

Wootton Bassett Town F.C.

Brackley Town Saints F.C.

ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C.

Home Team Squad			Played No.	Sub
1	Curtis	Meare		
2	Dan	Comer		
3	Dale	Richards		
4	Adam	Corcoran		
5	Nathan	Hawkins		
6	Stephen	Olphert		
7	Dan	Bailey		
8	Kalum	Youngsam		
9	Steve	Robertson		
10	Sam	Packer		
11	Richie	Carter		
12	Harvey	Scholes		
14	Ryan	Thomas		
15	Tyler	Sheppard		
16	George	Drewitt		
17	Nathan	Gambling		
18	Dane	Moulden		
19	Matt	Cheetham		
20	Jack	Ellis		
21	Luke	Kuczynski		
22	Hugo	Vivash		
23				
24				

Visitors Team Squad			Played No.	Sub
1	Daniel	Farrell		
2	Joe	Ward		
3	Ryan	Hunt		
4	Matthew	Johnson		
5	Charlie	Wise		
6	Matthew	Hammond		
7	Henry	Jackson		
8	Fuad	Ahmed		
9	Joshua	Murphy		
10	Thomas	Kalugin		
11	Logan	Kelling		
12	Ellis	Minott		
14	Samuel	Hartley		
15	Andrew	Johnson		
16	Ryan	Knight		
17	Piotr	Jancua		
18	Dean	March		
19	Lewis	Baldwin		
20	Matthew	Carr		
21	Daniel	Middleton		
22	Jarred	Spink		
23				
24				

Dugout Team
Manager: Paul Braithwaite
Assistant: Chris Green

Dugout Team
Manager: Matthew Wise
Assistant: Lee March

Match Officials
Referee: Kevin Norris
Assist. Ref (Red Flag): Paul Booth
Assist. Ref (Yellow Flag): Paul March

Next Home Games
 Sat 05-Aug-15 v Bracknell Town (FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round 3.00pm)
 Wed 20-Aug-15 v Ardley United (UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division k-off 7.45pm)
 Mon 31-Aug-15 v Highworth Town (UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division 3.00pm)



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Alex Hornby
Managing Director

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Welcome to Brackley Town Saints

A warm welcome to our visitors from Brackley Town Saints for this afternoon's game. This is a historic occasion as it is our first ever fixture in our new home here at New Gerard Buxton Ground and the first under our new name of Royal Wootton Bassett Town. We had scheduled to kick off life at the new venue last Saturday against Swindon Supermarine but unfortunately we were forced to switch venue a week before the game as final work on the electrics needed to be completed.

It is sometime since we last played Brackley Town, their first team having been promoted up out of the Hellenic League back in 2003-4. They have continued to rise up the pyramid since they left the Hellenic League and now play at National League North level, just 2 divisions away from the Football League and playing against the likes of Stockport County, Bradford Park Avenue, Tamworth and Boston United. We have played Brackley Town on 10 occasions previously although this will be our initial First Team fixture against what is really their reserve team. Of the 10 previous meetings, Brackley have won 7 against our 2, with just one draw. The last fixture between the two clubs was on 20th April 2004 when we went down 2-7 away at St James Park, Geoff Swatton scoring both goals that evening.

Last season Brackley enjoyed an impressive season in Division One East in 2014-15, beating off Old Woodstock Town to finish runners-up to champions Wokingham and Emmbrook.

Moving in

Whenever you move house it is normally a stressful event and I am sure Chairman Andy Walduck will agree that a football club moving into its new home is equally, if not more, stressful. Promised deadlines have come and gone and the big day has continued to slip but if you are reading this then the good news is that we have finally taken the keys and, whilst we may still need to put the curtains up and put the pictures on the wall, we are at least in!

I know the whole event has been very traumatic for Andy and Pete Yeardley in particular as cost increases and specification changes have led to compromises with the Football Club often the victim. That said it has been a major project with the project management having to be done on a voluntary basis and when you look around the overall facility and compare it to what we used to have you cannot fail to be impressed. The challenge for all of us is to now make use of the facility, support the bar on a regular basis and ensure that the whole complex is financially self-sufficient and can afford to continue with a proper groundsman and management infrastructure. Well done to all those that worked on the original vision and have then overseen the development of those plans into actual reality.

New Season

This time of the year all teams start on an equal footing and all clubs are full of hope and expectation for the new season. The management team of Paul and Chris are now in their second season having overseen our highest position in the club's history last season. I know they will be both looking to improve on last season again and have certainly strengthened the squad with some useful additions. Adam Corcoran and Sam Packer re-join the club from Shrivenham and we have also picked up two very good players in Stephen Olphert and Matt Cheetham, best known for representing Clanfield, and an excellent player in Dane Moulden. Goalkeeper Curtis Meare who played for us a couple of seasons back as emergency cover returns on a full time basis from Forest Green Rovers. Paul has also signed some very good youngsters in Dan Comer, Kalum Youngsam and Harvey Scholes. With all of the top performers from last season re-signing the biggest challenge Paul will have is keeping everyone happy at the start of the season. Having managed sides myself in the past this is always a difficult one as everyone wants to be playing at the start of a season.

The new season sees our Reserve side dropping back down into the Wiltshire League. With the Wiltshire League having more teams and the Hellenic Reserve division suffering withdrawals in

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both of the last two seasons the switch was logical in my view. We also struggled badly to field 3 teams on a Saturday last season and the resurrection of the Wiltshire Floodlit side at Under 18 is also a sensible move by the club's committee.

New Sponsors

I am pleased to announce that we have new shirt sponsors for the coming season in the shape of Richard James Estate Agents. Richard James Estate agents opened in 1992 operating from a small office in Wroughton. Four years later, the business was established as the agent of choice in Wroughton and a second premises in Commercial Road, Swindon were acquired to cater for the Swindon Market. The estate agency business of Richard James continued to expand and the office in Royal Wootton Bassett High Street which opened this month will be the 7th. On behalf of the club I would like to thank them for their support and are confident this will be the start of a successful partnership between Richard James and Royal Wootton Bassett Football Club.

It is also pleasing to report that existing sponsors Steel Davis and Computerworld have confirmed they will continue their sponsorship of the club. Thank you to both for this support.

Pitch Advertising

Pitch side advertising at the New Gerard Buxton Sports Ground is now available for an initial fee of £200. Renewal fees will be as little as £150 per season. This is a fantastic opportunity to advertise your business at our new ground and also support your local community football club.

For further information about this and other sponsorship opportunities available, please contact Chairman Andy Walduck (07980 730905) or another member of the club's Executive Committee.

Six—a-side Tournament

It was an action-packed festival of football at the 2015 Wootton Bassett Town Tournament, as the final edition in its traditional format proved to again be an enormous success. The sun and a stiff breeze were the order of the day on Saturday, before Ballards Ash basked in sunshine on what was a glorious Sunday. With the move to the new facility, the tournament at Ballards Ash marked what is likely to be the end of an era after 14 competitions in 15 years at the venue, now owned by the town Rugby club. Head of Youth Section Pete Yeardley commented: "Yet again, it was an extremely successful event thanks to a sterling team effort from volunteers across the club, the excellent football played in a friendly spirit by all teams who entered and the fantastic support from the parents who came along to support."

"These events really do exemplify everything that is great about grassroots football. While the move to our new facility means that this was likely to be the last event held in this traditional manner, we'll look to introduce a new format next year that continues to bring together both the club and local football community in such a positive way." Well done to one and all who have helped with the event which, over the years, has probably done the most to bring the senior and youth sections of the club together.

Programme

Looking at what is included in the programme this season I am pleased to announce the start of a new feature entitled "Reminiscing – The Good Old Days" where I interview key individuals from both the past and present about their time at the club. This week I kick-off with club stalwart Roger Williamson and hopefully you will find this feature interesting. The player profile returns after being dropped part way through last season and there is also a new style quiz to entertain Woody and Becky (no singing involved this season though). Enjoy the game and don't forget that next week sees a repeat of that epic FA Cup encounter in Season 2007-8 against the then Southern League side Bracknell Town. Enjoy the game. *Mark*



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- 1902/03 Advertiser Cup Runners-up
- 1903/04 Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up
- 1905/06 Wiltshire County League Runners-up
- 1930/31 Calne & District League Runners-up
- 1931/32 Calne & District League Champions
- 1933/34 Vale of White Horse Cup Winners
- 1934/35 Calne & District League Champions
- Calne & District League Cup Winners
- 1935/36 Calne & District League Champions
- Calne & District League Cup Runners-up
- 1938/39 Brotherhood Cup Winners
- 1953/54 Vale of White Horse Cup Winners
- 1957/58 Chippenham & District League Division 2 Champions
- 1958/59 Wiltshire League Division 1 Champions
- 1978/79 Wiltshire County League Division 2 Runners-up
- Wiltshire County League Subsidiary Cup Winners
- 1982/83 Wiltshire County League Division 4 Runners-up
- 1983/84 Wiltshire County League Ghia Senior Cup Winners
- 1984/85 Wiltshire County League Division 2 Champions
- Wiltshire County League Ghia Junior Cup Runners-up
- 1987/88 Wiltshire County League Division 1 Champions
- Wiltshire Senior Cup Runners-up
- 1988/89 Wiltshire County League Ghia Junior Cup Runners-up
- 1989/90 Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Winners
- 1993/94 Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Winners
- 1994/95 Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Runners-up
- 1998/99 Wiltshire Senior Cup Winners
- 2000/01 Wiltshire Senior Cup Winners
- Hellenic League Reserves Division 2 West Champions
- 2004/05 Wiltshire Youth Cup Runners-up
- 2009/10 Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up
- 2010/11 Wiltshire County FA Floodlit League Champions
- Wiltshire Youth Cup Runners-up
- 2012/13 Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up
- Wiltshire County League Junior Cup Runners-up



From The Dugout

The new season has come round really quickly and it only seems like yesterday we were playing that final game of the season against Flackwell Heath.

My ambition in 2015-16 is to improve on last season and break into that top 10. With the squad that we have built up at the start of this season we are in a stronger position than the beginning of the previous season. This time round we are not building a complete side; we are improving a good side that did very well last season. We will again be looking to get through a few FA Cup and Vase ties if we can. We will also be looking to do our utmost to try and reach a final of one of the cups that we will be in this season.

New signings over the summer include Dan Comer, Matt Cheetham, Sam Packer, Dane Mouden, Curtis Meare, Steve Olphert, Adam Corcoran, Kalum Youngsam and Harvey Scholes. Dan is a young right back with a great delivery, hard working and will be a great addition to the club. He has definitely impressed in pre-season. Matt is a former Clanfield regular, reliable, committed and combative midfielder who is looking forward to making the step up to the Premier league. Sam Packer, who returns to the club from Shrivenham, has been fantastic in pre-season, working hard in training and is a player who has shown us he can turn the game from defence to attack very quickly through the midfield.

Harvey Scholes is a 4th year New College Academy player. He is an attack minded midfielder player who feels he is ready to take the next stage in his football development. I am excited by the signing and he has not missed a training session apart from being on holiday. He lives in Highworth and has been making the trip to Bassett for each session. He has worked very hard so far and shows a great attitude as well as being a good technical player and a credit to the good work of the New College team.

Adam Corcoran, Dane Moulden and central midfielder Steve Olphert, all join from local rivals Shrivenham and will be looking to have better season's than last year with their former club. For the powerful Corcoran, comfortable at both centre half and full back he is making a return to a club he made his name with at Hellenic level. Moulden also returns to the club having previously played for the Under 18 Floodlit League side. While still only being 24, he brings plenty of Hellenic League experience with him, having featured for Cricklade Town and Fairford Town in addition to Shrivenham. Hardworking and strong-tackling midfielder Olphert is another coup for us. Prior to his time at Shrivenham, he captained Clanfield.

Curtis Meare is a quality shot stopper who joins from Forest Green Rovers. He possesses a strong kicking game and has been one of the most sought after young glovemen in the local area. I understand he appeared four times for Bassett two years ago as temporary cover. Kalum Youngsam, meanwhile, will add pace and unpredictability to Bassett's forward line. Kalum is different to the other strikers we have. He's raw and unpredictable at times, can run in behind and is a good finisher too. He's one I'm really excited about. If he gets his head down, he's going to really grow and be a very good player in this division. Another big signing in the summer has been coach Rich Hunter who joins our management team and has already proved an invaluable asset to Chris and I. It is also a big welcome back to Kara Gregory who picks up the physio duties after a couple of years away.

In addition to the new players we have also re-signed our key players from last season in Steve Yeardley, Steve Robertson, Richie Carter, George Drewitt, Dale Richards, Tyler Sheppard, Nathan Gambling, Nathan Hawkins, Jack Ellis, Ryan Thomas and Dan Bailey. We are also looking to bring back James Skinner. With such strength in depth my key challenge will be to keep everyone happy. George and Nathan will miss games at the start due to suspensions from sendings-off at the end of last season and Dip is carrying an injury, but once everyone is available, I have the nice problem of having to select a starting line-up with plenty of options. Hopefully we can get off to a good start at our new home and I know all the players are excited about playing at a brand new facility. Here's to another successful season. Let's get behind the lads.

