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Cherry Red Records Hellenic League Premier Division

Wootton Bassett Town v Almondsbury Town Saturday 26th August 2000 K.O.3.00p.m.

Good evening and welcome to Rylands Way for our first premier division fixture and our first league fixture under lights. Tonight we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Almondsbury Town. We hope they enjoy their first visit here and hope they will join us in the bar after the game. We also wish them a safe return journey to Bristol.

The last time we met was in our first season in what was the Federated Homes League. That was in the 1988/89 season when they were then known as Almondsbury Picksons. They won the Div 1 title that season and have been in the Premier ever since.

Wednesday night saw us gain our first points in the Premier with a 2-2 draw with Milton United. If we had taken our chances we could have taken all three points. We paid the price for failing to score early on and found ourselves 2-0 down after 30 mins. Paul Patel with his first goal for the club took us in at halftime 2-1 down.

Within 5 mins of the restart we were level thanks to Lee Stoddart. Chances came at both ends but we showed far more character than last Saturday and continued to make further chances.

Monday sees us travel to face Cheltenham Saracens and then next Saturday we face a stern test against last season runners up Highworth Town.

Thanks for your support today and I hope you see an entertaining game.

Best wishes,

Roger

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Bulletin No 02

Boot Room Chatter

19 August 2000

On The Move

First day of the season and player registrations have been flooding in to the league office each day, the flow was not helped in the early part of the week, by a strike of postal sorting staff in Bicester and Oxford, such is life. BT have profited as many forms have been faxed into the office to ensure registration of players before today's kick off. There are now some 1660 players registered, the distinction of being the 1000th registration this season goes to Dominic Lewis of Chalfont Wasps FC who was registered at 13.25 on Wednesday 16th August, My apologies to Division One (East) clubs and their players for not being able to comment on changes in players as most are new entities to me. Where I am able to comment I have or will do so

Carterton Lown

Pre-season results have been up and down as manager Andy Slater has tried out several players to find the right blend. New signings include Tristan Didcock and Robert Wyatt from Abingdon Town. Temy Merriman has moved back to Carterton from Witney Town Another signing is Scott Taylor who has moved to RAF Brize Norton and played for Cambridge City last season. Expect to see Carterton Town challenging for further honouts following the success of last season in the Supplementary Cup.

Chelienham Saracens

Word around the circuit was that many Saracens players were unhappy with the prospect of playing home matches at Harrow Hill, this doesn't seem to be the case as most of last seasons 1st team players have re-signed with the exception of the Nicholas brothers who have dropped down to the County League with Whitminster and Matthew Stannard has moved to the Bristol area and has signed for Almondsbury Town, Former EFC Cheltcham players Rick Towers has joined Saracens from local football and Kevin Horsfall, a former vonth player with Saraceus, has registered after spells with Carteston Town and Shortwood United following a spell with St Marks last season. a Spraceus manager lan Ford is looking to stabilise ! the club in the Preimer Division whilst plans for auproving the Petersfield Park Lighties are moving ahead

Bishops Cleeve

It will be nice for the Skinners to stan a new season on their own pitch. Manager Paul Collicuit has put a useful squad together, most of last seasons' regulars have re-signed and Kevin Slack has returned after his half season with Saracens. Some useful signings from local clubs should give Cleeve a good balance, may be an outsider and one to watch.

Linchampstead

Some forty plus players signed on so far with many of last seasons players re-signing, a few additions have been attracted from Ash. Bracknell Town and other local clubs. No doubt 'Finch' will be looking to improve on last seasons 4th place finish in the Chiltonian League.

Gloucester United

The worries of many may have been dispelied with the knowledge that only two players signed on so far played for City last season, However, several other well known Hellenic League players have been attracted to the City Stadium to play for Gloucester United including Andy Pritchett and Allen Tation from Tuffley Rovers as well as former Cinderford Town and Tuffley player Cohn Peacey and former Shortwood United and Tuffley striker Julian Freeman. With the quality of such players signed on Gloucester United may be pushing for premotion at the first time of asking Ouarry Normads.

