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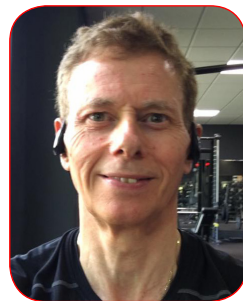
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Honours

Isthmian League Division One North champions: 2003
Isthmian League Division Two runners-up: 2000
Isthmian League Division Three promotion: 1997
Isthmian League Cup winners: 2002
Isthmian Charity Shield winners: 2002
Isthmian Associate Members Trophy winners: 1993, 2000
Middlesex Senior Cup Winners 2007, 2016
Middlesex Senior Cup finalists: 2000, 2002,
Middlesex Senior Cup semi-finalists: 1992, 1993, 1997,
1999, 2006, 2008, 2010
Middlesex Senior Charity Cup finalists: 1994, 2003, 2005, 2012
Middlesex Intermediate Cup winners: 1979
Middlesex Junior Cup winners: 1938
Middlesex Junior Cup finalists: 1935, 1936
London Spartan League Premier Division champions: 1992
London Spartan League Premier Division runners-up: 1990
London Spartan League Cup winners: 1990, 1992
Hellenic League Division One champions: 1979
Hellenic League Premier Division Cup finalist: 1982
Hellenic League Division One Cup winners: 1979
Middlesex League Premier Division champions: 1978
Middlesex League Premier Division runners-up: 1972, 1977
Middlesex League Challenge Cup winners: 1975, 1977, 1978
Harrow, Wembley & District League champions: 1933,
1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1948, 1949

EDITOR KEN GREEN



Hello, and welcome
back to The
Acreweed Stadium
this afternoon; welcome to our supporters new
and old, and to all connected with Ashford Town
(Middlesex) FC; we trust they enjoy their stay with
us, and have a safe journey home later.

The Woods first met Ashford Town in an away Middlesex Intermediate Cup tie back in December 1974 (a 2-1 Northwood win, incidentally!), when we played in the Middlesex League and Ashford were in the Surrey Intermediate League. Most fixtures between the clubs have, though, been since the Millennium, and overall, results have been pretty even – of 23 competitive games, Northwood have won nine, Ashford six, with eight draws. Fortunately, though, today's Bostik League game cannot go to penalties – over the years we have three times lost to them in a shoot-out!

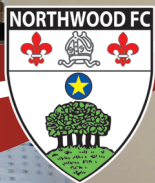
Since the last home game, a disappointing 2-2 draw against South Park after the Woods had held a two-goal lead and looked comfortable, we have exited from the Velocity Trophy, going out 3-1 to Felixstowe & Walton United, a round-trip in excess of 200 miles, but we had a blank Saturday last week.

That day, however, it was announced that the club had parted company with first team manager Dean Barker. We thank him for the positive impact that he had brought to the club in the past months, and wish him well for the future. Assistant manager Scott Dash and coaches Kevin Lawrence and Richard Elderfield agreed to take first team training this week, as well as this afternoon's match, and we wish them all well!

Next up for the Woods is a Middlesex Senior Cup tie at Harrow Borough on Tuesday evening. Next Saturday's scheduled away game at Bedfont Sports has been postponed as we have two, possibly three, players who will be travelling to the Falklands Islands with the FA XI this week; a great honour for the players and our club, of course. Hertford Town are our next opponents here, on Saturday 17th November, kick-off at 3.00 p.m.

Thanks for your support this afternoon, enjoy the game, and we hope to see you at the Acreweed Stadium again soon!

Ken



CHAIRMAN IAN BARRY

Good afternoon and welcome to The Acretweed Stadium for today's Bostik League fixture. We extend our welcome to our visitors from Ashford Town F.C. and trust they enjoy their short stay here.

Firstly, thanks to everyone for coming to the annual Pete Barry day. It was good to see many of you come along and show me your support. It means a lot.

As you will all now be aware, we parted company with our Manager last Saturday. I appreciate this could appear a little bemusing from the outside, but a football club is

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run from the inside and there are many components that make up a club, especially at this level.

If the truth be known, my relationship with him broke down some time ago, but over the past couple of weeks, it became clear that we couldn't work together. I also demand loyalty and this wasn't shown to the club, nor myself.

This is all I'm going to say on the matter, but, as ever, I reserve the right to reply to anything said contrary to this.

Dean did bring some good things to the club; his enthusiasm and his innovation (social media especially) would be hard to match, but ultimately this is a football club, and on the field our record since we beat Longlevens here in August was average at best; take out the three cup wins at home to Bury, away at Wingate and at AFC Hayes, and our record was poor.