Paul



Opponents - History

Brackley Town • Club History



Brackley Town FC was formed in 1890 and were initially a prominent side in the area, but fell away, with most of the period before World War II being spent in the Oxfordshire Senior Football League, before a switch to the North Bucks and District League in the post war years. In 1968 they took a step down the ladder by joining the Banbury & District League. In 1974 they moved back to the North Bucks League and also moved to their current St James Park ground in Churchill Way. A small clubhouse and changing rooms were built and by 1977 the club had stepped up to the Hellenic League.

They stayed in Division One until 1983 when they switched to the United Counties League, where they won the Division One title at the first attempt. Although they were Premier Division runners-up in 1988–89 their time in the division was generally spent near the foot of the table, with three consecutive last-place finishes between 1992 and 1994. In 1994 the club moved back to the Hellenic League. After a mediocre first season, Phil Lines took over as manager and led them to the Premier Division title in 1997 and with it promotion to the Southern League. However, they only managed two seasons at that level during which, with finances at full stretch, the club was forced into liquidation in February 1999 with debts of over £100,000. The club was saved from extinction but demoted back into the Hellenic League.

Despite a speedy turnover of managers they consistently finished in the Hellenic League's top 10 and were promoted back to the Southern League after winning the title in 2004. Phil Lines returned in February 2006 and guided the club to a third place finish, culminating in defeat in the last few minutes of the play-off final for promotion to the Southern League Premier Division. In 2006–07, Brackley finished top of the Southern League Division One Midlands. In the 2007–08 season, they competed in the Southern League Premier Division. Manager Phil Lines, however, became director of football, and Roger Ashby became the new manager for the new season. Ashby was soon sacked by the club replaced by former player David Oldfield in a player/manager role. Oldfield departed Brackley Town at the end of the season to join Peterborough United, after which Phil Lines came back as manager. During the 2006–07 season, Brackley reached the fourth qualifying round of the FA Cup (the round immediately prior to the first round proper), up until then their best achievement in that competition, but were knocked out at that stage by Havant & Waterlooville. Two seasons later Brackley surpassed this by beating Hampton & Richmond Borough in the fourth qualifying round to reach the first round proper for the first time. They went on to lose 2–1 to Eastwood Town at Coronation Park. Phil Lines handed in his resignation in April 2009 after a run of bad results ended Town's chances of a play-off place. Midfielder Jon Brady was given the caretaker's job while the job was advertised. Eventually, Brady was appointed as permanent manager for the 2009–10 season. The club finished in 5th place, their highest ever finish in the non league pyramid, but lost in the play-off semi-final to Nuneaton Town.

The 2011–12 season saw Brackley reach the Football Conference after winning the Southern League Premier Division title by 8 points. Brackley went top of the table after 20 games and never relinquished their top position for the remainder of the season. On top of the league title the club retained the Northamptonshire Hillier Senior Cup, beating Conference North club Corby Town in the final at Nene Park. They completed a treble by also claiming the Maunsell Cup for the first time in their history after they defeated Northampton Town 1–0 in a game played during pre-season. The club retained the Maunsell Cup in July 2012, beating a youthful Peterborough United side 3–0 at St James Park. The club has also added the Southern League Champions Cup to their trophy cabinet in 2012–13 season, beating Clevedon Town 2–1.

Programme Sales

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Defunct Opponents

Avebury

Better known for its famous stone circle a few older spectators will remember that back in the early 1980's the little village of Avebury used to be one of the power houses of Wiltshire football. Playing on a lovely ground on the Beckhampton Road, just behind the stone circle, with a pitch that resembled a billiard table, Avebury were runners-up in the Wiltshire County League Division 1, then the top division in the county, in both 1981-82 and 1982-83. In 1982-83 they also won the Ghia Senior Cup and their reserve side won Division Three of the Wiltshire County League.

The earliest known encounters between ourselves and Avebury date back to the early 1930's. Avebury like ourselves were in the Calne & District League in 1931-32 and in the season when we won the league, Avebury finished in a creditable third spot. Wootton Bassett did the double over Avebury that season, winning 2-1 at home thanks to goals from Titcombe and Morris and 4-3 at Avebury, Titcombe and Morris again on the score sheet and Sandell with two. In 1932-33 Avebury were champions of the Calne & District League and for Season 1933-34 Wootton Bassett followed Avebury into the Swindon & District League as the two clubs sought more competitive standard of football. However, Wootton Bassett were to stay there just one season before returning to the Calne & District League before eventually joining the Wiltshire League. In 1937-38 Avebury won the Wiltshire Junior Cup played on Wootton Bassett Town's ground, Avebury defeating Swindon YMCA 4-2.

The two clubs were back competing against each other in the mid 1970's. In 1974-75 the two sides met in the Wiltshire County Cup and two goals from Phil Keep and one from Benny Lehane and Brian Ewen secured a 4-0 win for Wootton Bassett. In 1978-79 the two sides were in the same division following Wootton Bassett Town's relegation and both sides were competing for the promotion places at the top of the table. The two sides met on the opening day of the season and drew 0-0 at Avebury. In the return game at Rylands Way Wootton Bassett won 1-0 thanks to an Alan Turner goal. Bassett went on to finish second and Avebury 3rd, enough to see both sides promoted. Perhaps the biggest game ever between the two sides came at the end of that season when they met in the final of the Wiltshire League Subsidiary Cup. Wootton Bassett defeated Avebury in the final to take the cup. Avebury went into the cup final game without star striker Paul Rideout who had been selected to play for England School Boys. Both sides missed chances in the first half in which the only goal was one against his own side by Avebury's Martin Blackler. Gary Dixon beat Avebury's offside trap to score Bassett's second goal in the 70th minute. Six minutes later Dixon ran through on his own to score again but Nathan Walker replied for Avebury with a shot off the underside of the Bassett crossbar after a brilliant solo run. Dixon completed his hat trick from a centre by Steve Hatchman in the 85th minute. Mr Don Paget of the Wiltshire F.A. presented the trophy to Wootton Bassett Town.

In 1979-80, with both teams in the top division of county football, Avebury won 3-0 at home but Wootton Bassett won 2-1 at Rylands thanks to goals from Gary Dixon and Mal Miller. Despite this Wootton Bassett finished second bottom and were relegated whilst Avebury finished 10th and then had their purple patch at the start of the 1980's when they secured those two runners-up positions in the top division.

Another of Wootton Bassett's greatest triumph's actually took place on Avebury's ground when in Season 1983-84 Wootton Bassett became the first Division Two Club to ever lift the Ghia Senior Cup, defeating Sanford 4-0 thanks to goals from Neil Timbrell, Steve Thomas, Kevin Bishop and Graham Smedley.

One of the last meetings between the two Clubs, if not the last, came in Season 1987-88 when Wootton Bassett defeated Avebury 2-0 in the Ghia Senior Cup, Terry Hanrahan and Andy Bowden with the goals. By then Avebury had been relegated to the second division and as Wootton Bassett moved on up to the Hellenic League Avebury were to fall on hard times and eventually fold.

Football in Avebury has been resurrected in recent times with a youth set up running since 2003-4 at the old ground. Who knows it may be that soon there is once again an adult side in Avebury.

Opponents Pen Pics

Brackley Town FC



Dan Farrell
Goal Keeper
Young goalkeeper with great potential and ability.



Piotr Jancua
Goal Keeper
Good young goalkeeper with lots of ability.



Charlie Wise
Defence
Right footed centre back reads the game well and a good passer of the ball..



Dean March
Defence
Left footed centre back, good in the air and great in the tackle.



Joe Ward
Defence
Right footed defender who is very versatile can play in defence or midfield.



Ryan Knight
Defence
Strong and quick defender, hardworking and good on the ball.



Matt Carr
Midfield
Talented midfield player capable of playing in many different positions.



Ryan Hunt
Midfield
Very busy and athletic midfielder, has a fantastic engine and attitude to the game.



Matthew Johnson
Midfield
Attacking midfield player with a great first touch and quick feet.



Sam Sherratt
Midfield
Very talented midfielder capable of playing in a number of positions.



Lewis Baldwin
Midfield
Quick and tricky midfield player with a good eye for a pass.



Jarred Spink
Midfield
Talented midfield player capable of playing in many different positions.



Fuad Ahmed
Midfield
Skilful attacking midfielder with an eye for goal.



Kyle Wynne
Midfield
Young attacking midfielder with huge potential and great work rate.



Tom Kalugin
Forward
Versatile and creative striker with a real eye for goal



Logan Kelling
Forward
Skilful attacking player capable of playing with both feet, great dribbler.



Henry Jackson
Forward
Very quick and direct attacker with an eye for goal and very quick feet.



Matthew Hammond
Forward
Strong and athletic centre forward with two good feet and a great goal scoring record.



Matt Wise
Manager
Experienced manager with a good knowledge of local football.



Nick Johnson
Asst. Manager
Experienced and forward thinking coach who likes to play attractive, possession based football.

Hellenic League Sundry Stats

Todays Opponents

Uhlport Hellenic League

Premier Division Top Scorers Season 2014-15

		Goals
James G	Flackwell Heath	38
Cooper-Clark S	Bracknell Town	34
Burnell D	Flackwell Heath	32
Bohane T	Highworth Town	23
Davies I	Binfield	23
White A	Highmoor Ibis	22
Curtin R	Kidlington	19
Commock S	Highmoor Ibis	18
Robertson S *	Wootton Bassett Town	18
Castle T	Kidlington	17
Joyce L	Oxford City Nomads	17
Romeo Y	Thatcham Town	17
West D	Thame United	17
Bailey D	Wootton Bassett Town	15
Coyle L	Kidlington	15
Odhiambo A	Abingdon United	15
Rapley D	Flackwell Heath	15



* Includes 6 for Shrivenham

Premier Division Attendances Season 2014-15

	Lowest	Highest	Average	Total
Binfield	48	182	104	1,979
Bracknell Town	48	206	84	1,596
Thatcham Town	28	215	77	1,314
Flackwell Heath	47	165	76	1,440
Highworth Town	44	159	74	1,331
Newbury	17	325	73	1,318
Ascot United	35	156	71	1,067
Brimcombe & Thrupp	42	95	66	1,252
Thame United	35	89	63	1,190
Highmoor Ibis	23	176	62	1,186
Abingdon United	35	155	60	1,140
Milton United	25	87	59	1,057
Reading Town	30	102	58	1,105
Ardley United	32	82	53	1,005
Shrivenham	6	104	49	827
Kidlington	31	66	45	854
Wootton Bassett Town	23	102	44	792
Oxford City Nomads	20	72	43	777
Holyport	10	85	33	624
Cheltenham Saracens	15	35	25	471

Brackley Town Development - Results Season 2014-15

Date	Result	League/Cup	Opponents	Score	Scorers	Att	MOM		
Saturday, 09 August 2014	W	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	2	Burnham	1	Sultana, Wise	75	Patterson
Saturday, 16 August 2014	L	Division One (East)	Rayners Lane	5	Brackley Town 'Dev'	4	Baldwin, Hammond, Knight, Wise	52	Jackson
Saturday, 23 August 2014	W	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Finchampstead	0	Johnson	51	Johnson
Saturday, 30 August 2014	W	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	2	Wokingham & Emmbrook	1	Baldwin, Wise	91	Wise
Saturday, 06 September 2014	W	Division One (East)	Penn & Tylers Green	2	Brackley Town 'Dev'	3	Baldwin, March, Patterson	37	Hunt
Wednesday, 10 September 2014	W	Floodlit Cup Rnd 1	Brackley Town 'Dev'	3	Flackwell Heath	1	Curtis, Jackson, Johnson	91	Curtis
Saturday, 13 September 2014	D	Division One (East)	Chinnor	3	Brackley Town 'Dev'	3	Hammond, Patterson, Sherratt	60	Baldwin
Saturday, 20 September 2014	D	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	2	Chalfont Wasps	2	Baldwin, Hammond	98	Baldwin
Saturday, 27 September 2014	W	Challenge Cup Rnd 1	Old Woodstock Town	1	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Sherratt (away win on pens)	67	Jacucha
Saturday, 04 October 2014	W	Division One (East)	Didcot Town	1	Brackley Town 'Dev'	2	Green, Knight	36	
Saturday, 11 October 2014	W	Division One (East)	Burnham	1	Brackley Town 'Dev'	2	Inigo 2	32	Inigo
Tuesday, 14 October 2014	L	Floodlit Cup Rnd 2	Newbury	4	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Baldwin	61	Johnson
Saturday, 18 October 2014	W	Division One (East)	Headington Amateurs	2	Brackley Town 'Dev'	6	Built 2, Green 2, Jackson, OG	31	Green
Saturday, 25 October 2014	W	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	2	Rayners Lane	0	Hammond, Johnson	97	Johnson
Saturday, 01 November 2014	L	Division One (East)	Henley Town	3	Brackley Town 'Dev'	2	Jackson, Johnson	42	Inigo
Saturday, 08 November 2014	W	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Chinnor	0	Carr	77	Carr
Saturday, 15 November 2014	W	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	4	Woodley Town	1	Hammond 2, Carr, Jackson	56	Hammond
Saturday, 22 November 2014	D	Division One (East)	Finchampstead	1	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Jackson	47	Hammond
Saturday, 29 November 2014	L	Challenge Cup Rnd 2	Brackley Town 'Dev'	0	Binfield	1		94	Wise
Saturday, 06 December 2014	W	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	3	Penn & Tylers Green	1	Hammond 2, March	61	Hammond
Saturday, 13 December 2014	D	Division One (East)	Old Woodstock Town	1	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Johnson	67	Jackson
Saturday, 27 December 2014	D	Division One (East)	Easington Sports	1	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Johnson	170	Wise
Saturday, 17 January 2015	W	Supp Cup Rnd 2	Cheltenham Saracens	1	Brackley Town 'Dev'	3	Jackson, Spink, Wise		Wise
Saturday, 31 January 2015	D	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Henley Town	1	Baldwin	92	Wise
Saturday, 07 February 2015	W	Division One (East)	Woodley Town	0	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Johnson	38	Johnson
Saturday, 14 February 2015	L	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Old Woodstock Town	5	Knight	76	Hunt
Saturday, 21 February 2015	L	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	2	Easington Sports	4	Baldwin, Johnson	131	Jackson
Saturday, 28 February 2015	W	Division One (East)	Chalfont Wasps	1	Brackley Town 'Dev'	5	Apostolopoulos, Hammond, Jackson 2, Kalugin	28	Jackson
Saturday, 14 March 2015	W	Supp Cup Rnd 3	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Shortwood United	0	Hammond	28	McDonald
Wednesday, 25 March 2015	W	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	3	Headington Amateurs	0	Baldwin, Kalugin, March		Baldwin
Saturday, 28 March 2015	W	Division One (East)	Brackley Town 'Dev'	4	Didcot Town	1	Hammond 2, Baldwin, Kalugin	84	Hammond
Saturday, 04 April 2015	D	Division One (East)	Wokingham & Emmbrook	0	Brackley Town 'Dev'	0		85	Sherratt
Wednesday, 08 April 2015	L	Supp Cup QF	Brackley Town 'Dev'	1	Wantage Town Reserves	1	Spink (away win on pens)	68	

