.G. Oadby Town	MID-1
Lye Town	MID-P	v	Eastwood	UC-N
Cirencester Town	HEL-P	v	Longlevens	HEL-P
Southwell City	UC-1	v	Rugby Town	UC-S
Gresley Rovers	UC-N	v	Ludlow Town	HEL-1
Sherwood Colliery	UC-N	v	Heather St. Johns	MID-1
Staveley Miners Welfare	UC-1	v	Hinckley	UC-N
Harrowby United	UC-1	v	Sutton United (Birmingham)	MID-P
Belper United	UC-N	v	Northampton O.N. Chenecks	UC-S
Kings Langley	SSM-P	v	Holland	EC-N
Halesworth Town	EC-N	v	Hadleigh United	EC-N
Amphill Town	SSM-1	v	Haverhill Rovers	ECO-P
Belstone	CC-1	v	Wisbech Town	ECO-P
Heybridge Swifts	ESS	v	Everett Rovers	SSM-P
Risborough Rangers	SSM-P	v	Great Yarmouth Town	ECO-P
Cockfosters	SSM-P	v	Norwich United	EC-N
Lymore Gardens	EC-S	v	Biggleswade United	SSM-P
Tring Athletic	SSM-P	v	Hertford Heath	EC-S
Harpenden Town	SSM-P	v	West Essex	ESS
St. Neots Town	UC-S	v	Saffron Walden Town	ESS
Colney Heath	SSM-P	v	Benfleet	ESS
White Ensign	ESS	v	Wormley Rovers	SSM-P
Lingfield	SC-P	v	Crawley Down Gatwick	SC-P
Hassocks	SC-P	v	Eastbourne United	SC-P
Rusthall	SCE-P	v	Haywards Heath Town	SC-P
Larkfield & New Hythe	SCE-P	v	East Grinstead Town	SC-P
Harefield United	CC-N	v	Snodland Town	SCE-P
Fisher	SCE-P	v	A.F.C. Varndeanians	SC-P
Northwood	CC-N	v	Reading City	CC-N
Pagham	SC-P	v	A.F.C. Greenwich Borough	SCE-P
South East Dons	SCE-P	v	Hythe Town	SCE-1
Phoenix Sports	SCE-P	v	Faversham Strike Force	SCE-P
Bovey Tracey	WST-P	v	Brixham	WST-P
Wantage Town	HEL-1	v	St. Blazey	WST-P
Honiton Town	SWP-E	v	Devizes Town	HEL-P
Shepton Mallet	WST-P	v	Bridgwater United	WST-P
Portishead Town	WST-P	v	Clevedon Town	WST-P

CC-1	Combined Counties Division One	Step 6	1
CC-N	Combined Counties Premier North	Step 6	3
EC-N	Eastern Counties Division One North	Step 6	4
ECO-P	Eastern Counties Premier	Step 5	3
EC-S	Eastern Counties Division One South	Step 6	2
ESS	Essex Senior	Step 5	5
HEL-1	Hellenic Division One	Step 6	2
HEL-P	Hellenic Premier	Step 5	7
MID-1	Midland Division One	Step 6	4
MID-P	Midland Premier	Step 5	8
NCE-1	Northern Counties East Division One	Step 6	1
NCE-P	Northern Counties East Premier	Step 5	3
NL-1	Northern League Division One	Step 5	5
NL-2	Northern League Division Two	Step 6	3
NWC-N	North West Counties Division One North	Step 6	4
NWC-P	North West Counties Premier	Step 5	7
NWC-S	North West Counties Division One South	Step 6	2
SCE-1	Southern Counties East Division One	Step 6	1
SCE-P	Southern Counties East Premier	Step 5	9
SC-P	Southern Combination Premier	Step 5	9
SSM-1	Spartan South Midland Division One	Step 6	1
SSM-P	Spartan South Midland Premier	Step 5	9
SWP-E	South West Peninsula East	Step 6	2
UC-1	United Counties Division One	Step 6	3
UC-N	United Counties Premier North	Step 5	8
UC-S	United Counties Premier South	Step 5	5
WST-P	Western Premier	Step 5	8
WSX-1	Wessex Division One	Step 6	4
WSX-P	Wessex Premier	Step 5	5
TOTAL			128

SECOND ROUND A BRIEF PREVIEW

Amesbury Town v Highworth Town- This is the second time the pair have been drawn against each other, the hosts winning a best of three contest in the First Round last season. The visitors are presently midtable in the Hellenic Premier Division.

Andover New Street v Mangotsfield United- The Cossham Street outfit are sitting just above the relegation slots in the Hellenic Premier Division at time of writing.

Cove v Lancing- The Sussex side made the Fourth Round in 2010/11 and that is their best campaign to date. Last time out they beat Corinthian to set up this trip to Oak Farm. Cove have reached the Fifth Round before, losing at home against Chippenham Town in 2000/01- but a win in this will see them progress their furthest whilst with us.

Cowes Sports v Buckland Athletic- I had a premonition that this tie would happen, and at 140 miles is the longest trip of the eight, notwithstanding the planning of a ferry journey. A Wessex host against a Western side comes in with 236 occasions with this tie.

Downton v New Milton Town- Inevitably, we had to have an all-Wessex tie amongst the draw, and this is it, and it is not the first time that two have met before in the Vase, in the First Round back in 2023/24 when the Robins hit five without reply

Elburton Villa v Sturminster Newton United- It's the third time that the Plymouth side have reached this stage of the Vase, beating Petersfield Town there in 2024/25 and last time out at Tavistock. It's a trip of just over the hundred for the Cherries. Villa are in the top three of the South Western Peninsula East Division currently. A win for the Cherries will equal their best performance in the Vase, which they achieved last season as members of the Western League.

Hallen v Hythe & Dibden- The hosts won on penalties last season in the Fourth Round after the two ended one apiece after 90 minutes, so our team will be looking to turn that round this time.

Tunbridge Wells v Ash United- We have come across them before, when they won at Hamworthy United in the Fifth Round in 2021/22. The Kent outfit were losing finalists in 2012/13, Ash reached the Fourth Round in 2001/02 losing out to Tow Law, but a win here will be their best whilst a Wessex side.

TUNE IN

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ATTENDANCE STATISTICS 2026/27

TEAM	25/26 AVGE	26/27 AVGE	+/-	+/- AS A %	26/27 BEST
AFC Aldermaston	45.00	38.75	-6.25	-13.89%	50.00
Alresford Town	136.88	142.22	5.34	3.90%	192.00
Amesbury Town	72.38	87.43	15.05	20.79%	152.00
Andover New Street	186.11	207.25	21.14	11.36%	238.00
Ash United	70.95	80.00	9.05	12.76%	176.00
Baffins Milton Rovers	97.84	84.25	-13.59	-13.89%	100.00
Bashley	0.00	229.75	229.75	0.00%	253.00
Bemerton Heath Harlequins	138.74	113.38	-25.37	-18.28%	312.00
Blandford United	0.00	354.00	354.00	0.00%	385.00
Bournemouth	70.42	75.13	4.71	6.68%	103.00
Brockenhurst	161.21	132.83	-28.38	-17.60%	161.00
Christchurch	92.79	88.67	-4.12	-4.44%	103.00
Colden Common	72.43	86.80	14.37	19.84%	143.00
Cove	87.38	122.14	34.76	39.78%	135.00
Cowes Sports	203.58	170.33	-33.25	-16.33%	223.00
Downton	132.16	180.00	47.84	36.20%	260.00
East Cowes Victoria	184.63	174.83	-9.80	-5.31%	222.00
Fareham Town	0.00	306.50	306.50	0.00%	408.00
Fawley	69.95	130.80	60.85	86.99%	202.00
Fleetlands	105.67	130.88	25.21	23.85%	298.00
Folland Sports	70.62	98.14	27.52	38.97%	158.00
Frimley Green	117.20	78.83	-38.37	-32.74%	107.00
Hamble Club	90.84	116.56	25.72	28.31%	178.00
Hamworthy Recreation	46.37	124.40	78.03	168.28%	163.00
Hamworthy United	97.38	104.00	6.62	6.80%	123.00
Hedge End Rangers	0.00	117.50	117.50	0.00%	179.00
Horndean	0.00	147.57	147.57	0.00%	233.00
Hythe & Dibden	90.68	108.83	18.15	20.02%	143.00
Kintbury Rangers	80.14	79.86	-0.28	-0.35%	94.00
Laverstock & Ford	128.11	157.14	29.03	22.66%	251.00
Lymington Town	79.52	87.71	8.19	10.30%	126.00
Millbrook	76.11	72.38	-3.74	-4.91%	103.00
New Milton Town	138.95	221.86	82.91	59.67%	263.00
Newport IOW	136.38	425.75	289.37	212.18%	493.00
Petersfield Town	169.26	147.38	-21.89	-12.93%	241.00
Ringwood Town	60.67	65.75	5.08	8.37%	112.00
Romsey Town	121.29	192.00	70.71	58.30%	240.00
Sandhurst Town	0.00	94.14	94.14	0.00%	145.00
Sherborne Town	124.11	126.00	1.89	1.52%	177.00
Sturminster Newton United	0.00	244.33	244.33	0.00%	402.00
Totton & Eling	112.19	120.00	7.81	6.96%	164.00
Whitchurch United	114.43	99.14	-15.29	-13.36%	140.00
Premier Division running total	21,448	Average	151.04		
Division One running total	15,757	Average	118.47		

STAT ATTACK

TOP TEN LEADING GOALSCORERS - LEAGUE GAMES ONLY

PREMIER DIVISION

Max Wilcock	Downton	11
John McKie	Cowes Sports	9
Bailey Rowe	Hamworthy Recreation	9
Devon Arnold	Laverstock & Ford	8
Joe Freak	Bashley	7
Josh Neale	East Cowes Victoria	7
Jack Welch	Baffins Milton Rovers	7

DIVISION ONE

Dan Bone	Frimley Green	12
Ollie Brown	Ringwood Town	11
Harrison Fay	Lymington Town	9
Ji Nash	Newport IOW	9
James Martin	Romsey Town	8
Minhaz Chowdhury	Ash United	7
Callum Clarke	New Milton Town	7
Cameron George	Whitchurch United	7
Reggie Hodan	Colden Common	7
Arran Moore	Amesbury Town	7

*Details are based on clubs being up to date with records on Full Time at time of publication.
This may or may not include League goals from this weekend.*

PREMIER DIVISION

Top five league attendances

Downton	vs	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	451	28 August
Fareham	vs	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	408	10 October
Fareham Town	vs	Bashley	407	12 September
Sturminster Newton United	vs	Christchurch	402	4 August
Fareham Town	vs	Sherborne Town	372	26 September

DIVISION ONE

Top five league attendances

Newport IOW	vs	Fawley AFC	493	1 September
Newport IOW	vs	Frimley Green	453	26 September
Newport IOW	vs	Kintbury Rangers	406	10 October
Blandford United	vs	Sandhurst Town	385	17 October
Blandford United	vs	Frimley Green	382	5 September

PREMIER DIVISION- HIGH WINNING SCORES

Home win	Downton	vs	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	8-1	28 August
	Hamble Club	vs	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	7-0	22 September
Away win	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	vs	Laverstock & Ford	1-5	9 September

DIVISION ONE- HIGH WINNING SCORES

Home win	Newport IOW	vs	Amesbury Town	8-0	5 September
Away win	Lymington Town	vs	Romsey Town	0-5	19 September
	Whitchurch United	vs	Sandhurst Town	0-5	5 August
	Blandford United	vs	Frimley Green	1-6	5 September

ONE FOR THE TOP DRAWER

Premier Division	Christchurch	vs	Baffins Milton Rovers	4-4	3 October
Division One	Colden Common	vs	Hedge End Rangers-	4-4	17 October
	Whitchurch United	vs	Colden Common	4-4	1 August

MOST GOALS IN A GAME

Premier Division	Downton	vs	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	8-1	[9]	28 August
	Downton	vs	Cowes Sports	7-2	[9]	17 October
Division One	Amesbury Town	vs	Folland Sports	6-4	[10]	1 August

"WE HAVE PLAYED THEM ONCE"

PART ONE

The FA Vase provides a chance for Clubs to play different opposition and fans to travel to different places. The draw for the early rounds is much more regionalised than twenty-five years ago whilst the number of entrants each season is considerably greater leading to far more ties between clubs from local Leagues. The following therefore looks at the Clubs at present in the Wessex Premier League and for a "different" Club they have met, whilst the opening lines will hopefully explain why some of the ties were some twenty years in the past. *We would also add that the occasional use of italics signifies personal thoughts of the author, John Gorman, for which apologies are happily tendered.*

ANDOVER NEW STREET 2007/08 (away) lost 4-1 to HOLMER GREEN, a club based in Buckinghamshire who finished the season in the relegation places of the Spartan South Midlands League and who now are members of the Combined Counties League.