Well-known veteran manager Brian Smith has been appointed by Quarry Nomads to guide them through their first Hellenic season. 'Smithy' has been involved with several Hellenic League clubs over his many years in football management and coaching. A veritable wealth of football knowledge in a man who does not have defeat in his vocabulary, he will be looking to improve on last seasons 12th place finish. Recent signings include former Carterton Town players Lee Sharkey and Martin Woodward.

Clubs and individuals are invited to submit news items of interest for possible inclusion in Boot Room Chatter Please send your nems to Brian King, General Secretary, 83 Queens Road, Carterton, Oxon OX18 3YF fax them to 01003 212738 or F-mail to king brian a ukgateway net

enic League Reserve Division

Saturday 9th September K.O. 3.00p.m.

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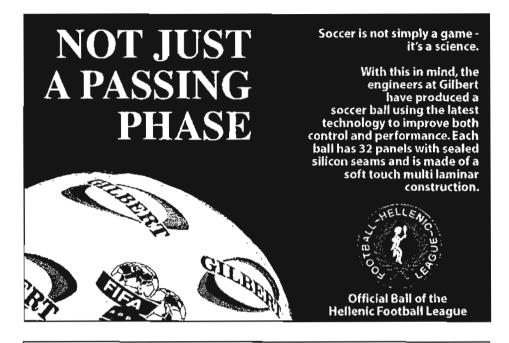
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Wednesday pight say us segue our first point in

Wednesday night saw us secure our first point in the Premier and I was pleased that the attitude of the players was completely different to the one against Fairford.

We could have been 2 or 3 goals to the good in the opening 10 minutes and we learnt that we must take these at this level as they do not come very often. Two defensive lapses allowed Milton to score with their only two attacks of the first half. Promisingly we did not drop heads and keep our game together and Jason Edwards did well to cut into the box and give Paul Patel an easy chance to score 5 mins before the interval

Having got back to 2-2 early in the second half I felt we would go on and win the game but Milton always looked dangerous on the break.

Today we must apply the same attitude against Almondsbury and look for the full 3 points before we travel to Cheltenham Saracens on Monday afternoon.

Next Saturday will be a test for us against Highworth Town who this season will be looking to go one better than last season when they finished runners up.

Thanks for your support the atmosphere on Wednesday helped the players and we look forward to providing you with an entertaining game today.

Best wishes,

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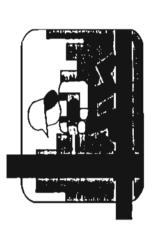
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Almondsbury Town F.C.

Rob Clarke - Goalkeeper, age 20. Former Bristol City trainee, Rob is an excellent keeper who will go on to play at a higher standard. Previous clubs Chippenham Town, Paulton Rovers.

Gavin Tufton - R.Back, age 21. Product of Youth X1. Gavin is an attacking full back with an eye for goal. Also, good dead ball specialist. Previous club Mangotsfield Utd

Dave Williams - L.Back, age 31. Joint manager, with Simon Panes. Dave is another attacking full back who loves scoring goals. Previous clubs Bristol Manor Farm, Weston Super Mare, Mangotsfield Utd and Forest Green Rovers.

Phil Serjeant - Defender, age 21. Phil joined Almondsbury this season and has proved he is a player of quality. Former Bristol Rovers trainee.

Previous clubs Clevedon Town & Yate Town.

Graham Smith - Defender, age 27. Experienced defender who can also play in midfield. Attitude has been excellent this season. Previous clubs Gloucester City, Bristol Manor Farm.

Danny Slee - Defender, age 27. Experienced player who is a regular in the Gloucestershire representative side. Can also play in midfield.

Previous club Bristol Manor Farm

Jamie Dutton - Defender, age 27. Tough tackling player who was last seasons most consistant player.