Man of the Match Awards Last Season

Charlie Wise	5
Matthew Hammond	4
Henry Jackson	4
Matthew Johnson	4
Lewis Baldwin	3
J. Inigo	2
Ryan Hunt	2
Curtis McDonald	1
Matt Carr	1
Sam Sherratt	1
Ollie Patterson	1
Piotr Jacuca	1
Joe Curtis	1
Will Green	1

Goalscorers

Goalscorers	Goals	Strike-Rate
Matthew Hammond	12	41.4%
Lewis Baldwin	9	30.0%
Henry Jackson	8	25.8%
Matthew Johnson	8	24.2%
Charlie Wise	4	12.9%
Will Green	3	60.0%
Tom Kalugin	3	30.0%
Ryan Knight	3	10.3%
Dean March	3	12.0%
Michael Built	2	50.0%
Matt Carr	2	9.1%
J. Inigo	2	40.0%
Ollie Patterson	2	50.0%
Sam Sherratt	2	6.3%
Jarred Spink	2	9.1%
P. Apostolopoulos	1	50.0%
Joe Curtis	1	100.0%
Vjorn Sultana	1	20.0%
OwnGoal -	1	

Wootton Bassett Town have never played Brackley Town Saints but have played against Brackley's First Team. Results of previous meetings are shown below.

Wootton Bassett Town Results Against Brackley First Team

Season	Date	L/Cup	Opponents	H/A	Result	Goalscorers
2000.01	17-Feb-01	L	Brackley Town	H	D 1 - 1	P.Davis
2000.01	09-May-01	L	Brackley Town	A	L 0 - 3	
2001.02	13-Oct-01	L	Brackley Town	H	L 1 - 3	Hyde
2001.02	16-Mar-02	L	Brackley Town	A	L 1 - 3	Dodd
2002.03	24-Aug-02	L	Brackley Town	H	W 2 - 0	Simpkins, Tooley
2002.03	26-Nov-02	FL	Brackley Town	A	L 1 - 5	
2002.03	10-Dec-02	FL	Brackley Town	H	W 1 - 0	Swatton
2002.03	12-Apr-03	L	Brackley Town	A	L 0 - 1	
2003.04	22-Nov-03	L	Brackley Town	H	L 1 - 3	Bennett
2003.04	20-Apr-04	L	Brackley Town	A	L 2 - 7	Swatton 2

Geoff Swatton (pictured right is our top scorer against Brackley)



Previous Meetings

Lapse of Concentration Costs Spirited Bassett Dear

**Wootton Bassett Town 1 (Bennett), Brackley Town 3
Rylands Way, Saturday 22 November 2003**

Three goals from high-flyers Brackley Town saw off Bassett as, again, defensive errors cost Bassett dear; Matt Bennett got on the scoresheet for the home side early in the second half but that wasn't enough. Two from Andy Baird and another from Simon Dunlop secured the three points went to Brackley. Rich Stevens was under pressure early on for Bassett when after only six minutes had gone Darren Beckett sent a through ball to Baird whose first shot was parried by Stevens but the rebound hit the side netting.

Nine minutes on, Stevens was called into action again, this time tipping away a troublesome Neil King cross. In the 19th minute Ben Milner fired straight at Stevens from the edge of the area. King had a try at Stevens from twenty yards out in the 24th minute but again Stevens saved. Bassett had their first chance of the game came from a Ben Gascoyne free kick on the right wing which Paul Davis headed wide. It was inevitable that Brackley were going to take the lead and that happened nine minutes from the break; Milner crossing in and Baird connecting with it from ten yards out, heading Brackley in the lead. A minute later Baird headed into the side netting when he reached a King cross once more.

In the 38th minute Geoff Swatton nearly equalised for Bassett, connecting with an Andy Hallett ball – timing his run to perfection – he then lobbed 'keeper Matt Finlay but the ball trickled past the post. Two minutes on a Steve Yeardley foul on King resulted in a booking for Yeardley. Kai Ridley whipped in the free kick, whilst Stevens was still sorting out his wall and again Baird connected with it heading home once more, doubling Brackley's advantage. After the restart Matt Bennett was presented with a great chance to halve the deficit before the break when John Magani laid off to him but Bennett sputtered with his first touch and his shot went wide.

Bennett made up for his missed opportunity one minute after half time when Rob Hopkins crossed in for him and Bennett blasted home from ten yards out after the ball deflected to his feet. Brackley struck back within five minutes however when Dunlop went through a Rich Willis tackle and struck in from twenty yards out untouched. In the 64th minute another defensive error this time from Andy Hallett allowed Beckett a chance on goal but Stevens saved with his feet. Bassett made their first change two minutes later when Nathan Hall made his first first team appearance since returning from venture around the globe, he replaced John Magani. Geoff Swatton came close in the 73rd minute for Bassett, hitting wide from just outside the box. Bassett made a double change bringing on Sam Reason and Paul Patel for Ben Gascoyne and Andy Hallett. Mark Vaughan received a caution for Bassett ten minutes from time before in the 84th minute poor defending allowed substitute Andy Prescott through who shot straight at Stevens. Prescott was booked a minute later. In injury time Matt Bennett had a shot from the edge of the area saved before a Neil King rocket from twenty yards out rattled the post.

The result was frustrating for Bassett after performing well throughout but they came away with nothing. A crunch match against Highworth on Tuesday is a must win now to get Bassett out of the bottom regions of the table. An upset maybe on the cards if they perform with the same desire they did in this match.

Scoop's Man of the Match: Rich Stevens – made some great saves to deny what may have been a match with a cricket score.

Scoop Rating: 7/10 – A spirited performance but Bassett now need to convert in front of goal.

Reminiscing - The Good Old Days

MS: Other than Gary Dixon who do you view as the best player you played alongside and who has been the best player you have seen at the club since you retired?

RW: *I would have to say Roger Frost. He was a character and could probably have played at a higher level. His ball control was great for a target man and knew where the goals were.*

MS: The names Rod and Roger tend to go together here at Wootton Bassett. What are your first memories of Rod Carter at the club?

RW: *Rod came to the club thanks to Alan Blyth who was chairman. Initially Rod came and assisted with the reserve side. When Paul Harrison stood down as Secretary Rod stepped in and did the club proud over all those years. I have to say that it has been a pleasure to know him and wife Mary. We spent lots of time going to matches together and both my children also got to know him.*

MS: Do you miss those Saturday mornings looking after the pitch or was it the right time to retire the wellie boots? Having marked the pitch when I was out at Minety I must admit I found it quite a stress reliever after a tough week at work. Was it like that for you?

RW: *Saturday mornings were a time that allowed me to unwind after the week and I took pleasure in trying to give the guys something decent to play on. Rylands Way was not easy in that respect but Rod and I tried our best. The best piece of equipment was bought by you Mark. The spray marker made life so easy after trying to push the bloody wheel marker through the Bassett mud.*

MS: We bought one at Minety so was just passing on the my experience. Whilst it was Rod that people who associate with those Saturday morning pitch gang there was a 3rd member as well? Dave was a bit of a man of mystery going on special missions here, there and everywhere with the RAF. Did he ever let on where he was flying to?

RW: *Dave was a member of a special forces crew who would fly off at any given time and I understand they didn't have a clue where until they turned up for the flight. I did once call him on the mobile and he was sitting on the tarmac somewhere having taken the PM and was watching Air Force One landing. On another occasion I called him he was in Australia. Dave was the instigator of trying to improve the surface at Rylands and he did so over a couple of years. He had gangs on hands and knees filling bare patches with grass, seed and soil. Even Lord Lucan (Paul Harrison) was there. The mini-tractor was sourced by Dave and I now have it still working on the land I own.*

MS: Going back to those really early days, a big thing back then was the bingo which was one of the biggest, if not the biggest fund raiser for the club. Was it every week and can you remember how much money it used to bring in? Intrigued to know who it was that announced the numbers and did they do all those bingo nicknames? Can you remember what number Doctor's orders was?

RW: *Doctor's orders No9. That's out of the way. One or two others for you as well. All the 6s clickity click. 77 Sunset Strip. All the 2s, two little ducks. When I first got involved Bob Thomas called the numbers and Ron Stone and then wife Ros collected the money and sold the tickets. It was the biggest fund raiser and some seasons the only one. Early days were good and my first takings as treasurer were £80. In those days it averaged £100 per week. Later with the Gala opening in Swindon it declined to a point where we stopped as the takings didn't cover the hire of the hall. One thing the bingo did do is that locals recognised you in the High Street much to the embarrassment of Sue my wife.*

MS: Do you think that Bingo could have made a comeback if a separate function room had been built?

RW: *I think as a one off occasionally it might work. How we did it for so long weekly was incredible.*

MS: Do you remember the time when Steve Thomas and Danny Groom joined the club, brought to the club by the teacher at Park School if I recall?

RW: *Steve and Danny were the first of the next generation of footballers to come to the club. Both their sons Ryan Thomas, Steve Groom and Dog play for Bassett and Danny is now Vice Chairman, Steve comes along to watch.*

MS: Finally Bassett bobble – fact or excuse used by players with poor ball control?

RW: *In my opinion if you can play football then you can play on any surface flat or rough. Players are fortunate these days to get reasonable surfaces. In our day you got what you got and got on with it.*

MS: Well it has been great reminiscing with you about the club is there any final comment you would like to make?

RW: *Here's to the new era for Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC and a terrific future for all involved and those to come.*

Reminiscing - The Good Old Days

This week with Roger Williamson

MS: You are one of a number of people who over the years have started as a player and then progressed to a committee position. When did you join the club and who did you play for before joining Bassett?

RW: I moved to Bassett in June 1978 and joined the club pre-season in the July. In fact I captained the side in my first season. Prior to moving I played in the West Riding County Amateur League for Bradford Rovers. I had a spell as an associated schoolboy with Blackpool who at the time were in the old Division 2 of the Football League. I also had trials for Leeds and Bradford City. My potential professional career ended with a broken ankle at 17 years of age.

MS: An impressive CV. You were in your prime when I was starting out with the U18s at the Club but I do remember playing in the same team as you on a couple of occasions. There were some strong personalities at the club in those days, I am thinking about the likes of Bob Thomas, Zeppy Glascoo and Alan Hamilton. Which player of that era did you view as the most inspirational and why?

RW: To be honest it is hard to choose but I would say Zeppy as he would go through a brick wall if you asked him. I also played alongside Tony Vines who was a colossus of a centre half and played into his late 40s. He is occasionally seen at games. Brian Ewing was a tremendous striker and the club's all-time record goalscorer.

MS: Gary Dixon was a huge talent who was just starting out in those days. Was he the most talented player that you played alongside?

RW: You are probably correct and he went onto play for Chippenham Town but sadly suffered an injury which curtailed his playing there. Of course his son Craig has played for the club in recent seasons.

MS: Whilst Gary was a great player at the club his family were also heavily involved with his Dad Lionel and Uncle Les involved in the off field side of matters. Did you ever think that Gary would also become involved as say a manager or a coach?

RW: I think Gary was like me not cut out for that but he worked for the US Airforce at Fairford and would not have had the time to commit.