We move on, as we always do, and strive to find that combination to bring us success. There is certainly a base for an incoming Manager to work from, but with the usual vultures circling, the playing squad may look a little different today. Always amazes me how players get 'touted' around in these circumstances. You decide how this happens....

Scott, Kevin and Richard have stepped in and have taken training this week and the match today. My thanks to them for their help.

Off the pitch (but close to it), we have just replaced the pathway behind the near goal at considerable expense as it was in a bad state of repair. We also need some electrical work carried out and we have to change the structure in our changing rooms to meet FA requirements for next season. We are just about 1.3 square metres short in the changing area of the rooms and 1.5 square metres short in the Officials room. We go to some woeful facilities in this division, but as the rooms are big enough, they are fine! The crazy world of football.

Enjoy the game today.

Up the Woods!

Ian

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-DON'T FORGET YOUR SEASON !!-

For the 2018-19 season, the club are again offering their incredible Super Season Ticket deal, which is open to everyone – and enables you to watch all home league games at Northwood Park for just £40.00 for the whole season!!

In addition to all the football, a year's social membership to the newly-refurbished clubhouse is included, and you will be entitled to promotional discounts and reductions on booking the clubhouse for events. The fee of £40.00 is applicable to all groups – adults, concessions and juniors.

To apply for your Super Season Ticket, please collect an application form from the clubhouse bar, or download it from www.northwoodfc.com.

-ACTIVE IT MAN OF THE MATCH-

Ged O'Loughlin of Active IT is kindly sponsoring the Man of the Match award for each home game this season, and we are grateful for his support.

The Man of the Match for the Bostik League fixture against South Park was Ben Pattie, who is pictured receiving his award after the game.



PARK **LIFE**



The latest from Northwood FC

SPONSOR A WOODS PLAYER

Here's your chance to sponsor a Northwood player for the 2018/19 season! With the Bostik League campaign now well underway, this really is the ideal time to back your favourite player!

For a donation of just £60 for the season, your sponsorship will be recognised both on the website and in every edition of the Matchday Programme. You can check elsewhere in this programme which players are available for sponsorship. Please contact Alan Evans or Ken Green, email enquiries@northwoodfc.com, or go online to www.northwoodfc.com. Thanks for your support!!

CLUB 1926

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Interested? Download the application form from the website, or speak to Ian Barry or Alan Evans.



Club Matters

SECRETARY ALAN EVANS



New Stadium Sponsor

For the first time in our history we are delighted to have announced a new sponsorship for naming rights of our Northwood Park ground. It will now be known as the Acretweed Stadium after a sponsorship agreement was reached with Acre & Tweed Security Services for this season. We thank our Goalkeeping Coach Kevin Lawrence for putting us in touch with Chris Little, the Managing Director of the Company and we look forward to enjoying a rewarding partnership going forward.



Management Change

Last Saturday the club parted company with Manager Dean Barker after five months in charge of the first -team. With virtually a new squad and a large management team alongside him, the Woods played 18 matches under Barker, holding a mid-table position, winning eight games and losing seven including the cup competitions. There were plenty of positive contributions during that period and I certainly enjoyed working with him, even though I had to do plenty of mileage in signing on some players in recent times! It appears that head coach Ben Andreos has chosen to leave with him, as has goalkeeping coach Chris Stead, who only joined in the last month. We wish them all every success at wherever football takes them in the near future.

Assistant Manager Scott Dash has stayed with the club and will take charge of the side in the interim period while we decide where we go next and he will be working with the club's own Richard Elderfield and goalkeeping coach Kevin Lawrence this afternoon. The role of first team manager has been advertised and we

- will look to consider those
- over the next week or so. In the meantime we
- will be fully behind Scott and his team, and I
- wish them all the best as they look to make a
- strong case for the job themselves.



Other Cup Competitions

- After our recent defeats in the Buildbase FA
- Trophy at Dunstable Town and the Velocity
- Trophy at Felixstowe & Walton United, we now
- only have the County Cup competitions to
- look forward to throughout the remainder of
- the season.
- We triumphed in the opening round of the
- Middlesex Charity Cup, following a 0-0 draw at
- Bostik Premier side Wingate & Finchley, with a
- 5-3 success on penalties; scoring every attempt
- in that shoot-out. The draw for the next round
- of the competition has given us a home tie
- against one of two Spartan South Midlands
- League Division One sides – either Enfield
- Borough or Harefield United. As that game
- hasn't taken place yet, we obviously have
- no date fixed yet for our match against the
- winners so watch the website for confirmation.
- The Hares will be favourites to win the game
- as they have established themselves as title
- favourites in recent weeks and also beat us to
- the signature of former QPR striker Richard
- Pacquette – son of former Woods striker Henry
- – just last week.
- We also moved into the second round of
- the Middlesex Senior Cup a few weeks ago
- with a comfortable 3-0 success at AFC Hayes
- and the next round comes up very quickly