Previous club Bristol Manor Farm

Simon Backwell - Midfield, age 27. Club captain. Simon is a hard working player with good technique. Also known to score the occassional goal.

Previous clubs Bristol Manor Farm & Keynsham Town

John Clarke - Midfield, age 22. Recently signed after returning to Bristol from University. Old head on young shoulders.

Mark Palmer - Midfield, age 18. Product of the successful Youth X1. Mark is currently captain of the Gloucestershire Youth side. Very skillful player.

Andy Lloyd - Midfield, age 19. Signed this season after taking a year out after being released by Bristol Rovers as a YTS. Quality player, who scores goals from midfield.

Anthony Palmer - Midfield, age 18. Member of the successful Filton Academy, with whom Almondsbury are linked. Competitive player who likes to win.

Mark Shore - Midfield/Forward, age 20. Recently signed this season. Strong player who is very good on the ball and willing to learn. Previous club Longwell Green.

Steve Rice - Forward, age 18. Product of the Youth X1 and also a member of the Filton Academy. Improved 100% over the last 12 months and will become a very good player.

Nick Scarrett - Forward, age 27. Nick is an experienced striker who has regained the desire to score goals this season.

Previous clubs Bristol Manor Farm & Keynsham Town.

Ben Walker - Forward, age 17. strong player with a good touch. Member of the Filton Academy. Signed this season from Yate Town where he experienced Dr Martins football.

Shiraz Hussan - Forward, age 16. Member of the Filton Acadamy side. Skillful young player who is a good crosser of the ball.

Martin Randall - Defender, age 18. Recent signing from local football. Martin is a player who is comfortable on the ball and gets forward well.

Chris Mitchell - Defender, age 22. Signed this season after 2 years out through injury. Great touch for a big lad. Previously with Bath City and Mangotsfield Utd.

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Interested, or know someone who may be, then please contact the Chairman, Paul Harrison on 850298 (hm) or 884225 (wk), or any one of the committee.

Club News/Requests

- A new Under 8's has been established for the new season, continuing the youth progress.
- The aim is to provide senior team travel to away games via minibus on a consistent basis – does anyone have contacts for the cheap use of one?
- Big thanks to 'Dangerous Dog' for his exploits in lopping the trees up by the stand, and also 'Hinge and Bracket', alias Terry Embling and Pete Yeardley' for keeping us amused through the summer work.

Who Wins What

Readers are again invited to submit entries for the league's him competition of 'Who Wins What' that was run for the first time last season. To protect the innocent, and in some cases not so innocent, each entry should include the entripts inch de plane. Selections should include Premier and Division One West & East champions and runners up with one to watch as an outsider. In the cup competitions winners should be selected for the Challenge Cup. Supplementary and Floodlit Cup. Should any reader wish to take part send your selections by post, fax or E-mail to the league office. I am offering the same fiver for the best set of selections come seasons end.

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Clanifeld FC (1)

The annual Jim Newman Memorial Cop competition has been running since 01 August. Eight clubs are competing in this season's competition, all of them being member clubs of the Hellenic League. All matches are played at Clarifield FC's Radcot Road ground. Results from the H^a round and Semi-finals are listed elsewhere in this buffetin. The final is being played on Sunday 13th August kicking off at Spm.

On The Move

With a week to go to the start of the season player registrations have been flooding in to the league office. At the function of writing this article some 846 player registrations have been processed. It is interesting to note some well-known players signing for fletlenic League clubs from more senior clubs, as well as the usual movement between clubs at this time of the year.

Ablagdon United

Although fielding only their 1" team in the Hellenic League again this season some forty players have been registered, including fourteen trenagers, this shows that the clubs strong youth policy is paying dividends as many of these lads are expected to be playing first team football during the season. The "U's have retained seasoned Hellenic Leaguer's Robbie McNeill and Wayne Morion, also bringing Mark O'Hara back from Brackley Town and veteran Donley Romain from Wallingford AFC. Jim Smith who was signed on for Oxford City and Carterion flown last season has also joined Abingdon United one of five Smith's signed this season. Don't be surprised to see Abingdon United winning some silverware this season.