MS: What I remember about your playing days was that you were something of a cultured centre back who also found the net on a regular basis? Is my mind playing tricks with me or am I remembering things correctly?

RW: Definitely correct Mark and you'll be on my Christmas card list for evermore! I would like to think I could play a bit and did get my fair share of goals. In fact I scored the first goal of manager Mick Woolford's period at the club. First game of the season in the league, against Amesbury Town at Rylands Way. I was playing left back at the time. I also scored my share of own goals too. Sadly my son Gary didn't follow my footsteps into football but has become a good rugby player with both Bassett and Swindon. I do still have a link as Kara my daughter is the club Sports Therapist.

MS: Can you remember who it was that asked you to get involved with the administrative side of the club?

RW: To be perfectly honest I can't remember. It was probably Bob Thomas who was chairman at the time. The club needed someone to take over as Treasurer so I offered but never thought it would last for over 25 years.

MS: 25 years as Treasurer, that is a long time and if I do the maths that will be how many years in total?

RW: This will be my thirty seventh which is more than half my life time. What you see today is really special compared to when I first walked into Rylands Way. What I would give to be 40 years younger! Credit to the Sports Association and Paul Harrison for their perseverance. It is a credit to the Town.

MS: Over all those years who do you view as the best manager at the club?

RW: I would have to say Micky Woolford. I played for a number of managers during my time but he had to be the best. He won the Wiltshire County League and took the club into the Hellenic League. He also won the Hellenic Division One cup on two occasions.

MS: What was it that made him stand out?

RW: Having been a player at Swindon at the same time as Don Rogers, Micky brought a different level on management to the club. First and foremost his attention to detail before games and his instructions to individual players stood out. He also had great contacts and brought some good footballers to the club. Mick enjoyed players who could play. Sadly I didn't play beyond his first season due to knee ligament damage that eventually finished my playing days. I did however enjoy the period as his bucketman and minibus driver over several years and there was always good team spirit and camaraderie. One can't forget Alan Wilson's song sheets and Delilah.



RWBTFC First Team Pen Pics



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



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



Dane Moulden Defence
Dependable full back. Member of our U18's in 2008-09. Still only 24 but brings plenty of Hellenic experience, having featured for Cricklade Town, Fairford Town and Shrivenham.



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



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



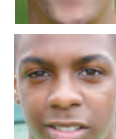
Matt Cheatham Midfield
Hard tackling and skilful midfielder player who joins us from Division One West Clanfield.



Richie Carter Midfield
Cultured midfielder player. Last season made 46 appearances and will start the season having played 176 times for the club. Player of Year back in Season 2008-9.



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



Kalum Youngsam Forward
Speedy youngster with massive potential who is a good finisher. Expected to really grow this season and be a very good player in this division.



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



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



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



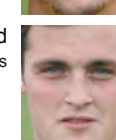
Dale Richards Defence
A product of the Club's youth section, a classy defender who made the step-up to adult football in style last season making 45 appearances.



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



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



Jack Ellis Midfield
Pacy player who re-joined the club at the back end of last season from Malmesbury. A product of one of the Club's most successful U18 sides.



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



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



Nathan Gambling Forward
Strong powerful striker played a crucial part in Bassett's successful 2014-15 campaign, racking up 16 goals, with a hat-trick against local rivals Highworth Town among that tally.



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

WILTSHIRE COUNTY SENIOR CUP SEASON 2014-15

First Round		
Amesbury Town	4 - 1	FC Chippenham Youth Adults
Highworth Town	5 - 0	New College Swindon
Corsham Town	2 - 0	Supermarine Sports FC
Marlborough Town	0 - 1	Purton (awarded to Marlborough)
Downton	2 - 1	Westbury United
Southbrook	2 - 0	Trowbridge Wanderers
Malmesbury Victoria	2 - 3	Wootton Bassett Town
Wroughton	2 - 1	Bemerton Heath Harlequins
Calne Town	1 - 2	Warminster Town
Shrewton United	3 - 2	Devizes Town
Laverstock & Ford	4 - 0	Pewsey Vale
Ludgershall Sports	1 - 2	Chippenham Park
Trowbridge Town	3 - 1	Wilts Calne Town
Bradford Town	W - L	Vale of Pewsey
Sarum Youth	0 - 2	Mere Town
Melksham Town		Bye

Second Round		
Downton	0 - 5	Highworth Town
Melksham Town	4 - 1	Trowbridge Town
Amesbury Town	3 - 2	Shrewton United
Corsham Town	2 - 1	Chippenham Park
Laverstock & Ford	2 - 0	Marlborough Town
Southbrook FC	1 - 5	Warminster Town
Wroughton	0 - 1	Wootton Bassett Town
Bradford Town	5 - 1	Mere Town

Quarter Finals		
Laverstock & Ford	2 - 0	Corsham Town
Wootton Bassett Town	0 - 2	Bradford Town
Highworth Town	3 - 2	Melksham Town
Warminster Town	1 - 2	Amesbury Town

Semi Finals		
Amesbury	0 - 4	Highworth Town
Bradford Town	4 - 2	Laverstock & Ford

Final		
Bradford Town	1 - 2	Highworth Town

The draw for this Season's Wiltshire Senior Cup has yet to be made.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC • Club History



Wootton Bassett Town formed in 1882 and are one of the oldest Clubs in Wiltshire. Bassett's early success came in the Wiltshire Senior Cup, making the final in both 1902-3 and 1903-4, losing to Warminster 3-1 in a replay before going down 3-0 to Swindon Town the following season. Bassett folded for a period pre World War 1 before re-forming in the Calne & District League. After finishing runners-up in 1930-31 they went one better the following year winning the championship. A short unsuccessful spell in the Swindon & District League saw the team return to the Calne League where they were champions again in 1934-35.

Having won the Calne League for the second time Bassett moved up into Wiltshire League Division 2. Promotion was achieved in the first season and the team remained in the top division until the start of World War II. After the war Bassett recommenced in the County Senior League but struggled. In 1956-57 a reorganisation of football in Wiltshire saw the creation of a Premier Division and Bassett found themselves in the second tier. Season 1958-59 saw the first title secured when Bassett finished top of Division 1. Back in the top tier the highest place finish was 8th in Season 1967-68. Then, following another reorganisation, Bassett found themselves in the Wiltshire Combination where they were to remain until 1976-77 when the current Wiltshire County Football League was formed. The second season in the new league saw Bassett relegated but they were to bounce straight back in 1978-79 when they finished runners-up. Unfortunately momentum could not be maintained and they were immediately relegated to Division 2 where they remained for 5 seasons. A second league title was secured in 1984-85 when Bassett were promoted back to Division 1. This time the team were able to hold their own and after finishing 6th and 4th they then achieved their greatest success in 1987-88 when they won the Division 1 title, elevating the Club into the Hellenic League, where they have remained since.

Throughout their first eleven seasons Bassett kept a steady mid table position. In 1999-2000 they finished 3rd in Division One West and gained promotion to the Hellenic top flight. First season in the Premier resulted in a respectable twelfth position and a County Cup triumph. The next season they made the first round of the FA Vase but just avoided relegation. The next two seasons saw Bassett finish mid table but the following season they were relegated, this after making their first venture into the FA Cup since 1950-51. Bassett missed immediate promotion back to the Premier by one point in 2005-06 and went close again in 2008-09, finishing fourth. Meanwhile Bassett became the first club in Wiltshire to be awarded Charter Community Club status by the FA. Promotion back to the Premier Division was secured at the end of 2009-10 as Bassett finished level on points with champions Slimbridge.

Bassett finished in a credible 15th place in their first season back in the Premier. However, they harshly found themselves demoted back to Division One on a ground grading technicality. They did well to finish in 5th place the following season after such heartbreak. In 2012-13 Bassett were never out the top 3 as they marched towards promotion, finishing 2nd. In addition they reached the FA Cup 2nd Qualifying Round for the first time. At the end of the season manager Dave Turner decided to move on after 5 years in charge. The Club were devastated when shortly after the fixture with his new club Shrivenham Dave tragically passed away.

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



2014-15

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C.

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money
6-Sep-14	First Round Qualifying	v Cove	A	W 3 - 2	£600
4-Oct-14	Second Round Qualifying	v Abingdon United	H	L 2 - 3	£800
1-Nov-14	First Round Proper	v Farnham Town	A		£900
22-Nov-14	Second Round Proper	v Littlehampton Town	H		£1,200
6-Dec-14	Third Round Proper	v Ashford United	H		£1,500
17-Jan-15	Fourth Round Proper	v Norwich United	H		£2,000
7-Feb-15	Fifth Round Proper	v Ascot United	A		£2,500
28-Feb-15	Sixth Round Proper	v St Austell	A		£4,500
21-Mar-15	Semi-final	v Glossop NE	Two legs		£6,000
9-May-15	Final winners	v North Shields	Wembley		£25,000
Total Prize Money Won					£600

2015-16

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C.




















Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money
5-Sep-15	First Round Qualifying	v Binfield	H		£600
3-Oct-15	Second Round Qualifying	v Ash United or Windsor	A		£800
31-Oct-15	First Round Proper	v			£900
21-Nov-15	Second Round Proper	v			£1,200
12-Dec-15	Third Round Proper	v			£1,500
9-Jan-16	Fourth Round Proper	v			£2,000
30-Jan-16	Fifth Round Proper	v			£2,500
20-Feb-16	Sixth Round Proper	v			£4,500
12-Mar-16	Semi-final	v	Two legs		£6,000
22-May-16	Final winners	v	Wembley		£25,000
Total Prize Money Won					£600



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

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

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

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

Half Time Quiz Answers



Answers

1. Arsenal, Aston Villa, Chelsea, Everton. Liverpool, Manchester United.
2. David James, Glen Johnson, Ashley Cole, Steven Gerrard, Michael Dawson, John Terry, Aaron Lennon, Frank Lampard, Peter Crouch, Wayne Rooney, Joe Cole, Robert Green, Stephen Warnock, Gareth Barry, Matthew Upson, James Milner, Shaun Wright-Phillips, Jamie Carragher, Jermain Defoe, Ledley King, Emile Heskey, Michael Carrick and Joe Hart..
3. Alan Shearer, Andy Cole, Wayne Rooney, Frank Lampard, Thierry Henry, Robbie Fowler, Michael Owen, Les Ferdinand, Teddy Sheringham and Robin van Persie.
4. Manchester United, Tottenham Hotspur and Nottingham Forest.
5. Peter Shilton, David Beckham, Steven Gerrard, Bobby Moore, Ashley Cole, Frank Lampard, Bobby Charlton, Wayne Rooney and Billy Wright.
6. Brazil, Germany, Italy, Argentina and Uruguay.
7. Borussia Monchengladbach, VfB Stuttgart and FC Kaiserslautern.

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F.A. Cup

2014-15

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C.

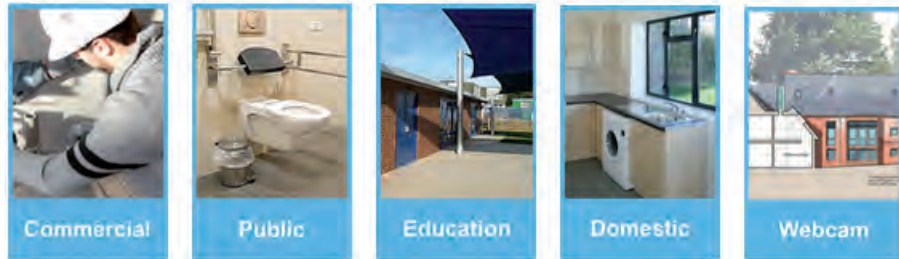
Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money
16-Aug-14	Extra Preliminary Round	v Brockenhurst	A	W 3 - 0	£1,500
30-Aug-14	Preliminary Round	v Bradford Town	A	L 1 - 2	£1,925
13-Sep-14	First Qualifying Round	v Poole Town	A		£3,000
27-Sep-14	Second Qualifying Round	v Bath City	A		£4,500
11-Oct-14	Third Qualifying Round	v Shortwood United	H		£7,500
25-Oct-14	Fourth Qualifying Round	v East Thurrock United	A		£12,500
8-Nov-14	First Round	v Hartlepool United	A		£18,000
6-Dec-14	Second Round	v Blyth Spartans	H		£27,000
3-Jan-15	Third Round	v Birmingham City	H		£67,500
24-Jan-15	Fourth Round	v WBA	H		£90,000
14-Feb-15	Fifth Round	v West Ham	H		£180,000
7-Mar-15	Sixth Round	v Aston Villa	A		£360,000
18-Apr-15	Semi-Final	v Liverpool	Wembley		£900,000
30-May-15	Final	v Arsenal	Wembley		£1,800,000
Total Prize Money Won					£1,500

2015-16

THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C.