as we are due to make the short journey to neighbours Harrow Borough on Tuesday night, 6th November 2018. Harrow faced the shock of a switch away from their familiar Isthmian League home this season and now compete in the Southern League Premier Division South but they have coped admirably and currently sit in seventh place in the table with 18 points from 11 games, so it will be a real test for the Woods on Tuesday. It would be good to have as many of you there as possible to give the side some support. Kick-off is at 7.45 p.m.

FA Representative Honours

Later this week, the Football Association is taking an FA XI squad to make an ambassadorial visit to play a game on the Falkland Islands and the Club is honoured to have players included in that squad which is made up mainly from clubs at our level. Club Captain Carl Pearce will be joined by recent signing Brendan Ocran and possibly striker Ben Pattie (who is in the stand-by contingency squad) as they assemble on



Wednesday 7th November and they return to Brize Norton the following Tuesday after the 16,000 mile round trip to the UK Overseas Territory just south of South America. It's a truly once in a lifetime opportunity for footballers at our level to represent their country's Football Association and we hope they have a brilliant time while representing our club with honour both on and off the field.

With up to three players missing, it also makes history for Northwood FC, as we have had to postpone our scheduled away game at Bedford Sports, which was to be played on next Saturday, 10th November, due to "international call-ups"! Not confirmed by the League as yet, it seems this match will be rescheduled to Tuesday 27th November – kick-off at 7.45p.m.

Fergus Moore – And Sometimes the Dog Was Busy!

Fergus Moore is well-known for his long playing career on the local non-League scene which included a spell here at Northwood Park between 2004 and 2006 when he made

- 78 appearances and scored four goals from
- a defensive position in our Southern Premier
- League era. He is currently at Edgware Town in
- a player-manager role at the ripe old age of 46.
- Well Fergus, with the assistance of Roger Slater
- (who previously helped Gordon Bartlett to
- pen his non-League
- story), has compiled
- his own football
- memories which will
- be published in his
- own forthcoming
- biography, *And*
- sometimes, the dog
- was busy! The book is
- a meander through his
- career and the things
- he has seen in twenty-
- eight years in the non-
- league game including
- that two-year period at
- Northwood. It should
- be an interesting read.



- As one of his former clubs, we can offer signed
- copies of this book for the price of £10.99 and
- I have a couple of copies with me today if you
- would like to purchase one.

Season Tickets

- For the fourth season in succession, we are
- offering a cut-price deal for any supporter who
- wants to purchase a season ticket for the new
- season. For the cost of just £40.00 you will gain
- access to all of our home League games this
- season (Cup games are all-pay as we have to
- share the gate receipts on all of these so no
- season tickets are allowed). In addition to this,
- you will also have free admission to the Under-
- 18s home games in the midweek Isthmian
- Youth League while cut-price admission
- charges will also apply if you want to watch
- London Tigers at home when the Woods are
- away on their travels (though of course we
- would love to see you at away games too). To
- apply please complete an application form
- either at the clubhouse or on-line (where
- you can pay by card) from the website www.northwoodfc.com
- As always we are looking
- to build our Season Ticket numbers this
- season, especially with our recently appointed
- new media team around to promote all things
- Northwood FC. So please spread the word on
- the season tickets and try to encourage others
- to come down and give us a try.

Under 18s Midweek

- The Under-18s pulled off an excellent 4-3
- victory at Wealdstone in the Save the Children



Isthmian Youth League a couple of weeks ago, coming back from being two goals behind early on. One of those two goals came from Northwood's top scorer Femi Azeez who made the move to the Stones a week earlier, apparently frustrated with his assumed limited chances of appearing for the first team.

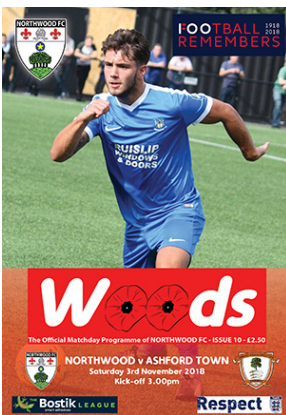
So it was really sweet that goals from James Bromley-Price and Kyran Worrell brought them level before the break. The home side were then reduced to ten men and the Woods took full advantage with Callum Bedwell and Ollie Lawford both netting their first goals for the club to make it 4-2 and then they held on despite conceding very late in the game.