BAFFINS MILTON ROVERS 2017/18 (home) defeated CULLOMPTON RANGERS 3-1. A more recent example as Baffins do not have a long Vase history. Their opponents, from near Exeter, were in the South West Peninsula League and have remained there to this day.

BASHLEY 1987/88 (home and away) This was a two-legged semi-final with EMLEY from Huddersfield who finished the season as champions of the Northern Counties East League and are now in the Northern Premier. The Yorkshire side won 2-1 on aggregate but lost to Colne Dynamos in the final.

BEMERTON HEATH HARLEQUINS 1991/92 (home) lost 3-2 to SWINDON ATHLETIC, previously known as Penhill and members of the Hellenic League. They are now Swindon Supermarine and vying for top spot in the Southern League Division One South

BOURNEMOUTH 1992/93 (away) Won 3-2 at WOLLEN SPORTS, then in the middle of three seasons in the Hellenic League and based in Highworth in Wiltshire. They won both Division One and the Premier Division but folded at the end of the third season. *The writer witnessed the other Vase tie they played – an away fixture at current Wessex League side Kintbury.*

BROCKENHURST 1983/84 (home) Defeated PORT OF BRISTOL 2-1. The visitors were members of the Gloucestershire County League and remained so until 1992 when they finished bottom. A merger with neighbours Totterdown Athletic followed but that ceased in 2006/07. A reformed team with the Port name currently plays in the Bristol & Suburban League Division 3.

CHRISTCHURCH 1999/2000 (home) Lost 3-0 to ELMORE then in the Western League Premier where they finished 11 of 19. Based in Tiverton, they have since dropped through the South West Peninsula to County League football.

COWES SPORTS 1997/98 (away) and a 2-0 victory at ENDSLEIGH, a works side from Cheltenham in their final season in the Hellenic League but disbanded a year later.

DOWNTON 1998/99 (home) The visitors were PERSHORE TOWN who returned to the Vale of Evesham with a best of three goals victory. They were in the Midland Alliance then but are now in the Hellenic Premier.

EAST COWES VICTORIA 1989/90 (home) HEADINGTON AMATEURS from Oxford crossed the Solent and produced a 3-1 win in their only season in the competition and which continued Vics poor Vase record. They were in Hellenic Premier then but were badly hit by Covid and returned to local County football.

INDUSTRIAL BOILER'S WESSEX LEAGUE CUP THIRD ROUND

Here's the list of teams [with numbers] for the draw, tomorrow- Sunday 18 October on our Radio Show;

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| 1. Hedge End Rangers | 9. Bashley |
| 2. Whitchurch United | 10. Andover New Street or Brockenhurst |
| 3. Fareham Town or Cove | 11. Millbrook or Horndean |
| 4. Folland Sports | 12. East Cowes Victoria |
| 5. Sturminster Newton United | 13. Fleetlands |
| 6. New Milton Town | 14. Hamble Club [HOLDERS] |
| 7. Colden Common | 15. Laverstock & Ford |
| 8. Petersfield Town or AFC Aldermaston | 16. Hamworthy Recreation |

CARD COUNT – SEPTEMBER UPDATE – YELLOW CARDS

	YELLOW CARD AND SIN BIN COUNT	SEASON	Aug-26	Sep-26	Oct-26	Nov-26	Dec-26	Jan-27	Feb-27	Mar-27	Apr-27
Division One	AFC Aldermaston	22	9	13							
Division One	Alresford Town	20	11	9							
Division One	Amesbury Town	20	10	10							
Premier	Andover New Street	8	4	4							
Division One	Ash United	20	15	5							
Premier	Baffins Milton Rovers	10	3	7							
Premier	Bashley	23	9	14							
Premier	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	20	7	13							
Division One	Blandford United	22	10	12							
Premier	Bournemouth	18	9	9							
Premier	Brockenhurst	20	10	10							
Premier	Christchurch	18	7	11							
Division One	Colden Common	21	9	12							
Division One	Cove	13	7	6							
Premier	Cowes Sports	20	8	12							
Premier	Downton	21	6	15							
Premier	East Cowes Victoria	15	3	12							
Premier	Fareham Town	15	5	10							
Division One	Fawley	13	10	3							
Premier	Fleetlands	20	4	16							
Division One	Folland Sports	15	4	11							
Division One	Frimley Green	16	7	9							
Premier	Hamble Club	19	10	9							
Premier	Hamworthy Recreation	12	6	6							
Division One	Hamworthy United	18	12	6							
Division One	Hedge End Rangers	12	7	5							
Premier	Horndean	19	9	10							
Premier	Hythe & Dibden	24	11	13							
Division One	Kintbury Rangers	17	6	11							
Premier	Laverstock & Ford	6	3	3							
Division One	Lymington Town	27	11	16							
Premier	Millbrook	16	3	13							
Division One	New Milton Town	14	7	7							
Division One	Newport IOW	16	9	7							
Premier	Petersfield Town	16	8	8							
Division One	Ringwood Town	15	4	11							
Division One	Romsey Town	17	12	5							
Division One	Sandhurst Town	19	11	8							
Premier	Sherborne Town	19	12	7							
Premier	Sturminster Newton United	10	7	3							
Division One	Totton & Eling	14	6	8							
Division One	Whitchurch United	27	14	13							
TOTAL		727	335	392	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Premier	21	349	144	205	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Division One	21	378	191	187	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		727	335	392	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CARD COUNT – SEPTEMBER UPDATE – RED CARDS

	RED CARD COUNT	SEASON	Aug-26	Sep-26	Oct-26	Nov-26	Dec-26	Jan-27	Feb-27	Mar-27	Apr-27
Division One	AFC Aldermaston	0									
Division One	Alresford Town	3	1	2							
Division One	Amesbury Town	1	1								
Premier	Andover New Street	1	1								
Division One	Ash United	1	1								
Premier	Baffins Milton Rovers	2	1	1							
Premier	Bashley	1		1							
Premier	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	1		1							
Division One	Blandford United	0									
Premier	Bournemouth	1	1								
Premier	Brockenhurst	1		1							
Premier	Christchurch	2	2								
Division One	Colden Common	1	1								
Division One	Cove	2	2								
Premier	Cowes Sports	0									
Premier	Downton	0									
Premier	East Cowes Victoria	0									
Premier	Fareham Town	2		2							
Division One	Fawley	0									
Premier	Fleetlands	1		1							
Division One	Folland Sports	0									
Division One	Frimley Green	3	2	1							
Premier	Hamble Club	0									
Premier	Hamworthy Recreation	0									
Division One	Hamworthy United	0									
Division One	Hedge End Rangers	1	1								
Premier	Horndean	0									
Premier	Hythe & Dibden	0									
Division One	Kintbury Rangers	1		1							
Premier	Laverstock & Ford	2	2								
Division One	Lymington Town	2		2							
Premier	Millbrook	3		3							
Division One	New Milton Town	0									
Division One	Newport IOW	1		1							
Premier	Petersfield Town	0									
Division One	Ringwood Town	0									
Division One	Romsey Town	1	1								
Division One	Sandhurst Town	2	1	1							
Premier	Sherborne Town	1		1							
Premier	Sturminster Newton United	2		2							
Division One	Totton & Eling	2		2							
Division One	Whitchurch United	5	2	3							
	TOTAL	46	20	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Premier	21	20	7	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Division One	21	26	13	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		46	20	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

TOP TWENTY STEP FIVE AND STEP SIX SIDES - RATED BY POINTS PER GAME

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League	Pos	STEP 5	Pl	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts	PPG
5. CCS	1	Fleet Town	13	12	1	0	36	11	25	37	2.846
5. ESL	2	Heybridge Swifts	8	7	1	0	26	3	23	22	2.750
5. WXP	1	Fareham Town	13	11	1	1	29	9	20	34	2.615
5. SMP	1	Risborough Rangers	11	9	1	1	41	12	29	28	2.545
5. ESL	1	Frenford	11	9	1	1	31	16	15	28	2.545
5. WLP	6	Portishead Town	10	8	1	1	41	9	32	25	2.500
5. UCN	1	Belper United	12	10	0	2	42	13	29	30	2.500
5. CCN	2	Broadfields United	12	9	3	0	33	8	25	30	2.500
5. UCN	2	Eastwood	10	8	1	1	37	13	24	25	2.500
5. SCP	1	Haywards Heath Town	13	10	2	1	30	8	22	32	2.462
5. MLP	4	Sutton United (Birmingham)	11	9	0	2	30	14	16	27	2.455
5. ECP	1	Thetford Town	12	9	2	1	35	12	23	29	2.417
5. NC1	2	Bishop Auckland	17	13	2	2	43	16	27	41	2.412
5. NC1	1	Easington Colliery	18	14	1	3	52	18	34	43	2.389
5. MLP	2	Runcorn Town	13	10	1	2	36	11	25	31	2.385
5. HLP	1	Roman Glass St. George	13	10	1	2	23	7	16	31	2.385
5. UCS	2	Knowle	11	8	2	1	30	8	22	26	2.364
5. MLP	5	Northwich Victoria	11	8	2	1	29	8	21	26	2.364
5. WLP	2	Clevedon Town	14	11	0	3	41	10	31	33	2.357
5. CCS	2	Knappill	14	11	0	3	27	17	10	33	2.357
League	Pos	STEP 6	Pl	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts	PPG
6. UC1	1	Clipstone	13	12	1	0	41	6	35	37	2.846
6. SS1	1	Amptill Town	12	11	1	0	31	12	19	34	2.833
6. SWE	1	Cullompton Rangers	11	10	1	0	37	9	28	31	2.818
6. SE1	4	Hythe Town	7	6	1	0	17	8	9	19	2.714
6. E1S	1	Hoddesdon Town	13	11	2	0	37	10	27	35	2.692
6. SWW	2	Penzance	12	10	2	0	31	6	25	32	2.667
6. SS1	2	Eaton Socon	12	10	2	0	36	12	24	32	2.667
6. ML1	2	Lutterworth Athletic	16	14	0	2	50	14	36	42	2.625
6. SC1	1	Infinity	13	11	1	1	38	14	24	34	2.615
6. ML1	1	GNG Oadby Town	17	14	2	1	61	15	46	44	2.588
6. SS1	3	Wellingborough Whitworth	12	10	1	1	35	17	18	31	2.583
6. NL2	1	Billingham Town	16	13	2	1	42	12	30	41	2.563
6. NCE1	1	Brigg Town	15	12	2	1	40	13	27	38	2.533
6. NL2	3	Boldon CA	15	12	2	1	36	14	22	38	2.533
6. E1S	4	May & Baker Eastbrook	10	8	1	1	28	10	18	25	2.500
6. NCE1	2	Field Olympic	15	12	1	2	49	10	39	37	2.467
6. E1N	1	Holland	13	10	2	1	48	18	30	32	2.462
6. NW1N	1	Maghull	14	11	1	2	32	11	21	34	2.429
6. WX1	1	New Milton Town	12	9	2	1	29	12	17	29	2.417
6. UC1	2	Staveley Miners Welfare	15	11	3	1	48	21	27	36	2.400