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money
15-Aug-15	Extra Preliminary Round	v Bracknell Town	H		£1,500
29-Aug-15	Preliminary Round	v Abingdon Utd or Brimscombe & T	A		£1,925
12-Sep-15	First Qualifying Round	v			£3,000
26-Sep-15	Second Qualifying Round	v			£4,500
14-Oct-15	Third Qualifying Round	v			£7,500
24-Oct-15	Fourth Qualifying Round	v			£12,500
7-Nov-15	First Round	v			£18,000
5-Dec-15	Second Round	v			£27,000
9-Jan-16	Third Round	v			£67,500
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21-May-16	Final	v	Wembley		£1,800,000
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Perpetuapress Floodlit Cup

Half Time Quiz

HELLENIC LEAGUE FLOODLIT CUP SPONSORED BY PERPETUA PRINT
SEASON 2015-16

First Round		
Bracknell Town	v	Rayners Lane
Highmoor-Ibis	v	Binfield
Highworth Town	v	Brackley Town Saints
Lydney Town	v	Shortwood United
Royal Wootton Bassett	v	Fairford Town
Shrivenham	v	Carterton
Thame United	v	Milton United
Thatcham Town	v	Didcot Town
Tuffley Rovers	v	Kidlington



1. Which 7 teams have never been relegated from the English Premiership (7 points, one for each team)?
2. How many of the 2010 England World Cup Squad can you name (23 points, one for each player)?
3. Name the top 10 all time scorers in the English Premiership (10 points, one for each player)?
4. Three teams have won the League Cup 4 times, who are they (3 points, one for each team)?
5. Nine players have earned over 100 England caps, who are they (9 points, one for each player)?
6. Five countries have won the World Cup more than once, which nations (5 points, one for each country)?
7. 12 clubs have won the German Bundesliga title since it started. Which 3 teams are missing from the list of winners: Bayern Munich, Borussia Dortmund, Werder Bremen, Hamburg, FC Koln, TSV Munich, Eintracht Braunschweig, FC Nurnberg and VFL Wolfsburg (3 points, one for each team)?

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Fixtures, Results and Tables

Season 2014-15

Uhsport Hellenic League

Wilts U18 Floodlit League

For the 2015/16 season, Royal Wootton Bassett Town's third senior men's side will be an Under 18s team competing in the Wiltshire Football Youth Floodlit League.

The Under 18s team, which will be managed by Paul Gerrish with Rab McLeod as his assistant, replaces the Development side, whose place in the Wiltshire Football League Premier Division has been taken by the Reserves.

The re-introduction of the Under 18 Senior side marks a return to the Floodlit League, which Bassett withdrew from following the 2011/12 season when they finished as runners-up in the North Division. A year earlier, under the stewardship of Danny Groom, Bassett's Under 18 side comfortably won the competition, while also reaching the Wiltshire Youth Cup final.

This year's Floodlit League contains 12 teams split across two Divisions – North and South – with Bassett playing in the North. The full constitution is as follows:

North Division

- AFC Corsham
- Calne Town
- Chippenham Town
- New College
- Royal Wootton Bassett Town
- Shrivenham

South Division

- Amesbury Town
- Bemerton Heath Harlequins
- Bradford Town
- Laverstock and Ford
- Melksham Town
- Pewsey Vale

Fixtures have yet to be released. In previous seasons, the campaign has started in early September.



Hellenic League Premier Season 2014-15	Abingdon Utd	Ardley Utd	Ascot Utd	Binfield	Bracknell Town	Brimmscombe & Thrupp	Cheltenham Saras	Flackwell Heath	Highmoor Ibis	Highworth Town	Holyport	Kidlington	Milton United	Newbury	Oxford City Nomads	Reading Town	Shrivenham	Thame Utd	Thatcham Town	W.Bassett Town
Abingdon Utd		0-0	4-1	1-4	1-3	0-0	5-1	3-3	2-3	0-0	2-2	3-3	2-2	0-0	1-5	1-4	3-0	0-3	2-5	2-2
Ardley Utd	4-3		0-3	2-0	2-3	2-1	3-1	1-3	4-0	1-0	1-2	1-2	4-0	3-0	3-2	2-0	6-0	0-2	1-1	2-1
Ascot United	3-1	2-1		0-0	0-3	1-0	5-0	1-4	0-1	4-1	2-0	2-2	3-2	2-1	8-0	3-1	0-2	1-1	4-1	3-1
Binfield	2-0	1-2	0-0		3-1	3-3	6-1	0-2	3-3	1-0	4-2	0-2	8-0	2-1	2-3	6-0	4-2	1-2	1-1	6-1
Bracknell Town	0-2	0-1	1-2	2-0		2-3	5-2	0-3	2-0	0-0	3-0	1-2	2-2	3-1	3-2	1-0	3-0	1-2	4-3	2-2
Brimmscombe & T	1-1	3-0	1-5	3-2	4-2		8-1	0-6	1-6	1-1	1-0	1-1	1-4	4-0	3-0	0-2	5-0	1-0	3-0	1-3
Cheltenham Saras	0-1	0-2	0-1	0-7	0-2	2-3		0-6	0-5	0-5	0-0	0-1	2-3	2-1	1-4	0-3	1-2	0-2	0-1	2-3
Flackwell Heath	4-1	4-2	3-0	0-3	3-1	2-1	7-0		2-2	2-1	6-0	2-2	3-3	2-1	3-1	2-1	8-0	2-0	3-2	2-2
Highmoor Ibis	2-1	2-1	1-0	4-0	2-0	2-0	7-0	1-3		0-1	2-1	0-0	6-1	3-0	2-0	3-1	1-0	1-0	0-0	6-0
Highworth Town	2-2	0-1	1-1	0-1	2-0	2-0	3-2	1-4	1-5		5-0	2-0	2-2	3-0	4-2	3-1	4-0	3-0	4-1	1-5
Holyport	1-5	1-1	0-2	0-0	1-1	2-1	2-1	0-1	0-1	2-2		2-3	2-1	1-4	4-3	1-1	1-0	1-1	0-5	1-0
Kidlington	3-2	3-3	1-2	2-0	3-1	1-0	5-2	1-3	3-1	0-3	5-0		3-0	2-0	1-1	1-3	4-2	0-1	6-1	5-0
Milton United	0-1	0-4	0-1	0-1	1-0	1-3	3-2	0-6	0-4	0-2	1-2	0-0		0-0	1-1	0-1	0-0	1-3	2-1	2-1
Newbury	3-3	1-2	0-2	0-3	0-2	6-0	1-0	1-1	2-2	0-3	4-2	0-4	1-2		1-1	1-3	3-0	0-4	3-2	0-1
Oxford City Nomads	2-4	2-3	1-3	3-3	4-2	2-0	4-2	0-3	1-3	3-2	2-0	0-3	1-4	2-3		2-0	1-2	4-1	2-1	3-0
Reading Town	3-2	1-2	2-3	2-3	0-3	2-3	2-0	0-4	2-4	1-3	0-2	2-1	0-2	1-2	3-4		6-1	2-7	2-4	1-3
Shrivenham	0-3	2-4	1-2	0-3	1-1	3-3	0-0	0-11	2-3	0-6	1-7	1-2	2-2	0-2	1-4	1-2		1-2	1-3	1-2
Thame United	3-2	4-0	0-4	1-3	2-0	2-3	5-3	1-3	0-2	3-2	2-1	2-1	0-1	3-1	2-0	2-1	4-3		0-2	4-1
Thatcham Town	4-1	1-0	0-1	0-1	1-2	0-4	2-0	0-2	0-0	1-2	3-2	1-2	1-3	1-1	2-0	1-3	3-0	2-0		1-3
W.Bassett Town	1-1	2-0	2-3	1-1	0-5	4-1	5-1	0-5	1-3	0-1	4-1	1-1	2-1	3-1	2-2	4-1	1-1	2-2	0-2	

2014-2015 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division (Final Table)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Flackwell Heath	38	31	6	1	133	33	99
2 Highmoor Ibis	38	27	6	5	93	35	87
3 Ascot United	38	26	5	7	80	40	83
4 Kidlington	38	21	9	8	81	46	72
5 Thame United	38	22	3	13	73	56	69
6 Binfield	38	20	8	10	88	47	68
7 Highworth Town	38	20	7	11	79	46	67
8 Ardley United	38	21	4	13	71	53	67
9 Bracknell Town	38	17	5	16	67	57	56
10 Brimscombe & Thrupp	38	16	6	16	71	73	54
11 Wootton Bassett Town	38	14	9	15	66	78	51
12 Thatcham Town	38	14	5	19	60	65	47
13 Oxford City Nomads	38	14	5	19	73	86	47
14 Milton United	38	11	9	18	47	78	42
15 Abingdon United	38	9	13	16	68	78	40
16 Holyport	38	10	8	20	46	81	38
17 Reading Town	38	12	1	25	60	87	37
18 Newbury	38	9	7	22	46	74	34
19 Shrivenham	38	3	6	29	33	120	15
20 Cheltenham Saracens	38	1	2	35	29	131	5

2014-2015 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One (West)

	P	W	D	L	V	F	A	Pts
1 Longlevens AFC	28	22	2	4	0	96	38	68
2 Tuffley Rovers*	28	19	5	3	1	71	28	62
3 Lydney Town	28	19	3	6	0	84	32	60
4 Cirencester Town 'Dev'	28	15	5	8	0	91	58	50
5 Hook Norton	28	14	6	8	0	56	49	48
6 Purton	28	13	4	11	0	43	48	43
7 North Leigh United	28	14	4	10	0	75	47	42
8 Shortwood United	28	12	5	11	0	62	57	41
9 Clanfield	28	9	6	13	0	38	53	33
10 Carterton*	28	7	6	14	1	55	73	27
11 Wantage Town Reserves	28	7	4	17	0	44	85	25
12 New College Swindon	28	7	3	18	0	38	66	24
13 Letcombe	28	6	6	16	0	28	57	24
14 Fairford Town	28	5	6	17	0	45	76	21
15 Tytherington Rocks	28	5	5	18	0	36	95	20

* Tuffley Rovers v Carterton - match void

2014-2015 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One (East) - Final Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Wokingham & Emmbrook	26	19	4	3	74	21	61
2 Brackley Town 'Dev'	26	15	7	4	59	38	52
3 Old Woodstock Town	26	16	2	8	61	33	50
4 Easington Sports	26	14	5	7	59	40	47
5 Chinnor	26	12	4	10	61	46	40
6 Henley Town	26	11	7	8	64	52	40
7 Rayners Lane	26	10	5	11	58	58	35
8 Woodley Town	26	9	7	10	42	54	34
9 Penn & Tylers Green	26	9	5	12	50	48	32
10 Finchampstead	26	9	6	11	44	54	30
11 Headington Amateurs	26	7	7	12	44	50	28
12 Didcot Town	26	7	4	15	40	54	25
13 Burnham	26	6	3	17	38	70	21
14 Chalfont Wasps	26	3	4	19	34	110	13

Ladies Section In Focus

Gloucestershire County Womens League Season 2015-16 Division One Fixtures

Date	Opponents	H/A	Competition
6-Sep-15	Bristol & West	A	League
13-Sep-15	Bristol Ladies Union Dev	H	League
20-Sep-15	Cheltenham Town Dev	A	League
4-Oct-15	Cirencester Town	A	League
25-Oct-15	Dursley Town	A	League
1-Nov-15	Forest of Dean	H	League
8-Nov-15	Longlevens	A	League
22-Nov-15	St Nicholas	H	League
6-Dec-15	AEK Boco	A	League
20-Dec-15	Almondsbury UWE	H	League
10-Jan-16	Almondsbury UWE	A	League
17-Jan-16	Bristol & West	H	League
24-Jan-16	Bristol Ladies Union Dev	A	League
31-Jan-16	Cheltenham Town Dev	H	League
7-Feb-16	Cirencester Town	H	League
21-Feb-16	Rustrey Town	H	League
28-Feb-16	Forest of Dean	A	League
6-Mar-16	Longlevens	H	League
13-Mar-16	St Nicholas	A	League
3-Apr-16	AEK Boco	H	League

Gloucestershire County Womens League Season 2014-15 Division One League Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 AlmondsburyUWE	20	14	1	5	34	21	43
2 Cirencester Town Ladies	20	12	5	3	66	21	41
3 Oldland Abbotonians	20	14	2	4	70	33	44
4 Forest of Dean Ladies	20	11	1	8	52	10	34
5 Wootton Bassett Town	20	9	6	5	41	27	33
6 AEK Boco Ladies	20	9	2	9	32	39	29
7 Cheltenham Town Development	20	8	4	8	44	49	25
8 Longlevens Womens FC	20	6	4	10	20	42	22
9 Bristol & West	20	5	4	11	24	37	19
10 Dursley Town	20	2	5	13	27	48	11
11 Cheltenham Spa CS Ladies	20	2	2	16	19	72	8



The ladies have recently started their pre-season training in preparation for the forthcoming season, which they are looking forward to after having finished the previous season so strongly. The ladies are also excited about playing their football at the new Gerard Buxton Sports Ground, which has been a long time in the making.

The Ladies side are looking to build on the success of last season and maybe even push for promotion. The club have now re-signed most of last season's squad along with a few new and experienced players, so the mood is positive around the team. The hard work of pre-season starts now as the team look forward to friendly matches against local rivals Swindon Town Reserves on 16th August and Swindon Spitfires Development on 23rd August.