Ardley Volted

Manager Paul Spittle is looking to improve on last seasons 2nd place finish in Division One (West) and has signed Slough based Ian Manley from Flackwell Heath, Jon Weeks Pearson from Quarry Nomads and perhaps the most interesting signing of all former Highworth Town and Purton FC player Steve Tucker who was with Cricklade Town for the latter part of last season. Most of last seasons 1" ream players have re-signed for Ardley who should be a force in this division via again. There are moves in operate the club's facilities to allow promotion to the Premier Division should the club be in a promotion position at seasons end.

Brackley Town

Player/Manager Terry Muckleberg has attracted some new faces to Churchill Way, Jon Blencowe returns from Banbury United and former Canerion Town defender Ion Muttock who spent most of less season at Wimey Town has joined the Saints. Liam Herbert has moved from Abingdon Town and Crasg Pearman from Horth Leigh Brackley Townshee sure to be in the 'mix' for honours this season.

Did cot Town

A few new face grant a few old faces returning to Loop Meadow Stadium for the start of the season, Manhew Branchini has moved from Abingdon United, Ben Ballium and Luke Brandon from Headington Amateurs whilst famic Copping and Jeson Dodd have joined from Waltingford AFC, they are joined by Glyn Jones who was with Wantage Fown last season and Poul Noble has returned from Abingdon United Together with many of list seasons players re-signing Diffeot Town could be derived it is place of last season. Malcolm Cox-Rogers a former to camplayer and manager of the club has returned from local frontball to manage the Rudwaymen stight feam.

Fairford Town

An unaccustomed 16th position for Mark Webb in his first season of management in the Hellenic Premier has seen a few changes in this seasons playing staff, new signings include Lee Morse from neighbours Highworth Town. Chris O'Connell and Kevin Sandhu from Circnecester Academy, and James Price from Shortwood United together with Gareth Davies from Ravchem and a couple of signings from local clubs should give greater strength in depth as most of last seasons players have registered again. I don't expect to see Fairford Town in such a lowly position this season

Highworth Town

Last season's major problem for the 'Worthians' was the number of goals conceded. Manager Gary Goodwin has signed much-travelled Andy Wollen to attempt to reduce the goals against total. Andy played extensively in the Hellenic League some years ago before moving on to the 'Dr Martens' League playing for Newport IOW and Gloucester City. Latterly he has been playing for Hungerlord Town in the 'Rymans' League. Adie Roper has made the short journey from Swindon Supermarine to Highworth Town to further strengthen the 'Worthians' delence, however, Adie will have to be more tolerant whist playing if he wishes to take a more active part this season, following three red card dismissals during the past season, he will be sitting out a few weeks early season under suspension. Antony Betterton former Bristol City trainee goalkeeper who was on the books of Salusbury City last season has signed for the 'Worthians' and should be a useful acquisition and may be the final piece in the title bid for Highworth Town.

Kidlington

No less than eleven former Old Woodstock Town players have made the short move to Kidlington FC, Graeme Suichtfie has returned to Kidlington following his mid season transfer to Brackley Town last season. However, Darren Mole has already made the return trip to Old Woodstock Town as the seasons first transfer

Witney Academy

The first twenty registrations from the newly formed Witney Academy included eleven players who are presently under the age of twenty. Manager Paul Lewis has been attracted back to the Hellenic League with a new challenge and a new club, signings so far include Tom King who played in goal for Shortwood United before moving to Gloucester City last season and Steve Tavinor who was playing for Witney Town in the 'Dr Martens' League Former Witney Town & Brackley Town striker Kenny Clarke has been appointed as team coach.