How do our teams rank across Step 5 and Step 6 nationally based on PPG

STEP 5 PPG RANKING		STEP 6 PPG RANKING	
Andover New Street	175	AFC Aldermaston	248
Baffins Milton Rovers	166	Alresford Town	261
Bashley	71	Amesbury Town	92
Bemerton Heath Harlequins	283	Ash United	153
Bournemouth	299	Blandford United	160
Brockenhurst	71	Colden Common	222
Christchurch	310	Cove	29
Cowes Sports	171	Fawley AFC	56
Downton	119	Folland Sports	173
East Cowes Victoria Athletic	242	Frimley Green	127
Fareham Town	3	Hamworthy United	304
Fleetlands	131	Hedge End Rangers	133
Hamble Club	112	Kintbury Rangers	289
Hamworthy Recreation	34	Lymington Town	248
Horndean	105	New Milton Town	19
Hythe & Dibden	255	Newport (Isle of Wight)	94
Laverstock & Ford	83	Ringwood Town	56
Millbrook	66	Romsey Town	174
Petersfield Town	269	Sandhurst Town	90
Sherborne Town	262	Totton & Eling	334
Sturminster Newton United	137	Whitchurch United	205

QUIZ TIME

With John Gorman

Another memory jogger as regards your footballing knowledge. Nine questions to be answered, then take the first letter of the first or only word of your answer and rearrange those nine letters to find another iconic Wessex League Ground (Clue: the team are not currently in the League)

1. Left back in Southampton's 1976 FA Cup winning side.
2. EFL Club Manager and Welsh International who left Forest Green Rovers for Peterborough United at the end of September.
3. U.S. Major League Soccer side based in Canada.
4. Name of Aberdeen's Ground.
5. English Premiership and World Class FIFA referee who retired at the end of last season.
6. Name of Lincoln City's ground since 1898, ignoring this season's Sponsors name.
7. In which European City would you find The Johann Cruyff Arena.
8. A German striker who had an expensive (for the Club) and disastrous (for him) time at Newcastle United last season.
9. In which Scottish League are Albion Rovers competing this season

Answers on page 14

EMIRATES FA CUP FOURTH ROUND QUALIFYING

Congratulations to former members **Wimborne Town** who beat Chelmsford City 1-0 this afternoon to reach the First Round in front of a crowd of 1,262. **Sholing** also won, 2-0 against SE Dons, whilst **Salisbury** hit three without reply against Eastbourne Borough and **Eastleigh** had a best of five win over Brentwood Town. Also similar good wishes to **Tadley Calvea** who shared four goals at Aldershot Town to earn a second chance in a replay in the week. 2,886 through the gates here.

MAN IN THE MIDDLE

Appointment notifications for former Wessex League Match Officials

REFEREE

17 October 26	EFL1	Wycombe Wanderers v Notts County	Lewis Sandoe
17 October 26	FA Cup	Eastleigh v Brentwood	Matt Russell
17 October 26	FA Cup	Torquay United v Oxford City	Rob Ablitt

ASSISTANT REFEREE

17 October 26	Premier	Fulham v Hull City	Dan Cook
17 October 26	Championship	Birmingham City v QPR	Alex James
17 October 26	Championship	Derby County v Stoke City	Ross Murphy
17 October 26	EFL1	Peterborough United v Burton Albion	Colman O'Meara
17 October 26	FA Cup	Aldershot Town v Tadley Calleva	Connor Farrell
17 October 26	FA Cup	Boston United v Scunthorpe United	Kieran Farrell
17 October 26	FA Cup	Chesham United v Forest Green Rovers	Tom Holden
20 October 26	EFL1	Bromley v Leicester City	Steve Finch
20 October 26	EFL1	Notts County v Sheffield Wednesday	Jake Topp
20 October 26	EFL1	Stevenage v Plymouth Argyle	Ross Murphy

FOURTH OFFICIAL

17 October 26	FA Cup	Wimborne Town v Chelmsford City	Jacob Wright
20 October 26	EFL2	Barnet v Swindon Town	Colman O'Meara
20 October 26	EFL2	Gillingham v Port Vale	Adrian Tranter

CLUB NEWS

If you have any items- stories, initiatives etc., you wish to include please do send them in to the Editor.



Denis Emery, our Registrations Officer was at **Romsey Town** last weekend and presented Manager Andy Samuels and team captain Owen Holloway with their Division One 360Player Club of the Month award,

QUIZ ANSWERS

- | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. David Peach | 4. Pittodrie | 7. Amsterdam |
| 2. Robbie Savage | 5. Anthony Taylor | 8. Nick Woltemade |
| 3. Toronto | 6. Sincil Bank | 9. Lowland League |

D R T P A S A N L = Partlands, the home of Ryde Sports for many years.



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RESULTS ROUNDUP

An asterisk in this section indicates that the club failed to provide attendance and or scorer details.

Sunday 11 October

FA Vase First Round

AFC Aldermaston	2-3	Pagham	80
<i>Jayden Wiggins 15</i>		<i>Lewis Rustell 24</i>	
<i>Tsakani Chauke 83</i>		<i>Owen Sheriff 32</i>	
		<i>Dave Crouch 42</i>	

Tuesday 13 October

Industrial Boiler's Wessex League Cup Second Round

East Cowes Victoria	2-0	Cowes Sports	388
<i>Josh Neale 5, 68</i>			

Premier Division

Bashley	4-1	Christchurch	248
<i>Joe Freak 33, 56</i>		<i>James Storey 60</i>	

Harry Baker 59

Hayden Wells 87

Bemerton Heath Harlequins

James McSorley 44

Fleetlands

Craig Kingswell 38 pen

Joe Briggs 70

Hamble Club

Nick Yeomans 84

Laverstock & Ford

Rich Cooper 34

1-1 Bournemouth 85

Harry Smith 73

2-2 Millbrook 86

Callum Drake 51

Pip Nolan 90+2

1-1 Fareham Town 178

Connor Duffin 8

1-2 Downton 251

Max Wilcock 37

Ronan Moore 82

Division One

Cove

Harvey Everard 6

Ash Upson 14

Will May 52

Will Okine-Peters 59

Nathan Connolly 86

Luke Perkins 89

Fawley AFC

Dec Hartigan 77 pen

Alex Sawyer 90+5

Folland Sports

Fred Penfold

Clayd Roach

6-1 Alresford Town 82

James Tennant

2-0 Amesbury Town 77

2-6 Romsey Town 65

Brandon Hill 3

Callum Zikmund 38, 64

Jamie Arnold 65

James Martin 90+1, 90+2

Lymington Town

0-0 Newport (IOW) 122

Southampton Senior Cup Second Round

Brockenhurst

Dylan Andrews 4

Ashton Palmier 75

Harry McGrath 88

3-1 Hedge End Rangers 74

Tom Nichols 59

Ringwood Town	3-1	Hythe & Dibden	48
<i>Ollie Brown 7, 87</i>		<i>Sam Woodward 71</i>	
<i>Harrison Clarke 18</i>			

Thursday 15 October

Russell-Cotes Benevolent Cup First Round

Colden Common	2-3	Christchurch	78
<i>Adam Bicknell 51, 90+1 pen</i>		<i>Marcus Smith 37</i>	
		<i>Muhammed Basiru 80</i>	
		<i>Jamie Hosking 86 pen</i>	

Saturday 17 October

Premier Division

Bashley	1-2	Horndean	231
<i>Luke Delaney 3 pen</i>		<i>Angus Mackay 64</i>	
		<i>Brandon Miller 83</i>	
Bournemouth	2-3	Baffins Milton Rovers	73
<i>Harry Smith 52</i>		<i>Flo Vucaj 22</i>	
<i>Connor LeClerq 63</i>		<i>Jack Welch 61</i>	
		<i>Rudi Blankson 74 pen</i>	
Brockenhurst	3-4	Hamble Club	159
<i>Mitchell Speechley-Price 45+6</i>		<i>Ildis Beqiri 3, 45</i>	
<i>Ashton Palmier 83, 85</i>		<i>Ollie Davies 51</i>	
		<i>Nick Yeomans 90+4</i>	
Downton	7-2	Cowes Sports	132
<i>Max Wilcock 17, 45+8</i>		<i>John McKie 45+2 pen, 52</i>	
<i>Ronan Moore 36, 48</i>			
<i>Owen Fee 45+7</i>			
<i>Preston Matthews 80</i>			
<i>Ronan Clancy 82</i>			
Hamworthy Recreation	1-1	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	84
<i>Bailey Rowe 12</i>		<i>Ehtan Trigwell 33</i>	
Petersfield Town	1-2	Fareham Town	241
<i>Iggy Cake 72</i>		<i>Matty Pates 7</i>	
		<i>Connor Duffin 33</i>	
Sherborne Town	0-1	Laverstock & Ford	140
		<i>Archie Lovegrove 14 pen</i>	
Sturminster Newton United	1-1	Andover New Street	227
<i>George Adair-Charlton</i>		<i>Harry Beckley</i>	

Division One

AFC Aldermaston	2-1	Newport (IOW)	35
<i>Jehmiel McNeil 37</i>		<i>Connor Kelly 23</i>	
<i>Pele Hagger 68 pen</i>			
Alresford Town	2-1	Hamworthy United	139
<i>Brett Denham 3</i>		<i>Josh Taylor 90 pen</i>	
<i>James Tennant 48</i>			
Amesbury Town	2-1	Lymington Town	72
<i>Rio Edgar</i>		<i>Ethan Fishlock</i>	
<i>Ben Ashfield</i>			
Blandford United	2-3	Sandhurst Town	385
<i>Reuben Stanley 8</i>		<i>Reece Miller 19 pen</i>	
<i>Jake Kelly 26 pen</i>		<i>Jude New 66</i>	
		<i>Conor Allison 90+6</i>	

Colden Common Adam Bicknell 17 Charles Hewson 41 Sam Middleton 52 Owen Sims 65 Cove Adam Grant 79 OG 89 Frimley Green Aaron Petch [3] Shemar Petter [2] Dan Bone [2] Ben Cartwright Kintbury Rangers Will Stantiford 74	4-4	Hedge End Rangers Henry Bragginton 20 Owen Hurst 39 pen, 76 Will Gange 80	78
Totton & Eling Alfie Roberts 27 Whitchurch United [Not provided by club]	2-0	Romsey Town	135
	8-1	Folland Sports Josh Perry	68
	1-2	Fawley AFC Alfie Male 54 Rich Sesay 76	94
	1-1	New Milton Town Niall Dixon 36	145
	2-4	Ash United Tayo Adekoya 31 Minhaz Chowdhury 53, 77 Tom Weston 65	69

MATCH REPORTS

Whilst it is not mandatory to send in match reports, any budding Fabrizio Romano's, Henry Winter's or Miguel Delaney's are more than welcome to send in their offerings which will be included each week. Midweek reports need to be in by the Friday evening of the relevant week, whilst for Saturday games I must have them before 21:30 to allow time to process for the publication deadline. Thanks in advance.

TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER- INDUSTRIAL BOILER'S WESSEX LEAGUE CUP SECOND ROUND EAST COWES VICTORIA 2-0 COWES SPORTS

Russ Chapman was pitchside, with photo courtesy of the Island Echo



Vics welcomed their neighbours to the JA Dempsey Community stadium for this Industrial Boilers League Cup game, for the first of this season's local Derby's. Both Managers had full squads for the game and with the pitch in perfect condition, the healthy crowd of 388 were anticipating a proper cup tie, and to be fair the teams did not disappoint.

Cowes were first to post a shot on target, George Carter-Knight's effort on 4 minutes saved by George Bridi. A minute later and Vics took the lead, Gabe Walls cross met by Josh NEALE who headed past Edd Hatt in the Cowes goal.

With both teams working hard to not give up any space, chances were few. Charlie Hart's effort on 25 minutes was inches wide. A minute later Jake Wright could have put Vics two up, his effort from 8 yards saved superbly by Hatt. Ollie West was unlucky on 35 minutes from a Harrison Yates long throw. Cowes were always a threat and Ryan Oatley's long range effort was deflected over.

HT 1-0

Vics started the second half well and a Charlie Hart effort on 48 minutes was deflected for a corner, a minute later Jordan Chapmans effort was clawed away by Hatt.

Cowes were unlucky on 53 minutes, Jake Scrimshaw's acrobatic effort looked a goal all the way but George Bridi at full stretch got fingertips to push the ball away.

Josh Neale raced clear on 66 minutes but hit his effort wide. Two minutes later Josh NEALE, clean through again fired home a powerful effort that Hatt was unable to keep out.

Elliot Wheeler was unlucky on 84 minutes, his effort saved.

FT 2-0

TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER- SOUTHAMPTON SENIOR CUP SECOND ROUND BROCKENHURST 3-1 HEDGE END RANGERS

Jon Renyard was pitchside

A few changes for Brock tonight, as expected – important to use the cup games to get minutes into legs. And despite the unaccustomed starting eleven, a fast start for the Badgers, 4 minutes gone and already in front after a fine move sent Harry McGrath down the right, and he set up Dylan ANDREWS to score calmly from about ten yards.

Rangers tried for an instant response, Tom Nichols in space 20 yards out and Valero with a blocking save, but Brock might have doubled their advantage when Dylan Walker intercepted the ball in midfield, made progress and put in a dangerous cross which McGrath headed just wide of the near post. The game then became quite scrappy, Brock seemed unable to keep hold of the ball and had to do a lot of defending – Nichols should probably have equalised but Valero made a fine save with his feet, then midway through the half the visitors put together a lovely move, I lost count of the number of passes but in the end they found space for Joe Courtney to shoot powerfully – tipped over by Valero.

36 minutes, finally some class from the Badgers – superb pass out of defence from Mubiru, Walker in space down the left, Elliot Wells with the header... onto the bar. Five minutes later, another great chance for the Rangers, Jack Moteane heading down inside the box to Ross Lamb who seemed certain to score but scuffed his shot and Valero scrambled across the goalline to grab the ball.

HT 1-0

Not plain sailing for the Badgers, then – in fact, for about an hour in this game they were quite disjointed, with the midfield two often being overrun and with too many careless passes. Even so Brock might have extended their lead on 51 minutes when Wells surged down the left and into the box before the chance was crowded out. But another careless moment, loss of possession in midfield, Owen Hurst sent clear by a Brock pass, another Valero save with his feet, Dan Bradford blocking the shot on the rebound... Hedge End definitely fancied their chances and got their reward on 56 minutes when a deep cross reached the back post and the ball went into the net after some pinball. Hedge End have given it to NICHOLS but it definitely went in off a Badger for an own goal, impossible to tell who from my angle.

The visitors deserved to be level: who would have the quality to go on and win it? The next period of the game was pretty poor, but then Toby Colmer came on for Brock and almost immediately, the Badgers took more of a grip of the match. Their second goal, a quarter of an hour from time, was out of all keeping with what had gone before – a free kick, 22 yards out, sub Ashton PALMIER with almost his first kick, in off the far post, super strike.

Brock were still capable of carelessness and Nathan Rodgers was given the freedom of the penalty area – definitely onside – but he took far too long about getting his shot away and finally cleared the bar from the angle. And then with two minutes to go, Harry McGRATH wrapped things up, beating the keeper to a bouncing ball, lofting it over him and passing the ball into an empty net.

And there was still time for sub Marcus Clark to try his luck from 40 yards, his shot bouncing over the keeper but, alas, also up and over the bar.

FT 3-1

TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER- WESSEX LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

HAMBLE CLUB 1-1 FAREHAM TOWN

Robin Caddy was pitchside

Speaking to various familiar faces before the game at The Abbey on Tuesday night, you would have heard any number of possible score-lines for this match between second and first. The crowd of 178 included a good following from Fareham, as you'd predict, and I'm sure both sets of supporters expected a good result for their team. The Creeksiders got off to a good start when Connor DUFFIN capitalised on some defensive misfortune. Finding himself alone in front of goal, he made no mistake in opening the scoring on 8 minutes. Duffin, along with former Portchester team mate Marley Ridge, looked dangerous all evening, and at times you got the feeling that the visitors could run away with this game. On 30 minutes, Fareham's Matt Pates sort of flicked on a header towards goal which looked interesting for a moment, and minutes later Chase Michel had a decent chance that he couldn't quite convert for Hamble.

HT 0-1

Fareham Town should have doubled their lead 8 minutes in to the second half, when Joe Ryan cut back on to his right foot, when a left footed strike looked a certain goal. Just a few minutes later Fareham do have the ball in the net, but the referee's assistant had his flag up as soon as the ball was played in to the box. Fareham players and fans were far from happy, but the decision was made.

You felt that Fareham should be two or three up at this stage, and the Hamble players seemed to sense they still had a chance - and they upped the pressure. They needed a moment of quality to break through though, and it came courtesy of Ramon-Anton Barrow on 84 minutes. He received the ball well, and absolutely skinned the defender marking him. His driving run ended with a really clever choice of delivery to set up Nick YEOMANS to slot it home with aplomb from around six yards out.

Four minutes in to added time and The Monks nearly steal all three points. They take the ball to goal line and cut it back in, the header is on target but somehow Dec McCarthy makes an incredible reflex save to maintain a share of the points for his side. A save as good as any you'll see this season.

FT 1-1

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER WESSEX LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

BLANDFORD UNITED 2-3 SANDHURST TOWN

Luke Coakes was pitchside

We returned this weekend to Park Road as we welcomed Sandhurst Town on the back of an excellent 3-1 away win at Fawley AFC last weekend!...

The game started quick and on the 8th minute a throw from Jimmy Fry bounced around in the box and Reuben STANLEY pounced on it and put it in on the turn first time! (1-0)

On the 19th minute it was 1-1 as Reece MILLER put in a penalty for the equaliser. On the 26th minute a weak penalty is given and Jake KELLY sends Barrat the wrong way from the spot to restore the Royals' lead.

HT 2-1

In the 66th minute Jude NEW equalised for Sandhurst after we fail to defend the through ball which he finished well!

Sandhurst scored a 96th minute winner after we fail to clear the ball, Owen SIMS the scorer.

FT 2-3

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER WESSEX LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

KINTBURY RANGERS 1-2 FAWLEY AFC

Robin Caddy was pitchside

It was a day filled with autumn colours as I made my way up the A34 and A4 to the Recreation Ground for Kintbury Rangers v Fawley AFC this afternoon. 19th v 5th in the league, and perhaps an expectation that the home side may struggle, but that didn't really turn out to be the case. Kintbury may be in the far geographical reaches of the Wessex League, but it's a charming ground and a very welcoming club. The attendance of 94 was the fifth highest in the division today.

The first half was not filled with goal-mouth action, and you felt that Kintbury had the better of the play while Fawley had the better of what chances there were.

HT 0-0

Charlie McCready, in goal for the hosts, seemed to be on course for man of the match with some decent saves and the way he marshalled his team from the back. As often happens, as soon as I opined with certainty that this game would be goalless, Fawley went and scored. Richie Sesay, from left back dispossessed Isaiah Williams just inside Kintbury's half, went on a decent run with the ball before feeding it wide to Dylan Male who played it in for Alfie MALE to score on 54 minutes- his first for the Oilers. A really well worked goal to get things going.

Six minutes later sub Alex Sawyer pops the ball in, eventually, at the back post for the Oilers, only for the goal to be disallowed for an offside. Kintbury reply with a deep free kick, which Owen Jenner so nearly heads in at the far post. Then Kai Stubbs is sin-binned for the hosts on 69 minutes. Fawley respond immediately with a great attack, which draws an even better save from McCready and moments later it's Kintbury who have the ball in the net for 1-1, the goal coming from Will STANTIFORD.

Incredibly, two minutes later, on 76 minutes, it's SESAY involved again for Fawley's winner. The Kintbury defence seems to stop for a foul that isn't given, and Sesay makes no mistake in scoring and claiming all three points for the visitors. Another day and McCready would have been man of the match, but with that great run for the first and scoring the winner Rich Sesay must surely be taking that accolade today.

FT 1-2

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER WESSEX LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION HAMWORTHY RECREATION 1-1 BEMERTON HEATH HARLEQUINS

John Hutchings was pitchside

A frustrating afternoon for Rec, as they were held to a draw by lowly Bemerton. Earlier in the season Rec had won 4-2 at Bemerton and after taking an early lead in this one, hopes were high for a "double". But it was not to be, as Rec seemed to switch off and allow the Harlequins into the game, equalising before the break and it was the visitors who had chances to claim all three points in the second half, especially near the end, when Rec keeper, Shane Murphy, saved his side with a vital stop.

After a bright start, Rec took the lead on 12 minutes. Chris Long darted down the left and crossed, for Ollie Davies to play in Bailey ROWE for his twelfth goal of the season, from close-range.