The ladies start their season away to Bristol & West Ladies on 6th September and are also taking part in a trio of cups including the Gloucestershire Women's League Cup, the Women's FA Cup and the Wiltshire County Women's Cup. The team will be looking to push and further themselves in each of these cups after last season's poor run in cups, and who knows, maybe even bring home their first piece of silverware to the new Gerard Buxton Sports Ground.

The ladies are still on the look-out for more players, especially a goalkeeper, so if you or you know of anyone who would like to join the team, please contact Becky Gammon on 07825 336479. Training currently takes place on a Thursday evening from 6:30-8pm.

Fantasy Football

Royal Wootton Bassett Town will yet again be running a Fantasy Football League for the 2015/16 season. It is available for all to enter and there are prizes to be won.

It is quick and easy to enter. To do so, visit fantasy.premierleague.com and click on sign up. Once you have followed the instructions and selected your team, click on the 'Leagues' tab.

There, click 'Join a League' and in the pop-up box select 'Private League' and then next. Here, you will be asked to enter a code, with the RWBTFC.co.uk League number being: **104142-29036**.

Those who competed last season will automatically re-enter if they use their existing log-in details.

Last year there were a record 47 entries. The eventual winner was Andy Guppy, who pipped reigning champion Michael Case to the crown in a close title race.

For all the club's managers and coaches, joining the Fantasy League is the only chance to prove who the pick of the bunch really is, so get entering! And for players, parents or supporters it's an opportunity to find out if you're cut out for a managerial career...

Youth section players can join too, and if enough do so a prize will be made available for the best placed finisher.

It's great fun to play, and, after another successful season last year, it would be brilliant if more could enter to make it even bigger and better. Let's make it a half century of entries this season!

Previous Winners

2014/15 – Andy Guppy (Dirty Oars)

2013/14 – Michael Case (Cupid Punts)

2012/13 – Sam Lawro (Top of the Perch -19)

2011/12 – Sam Lawro (19- Top Of Your Perch)

2010/11 – Josh Dimond (Liquidation FC)



The Non-League Paper Article

Reserves In Focus



By Sam Elliott

"I SUPPOSE you guys don't have much to do during the close season, do you?"
 If we had a fiver for every time we'd heard that! In fact, with less football going on and more news pages to fill there's little chance to put our feet up during the summer.
 With little live action our team have to dig that little bit deeper to come up with the goods but the weird and wonderful stories which make Non-League so special were never likely to escape us.
 In fact, the funnies have been more fantastic than ever over the past few months – so here's a selection of the very best. Don't fear, we're not planning on taking a breather. If light-hearted football fun is your thing, we'll keep digging them out for you every week.

Nor, blimey!

It's always welcome when a team comes down from the Football League and signs someone we know. Easy copy ahead – and if they are as barmy as Tranmere's James Norwood, you're rubbing your hands.
 They don't always make it hard for us these footballers. You see Norwood, the self-appointed Snap Chat and twitter king, actually went to the effort of purchasing a grand title for himself this summer. Officially, we all have to address him as Lord James Norwood. His £27 certificate says so, he claims.
 We're refusing and request you do the same. The ban on attention seeking strikers starts here!

It's a poo-done it!

Let's be honest, there's no excuse for calling a pre-season friendly off. Even if the rain's bad it's surely not that bad with a pitch untouched for three months.
 But Bracknell Town's trip to the brilliantly-named Eversley & California was cancelled... because of geese poo!
 A statement on the Robins' website said: "It seems as if they have set up a mobile toilet on the Fox Lane pitch!"

Famous faces!

We all like a big-name summer signing, nicking your rival's top scorer or adding a player of serious pedigree can ease the pain of the football-free months.
 Supporters of Corinthian-Casuals got one of the biggest names in the game – Diego Maradona!
 The striker explained: "My first name is Diego, my middle name is Maradona and my family name is Petriaggi. In Brazil we rarely use our last names so this is me!
 "My father is a very big lover of football. As soon as my parents had children it was always the plan to name us after great former players. My two brothers are Michel Platini and Rivellino so you understand my mum didn't have a choice!"

Harry has no Styles

Harry Pell is in need of a break. Since leaving Hereford United in 2013 he really didn't settle at AFC Wimbledon, Grimsby or at Eastleigh.
 Best get your next manager onside as quickly as possible then. Well after turning up at Cheltenham manager Gary Johnson's house to talk terms, he spilt coffee on the gaffer's brand new carpet!
 The clumsy midfield giant almost blew it and Johnson joked: "I nearly didn't sign him because of that. He apologised nicely and I let him off!"

Hardly a glove affair!

Sam Freeman may not be Mr Popular at home but at least his club knows he cares.
 Before Bedfont & Feltham's essentially meaningless friendly with London All Nations Football Academy last weekend, he left girlfriend Rosie at Sutton Hospital an hour away... when she was a day overdue!
 Shock horror, her waters broke – gloves still on, he took a phone call in the middle of the second half telling him to get himself there NOW! Freeman arrived just in time.
 "I needed the game time!" Sam said. "In my defence she said I could go but she wasn't happy."
 Poor Rosie dropped him for the next game, banning her boyfriend from playing against Hampton four days later. Baby London and proud brother Mason, two, needed their daddy!

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

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sat 15-Aug-15	Ludgershall Sports	A	League		
Tue 18-Aug-15	Wroughton	A	League		
Sat 22-Aug-15	Melksham Town Res	A	League		
Tue 25-Aug-15	Chippenham Park Dev	A	League		
Sat 29-Aug-15	Trowbridge Wanderers	A	League		
	Andover New Street Sw	A	League		
	Andover New Street Sw	H	League		
	Chippenham Park Dev	H	League		
	Corsham Town Res	A	League		
	Corsham Town Res	H	League		
	Devizes Town Res	A	League		
	Devizes Town Res	H	League		
	Ludgershall Sports	H	League		
	Malmesbury Vics	A	League		
	Malmesbury Vics	H	League		
	Marlborough Town	A	League		
	Marlborough Town	H	League		
	Melksham Town Res	H	League		
	Sarum Youth	A	League		
	Sarum Youth	H	League		
	Shrewton United	A	League		
	Shrewton United	H	League		
	Trowbridge Town	A	League		
	Trowbridge Town	H	League		
	Trowbridge Wanderers	H	League		
	Vale of Pewsey	A	League		
	Vale of Pewsey	H	League		
	Wilts Calne Town	A	League		
	Wilts Calne Town	H	League		
	Wroughton	H	League		

2014-2015 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division Two (West) - Final Table

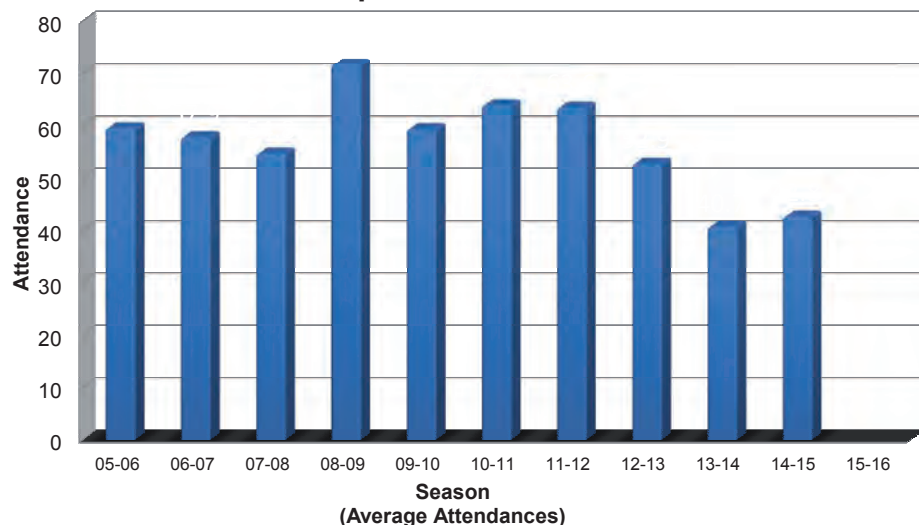
	P	W	D	L	v	F	A	Pts
1 Oxford City Nomads 'Dev'	22	18	0	3	1	88	29	54
2 Kidlington Reserves	22	16	1	5	0	70	42	49
3 Abingdon United Reserves	22	15	0	7	0	84	47	45
4 Old Woodstock Town Res*	22	13	2	6	1	49	39	41
5 Brimscombe & Thrupp Res	22	12	2	8	0	64	49	38
6 Fairford Town Reserves	22	10	5	7	0	45	37	35
7 Highworth Town Reserves	22	10	4	8	0	51	42	34
8 Wootton Bassett Town Res	22	7	6	9	0	71	56	27
9 Clanfield Reserves	22	5	2	15	0	26	68	17
10 Hook Norton Reserves	22	3	7	12	0	28	51	16
11 Letcombe Reserves	22	5	0	17	0	29	88	15
12 Shrivenham Reserves	22	2	1	19	0	27	84	7

* Old Woodstock Res v Oxford City Nomads match void

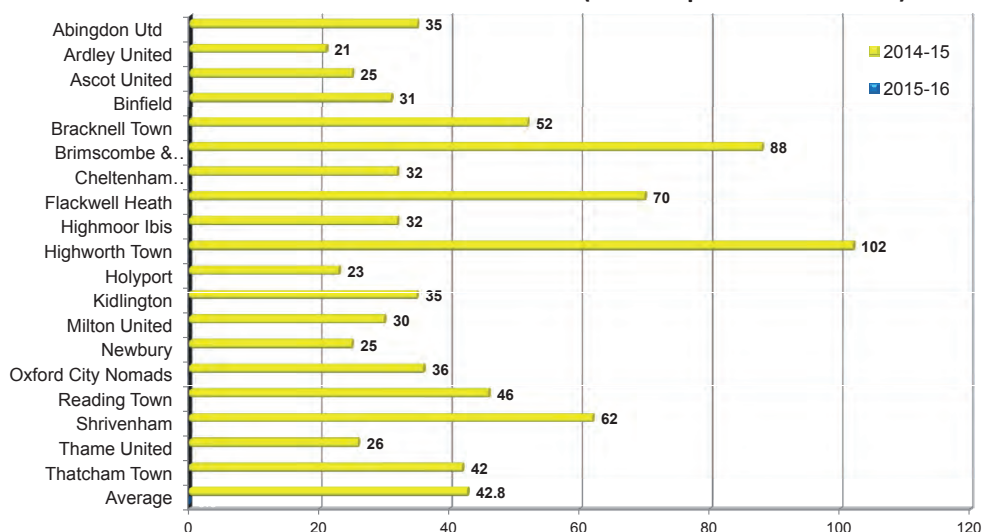
Wiltshire County League Premier Division Final League Table - Season 2014-15

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Malmesbury Victoria FC	32	25	4	3	112	48	79
2 Melksham Town FC Res	32	20	9	3	85	27	69
3 Trowbridge Town FC	32	23	1	8	84	46	67
4 Ludgershall Sports FC	32	20	5	7	83	47	65
5 Trowbridge Wanderers FC	32	19	4	9	63	36	61
6 Wroughton FC	32	18	6	8	85	63	60
7 FC Chippenham Youth	32	17	5	10	76	36	56
8 Southbrook FC	32	14	4	14	74	68	46
9 Shrewton Utd FC	32	14	3	15	74	77	45
10 Devizes Town FC Res	32	13	5	14	63	67	43
11 Corsham Town FC Res	32	9	7	16	55	63	33
12 Wilts Calne Town FC	32	8	5	19	56	86	29
13 Sarum Youth FC	32	6	9	17	48	93	27
14 Westbury Utd FC Res	32	8	1	23	59	86	25
15 Marlborough Town FC	32	6	5	21	42	74	23
16 Wootton Bassett Town FC Dev	32	8	1	23	46	122	22
17 Vale of Pewsey FC	32	6	2	24	47	113	19

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



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



Michael Meaker

I was interested to read that former QPR player and Hellenic League top draw Michael Meaker has now taken over as assistant manager at Taunton Town in the Southern League. The reason I found it interesting was that the father of one of my members of staff is Finance manager down at Taunton Town. Hopefully she will not tell her Dad my comments about him from the games he played against Bassett, although I did say he was a quality player in the Hellenic League for many years at Henley Town, Southall and Hounslow Borough and he continues to be the top performer these days in the QPR Masters side.

Woking Players Step up



I remember watching games a few seasons back at Woking and they had a player in midfield called Harry Arter (pictured left) who looked a level above everyone on the pitch. He transferred to Bournemouth and this coming season he will be playing in the Premier League.



Last season Woking had a very good side and just missed out on the play-offs. In the side last season was one player who week in week-out put in strong performances, his name being centre back Joe McNerney (pictured right). This coming season he has taken the step-up into the Football League, joining Crawley Town. I wonder if he will also progress up the leagues like Arter. Despite being at Woking for a number of years, coming up through their youth section, at the age of 25, the time was right for him to make the step-up, although he will be a big loss to Woking.

Other Non-League Clubs

As well as Bassett and Woking there are a number of other non-league clubs whose results I was looking out for when the Non-League paper drops on my mat on a Sunday morning.