Unfortunately fortunes went the other way last Thursday when another Ollie Lawford strike put the Woods 1-0 ahead against Potters Bar Town and after they equalised, Jamie Fulton was sent-off after picking up two yellow cards and the visitors then ran out 1-3 winners.

Wealdstone will have had a chance for revenge a couple of nights ago as they were due to visit the Acretweed Stadium in the return fixture but these notes had to go to print before the result of that fixture was known. The Woods next game is here on Thursday 15th November, when we play hosts to Uxbridge in the Middlesex Senior Youth Cup – Kick-off: 7.45 p.m.

Printed Programmes are back

After a year of only producing our match-day programmes on-line, we have made the decision during the summer to return to a printed version for the upcoming season. This has been made possible thanks to some kind anonymous sponsorship which will allow us to produce them without making a loss so please make sure you get your



• copy every week as it remain important for us
• to make sales of what is always a great read.

• Replica Shirts

• You may have noticed that we have moved to
• Nike as our new kit manufacturer this season
• and we do have a very limited number of
• replica shirts available (large, XL or XXL) in both
• the home Red and the away Royal Blue version
• at a cost of £35.00. Please let me know if you
• are interested perhaps as a Christmas present
• for someone!

• Sponsors required

• There are still several players who have not yet
• been sponsored for the new season so if you
• have a favourite player please consider making
• a donation of £60.00 in support of the club and
• your favourite player.

• You could always join forces with a couple of
• other people and have a joint sponsorship. We
• are also looking for a few match sponsors this
• season.

• Select a home game, join us in the Boardroom
• for some Hospitality food and drink to
• celebrate a birthday perhaps. Prices are
• negotiable.

• Our tenants – London Tigers FC

• Our two clubs agreed a further year's
• groundshare arrangement for the season
• 2018/19 as their Avenue Park ground will still
• not be ready for a return to football.

• The Tigers have been a little inconsistent so
• far this season but they were well beaten last
• Saturday when they crashed 0-4 at home to
• title-contenders Tring Athletic, having pulled
• off a good 3-1 win at Leverstock Green a week
• earlier.

• Those with Northwood Season Tickets can gain
• admission for half price so you may wish to pop
• down next Saturday, 10th November, when the
• Woods don't have a game, as they play high-
• flying leaders Biggleswade FC – 3.00pm kick-off.

Alan



THE 1926 CLUB

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ASHFORD TOWN (Middx)



Until recently, it was assumed that Ashford Town was formed in 1964. However, new research has indicated the club started as Ashford Albion in 1958 and first competed in the Hounslow & District League. Albion won two consecutive promotions to reach the Premier Division of the Hounslow League and were still competing at this level when the club changed its name to Ashford Town in 1964. The club endured a difficult first campaign as the Town club and withdrew from the Premier Division, assuming the Reserve Team's place in Division Two.

Having rebuilt the club with a very young team, Ashford Town rapidly advanced through the various divisions of that League, absorbing Staines Youth Club FC. on the way. The club was elected to the Surrey Intermediate League (Western) in 1967 and after a season of consolidation, soon worked their way through to the Premier Division, winning an assortment of League and Cup honours on the way. In 1976, Ashford enjoyed their best season, winning the League by a substantial margin.

Although the championship eluded the club in following seasons, it usually finished in the top four and prior to season 1982-83 an invitation was extended by Surrey County F.A. to become founder members of the Surrey County Premier League, and the invitation was readily accepted. Almost from the start, the club had aspirations to acquire its own ground and after one or two disappointments, this was achieved in August 1985, when a long lease was signed with Spelthorne Borough Council, enabling the club to move to its present home at Short Lane, Stanwell. From what was nothing more than a field, the facilities were quickly developed, with the first match at Short Lane taking place in February 1986.

For geographical and historical reasons, Ashford affiliate to both Middlesex and Surrey F.A.'s, and in 1989-90, their last season as an Intermediate club, they reached the final of both County Premier Cup competitions, beating Farnham Town in the Surrey version but losing to Willesden Hawkeye in the Middlesex final. The runners-up spot in the League was also secured and the club joined the Combined Counties League, senior status

having been granted in May 1990. During its ten year membership of the Combined Counties, the club never finished below sixth place, and after finishing 3rd and 2nd in seasons 1992-93 and 1993-94, it went on to win the League Championship for four successive seasons. A fifth championship in just six seasons was secured in 1999-00, along with the Middlesex Charity Cup, the first ever senior county cup honour. Ashford moved into the Ryman League for season 2000-01 and by finishing in 3rd place, secured promotion to Division 2 at the first attempt.