Instead of inspiring Rec, they eased off and Bemerton came back into the game, winning a succession of free-kicks, in a match littered with fouls. It was no surprise when the visitors drew level, on 33. Ethan TRIGWELL was teed up, wide in the area and drilled a low shot across Murphy and into the far corner. They then had a great chance to go in front, when Mosiakin broke from the halfway line, only for him to roll his shot wide.

For Rec, Bailey Rowe was denied by a timely tackle, in the box, before Bemerton went close with a free-kick, across the face of goal.

HT 1-1

The visitors started the second half brightly, with Sheath's snap-shot going just wide, before Hanley's free-kick was scrambled clear by the home defence.

Rec were struggling to create chances. Harvey Doe's header was cleared and Taylor Broadley's shot easily saved by Gunstone-Grey, in the Bemerton goal. In fact, it was the visitors having the better chances, with Trigwell and Kapend going close.

Rec rallied in the final stages, with Davies' free-kick saved by Gunstone-Grey and Bailey Rowe's shot blocked, but the best chance of a winner fell to Bemerton's Trigwell, who was clean through, only to be denied by a great block by Murphy.

FT 1-1

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER WESSEX LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION BROCKNHURST 3-4 HAMBLE CLUB

Jon Renyard was pitchside

Where to start with this rollercoaster of a game? The start, presumably: third minute, a deep high cross for Hamble, it looked harmless but Valero lost the ball in the sun and, as it landed, Ildis BEQIRI cleverly stuck out his leg and deflected it in to give the visitors the lead. Beqiri has apparently played at a higher level and it showed – strong and skilful, he looked too good for this level: on 19 he simply put on the afterburners, raced between the two central defenders and in on goal – excellent save by Valero... another Monks attack, intercepted by Henry Mubiru who ran most of the length of the field, evading or skipping over tackles before

putting in an excellent cross: McGrath's shot well over the bar. And almost immediately, Brock lost the ball in midfield, Beqiri thought quickest and shot, excellent save from Valero who can't have been set. It was all a bit chaotic but there was then a lengthy delay on about 27 minutes when Leo Taylor was caught by Walker. Taylor eventually had to leave the field on a stretcher, something you never want to see. Wish him a speedy recovery.

When we finally got back under way, another fierce shot from Beqiri, another great save from Valero... up the other end, a clever disguised pass from Makhloufi, McGrath in on goal, good save with his legs from Harvey Doe. But then, marginally into overtime, BEQIRI picked the ball up about 35 yards out and barrelled his way past three defenders before unleashing a ferocious shot into the far corner for 2-0. Harsh on the Badgers, but heads didn't drop: first McGrath turned well on the edge of the box but pulled his shot just wide of the near post, and then 6 minutes into injury time, Makhloufi made space and tried a shot which was blocked but rebounded to SPEECHLEY-PRICE who capped his long-awaited return for Brock with a fine finish.

HT 1-2

Half-time assessment was that there were more goals in the game, but which way they would go... almost an immediate third for the Monks, Oli Davies shooting within the first minute and drawing a sharp save. And then surely the decisive moment: Hamble breaking, Beqiri and Walker tussling on halfway and each having a hold of the other, but Beqiri was cleverer, he held lower and the ref didn't see that, and if he only saw the Walker foul then it was a clear second yellow and marching orders. 50 minutes, down to ten, and five minutes later it got a whole lot worse when DAVIES, out on the left, seemed to overhit his cross and instead lofted it over Valero and into the top corner from about 28 yards. Stunning goal although he surely didn't mean it (and he didn't celebrate like he did!). Tough for the Badgers – they weren't getting much from the ref, who was a last-minute replacement after the nominated referee got held up in a major traffic incident. Safe to say, neither side was terribly impressed with him...

A fine save from Valero from Davies... Brock refused to lie down, Dylan Andrews with a cross-shot which missed everyone and whistled past the far post. Then McGrath holding the ball up excellently, sliding through Palmier in on goal... which he cleared by about 30 yards, ball still rising, eta Mars sometime soon. Andrews again, racing forward and taking advantage of confusion between Doe and Jack Francis to skip past them but Francis recovered with a strong tackle.

15 to go, another challenge (possibly a foul, it was on the far side and I couldn't tell) – and the ref excelled himself by contriving to book Dylan Andrews, who had been nowhere near the incident, before finally "unbooking" him and correctly identifying Rian Drake. However: this was the final straw for the Brock fans. It's rare for the home crowd at the Meadens to get on a referee's back, but now Brock were now incensed. And the team used it to fire themselves forward – 83 minutes, a long throw only half-cleared, Ashton PALMIER with a superb looping header which cleared everyone and went in at the back post.

Half a sniff, then – 5 to go, McGrath fouled, PALMIER free kick from 20 yards – bang, top bins, 3-3. Bedlam in the stands.

The Monks looked seriously rattled and – and yet they contrived to find the winner on the break. It hadn't been at all obvious that Brock were a man down, but now and then they were exposed on the break Valero had made a couple of fine saves, and this time he made another miraculous stop but Nick YEOMANS arrived at the back post and was able to scramble the ball over the line with 7 seconds remaining. Plus... 12 minutes of stoppage time. Twelve. Had his watch stopped?

Brock pushed for another equaliser, might have had one when Doe lost the ball but the goalmouth scramble saw the ball bounce away... Yeomans placed a glancing header wide for Hamble... one last chance for Brock with a free kick, defender surely not ten yards – kick hit his arm, free kick now 9 yards closer... another scramble but no purchase on the final header and that was match done.

FT 3-4

**SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER WESSEX LEAGUE DIVISION ONE
TOTTON & ELING 1-12 NEW MILTON TOWN**

Roger Ware was pitchside, Matt Parfett with the picture



The table-top Brickies suffered an afternoon of pure frustration at Miller Park where they unexpectedly dropped two points to the rock-bottom team. A nondescript first half ended all-square after New Milton failed to find their fluid best on a bobbly pitch in a swirling wind. Jamie Kay's team turned up the throttle after the interval and three times in an amazing 10-minute spell the home side were saved by the woodwork. But T&E rode their luck, packed in a five and six man defence, and successfully held on for an unlikely point.

It was clear from the start that the young T&E side was determined not to just roll over in the presence of the high-flying league leaders. The Brickies had the better of early possession, but were seldom allowed a sight of goal. First chance of the afternoon fell to Niall Dixon when New Milton's first corner was deflected out to him, but he lifted his effort just too high.

With skipper Jack Broad among the subs on the day, Elliott Pearce-Eavis had the armband and set about marking that with a goal. However, after underlining his usual prowess at roaring up from right back to bolster the attack, his 11th minute effort cutting in from the right, fizzed just wide.

The game drifted into an end-to-end lull, with no serious goalmouth action at either end - until the 27th minute when T&E took a surprise lead. A headed back-pass from Pearce-Eavis fell short and Alfie ROBERTS nipped between defender and keeper Lloyd Thomas for a poacher's goal.

That shook the Brickies into action, and almost immediately Niall Dixon's pot-shot from 20 yards forced a terrific diving save from home keeper Jamie Bristow. Dixon was not to be denied for long, however, and it turned out to be third time lucky for him. Jake Carswell's looping cross into the box set up the chance and DIXON did the rest with a sweet volley.

HT 1-1

The Brickies had been behind for only nine minutes, but their failure to take a proper grip on the game in the first 45 was frustrating for them. So not surprisingly, they started the second half determined to raise the pace and peppered the home goal with a series of attacks, any of which could have put them ahead. Elliott Pearce-Eavis set up Callum McHale, who toe-ended it just wide.

Then three times in quick succession, T&E were saved by the woodwork. Louis Whetton worked an opening just inside the box and his effort beat the keeper, but not the frame of the goal. There was more frustration moments later when Niall Dixon cracked one in from the edge of the box, only to see it rebound out off the post.

Unbelievably there was then a third moment of despair when Callum McHale did brilliantly to create his shooting chance, only for the ball to come out off the crossbar. After that it was one-way traffic to the home goalmouth, but some heroic defending in depth saw the young T&E team walk away with an unlikely point - only their fourth of the season.

FT 1-1

The only good news for the Brickies is that they remain top of the table because second-placed Ringwood did not have a game. It means New Milton now have a one-point advantage with two games in hand.

FIXTURES 2026/27

A general reminder that fixtures are subject to alteration and or cancellation at short notice.

Tuesday 20 October

Hampshire Servio Senior Cup First Round

Folland Sports v Army FA

Russell-Cotes Benevolent Cup First Round

Cowes Sports v Ringwood Town

Lymington Town v AFC Portchester

Premier Division

Andover New Street v Hamworthy Recreation

Baffins Milton Rovers v Fleetlands

Brockenhurst v Bemerton Heath Harlequins

Downton v Bashley

Horndean v Hamble Club

Millbrook v Petersfield Town

Division One

Newport (IOW) v Totton & Eling

Southern Combination Challenge Cup Second Round

Sheerwater v Cove

Wednesday 21 October

Russell-Cotes Benevolent Cup First Round

Hedge End Rangers v AFC Stoneham

Premier Division

Sherborne Town v Bournemouth Poppies

Division One

AFC Aldermaston v Whitchurch United

Saturday 24 October

Premier Division

Andover New Street v Baffins Milton Rovers

Bemerton Heath Harlequins v Petersfield Town

Cowes Sports v Sherborne Town

East Cowes Victoria v Christchurch

Fareham Town v Sturminster Newton United

Fleetlands v Bournemouth Poppies

Hamble Club v Bashley

Hamworthy Recreation v Horndean

Hythe & Dibden v Millbrook

Laverstock & Ford v Brockenhurst

Division One

Ash United v Amesbury Town

Blandford United v AFC Aldermaston

Hamworthy United v Colden Common

Hedge End Rangers v Totton & Eling

Kintbury Rangers v Cove

Lymington Town v Whitchurch United

New Milton Town v Folland Sports

Ringwood Town v Fawley AFC

Romsey Town v Frimley Green

Sandhurst Town v Alresford Town

Tuesday 27 October

Wiltshire Premier Shield First Round

Devizes Town v Downton

Highworth Town v Laverstock & Ford

Swindon Supermarine v Bemerton Heath Harlequins

Russell-Cotes Benevolent Cup First Round

Fawley AFC v Bashley

Totton & Eling v Crofton Saints

Industrial Boiler's Wessex League Cup Second Round

Andover New Street v Brockenhurst

Fareham Town v Cove

Millbrook v Horndean

Petersfield Town v AFC Aldermaston

Premier Division

Christchurch v Hythe & Dibden

Cowes Sports v Fleetlands

Hamble Club v East Cowes Victoria

Division One

Folland Sports v Ringwood Town

Wednesday 28 October

Hampshire Servio Senior Cup Second Round

Baffins Milton Rovers v AFC Bournemouth

Thursday 29 October

Division One

Colden Common v Ash United

Saturday 31 October

FA Vase Second Round

Amesbury Town v Highworth Town

Andover New Street v Mangotsfield United

Cove v Lancing

Cowes Sports v Buckland Athletic

Downton v New Milton Town

Elburton Villa v Sturminster Newton United

Hallen v Hythe & Dibden

Tunbridge Wells v Ash United

Premier Division

Baffins Milton Rovers v Hamworthy Recreation

East Cowes Victoria v Bashley

Fareham Town v Bournemouth Poppies

Fleetlands v Brockenhurst

Horndean v Laverstock & Ford

Petersfield Town v Christchurch

Sherborne Town v Millbrook

Division One

AFC Aldermaston v Hedge End Rangers

Colden Common v Newport (IOW)