The first result I look for is my old university Loughborough who play at Step 5 in the pyramid in the Midland League Premier Division. Normally they are towards the top but had a bit of a poor season in 2014-15, finishing near the bottom. Interested to read that next season they will be managed by former Tottenham player and Chesterfield manager John Duncan. I expect to see them back up the top of the division this coming season with such a high profile manager.



As well as Loughborough I then look out for the results of the three Woking sides in the Combined Counties league. Westfield and Knaphill (Highworth's FA Cup opponents) are both in the Premier Division whilst Sheerwater (the closest club to where I live being just the other side of the canal that runs down the bottom of our street) play in Division One.

Finally I look out for the results of Horncastle Town in the Lincolnshire League. This is my mum's home town and where my Dad used to be centre forward back in the 1960's.

I am interested in finding out what other non-league clubs players, officials or supporters follow. Drop me a line at mark.smedley@wbtfc.co.uk and I will endeavour to include your teams in this programme feature.

UHlsport Hellenic League

My anticipation is that this season the UHlsport Hellenic Premier Division will be a lot tougher than last season. Not only have Flackwell Town stayed down at Step 5, Highmoor Ibis, Ascot and Binfield will again be strong sides. However, my two tips for honours this season are Kidlington and Thatcham Town. They both appear to have made some impressive signings during the summer and been getting some great results in pre-season. Personally, whilst they did fantastic in the FA Vase last season and are being tipped to do well by the boys from the Adver, I cannot see Highworth Town challenging for league honours but would certainly fancy them to once again do well in cup competitions this season.

My top 5 for the Hellenic League this season is 1. Kidlington, 2. Thatcham Town, 3. Flackwell Heath, 4. Ascot United and 5. Highmoor Ibis. So what about Royal Wootton Bassett Town? For me I would be more than happy if we can match last season's 11th place finish but, as I say above, the league will be a lot tougher with no easy games but I am confident that we will avoid one of the bottom 4 relegation positions. Seeing who will do well in Division One West and East is not so easy. In the West I am going to go for Cirencester Town Development and in the East I am going to tip Holyport or Henley Town.

In the cups I am predicting that it will be Highworth Town, Ardley United and Ascot United who will be making the finals of cup competitions this coming season.

Boot Room Chatter



Hellenic League



Chairman's Report

UHL Sport Hellenic League Season 2014-15

The end of the season is almost with us and I would like to congratulate all of our winners, and commiserate with others. I look forward to seeing you at our Presentation Evening.

This season The UHL Sport Hellenic League once again achieved the target of staging 55% of League Matches before Christmas. The good weather has allowed us to reach the end of season date set by The FA. Fixture Coordinator David Jesson should be congratulated for this achievement.

RESPECT continues to be the behind all of the messages and training that we provide to our clubs. The RESPECT and Fair Play scheme and the resulting League Table sets the standard at our level of the game. League General Secretary Brian King, and Respect Officer Norman Stacey are in charge here. Our Match Officials and Assessors continue to provide the backbone to our matches,

In our National Knock-Out Competition, The FA Vase, we took another step forward with Highworth Town reaching the semi-final stage where they lost to the eventual winners North Shields. In addition both Ascot United (for a second year) and Flackwell Heath won through to the latter stages. The target for the coming years has got to be an all Hellenic final at Wembley.

From the FA Vase results there is no doubt that our Premier Division at Step Five, is looking very strong, compared to others across the country. It is also in good shape in terms of numbers and National Ground Grade requirements. Our two Division One's, at Step Six, continue to be of great concern in terms of shortage of numbers and many, that are long term established at this level, not being able to achieve the now introduced FA National Ground Grade for this Step, by the deadline of the end of March. Throughout the season there were many meetings involving clubs, League Officers and our Club Representatives. We were very pleased to see that The FA made a sensible decision to defer the requirements for floodlights for three years. However all the other Grade requirements need to be met by March 2016.

In October, following the resignation of our Results Officer, Clive Webb, due to ill health, I took over this role for the rest of the season. Whilst I have enjoyed this work our Match Day presence regrettably diminished compared to previous seasons. This will be resolved during the summer.

Personally I would like to thank our Management Committee, our Web-Master, the Weather, and my wife for seeing us through to the completion of the season

Bob Dalling

Chairman

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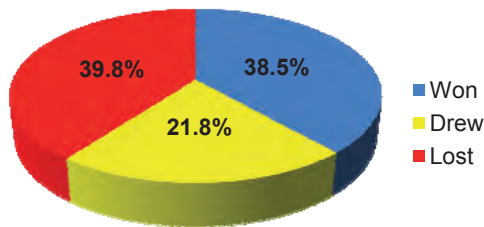
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WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 27 YEARS IN THE HELLENIC LEAGUE

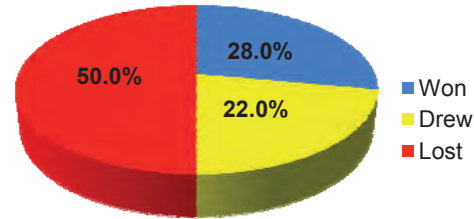
22nd	21st	20th	19th	18th	17th	16th	15th	14th	13th	12th	11th	10th	9th	8th	7th	6th	5th	4th	3rd	2nd	1st
Season	Div	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Manager	Top Scorer										
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15	Mick Woolford	Damon York										
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York 25										
1990/91	1	30	11	8	11	32	36	41	8 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York										
1991/92	1	32	10	8	14	45	59	38	12 out of 17	Mick Woolford	Not known										
1992/93	1	30	8	6	16	40	53	30	12 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent										
1993/94	1	34	15	8	11	65	57	53	9 out of 18	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent										
1994/95	1	38	18	5	15	67	68	59	9 out of 20	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent/Darren Jell										
1995/96	1	34	12	9	13	50	64	45	10 out of 18	Kevin Maloney	Scott Vincent										
1996/97	1	32	9	8	15	37	50	35	11 out of 17	Kevin Maloney	Ian Curtis/Gary Ashford 8										
1997/98	1	32	12	6	14	67	58	42	10 out of 17	Lee Stoddart	Lee Stoddart/Peter Dearlove 10										
1998/99	1	32	17	7	8	64	43	58	5 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart 17										
1999/00	1	28	15	7	6	54	32	52	3 out of 15	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart										
2000/01	P	38	14	10	14	54	60	52	13 out of 20	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart 25										
2001/02	P	42	11	9	22	39	75	42	19 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Mark Vaughan 14										
2002/03	P	40	10	10	20	36	70	40	15 out of 21	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 9										
2003/04	P	42	11	5	26	38	73	38	16 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 16										
2004/05	P	42	6	9	27	30	85	27	21 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley /Chris Jones	Matty Bennett 10										
2005/06	1W	34	17	10	7	58	30	61	5 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett 12										
2006/07	1W	34	14	5	15	64	62	47	11 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett/Steve Yeardeley 11										
2007/08	1W	34	11	3	20	43	66	33	15 out of 18	Paul Burke	Richie Saunders 12										
2008/09	1W	32	17	9	6	61	31	60	4 out of 17	Dave Turner	Shaun Terry 26										
2009/10	1W	30	20	7	3	74	34	67	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 22										
2010/11	P	42	13	7	22	55	47	46	15 out of 22	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 26										
2011/12	1W	32	15	7	10	69	47	52	5 out of 17	Dave Turner	Matt Bown 18										
2012/13	1W	30	22	3	5	75	40	66	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Mark Barnes 32										
2013/14	P	38	11	12	15	60	60	45	14 out of 20	Jeff Roberts	Levi Cox 14										
2014/15	P	38	14	9	15	66	80	51	11 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Dan Bailey 18										
2015/16	P									Paul Braithwaite											
Total		928	357	202	369	1,445	1,496	1,267		Division 1	Premier Division										
Won:Drew:Lost Ratio		38.5%	21.8%	39.8%																	

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

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



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



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RESPECT TABLES to End of Season (4TH May 2015)

Detailed below are the 'Respect' tables to the end of season. With all matches played and data processed into the 'Respect & Fair Play' table now is the time to reveal the current standings. Special mention must be made of One West club Letcombe who continued with their progress in ONE WEST and also to new clubs Longlevens AFC & Brackley Town Dev' for their excellent records. There is much to be learnt from these clubs. Mention must also be made of Premier Division clubs Ardley United (0.42), almost halving their points per game from the previous season. Finally mention must be made of FA VASE Semi-Finalists HIGHWORTH TOWN who vastly improved their previous seasons record returning an average points per match of 0.47. They will receive their rewards when the UHLSPORT Sponsorship vouchers are dispersed at the presentation evening and AGM. The clubs above the 'YELLOW' Line will receive reduced voucher value awards due to their season's record with some receiving nothing. Such clubs may wish to look towards a change for season 2015-2016.

Matches to 4TH MAY 2015

Premier Div	Matches to							End of Season			TA & M Melee	Total	Ave per Match						
	Lge	C2	C4	C5	SO2	SO3	SO6	Matches	2pts	1 pt				1 pt	4pts	10pts	6pts	10pts	
Ascot United	38	23	8	0	1	0	1	4	104	2.74									
Highmoor-Ibis	38	21	4	1	4	0	2	1	85	2.24									
Thatcham Town	38	20	11	0	3	0	2	1	85	2.24									
Holyport	38	21	3	0	4	0	0	1	71	1.87									
Binfield	38	15	3	0	4	0	0	2	69	1.82									
Shrivenham	38	18	1	0	1	0	1	2	67	1.76									
Newbury	38	20	6	0	2	0	0	1	64	1.68									
Reading Town	38	15	1	0	1	0	1	2	61	1.61									
Bracknell Town	38	7	6	0	2	0	0	3	58	1.53									
Clubs above this line have an Average points per game above the Overall League Average																			
Cheltenham Sar's	38	7	3	0	2	0	0	2	45	1.18									
Wootton Bassett Tn	38	11	4	0	4	0	0		42	1.11									
Kidlington	38	13	5	1	1	0	0		36	0.95									
Abingdon United	38	10	2	1	0	0	0	1	33	0.87									
Thame United	38	6	2	0	2	0	0	1	32	0.84									
Brimscombe & Thr'	38	8	2	0	1	0	1		28	0.74									
Flackwell Heath	38	12	2	0	0	0	0		26	0.68									
Milton United	38	3	2	0	2	0	0	1	26	0.68									
Oxford City Nom's	38	7	2	0	2	0	0		24	0.63									
Highworth Town	38	6	2	0	1	0	0		18	0.47									
Ardley United	38	7	2	0	0	0	0		16	0.42									
760											250	71	3	37	0	8	22	990	1.30



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MATCH REPORTS

Cup Competition Round-Up

Bluefin Sports Challenge Cup Final

Ardley avenged last season's defeat by Ascot in the Bluefin Sports Challenge Cup Final as they overcame them 2-0 in this year's final at Didcot's Loop Meadow Stadium on Bank Holiday Monday.

The respective clubs' positions in the league table suggested that Ascot would be favourites in this game, and with Ardley only having two substitutes they were clearly struggling for numbers yet again - something that has dogged them all season. However, they laid out their stall from the first minute and dominated pretty much the whole game as Ascot were not allowed to impose their undoubted talents at any stage. Goalmouth action was at a premium but the first real chance of the game came just after the quarter of an hour mark. The Ascot defence failed to clear on the left flank as *Kieran Scott* won the ball and ran across the 18 yard line before he exchanged passes with *Luke Ingram*, wrong-footed a defender and then launched a shot which took a slight deflection off the defender's heel and flew into the net past a static *Chris Grace* to give Ardley the lead. The game was a mid-field battle with Ardley having the better of it and posing the greater threat as *Jon Gardner* fired wide and *Ingram* just put the ball over the far angle of post and bar with the keeper beaten. Ascot's first chance to really test Ardley keeper *Jack Harding* did not come until five minutes before the break when *Damien Markman* broke free on the left of mid-field and launched a fierce shot which *Harding* was equal to.

Having led this match at half time by the same scoreline a year previously, Ardley supporters were only too aware that their team had crumbled in the second half of that game, but there was to be no repeat on this occasion. Ascot's main threat was from the pace of their wide players but the Ardley full backs were coping with them well, although *Daryl McLean* managed to break into the box from the left wing in the 58th minute and gave the Ardley defence some nervous moments before they managed to clear their lines. On 67 minutes, *Jon Gardner* won possession in the centre of midfield and played a perfectly weighted pass through to *Luke Ingram* who outpaced the defence before firing across *Grace* and into the net off the far post to put Ardley 2-0 ahead. Ascot's introduction of substitutes did little to change the game in their favour and Ardley held on comfortably to pick up the trophy which offsets what has been a difficult league campaign.



Ardley win the 'Bluefin Sports' Challenge Cup

Chairman's Challenge Cup Final

Oxford City Nomads proved too strong for Holyport. Goals from *Liam Marshall* and *Jordan Jennings* putting City 2-0 ahead with *Paul Pake* hitting back for Holyport. Further goals from *Liam Palfreeman* (2) and *Liam Marshall* getting his 2nd to give City a 5-1 lead. City added their 6th with a penalty from *Tom Moore* in the 52nd minute.