In 2004-05 the club joined the Southern League for the first time, and the 4th Qualifying Round of the FA Cup was reached for the first time. The play-offs were reached but resulted in a narrow defeat at Evesham United after extra time. But a year later Ashford went one better, finishing second in Division One West of the Southern League, to secure promotion to Step 3.

This brought about a return to the Ryman League and in the following season they won the Isthmian League Cup. In 2008-09 Ashford had a thrilling 3-2 win over Woking to win the Surrey Senior Cup. After finishing in a Ryman Premier relegation spot, the club were relegated and placed in Division One Central of the Southern League; although they were offered a late reprieve from relegation after Merthyr Tydfil were liquidated, the club declined to take it and started the 2010-11 season in Division One Central.

In 2011-12 the club won both the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup (beating Northwood on penalties after a 4-4 draw) and the Aldershot Senior Cup (defeating Badshot Lea 3-1 in the final). The 2013-14 saw the club finish bottom of Division One Central, resulting in relegation back to the Combined Counties League. After finishing third in the Premier Division in their first season back in the league, they were runners-up in 2015-16 and were promoted back to Division One Central of the Southern League. The following season saw the club win the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup for the third time, beating Wealdstone 2-1 in the final. For the current season, the club were transferred to the Bostik League South Central Division.

ASHFORD TOWN (Middx)



MANAGER: Ben Murray

GROUND: Robert Parker Stadium, Short Lane, Stanwell, Surrey

YEAR FORMED: 1958

NICKNAME: The Ashtrees

MAIN HONOURS

Isthmian League Cup winners 2007
 Middlesex Senior Charity Cup winners 2000, 2012, 2017
 Combined Counties League champions 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2000,
 Surrey Senior Cup winners 2009

TOP SCORER 2018-19: Mark Bitmead (6)

LAST FIVE SEASONS

2017-18	Southern League Div 1 E	12th
2016-17	Southern League Div 1 C	10th
2015-16	Combined Counties Prem	2nd
2014-15	Combined Counties Prem	3rd
2013-14	Southern League Div 1 C	22nd

LAST MEETING

Evo-Stik League Division 1 East
 3 February 2018
 Ashford Town 2 Northwood 2



Action photos from the 2-2 draw at Ashford
 in February 2018

HEAD TO HEAD (all competitive games)

Northwood 9 wins
 Ashford Town 8 wins
 6 draws

HEAD TO HEAD AT NORTHWOOD

Northwood 2 win
 Ashford Town 4 wins
 2 draws

NORTHWOOD FORM

Oct 23	Felixstowe (A)	Velocity	L 1-3
Oct 20	South Park (H)	Bostik	D 2-2
Oct 16	AFC Hayes (A)	Middx SC	W 3-0
Oct 13	Dunstable T (A)	FA Trophy	L 0-2
Oct 9	Wingate & F. (A)	Middx SCC	W 0-0*
Oct 6	Westfield (A)	Bostik	W 2-1



ASHFORD TOWN FORM

Oct 27	Lewes (H)	FA Trophy	L 1-2
Oct 23	Hanworth Villa (A)	Middx SC	L 0-0*
Oct 20	Westfield (H)	Bostik	W 3-0
Oct 16	Westfield (A)	FA Trophy	W 3-2
Oct 13	Westfield (H)	FA Trophy	D 0-0
Oct 6	Hayes & YU (A)	Bostik	L 1-7



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MEMORABLE MEETING

Tuesday 6th November 2001
Ashford Town (Middx) 0
Northwood 5



Seventeen years ago, almost to the day, Northwood enjoyed their highest victory against Ashford Town (we won't dwell on their visit to Northwood Park in September last year!)

The Woods gained this impressive five-goal Middlesex Senior Cup victory at Short Lane; Ashford Town were then in Isthmian League division two, whilst Northwood were playing a division higher.

The visitors were two up within just ten minutes, and this County Cup tie proved to be a cruise for Northwood, who played some delightful football on a rather cold evening.

Steve Hale (*pictured*) and the pacy Scott Fitzgerald had a rare excursion playing up front together for Woods, and after just seven minutes, Ryan Ashe floated over a free-kick for Gary Williams to stoop and head home at the far post. Just three minutes later, a through pass seemed to heading for goalkeeper Simon Kent but it took a strange bounce and Scott Fitzgerald was able to nick it off him and steer the ball into an empty net. Ashford rallied, with the tricky Andy Frost getting in a swirling shot which Paul Riordan did well to get behind and stop.

After 20 minutes another good sweeping move saw Dave Sargent send over a superb curling cross and Andy Cook's lunge saw him deflect the ball just wide. The pressure continued, with Ashford looking second best in most areas but the third goal did not come until five minutes before half-time.