Fawley AFC v Alresford Town

Folland Sports v Kintbury Rangers

Ringwood Town v Sandhurst Town

Whitchurch United v Hamworthy United

Tuesday 3 November

Premier Division

Bashley v Cowes Sports

Brockenhurst v Fareham Town

Hythe & Dibden v Petersfield Town

Laverstock & Ford v Hamworthy Recreation

Division One

Romsey Town v Hamworthy United

Sandhurst Town v AFC Aldermaston

Southampton Senior Cup Second Round

Fawley AFC v Fordingbridge Turks

Sholing v Totton & Eling

North Hants Senior Cup First Round

Andover New Street v Hook

Wednesday 4 November

Division One

Whitchurch United v Cove

Saturday 7 November**Premier Division**

Bashley v Sherborne Town

Bemerton Heath Harlequins v East Cowes Victoria

Christchurch v Fareham Town

Cowes Sports v Sturminster Newton United

Downton v Hamble Club

Hamworthy Recreation v Fleetlands

Horndean v Brockenhurst

Hythe & Dibden v Andover New Street

Laverstock & Ford v Baffins Milton Rovers

Petersfield Town v Bournemouth Poppies

Division One

AFC Aldermaston v Colden Common

Alresford Town v Amesbury Town

Blandford United v Ash United

Cove v Folland Sports

Hamworthy United v Frimley Green

Hedge End Rangers v Fawley AFC

Lymington Town v Sandhurst Town

New Milton Town v Romsey Town

Newport (IOW) v Ringwood Town

Totton & Eling v Kintbury Rangers

Tuesday 10 November**Berks and Bucks Senior Cup Third Round**

Binfield v Sandhurst Town

Dorset Senior Cup First Round

Hamworthy United v Portland United

Swanage Town & Herston v Blandford United

Hampshire Servio Senior Cup Third Round

Bashley v Fareham Town

Ringwood Town v AFC Stoneham

Premier Division

Andover New Street v Millbrook

Brockenhurst v Bournemouth Poppies

Christchurch v Bemerton Heath Harlequins

East Cowes Victoria v Baffins Milton Rovers

Sturminster Newton United v Laverstock & Ford

Division One

Kintbury Rangers v Hedge End Rangers

Wednesday 11 November**Dorset Senior Cup First Round**

Sherborne Town v Bridport

Saturday 14 November**Premier Division**

Baffins Milton Rovers v Brockenhurst

Bemerton Heath Harlequins v Bashley

Bournemouth Poppies v Andover New Street

Fareham Town v Hamworthy Recreation

Hamble Club v Christchurch

Horndean v Sturminster Newton United

Hythe & Dibden v Cowes Sports

Laverstock & Ford v Petersfield Town

Millbrook v Downton

Sherborne Town v East Cowes Victoria

Division One

Amesbury Town v Frimley Green

Ash United v Kintbury Rangers

Blandford United v Cove

Colden Common v New Milton Town

Fawley AFC v AFC Aldermaston

Hedge End Rangers v Hamworthy United

Lymington Town v Totton & Eling

Newport (IOW) v Folland Sports

Ringwood Town v Alresford Town

Romsey Town v Whitchurch United

Tuesday 17 November**Hampshire Servio Senior Cup Third Round**

Winchester City v Andover New Street

Russell-Cotes Benevolent Cup First Round

Baffins Milton Rovers v Hythe & Dibden

Premier Division

Bashley v Laverstock & Ford

Cowes Sports v Millbrook

Downton v Fleetlands

Hamworthy Recreation v Sturminster Newton United

Division One

Cove v AFC Aldermaston

Hamworthy United v Amesbury Town

Totton & Eling v Fawley AFC

Thursday 19 November**Division One**

Colden Common v Ash United

Saturday 21 November**Premier Division**

Andover New Street v Cowes Sports

Bashley v Hythe & Dibden

Brockenhurst v Downton

Christchurch v Millbrook

East Cowes Victoria v Fareham Town

Fleetlands v Sherborne Town

Hamble Club v Laverstock & Ford

Hamworthy Recreation v Bournemouth Poppies

Horndean v Bemerton Heath Harlequins

Sturminster Newton United v Baffins Milton Rovers

Division One

AFC Aldermaston v Hamworthy United

Alresford Town v Totton & Eling

Amesbury Town v Cove

Ash United v Lymington Town

Fawley AFC v Colden Common

Frimley Green v Newport (IOW)

Kintbury Rangers v Blandford United

New Milton Town v Hedge End Rangers

Ringwood Town v Whitchurch United

Sandhurst Town v Romsey Town

Tuesday 24 November**Premier Division**

Christchurch v Fleetlands

Millbrook v Brockenhurst

Petersfield Town v Andover New Street

Sturminster Newton United v Bashley

Division One

Blandford United v New Milton Town

Wednesday 25 November**Division One**

Hedge End Rangers v Frimley Green

Saturday 28 November

FA Vase Third Round

Premier Division

Andover New Street v Hamble Club

Baffins Milton Rovers v Christchurch

Bashley v Hamworthy Recreation

Bemerton Heath Harlequins v Brockenhurst

Cowes Sports v Petersfield Town

Downton v East Cowes Victoria

Fleetlands v Horndean

Hythe & Dibden v Bournemouth Poppies

Laverstock & Ford v Millbrook

Sherborne Town v Fareham Town

Division One

AFC Aldermaston v New Milton Town

Ash United v Fawley AFC

Colden Common v Sandhurst Town

Cove v Lymington Town

Frimley Green v Ringwood Town

Hamworthy United v Alresford Town

Hedge End Rangers v Romsey Town

Newport (IOW) v Blandford United

Totton & Eling v Amesbury Town

Whitchurch United v Folland Sports

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

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In this section, an [] in any league table means point adjustments have been made.*

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE – SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

RESULTS

Tuesday 13 October

Egham Town 6-2 Binfield

Hayes & Yeading United 3-0 Westfield

Moneyfields 2-1 Ascot United

Raynes Park Vale 2-0 Bedfont Sports

Windsor & Eton 3-3 Jersey Bulls

Wednesday 14 October

Kingstonian 5-2 Hartley Wintney

Saturday 17 October

AFC Stoneham 0-1 Moneyfields

Ashford Town (Middlesex) 7-0 Ascot United

Binfield 6-1 Littlehampton Town

Egham Town 4-2 AFC Portchester

Harrow Borough 0-0 Bedfont Sports

Hartley Wintney 1-0 Windsor & Eton

Hayes & Yeading United 3-2 Kingstonian

Hendon 2-4 Winchester City

Jersey Bulls 5-1 Raynes Park Vale

TABLE

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	PPG
1	Bognor Regis Town	11	9	2	0	27	10	17	29	2.636
2	Jersey Bulls	11	7	4	0	26	13	13	25	2.273
3	Winchester City	12	6	3	3	29	18	11	21	1.750
4	Moneyfields	12	6	3	3	20	13	7	21	1.750
5	Raynes Park Vale	12	7	0	5	20	23	-3	21	1.750
6	Ashford Town (Middlesex)	11	6	2	3	27	15	12	20	1.818
7	Egham Town	11	6	1	4	25	22	3	19	1.727
8	Westfield	10	5	3	2	18	12	6	18	1.800
9	AFC Portchester	10	4	4	2	11	8	3	16	1.600
10	Hendon	9	4	3	2	23	16	7	15	1.667
11	Kingstonian	11	4	3	4	28	26	2	15	1.364
12	Hartley Wintney	11	4	2	5	21	24	-3	14	1.273
13	Southall	8	3	4	1	18	13	5	13	1.625
14	Bedfont Sports	13	3	4	6	15	23	-8	13	1.000
15	Hayes & Yeading United	8	3	3	2	14	12	2	12	1.500
16	Windsor & Eton	10	3	3	4	18	19	-1	12	1.200
17	Harrow Borough	12	2	4	6	16	20	-4	10	0.833
18	Cobham	10	3	0	7	10	20	-10	9	0.900
19	Ascot United	12	2	2	8	17	34	-17	8	0.667
20	Littlehampton Town	12	1	3	8	15	33	-18	6	0.500
21	AFC Stoneham	9	1	2	6	8	18	-10	5	0.556
22	Binfield	11	1	1	9	15	29	-14	4	0.364

FIXTURES

Sunday 18 October

Southall v Bognor Regis Town

Tuesday 20 October

AFC Stoneham v Winchester City

Cobham v Windsor & Eton

Egham Town v Hartley Wintney

Jersey Bulls v Moneyfields

Raynes Park Vale v Hendon

Westfield v Littlehampton Town

Saturday 24 October

AFC Portchester v Bedfont Sports

Ascot United v Bognor Regis Town

Ashford Town (Middlesex) v Raynes Park Vale

Harrow Borough v AFC Stoneham

Hartley Wintney v Southall

Hayes & Yeading United v Binfield

Hendon v Jersey Bulls

Littlehampton Town v Kingstonian

Moneyfields v Westfield

Winchester City v Cobham

SOUTHERN LEAGUE – DIVISION ONE SOUTH

RESULTS

Tuesday 13 October

Dorchester Town 3-0 Melksham Town

Falmouth Town 2-1 Tiverton Town

Hungerford Town 3-0 Bishops Cleeve

Portland United 3-2 Exmouth Town

Shaftesbury 5-4 Slimbridge AFC

Sporting Club Inkberrow 0-2 Hartpury FC

Weymouth 1-0 Westbury United

Worcester Raiders 0-0 Bristol Manor Farm

Wednesday 14 October

Larkhall Athletic 1-2 Swindon Supermarine

Willand Rovers 0-2 Barnstaple Town

Saturday 17 October

Barnstaple Town 0-3 Weymouth

Bishops Cleeve 2-3 Bideford

Bristol Manor Farm 0-2 Shaftesbury

Exmouth Town 1-1 Hartpury FC

Melksham Town 0-2 Larkhall Athletic

Paulton Rovers 0-0 Worcester Raiders

Slimbridge AFC 3-3 Willand Rovers

Sporting Club Inkberrow 1-3 Dorchester Town

Swindon Supermarine 1-1 Falmouth Town

Tiverton Town 1-4 Portland United

Westbury United 1-0 Hungerford Town

TABLE

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	PPG
1	Dorchester Town	11	10	0	1	25	12	13	30	2.727
2	Weymouth FC	10	9	1	0	26	7	19	28	2.800
3	Swindon Supermarine	12	9	1	2	24	11	13	28	2.333
4	Hungerford Town	11	6	2	3	16	8	8	20	1.818
5	Westbury United	12	6	2	4	17	15	2	20	1.667
6	Bishops Cleeve	11	6	1	4	21	11	10	19	1.727
7	Falmouth Town	12	5	3	4	18	17	1	18	1.500
8	Worcester Raiders	13	4	6	3	15	15	0	18	1.385
9	Portland United	11	5	2	4	20	17	3	17	1.545
10	Sporting Club Inkberrow	11	5	2	4	19	16	3	17	1.545
11	Shaftesbury	13	5	1	7	24	25	-1	16	1.231
12	Hartpury FC	12	4	3	5	16	18	-2	15	1.250
13	Exmouth Town	10	4	2	4	15	18	-3	14	1.400
14	Willand Rovers	10	3	3	4	17	17	0	12	1.200
15	Tiverton Town	11	3	3	5	17	18	-1	12	1.091
16	Paulton Rovers	10	2	5	3	10	14	-4	11	1.100
17	Bideford AFC	12	2	5	5	16	25	-9	11	0.917
18	Barnstaple Town	13	3	1	9	16	22	-6	10	0.769
19	Larkhall Athletic	12	3	1	8	15	22	-7	10	0.833
20	Bristol Manor Farm	12	1	6	5	8	18	-10	9	0.750
21	Slimbridge AFC	10	2	1	7	12	26	-14	7	0.700
22	Melksham Town	11	1	3	7	5	20	-15	6	0.545