Yate Town

Following relegation from the 'Dr Martens' League Yate Town appointed former players Gary Hewlett and Richard Thompson as the joint management team, Hewlett was at Welton Rovers last season with Thompson at Taunton Town. Paul Metheringham and Ben Walker have moved to Lodge Road from neighbours Almondsbury Town with Carl Rutter moving from Western League Bristol Manor Farm. The 'Bluebells', this season, are looking for stability after a rather tornd last season in the 'Dr Martens' League although a top half of the table would be expected a top six position could be achieved.

Clanfield FC (2)

Last Sunday evening I popped over to Clanfield to watch the Carterton Town and Wootton Bassett Town match in the Jim Newman Memorial Cup competition. The result was a heavy defeat for 'Bassett' but club insiders tell me this is part of manager Barry Giles master plan to full other Premier Division teams into a false sense of believing 'Bassett' are an easy touch. During the course of the evening Clanfield Secretary John Osborne relayed an interesting conversation he had recently. Back in the 1970's well-known Wiltshire based referee Iver Goodenough was a regular match official at Radcot Road to such an extent that some seasons he had more appearances than some of the players. However, Ivor passed away in July and one of his requests was that his ashes be sprinkled on the pitch at Clanfield. John Osborne received a phone call from a family member asking if this was possible and he agreed wholeheartedly considering it an honour that his club should be so well thought of by a former league referee. A small family ceremony took place on Saturday 22nd July when Ivor's ashes were sprinkled in the centre circle of the Radcot Road ground. R.I.P. Ivor

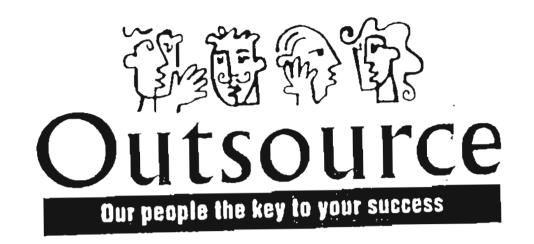
WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. SEASON 2000/2001

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9th Sept	Shortwood United	A						4									
13th Sept	Cirencester Academy	Α						1									
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23rd Sept	Yate Town	A															
27th Sept	Highworth Town	A						8		•							
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Highworth Town	2	2	0	0	5	0	+5	9
Didcot Town	2	7	0	0	5	~	+4	9
Brackley Town	2	2	0	0	4	7	+5	9
Bicester Town	2	_	_	0	4	٣	1+	4
Abingdon United	2	7	0	1	4	7	+3	~
Almondsbury Town	2	I	0	I	4	2	+2	3
Carterton Town	2	I	0	7	7	S	+2	3
Cirencester Academy	2	7	0	^	3	7	1+	~
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WOOTHON BASSETT TOWN RC

Season 2000/2001

Richard STEVENS Position: Goalkeeper

DOB:

Previous Club: Madborough Town Rich played his first full season for the Club last year and proved to be an asset to the Club with his consistant performances.

Darryl SIMMS

Position: Goalkeeper

DOB:

Previous Club: Swindon Supermarine A summer signing and an excellent prospect who has shown well in oreseason fixtures. Looks to have a bright future.

Philip PENNING

Position: Defence/Midfield Previous Club: Calne Town

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Good all round defender who reads the game exceptionally well.

Jason EDWARDS

Position: Defence/Midfield

Previous Club: Swindon Supermarine Jason has returned to Club this year after a brief spell with Marine. Has shown well in pre-season fixtures.

Paul HARPER

Position: Defence

DOB:

Previous Club: Lamboum Sports Missed only one game last season. Excellent passer of the ball and the "deadball" specialist.

Paul DAVIS

Position: Central Defender

Previous Club: Pewsey Vale Very strong defender who, but for a brief spell with Western League side Pewsey Vale, has played all his senior football for the Club.

Simon GREEN Position: Defence DOB:

Now in his fifth season with the Club and still performing well. Missed very few games last season.

Lee MARSHALL Position: Defence

DOB:

Previous Club: Cricklade

Town Summer signing. Strono imposing central defender.