It was another good build-up with Cook playing the killer ball to Wayne Carter, who had made a good run from deep. He chipped Kent from the edge of the box for a clinical finish.

There was a much slower start to the second half, with Ashford intent on damage limitation and Mick Walter picked up the first booking of the match.

However, on the hour, Cook threaded another good ball from midfield, this time to Sargent. He squared it neatly into the centre and Steve Hale forced the ball home. Hale headed wide from an Ashe cross soon after but, in a rare Ashford attack, Jim Hegarty also saw a header from a free-kick skim top of the crossbar.

After 73 minutes Fitzgerald showed good control from a long ball and laid it off to Steve Hale, who drove the ball just inside the post for a fifth goal and his second of the game.

Dave Nolan and McIntosh came on as substitutes for Buchanan and Cook but it had little effect as the game fizzled out in the final quarter of an hour. Woods subsequently beat Yeading 5-2, Feltham 3-2 and Uxbridge 6-2 to reach the final, where they were beaten 4-2 in extra time.

Ashford Town: Simon Kent, Ian Miles, Jim Hegarty, Andy Frost, Leon Canning (Russell Canderton), Mick Walter, Ian Yates, Tony Nolan, James Townsend, Michael Mahoney-Johnson (Scott Todd), Danny Kirk.

Northwood: Paul Riordan, Mark Buchanan (Craig McIntosh), Dave Sargent, Andy Cook (Dave Nolan), Paul Watkins, Gary Williams, Wayne Carter, Gavin Hart, Steve Hale, Scott Fitzgerald, Ryan Ashe.

By The Non-League Paper's

ALEX NAREY

With Shahid Khan withdrawing his interest in purchasing Wembley Stadium recently, many felt it was another door being slammed shut in the face of grassroots football, with the lower levels of the game set to benefit financially had the national stadium been sold to the Jacksonville Jaguars and Fulham owner.

I myself was always sceptical of the sale, mainly because I questioned whether the figures that were being bandied about would actually go back into grassroots football – there were far too many other people in the queue wanting their slice of the pie.

But the non-sale has irked people because they saw this as a great opportunity for the FA to actively do something for the grassroots game, and let's face it, something needs to be done because some



of the statistics make for grim reading whether it's 67 per cent of pitches deemed not to be of 'adequate' quality or the startling lack of 3G facilities in the UK compared to other European nations.

Those who opposed the sale believe more Football League and Premier League clubs should be helping out, and that we should not need to sell Wembley to inject funds into grassroots. But the FA doesn't have the power to instruct clubs to do that,

and this is where the government must step in because they have neglected the game and simply passed the buck to others. They are almost saying: this is your problem, sell your house and all the furniture and be done with it!

The money from the Wembley sale, even if it had come down to the lower levels of the game, would merely have served as a plaster on an open wound.

Measures must be put in place to ensure more money comes down from the Premier League, whether through taxes on a player's wage or a percentage of an agent's fee.

By selling Wembley and giving the grassroots game a chunk of the money, it is only ignoring the continued impact the Premier League should be having on the development of the game in this country. There are success stories of them helping out, but let's not begin to kid ourselves: they aren't doing anywhere near enough.

GOOD LUCK TO OUR FA XI PLAYERS



Our best wishes go to the Woods players who next Wednesday will fly out to the Falkland Islands with the F.A. XI representative squad in a trip of a lifetime; a great honour for them and for our club! Carl Pearce and Brendan Ocran make the trip, whilst Ben Pattie is on stand-by, and hopefully will go too.

The F.A. XI play the Falkland Islands in Stanley next Saturday, 10th November, and the British Forces South Atlantic team the following day, also in Stanley.

Good luck lads – enjoy the experience!!

FELIXSTOWE 3 NORTHWOOD 1



TUESDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2018 | VELOCITY TROPHY | GOLDSTAR GROUND



PICTURES: STANLEY BASTON
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MATCH REPORT

Northwood's trip to the Suffolk coast saw them knocked out of the Isthmian League Velocity Trophy by their North Division opponents. Woods created an early opening as Melford-Rowe found space for a shot but his effort lacked the pace to trouble keeper Jack Spurling. But the Seasiders were quickly into their stride and they proceeded to put Woods under a sustained spell of pressure with their pacy, incisive play; Woods keeper Luke Sheldrick twice denied Jack Ainsley while Rhys Henry went close on a couple of occasions.

In a rare moment of Northwood cohesion, Sam Tring's ball over the top released Kweku Lucan but his lob over the advancing Spurling narrowly cleared the woodwork.