FIXTURES

Monday 19 October

Swindon Supermarine v Worcester Raiders

Tuesday 20 October

Barnstaple Town v Dorchester Town

Bishops Cleeve v Willand Rovers

Bristol Manor Farm v Weymouth

Melksham Town v Portland United

Sporting Club Inkberrow v Larkhall Athletic

Tiverton Town v Bideford

Westbury United v Hartpury FC

Wednesday 21 October

Paulton Rovers v Falmouth Town

Slimbridge AFC v Hungerford Town

Saturday 24 October

Bideford v Bristol Manor Farm

Dorchester Town v Slimbridge AFC

Falmouth Town v Sporting Club Inkberrow

Hartpury FC v Swindon Supermarine

Hungerford Town v Exmouth Town.

Larkhall Athletic v Tiverton Town

Portland United v Bishops Cleeve

Shaftesbury v Westbury United

Willand Rovers v Melksham Town

Worcester Raiders v Barnstaple Town

STEPPING UP?

We understand that the Football Association have now opened applications for clubs to apply for promotion to Step 6 (the equivalent of our Division One) for the 2027/28 season.

The relevant documentation and link to the application form for Clubs to complete who wish to be considered for promotion to Step 6 of the National League System from Regional NLS Feeder Leagues for next season has been made available.

The closing date is strictly Thursday 31 December 2026.

All applications must be via the online form, and the promotion application fee must be paid directly to The Football Association by BACS and instructions on how to do this have been issued.

Inspections are to be arranged by the Football Foundation Stadium Accreditation team and observers from proposed Step 6 Leagues are welcomed.

DORSET PREMIER LEAGUE

RESULTS

Tuesday 13 October

Verwood Town 0-3 Bournemouth Sports

Wednesday 14 October

Hamworthy Recreation Reserves 1-2 Holt United

Sherborne Town Reserves 4-2 Balti Sports

Saturday 17 October

Bournemouth Sports 2-2 Westland Sports

Cobham Sports 5-0 Sherborne Town Reserves

Dorchester Sports 3-1 Bournemouth Electric

Gillingham Town 1-4 Balti Sports

Hamworthy United Reserves 2-1 Hamworthy Recreation Reserves

Holt United 2-1 Wareham Rangers

Portland United Reserves 1-3 Swanage Town & Herston

Verwood Town 0-3 Wimborne Town Reserves

TABLE

POS	DORSET PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	PPG
1	Dorchester Sports	12	9	2	1	36	18	18	29	2.417
2	Swanage Town & Herston	12	9	1	2	36	19	17	28	2.333
3	Holt United	13	9	1	3	31	14	17	28	2.154
4	Cobham Sports	11	8	2	1	35	10	25	26	2.364
5	Balti Sports	11	7	1	3	40	23	17	22	2.000
6	Bournemouth Electric	12	6	4	2	29	13	16	22	1.833
7	Westland Sports	9	4	4	1	24	14	10	16	1.778
8	Bournemouth Sports	11	4	3	4	28	24	4	15	1.364
9	Wimborne Town Reserves	11	5	0	6	26	25	1	15	1.364
10	Hamworthy United Reserves	12	4	2	6	29	39	-10	14	1.167
11	Sherborne Town Reserves	12	4	2	6	25	42	-17	14	1.167
12	Gillingham Town	12	4	1	7	23	34	-11	13	1.083
13	Portland United Reserves	12	3	2	7	19	28	-9	11	0.917
14	Wareham Rangers	12	3	1	8	17	29	-12	10	0.833
15	Mere Town	11	2	3	6	16	31	-15	9	0.818
16	Verwood Town [*]	13	2	3	8	17	35	-18	8	0.615
17	Hamworthy Recreation Reserves	14	1	0	13	15	48	-33	3	0.214

FIXTURES

Wednesday 21 October

Dorchester Sports v Westland Sports

Hamworthy Recreation Reserves v Wimborne Town Reserves

Saturday 24 October

Balti Sports v Hamworthy United Reserves

Bournemouth Sports v Portland United Reserves

Cobham Sports v Westland Sports

Gillingham Town v Holt United

Mere Town v Swanage Town & Herston

Sherborne Town Reserves v Hamworthy Recreation Reserves

Wareham Rangers v Verwood Town

Wimborne Town Reserves v Dorchester Sports

HAMPSHIRE PREMIER LEAGUE

RESULTS

Tuesday 13 October

Locks Heath 2-0 Liss Athletic

Saturday 17 October

Bishops Waltham Dynamos 4-1 Overton United

Denmead 0-5 Blackfield & Langley

Liss Athletic 6-0 Broughton

uhlsport Hampshire Premier League Cup Third Round

Andover Town 0-0 Locks Heath [3-4 on penalties]

Meon Milton 1-3 Crofton Saints

Moneyfields Reserves 2-3 Hook

Southsea Sports 3-2 Headley United

Whitehill & Bordon 6-1 Nursling & Shirley

Whiteley Wanderers 2-3 AFC Shirley

George Mason Memorial Shield First Round

Liphook United 0-0 United Services Portsmouth [4-3 on penalties]

TABLE

POS	HAMPSHIRE PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	PPG
1	Moneyfields Reserves	11	8	3	0	29	11	18	27	2.455
2	Hook	11	7	3	1	39	22	17	24	2.182
3	Bishops Waltham Dynamos	11	7	1	3	37	22	15	22	2.000
4	AFC Shirley	8	7	0	1	28	7	21	21	2.625
5	Blackfield & Langley	12	6	3	3	27	20	7	21	1.750
6	Whitehill & Bordon	10	6	2	2	16	15	1	20	2.000
7	AFC Netley	10	6	1	3	17	11	6	19	1.900
8	Southsea Sports	10	6	1	3	17	12	5	19	1.900
9	Locks Heath	9	4	1	4	24	11	13	13	1.444
10	Liss Athletic	10	4	1	5	23	15	8	13	1.300
11	Overton United	12	4	1	7	20	20	0	13	1.083
12	Liphook United	11	4	0	7	13	27	-14	12	1.091
13	Meon Milton	10	3	1	6	17	23	-6	10	1.000
14	US Portsmouth	12	3	1	8	17	28	-11	10	0.833
15	Crofton Saints	9	3	0	6	10	15	-5	9	1.000
16	Broughton	12	2	0	10	12	39	-27	6	0.500
17	Denmead	12	0	1	11	8	56	-48	1	0.083

FIXTURES

Saturday 24 October

AFC Shirley v Meon Milton

Blackfield & Langley v AFC Netley

Broughton v Crofton Saints

Denmead v US Portsmouth

Hook v Southsea Sports

Liss Athletic v Bishops Waltham Dynamos

Locks Heath v Whitehill & Bordon

Overton United v Moneyfields Reserves

WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGUE

RESULTS

Saturday 17 October

Bemerton Heath Harlequins Reserves 1-3 Hungerford Town Development

Fairford Town Reserves 0-2 Melksham Town Reserves

Larkhall Athletic Development 2-1 Faringdon Town

Purton Kingsdown 2-0 Bradford Town Reserves

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development 5-0 Bishops Cannings

Shrewton United 8-0 Wroughton

Shrivenham 2-0 Park United

Trowbridge Town 1-4 Devizes Town Reserves

TABLE

POS	WILTSHIRE SENIOR	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	PPG
1	Shrivenham	12	10	1	1	50	10	40	31	2.583
2	Melksham Town Reserves	13	10	0	3	34	16	18	30	2.308
3	Larkhall Athletic Development	10	7	2	1	27	12	15	23	2.300
4	Hungerford Town Development	13	7	2	4	42	29	13	23	1.769
5	Shrewton United	13	7	1	5	48	19	29	22	1.692
6	Faringdon Town	11	7	1	3	39	18	21	22	2.000
7	Bishops Cannings	14	7	1	6	37	42	-5	22	1.571
8	Pewsey Vale	14	7	0	7	25	34	-9	21	1.500
9	Trowbridge Town	10	5	2	3	21	19	2	17	1.700
10	Purton Kingsdown	11	5	2	4	21	21	0	17	1.545
11	Down Ampney	13	5	1	7	24	39	-15	16	1.231
12	Devizes Town Reserves	12	4	3	5	26	27	-1	15	1.250
13	Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development	13	4	3	6	21	26	-5	15	1.154
14	Fairford Town Reserves	13	4	2	7	19	30	-11	14	1.077
15	Park United	13	3	3	7	19	25	-6	12	0.923
16	Bemerton Heath Harlequins Reserves	10	3	1	6	20	19	1	10	1.000
17	Wroughton	12	1	0	11	5	58	-53	3	0.250
18	Bradford Town Reserves	11	0	1	10	10	44	-34	1	0.091

FIXTURES

Friday 23 October

Fountain Trophies Senior Cup Second Round

Park United v Larkhall Athletic Development

Saturday 24 October

Bradford Town Reserves v Devizes Town Reserves

Down Ampney v Hungerford Town Development

Fountain Trophies Senior Cup Second Round

Bishops Cannings v Highworth Town Reserves

Melksham Town Reserves v Marlborough Town

Purton Kingsdown v Royal Wootton Bassett Town Development

Purton Kingsdown Reserves v Fairford Town Reserves

Wantage Town Reserves v Trowbridge Town

Wroughton v Faringdon Town

HAMPSHIRE COMBINATION & DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

RESULTS

Sunday 11 October

Under 18 Premier Division

Wimborne Town 5-3 Holt United

Monday 12 October

Hampshire Combination Under 23 Cup Second Round

Poole Town 2-1 Fleetlands

Tuesday 13 October

Under 23 East Division

Romsey Town 1-1 Folland Sports

Wednesday 14 October

Hampshire Combination Under 23 Cup First Round

Baffins Milton Rovers 3-3 Winchester City (4-5 on penalties)