Ben PARSONS

Postion: Midfield

DOB:

Previous Club: Purton A well balanced hard tackling left sided player who is a welcome addition to the squad this year.

Paul PATEL

Position: Midfield

DOB:

Previous Club: Highworth Town Hard working and tenacious left sided midfield player.

RICHARD MERCHANT Position: Midfield

DOB:

Previous Club: Fairford Town Third season with the Club. Strong attacking midfield player.

Bryon WOOD Position: Defence/Midfield

DOB:

Previous Club: Purton

Second season with the Club. A player who adds balance to the left side of the team.

Lee STODDART

Position: Forward

DOB:

Lots of pace to trouble defenders and a goal scoring record to malch. Top scorer with 18 goals last season.

Jeremy NEWTON Position: Forward

DOB:

Previous Club: Gloucester City Highly skilled front runner who has the ability to run defences ragged.

Roger SMITH Position: Forward

Previous Club. Malmesbury Victoria Deceptively skillful player who has a keen eye for goal.

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will be taking good advice

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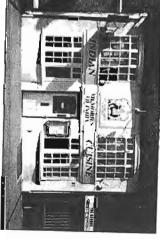
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Cheltenham Saracens v Wootton Bassett Town

Didcot Town v Abingdon United

Fairford Town v Cirencester Academy

Pegasus Juniors v Harrow Hill

Shortwood United v Tuffley Rovers

Swindon Supermarine v Highworth Town

Wantage Town v Milton United

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Wednesday 23rd August 2000

Premier Division

2-0 Pegasus Juniors Cirencester Academy

1-0 Swindon Supermarine Fairford Town

0-1 Tuffley Rovers Harrow Hill

3-0 Carterton Town Highworth Town

1-2 Bicester Town North Leigh

2-2 Milton United Wootton Bassett Town

A History of

Almondsbury Town Football Club

Although Almondsbury boasts a team dating from the 1870's the exact date of their formation is not known. There is also little evidence of any major achievement during a lengthy period in the Bristol & Suburban League and it was not until the 1970's, some 100 years later that the side became a force in local soccer.

In 1974 Almondsbury merged with another local club, Greenway Sports, It was a merger of convenience to both parties. Greenway, who had been Bristol Premier Combination champions on five successive occasions, needed a private ground in order to progress, Almondsbury had the ground but not the appropriate playing strength.

With the formation of the new club, Almondsbury Greenway, they immediately gained election to the Gioucestershire County League where they finished as runners-up in their first season. Five successive championships followed before they were once again runners-up in season 1981-82. It was during this period that the club achieved its greatest moment, reaching the Final of the F.A. Vase at Wembley in 1979, where they were unfortunately defeated 4-1 by Billericay Town.

Season 1982-83 saw the club promoted to the Hellenic Premier League where, in their first season, they finished a worthy second to Moreton Town. The following year the roles were reversed, with Almondsbury not only winning the championship but also taking the League Cup. This they retained in the following season.

After ten seasons of not finishing outside the top two in any league in which they were competing, a lean spell inevitably followed. After relegation to the Hellenic Division One it was realised that total independence was essential to the club's future progress. The club left the Almondsbury Sports Complex and after a brief nomadic existence, another merger, this time with Badminton Picksons, let to the formation of Almondsbury Picksons, and a new ground across the road at Oaklands Park. The new ground was completed for the 1988-89 season and the off the field efforts were rewarded by clinching the Division One title and a return to Premier status

At the end of season 1992-93 following a period of financial difficulties the club was regretfully placed in the hands of the liquidator. It was, however, allowed to continue under yet another name, Almondsbury Town.

After a period of some eighteen months Oaklands Park Stadium was finally purchased by the Gloucestershire F.A. for their new Headquarters. The club successfully negotiated a lease arrangement for the clubhouse and ground and in 1995 its Youth XI won the club's first trophies as Almondsbury Town carrying off the Gloucestershire Youth Shield and the Youth League Cup.

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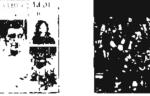




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