However, it was the hosts who deservedly took a 27th minute lead, albeit in somewhat fortuitous circumstances, as Tring's attempted clearance looped backwards onto the post and sat up nicely for Henry to nudge the ball home. And Henry went close to adding a second moments later but Sheldrick was on hand once again to produce a smart save.

Northwood needed to find something before the break and they weren't far away as Nyariki shot narrowly wide after Dickson combined with Lucan to create the opening. But Woods weren't to be denied as they levelled the tie on 40 minutes, Newton arriving at the back post to convert Lucan's corner for his first goal for the club.

The visitors would have been relieved to go into the half-time break on level terms. But it wasn't to be as Newton conceded a stoppage time free-kick in a dangerous position by the corner flag, and Sheldrick failed to deal with Henry's delivery, allowing Jack Ainsley to head home at the far post to restore the Seasiders' lead.

Woods came out with renewed vigour after the break and Dickson began to make inroads down the left flank, twice firing low balls across the face of goal with Lucan unable to get the vital touch. The visitors had a decent shout for a penalty waved away after Melford-Rowe was impeded, the Woods striker's case perhaps not helped by having gone down a little easily under a previous challenge early in the game.

After some substitutions, Woods switched to a back three and pushed Tring into attack as a last ditch attempt to rescue the tie and the defender turned striker sent a half-volley over the bar when a square ball to Clarke might have been the better option. Northwood continued to press but to no avail and the match was put to bed a minute from time as Francis picked up the loose ball and sent a 20-yard strike beyond Sheldrick to complete the scoring and book the Seasiders' place in the next round.

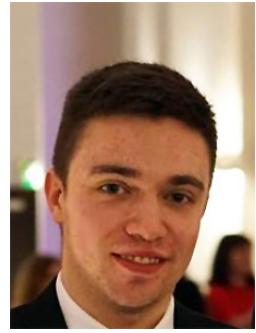


Felixstowe: Jack Spurling, Joseph Bloomfield, Stuart Ainsley, Jordan Matthews, Rhys Barber, Daniel Davis, Josh Kerridge, Rory Porter (Evan Bolt 61m), Joseph Francis, Rhys Henry (Jamal Wiggins 81m), Jack Ainsley (Sam Ford 90m)

Northwood: Luke Sheldrick, Dan Newton, Matt Cooper, Stefan Powell, Sam Tring, Carl Pearce, Kweku Conrad-Lucan (Kyran Worrell 80m), Hakim Nyariki (Cameron Ferguson 71m), Emmanuel Melford-Rowe, Ben Pattie, Keir Dickson (Ned Clarke 75m)



Immense tragedy in football world last Saturday



By Matt Ford

It is hard to think of too many comparable days that encapsulate the immense tragedy in the football world as last Saturday.

Maybe in the dark days of the 1980s where football hooliganism and the underbelly of racism were synonymous with the game we hold dear – an ugly abscess that came so tragically to a head with the trio of football tragedies in the shape of Bradford, Hillsborough and Heysel.

They showed the game needed to reform and thankfully it did, but Saturday provided a reminder of the precariousness of human life.

Most of us do not give a second thought to things of that nature. Perhaps we're avoiding the existential dread synonymous with such things.

But last Saturday – any other normal football Saturday – was unfortunately overshadowed first by the news of Glenn Hoddle's heart attack at the BT Sport studios. At the time of writing, thankfully his condition has stabilised and everyone in the game was united in sending their best wishes to his family. Hopefully he makes a full recovery.

A superstar of his era, sadly other matters have overshadowed Hoddle in the public eye – most infamously in the incident that brought his stint as England manager to a close in the late 90s.

Yet it is hard to ignore the respect that he still holds by those in the game – especially from those of a Tottenham and Chelsea persuasion. As many rightly point out, that's no mean feat!

And then once we had digested the tragic news of a Brighton fan passing away on the day Glenn Murray's 100th Seagulls goal downed Wolves, we had another tragedy on our hands.

The helicopter of Leicester chairman Vichai Srivaddhanaprabha crashed outside the King Power Stadium after their game with West Ham. At the time of writing the news is scarce but it doesn't look too promising for those five individuals on board.

This incident, as Sam Matterface and others highlighted, fell just over 22 years to the day that Matthew Harding was killed in a similar helicopter accident on the way back from a game at Bolton.

The collective outpouring of support and togetherness transcends the game that so often pits us against one another. Humanity trumps the tribalism of football.

It is astonishing really that those incidents occurred on a day that for Northwood fans was hitherto dominated by the shock news of Dean Barker's departure from Chestnut Avenue.