Hampshire Combination Under 23 Cup Second Round

Hayling United 2-0 United Services Portsmouth

Under 23 West Division

Downton 5-1 Bashley

New Milton Town 3-3 Fawley

Thursday 15 October

Under 23 East Division

Andover Town 3-0 Whiteley Wanderers

Saturday 17 October

Premier Division

Clanfield 2-3 AFC Stoneham

Hythe & Dibden 3-4 Downton

Meon Milton 0-3 Pagham

Division One

Fawley AFC 0-2 Bishops Waltham Dynamos A

Hedge End Rangers 0-0 Clanfield Development

North Hants Intermediate Cup First Round

Twentyten 0-7 Laverstock & Ford

TABLES

POS	PREMIER DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Downton	4	4	0	0	15	5	10	12
2	Pagham	4	3	0	1	15	3	12	9
3	AFC Stoneham	3	2	1	0	10	3	7	7
4	Laverstock & Ford	3	1	2	0	12	7	5	5
5	Petersfield Town	3	1	1	1	4	4	0	4
6	Hythe & Dibden	5	1	1	3	9	19	-10	4
7	Clanfield	6	1	1	4	9	21	-12	4
8	Liss Athletic	3	0	2	1	6	8	-2	2
9	Meon Milton	5	0	2	3	5	15	-10	2

POS	DIVISION ONE	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Hedge End Rangers	5	3	2	0	15	6	9	11
2	AFC Netley	4	3	1	0	12	6	6	10
3	Alresford Town	3	3	0	0	16	5	11	9
4	Clanfield Development	6	2	3	1	7	4	3	9
5	Nursling & Shirley	4	2	1	1	8	8	0	7
6	Bishops Waltham Dynamos A	5	1	1	3	6	14	-8	4
7	Fawley AFC	7	0	3	4	11	17	-6	3
8	Crofton Saints	3	0	1	2	5	11	-6	1
9	Denmead	3	0	0	3	1	10	-9	0

POS	UNER 23 PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	AFC Totton U23	5	3	2	0	15	8	7	11
2	AFC Stoneham U23	2	2	0	0	11	4	7	6
3	Winchester City U23	2	2	0	0	7	3	4	6
4	Ringwood Town U23	4	1	1	2	5	11	-6	4
5	Poole Town U23	2	1	0	1	5	6	-1	3
6	Select Generation U23	2	0	1	1	3	4	-1	1
7	Dorchester Town FC U23	2	0	0	2	7	10	-3	0
8	Fareham Town U23	1	0	0	1	0	3	-3	0
9	Hamble Club U23	2	0	0	2	3	7	-4	0

POS	UNDER 23 EAST	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Fleetlands U23	5	3	2	0	11	4	7	11
2	Andover Town U23	3	3	0	0	12	4	8	9
3	Folland Sports U23	3	2	1	0	8	4	4	7
4	Romsey Town U23	3	1	2	0	8	1	7	5
5	United Services Portsmouth U23	3	1	1	1	9	9	0	4
6	Baffins Milton Rovers U23	3	0	0	3	4	7	-3	0
7	Whiteley Wanderers U23	3	0	0	3	2	11	-9	0
8	Hayling United U23	3	0	0	3	0	14	-14	0

POS	UNDER 23 WEST	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Laverstock & Ford U23	5	4	0	1	19	14	5	12
2	New Milton Town U23	3	2	1	0	12	5	7	7
3	Downton U23	4	2	0	2	22	10	12	6
4	Fawley AFC U23	5	1	1	3	16	17	-1	4
5	Totton & Eling U23	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	3
6	Verwood Town U23	2	1	0	1	4	6	-2	3
7	Bashley U23	4	1	0	3	7	14	-7	3
8	Lymington Town U23	2	0	0	2	1	16	-15	0

POS	UNDER 18 PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Cobham Sports U18	5	5	0	0	13	4	9	15
2	Moneyfields U18	4	4	0	0	19	6	13	12
3	Winchester City Red U18	3	3	0	0	12	3	9	9
4	Havant & Waterlooville U18	4	3	0	1	19	6	13	9
5	Wimborne Town U18	5	2	2	1	15	12	3	8
6	Gosport Borough U18	3	1	0	2	6	9	-3	3
7	Petersfield Town U18	2	0	1	1	3	4	-1	1
8	Hamble Club U18	4	0	1	3	6	11	-5	1
9	Fareham Town Reds U18	1	0	0	1	2	4	-2	0
10	AFC Stoneham Knights U18	2	0	0	2	0	11	-11	0
11	Sholing U18	2	0	0	2	4	7	-3	0
12	Holt United U18	5	0	0	5	5	27	-22	0

FIXTURES

Sunday 18 October

Under 18 Premier Division

Cobham Sports v Winchester City Red
Gosport Borough v Petersfield town
Moneyfields v Hamble Club
Sholing v Havant & Waterlooville
Wimborne Town v AFC Stoneham Knights

Under 18 East Division

Baffins Milton Rovers Jaguars v Meon Milton Blue
Fareham Town Black v Baffins Milton Rovers
Paulsgrove Athletic v Horndean

Under 18 Central Division

Eastleigh Spitfires v Cowes Sports
Fareham Town Creeksiders v Winchester City Blue
Millbrook v Bishops Waltham Dynamos
Pace v AFC Stoneham united

Under 18 West Division

Bashley v Andover Town Youth
Christchurch v AFC Totton
New Milton Town v Eastleigh 1946

Tuesday 20 October

John Stimpson Memorial Shield First Round

AFC Totton U23 v Bishops Waltham Dynamos A

John Stimpson Memorial Shield Second Round

Laverstock & Ford v Hayling United U23

Under 23 Premier Division

Hamble Club v Poole Town

Wednesday 21 October

Hampshire Combination Under 23 Cup Second Round

Verwood Town v Whiteley Wanderers

Under 23 East Division

Fleetlands v Romsey Town

Under 23 West Division

Bashley v Totton & Eling
New Milton Town v Totton & Eling

Thursday 22 October

Under 23 Premier Division

Fareham Town v Select Generation

Saturday 24 October

John Stimpson Memorial Shield Second Round

Alresford Town v Liss Athletic
Petersfield Town v Meon Milton

Premier Division

AFC Stoneham v Hythe & Dibden
Downton v Laverstock & Ford
Pagham v Clanfield

Division One

Bishops Waltham Dynamos A v Clanfield Development
Crofton Sports v Denmead
Fawley AFC v Nursling & Shirley
Hedge End Rangers v AFC Netley

THE LAST WORD

After issues raised at a recent Board meeting, the following message has been re-issued to all Clubs. There are still a minority that are not complying with League Rules on sending in their results and attendances immediately after their game has finished. These rules state that each Club must send in their result together with the attendance for home Clubs after each League **and Cup** game. These results should be sent in before 5.15 p.m. for an afternoon kick off and before 10.00 p.m. for an evening kick off.

If any Club has a problem getting through on Full Time, they should message the League Admin Officer Graham Down. Any Club not complying will be liable for a fine.

Also, whilst the majority of clubs use social media to announce their goal scorers, our Media Officer and Newsletter Editor Mike Robins needs to know the goalscorers from each Club within the above time frame for inclusion in that week's Wessex Post.

It was also reported that some Clubs were letting standards slip in two key areas of matchday management at FA NLS level, and here is a reminder of those obligations.

Ground & Crowd Control

Several Match Officials have complained that walkways to and from the pitch and the changing rooms are not securely monitored on matchday when Players and Officials leave and enter the field of play, please can Clubs make sure that the walkways are manned by Stewards to ensure the safety of all concerned.

Hospitality

Clubs are reminded that hospitality is expected at our level of the game, and should be hosted by someone from the home Club in a separate area of the Clubhouse, not just left on a table for visitors to serve themselves.

LEAGUE TABLES

In the League Tables section, an asterisk in any table means point adjustments have been made.

POS	PREMIER DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	PPG
1	Fareham Town	13	11	1	1	29	9	20	34	2.615
2	Hamble Club	17	7	7	3	41	26	15	28	1.647
3	Downton	16	8	2	6	39	28	11	26	1.625
4	Laverstock & Ford	14	7	4	3	34	24	10	25	1.786
5	Horndean	15	8	1	6	26	21	5	25	1.667
6	Hamworthy Recreation	11	7	3	1	29	13	16	24	2.182
7	Millbrook	13	7	3	3	24	16	8	24	1.846
8	Bashley	12	7	1	4	30	17	13	22	1.833
9	Sturminster Newton United	14	6	4	4	28	19	9	22	1.571
10	Brockenhurst	12	7	1	4	26	22	4	22	1.833
11	Fleetlands	12	5	4	3	23	22	1	19	1.583
12	Baffins Milton Rovers	13	5	3	5	22	24	-2	18	1.385
13	Andover New Street	12	3	7	2	21	14	7	16	1.333
14	Hythe & Dibden	17	4	4	9	23	29	-6	16	0.941
15	Cowes Sports	11	4	3	4	17	21	-4	15	1.364
16	Sherborne Town	14	2	6	6	13	23	-10	12	0.857
17	East Cowes Victoria Athletic	11	2	5	4	16	22	-6	11	1.000
18	Petersfield Town	14	2	5	7	19	31	-12	11	0.786
19	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	16	2	5	9	20	49	-29	11	0.688
20	Bournemouth Poppies	14	1	3	10	12	34	-22	6	0.429
21	Christchurch	13	0	2	11	17	45	-28	2	0.154

POS	DIVISION ONE	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	PPG
1	New Milton Town	12	9	2	1	29	12	17	29	2.417
2	Ringwood Town	14	8	4	2	31	21	10	28	2.000
3	Amesbury Town	15	8	2	5	28	33	-5	26	1.733
4	Cove	11	8	1	2	29	12	17	25	2.273
5	Fawley AFC	12	7	3	2	23	15	8	24	2.000
6	Sandhurst Town	13	7	2	4	29	16	13	23	1.769
7	Frimley Green	14	7	1	6	38	23	15	22	1.571
8	Newport (IOW)	11	5	4	2	26	15	11	19	1.727
9	Folland Sports	14	6	1	7	30	35	-5	19	1.357
10	Hedge End Rangers	11	5	2	4	21	20	1	17	1.545
11	Blandford United	12	5	2	5	24	24	0	17	1.417
12	Romsey Town	12	5	1	6	26	23	3	16	1.333
13	Ash United	11	4	4	3	21	19	2	16	1.455
14	Whitchurch United	13	4	4	5	25	33	-8	16	1.231
15	Lymington Town [*]	16	4	5	7	21	37	-16	16	1.000
16	Alresford Town	16	4	3	9	23	36	-13	15	0.938
17	Colden Common	12	4	2	6	28	28	0	14	1.167
18	AFC Aldermaston	13	3	4	6	20	22	-2	13	1.000
19	Kintbury Rangers	13	2	4	7	17	31	-14	10	0.769
20	Hamworthy United	12	2	2	8	20	27	-7	8	0.667
21	Totton & Eling	13	1	1	11	15	42	-27	4	0.308

PHOTO FINISH



Ian Grainger was at Bashley Road in the week and caught this action from the 4-1 win by Bashley (gold) against Christchurch in the Premier Division.



Robin Caddy was in Berkshire this afternoon, catching Kintbury Rangers (orange) in their 2-1 home defeat against Fawley AFC, who were on the attack in this picture.



Courtesy of Les Chase we have action from Miller Park today, where Totton & Eling and New Milton Town (yellow) shared two goals and the points in a Division One contest.



Action today from the New Forest where Bashley went down to Horndean (red) by the odd goal of three in the Premier Division- thanks to Sara Taylor for sending in the picture.