Veterans Over 40's Cup Final

Chinnor won the Veterans Challenge Cup at North Leigh on Wednesday night with a 5-3 victory over Didcot Town Veterans. Goals from *Faulconbridge* (2) *Hanson Lazaruk* for Chinnor: with *Knight Powell* (2) replying for Didcot.

Reading Senior Cup Semi Final

Wokingham & Emmbrook progressed through to the final with a late strike from centre-half *James Charlton*.

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Adam Corcoran			
Dale Richards	Whole kit sponsored by Arctic Services (01793 848502)		
Dane Moulden			
George Drewitt	Whole kit sponsored by Mark Smedley		
Nathan Hawkins			
Dan Comer			
Steve Yeardley			
Stephen Olphert			
Harvey Scholes			
Matt Cheetham			
Jack Ellis			
Ryan Thomas			
Richie Carter			
Sam Packer			
Nathan Gambling			
Steve Robertson			
Kalum Youngsam			
Dan Bailey	Whole kit sponsored by Mark Smedley		
Tyler Sheppard	Whole kit sponsored by Charlotte Bull		
Paul Braithwaite			

Match Reports

Season preview: Seeking to raise the bar again

2014/15 was a record setting season for Wootton Bassett Town. And after finishing higher than ever before, scoring more goals than in any of the club's previous Hellenic League Premier Division campaigns and seeing three players score at least ten league goals each, bettering that performance in the 2015/16 season is going to be a tall order.

Re-christened to reflect the town's Royal status and moving back home into their sparkling new facility, confidence and spirits are high around the club though. Nowhere more so than among Paul Braithwaite and his first team squad. Progress in both the FA Cup and Vase is again an aim. Testing draws stand in Bassett's way in both competitions; the same was the case one year ago, but that didn't prevent victories in both. And the team will be looking to do their utmost to reach a final of one of the multiple cup competitions they will participate in. To do so would afford Bassett the first battle for silverware for their main senior side in fourteen years and would represent a fine way to mark the return home. In the league, having guided his team to eleventh last time around, Braithwaite is seeking this year to break into the division's top ten. With five good quality promoted sides to contend with alongside the persistently solid core of seasoned Premier Division opponents, it will be a tough battle to achieve that goal. However, the team are well prepared for that battle.

Comings and goings

The Bassett boss has been a busy man in the summer, boosting both the quality and depth of the players he will have at his disposal. That activity has led to the squad being strengthened in all areas. In goal, the signing of Curtis Meare brings one of the most highly rated young 'keepers in the local area to Bassett. At the back, Adam Corcoran and Dane Moulden will add presence and, despite still both being under 25, plenty of Hellenic League know-how. Dan Comer, who has represented Wiltshire at Under 18 level, meanwhile, brings much promise. Steve Olphert and Matt Cheetham add steel and tenacity to the midfield engine room, with Sam Packer providing craft and the ability to rapidly shift play from defence to attack. In more advanced areas, Harvey Scholes and Kalum Youngsam inject youth, skill and, in the case of the latter, an eye for goal. They all join a rather settled squad whose members finished last season strongly. Demonstrating the benefits of the high level of team spirit that was fostered during the manager's first year in charge, departures are few in number. 'Keeper Kurtis Sharkey, who featured sparingly at the back end of last season, has left for Highworth Town, while influential midfielder Callum Wright will be missing for most of the season as he moves to the United States to study.

Pre-season preparations

Bassett's pre-season preparations began with a 3-1 victory away at near neighbours Purton. Steve Robertson's shot on the turn gave Bassett a half time lead, which Ryan Thomas doubled early after the restart on the penalty spot. Although Joe English halved Purton's deficit, Thomas restored Bassett's two goal advantage with a long range blast. That fixture was followed with a 3-3 draw against Swindon Town Under 18s. Thomas again grabbed a brace, while Nathan Gambling also registered as Bassett held on for a positive result against a solid youth side. The team's third friendly should have been away at Old Woodstock Town. However, the Oxfordshire side were frustratingly unable to raise a team resulting in the game's postponement. Braithwaite's team then resumed their schedule of warm-up games against Faringdon Town in the quarter finals of the Jim Newman Trophy, an annual competition held by Clanfield. Against spirited North Berks League opposition, goals from Adam Corcoran and Steve Olphert earned a 2-0 victory. Bassett travelled to Carterton two days later and found themselves a goal down at the break. The focus on fitness that has been a feature of training eventually paid off though as the visitors took advantage of the Division One West outfit's tiring legs and finished 2-1 winners thanks to goals from Robertson and Hugo Vivash. The final two tune-ups represented tough tests against Southern League opposition. Bassett more than held their own against former landlords Cirencester Town, coping with plenty of pressure from the Centurions in the first half before taking the lead courtesy of Wright. Cirencester replied immediately before grabbing a dubious later winner to claim the narrowest of victories. Bassett's final friendly against Swindon Supermarine was less positive, with Supermarine, extremely well drilled, storming to a 4-0 triumph. Still, one poor performance out of six shouldn't set any alarm bells ringing. Nor should it dampen expectations. Bolstered, boosted and confident of bettering the last campaign, why can't this year's squad again set records?

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Football Pyramid 2015-16

Bluefin Hellenic Challenge Cup

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

HELLENIC LEAGUE CHALLENGE CUP SPONSORED BY BLUEFIN SEASON 2015-16

First Round		
Ardley United	v	Carterton
Ascot United	v	Wokingham & Emmbrook
Bracknell Town	v	Chinnor
Chalfont Wasps	v	Thatcham Town
Cheltenham Saracens	v	Longlevens
Cirencester Town Dev'	v	Kidlington
Fairford Town	v	Highworth Town
Flackwell Heath	v	Didcot Town
Henley Town	v	Binfield
Hook Norton	v	Tytherington Rocks
New College Swindon	v	Purton
North Leigh United	v	Shrivenham
Old Woodstock Town	v	Highmoorlbis
Oxford City Nomads	v	Abingdon United
Penn & Tylers Green	v	Bicester Town
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Player Profile - Nathan Hawkins

Pyramid Levels Steps 5 & 6

Nathan Hawkins (defender)



Hawkins is a talented centre half who combines his imposing stature with composure on the ball and quality distribution skills. He joined from Shrivenham in the summer of 2014, having played for Bassett's local rivals at the back end of the 2013/14 season.

While still young, he has previously gained Southern League experience with Cirencester Town.

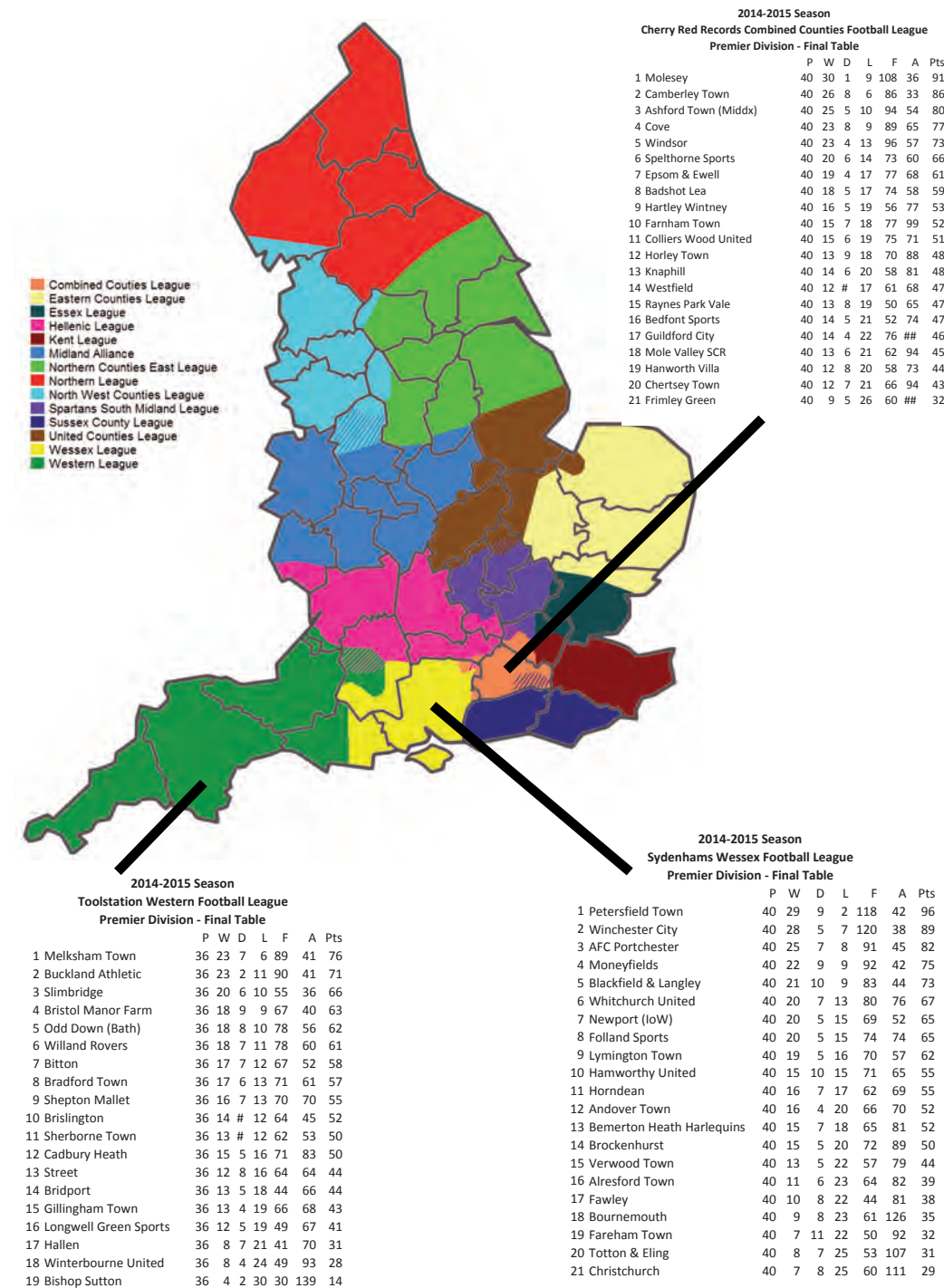
A product of the Cirencester Town Academy, he graduated to the Centurions' first team in 2012/13, making 13 appearances – 11 of which were starts – and scoring once. He made his debut in a 2-1 away victory against Cinderford Town and struck his lone goal in a Gloucestershire Senior Challenge Trophy victory against Shortwood United. In order to gain more experience he joined Shrivenham on loan in February 2013, but suffered a broken leg within the opening twenty minutes of his debut against Slimbridge.



He began the season before last back with Cirencester, appearing for their Development team before a move to Fairford Town in Division One West. Hawkins played seven times in all competitions for the Reds and he then moved back to Shrivenham in March, playing five times for Sam Collier's team.

Hawkins reacquainted himself with Paul Braithwaite last summer and quickly established a solid partnership with George Drewitt at the heart of Bassett's defence. In total he appeared 44 times, with just two of those coming from the bench.

2014/15: 44 appearances



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

Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15
Sat	8-Aug	Brackley Saints	H															
Wed	12-Aug	Oxford City Nomads	A															
Sat	15-Aug	Bracknell (FAC EP)	H															
Wed	20-Aug	Ardley United	H															
Sat	22-Aug	Flackwell Heath	A															
Wed	26-Aug	Lydney Town	A															
Sat	29-Aug	Abingdon Utd or Brimscombe (FACP)	A															
Mon	31-Aug	Highworth Town	H															
Sat	5-Sep	Binfield (FAV 1st QR)	A															
Wed	9-Sep	Fairford Town (F/L1)	H															
Sat	12-Sep	Tuffley Rovers	H															
Wed	16-Sep	Highmoor Ibis	H															
Sat	19-Sep	Abingdon United	A															
Mon	21-Sep	Binfield	A															
Sat	26-Sep	Wokingham & Emmbrook	H															
Tue	29-Sep	Tuffley Rovers	A															
Sat	03-Oct	Ash Utd or Windsor (FAV 2ndQR)	A															
Sat	10-Oct	Wilts Senior Cup																
Sat	17-Oct	Abingdon United	H															
Wed	20-Oct	Longlevens	A															
Sat	24-Oct	Flackwell Heath	H															
Mon	26-Oct	Highmoor Ibis	A															
Sat	31-Oct	Thame United	H															
Sat	26-Dec	Highworth Town	A															
Sat	2-Jan	Brimscombe & Thrupp	H															
		Ardley United	A															
		Ascot United	A															
		Ascot United	H															
		Binfield	H															
		Brackley Saints	A															
		Bracknell Town	A															
		Bracknell Town	H															
		Brimscombe & Thrupp	A															
		Holyport	H															
		Kidlington	A															
		Kidlington	H															
		Longlevens	H															
		Lydney Town	H															
		Milton United	A															
		Milton United	H															
		Oxford City Nomads	H															
		Shrivenham	A															
		Shrivenham	H															
		Thame United	A															
		Thatcham Town	A															
		Thatcham Town	H															
		Wokingham & Emmbrook	A															

FAC - FA Cup, F/L - Floodlight Cup, FAV - FA Vase, CC - County Cup, BICC - Challenge Cup, SC - Supplementary Cup



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