Without receipt of the facts I can only do my best to surmise why this once promising relationship might have soured to the point of

no return, but to do so would be unwise.

No doubt the protagonists have their reasons and if parting company was indeed the best outcome then we must trust the decisions of those who have the unenviable task of making them.

However, that doesn't diminish the sadness the news brought – at least from a largely outsider's point of view like mine.

Barker was a breath of fresh air and looked like a perfect fit for what the club were trying to do on and off the pitch.

He embraced the youth ethos that has made Northwood such a special community club and actively took steps to ensure there was a greater pathway and connectivity between the youth set-up and the senior side.

From the games I witnessed he had the team playing good football and on the cusp of the play-off places which, as is well documented, on a budget like Northwood's is not to be sniffed at.

Then there was the brief FA Cup run the club enjoyed with a first win in the competition for three years, the call-up of two players to an England representative side and the improvements he facilitated on and off the park.

Ultimately, then, the sudden news of his departure was both a shock and a difficult one to swallow owing to the strides being taken.

Sure there were hiccups, too. Consistency was at times an issue and losing top scorer James Ewington a difficult but not insurmountable obstacle to overcome.

And Barker would be first to recognise that he used an awful lot of players and many more were registered who barely saw the field – a number that is, if one is to cast a critical eye, ultimately unsustainable.

But in many respects that magnifies the excellent job he had done to use his contacts and bring in so many young players who bought into what he wanted to do and embraced the club in the process.

Change is inevitable and in non-league football is expected. The turnover is always high and the Simon Lane departure last season highlighted the precaution required when getting carried away with the merits of a project.

However, with Barker, he seemed to be

doing so much right. There was a belief in conversations that I had with him that this was a relationship that could grow and be strengthened.

Where the Woods go from here is chiefly the prerogative of Ian Barry and the committee. No doubt they are already working quickly to identify a successor.

The pathway in recent years has been to appoint young or rookie managers, so it will be interesting to see whether the formula stays the same.

But on a day of immense tragedy we had a reminder of what matters. And Barker's departure paled into insignificance despite the disappointment it generated.

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NORTHWOOD 2 SOUTH PARK 2



SATURDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2018 | BOSTIK LEAGUE | ACRETWEED STADIUM



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MATCH REPORT

In a game of two halves, Northwood could not hold on to a two-nil advantage against 19th placed South Park.

Goals from Ben Pattie and Sam Tring helped Northwood to a comfortable lead within 30 minutes. But two goals were not enough see off the visiting team, and a resurgent second half saw South Park grabbing an equaliser in the 67th minute.

Dean Barker made two changes from the mid-week Middlesex Senior Cup game, Dan Newton coming back in for the injured Karl Stevenson and Kweku Lucan replacing Sam Jenkins on the right flank.

Northwood started off the livelier team, and it did not take them long to get off the mark, a great turn and an equally great shot from Pattie lead to the opener of the game in the sixth minute.

Scoring the first goal did not cause Northwood to get complacent, and a beautiful passing move lead to Brendan Ocran being put through on goal, but his touch let him down and he was unable to improve Northwood's lead.

Northwood kept up the pressure and had a flurry of chances, none coming closer than Newton whose header, from a great whipped in corner, went agonisingly wide.

The Woods' constant barrage of attacks paid off when another great corner was tapped in from two yards by Sam Tring. 31 minutes in and Northwood looked the likely winners.

Although two-nil down, South Park did not let their heads drop, and with their first two shots on target in the 37th minute they managed to pull one back. A powerful long-range effort from McLean was saved by Luke Sheldrick but not out of harm's way, with the ball falling straight to Tyreke Leslie, who managed to finish from a very tight angle.

South Park started the second half the vastly superior team with a constant bombardment of the right-hand flank.

67 minutes in and the visiting team deservedly got an equaliser. A poor piece of defending from Northwood lead to Sebastian Osei Obengo having an uncontested shot from the outside of the box.

After the equaliser the visitors almost got in front, a great save from Sheldrick denying Chevron McLean the away team's third goal of the day.

Into the last 15 minutes and South Park sat back inviting pressure, and it was pressure that was almost too much for the visitors' defence. In the dying moments Lucan played a lovely fizzing ball across the goal mouth but there was no player close enough to tap it home.

In the end, Northwood could not break through South Park's resilient defence, and the game finished in a stalemate.



Northwood: Luke Sheldrick, Dan Newton, Matt Cooper, Stefan Powell, Sam Tring, Carl Pearce, Kweku Conrad-Lucan, Dan Pett (Cameron Ferguson 70m), Ned Clarke, Ben Pattie (Sam Jenkins 78m), Brendan Ocran (Keir Dickson 60m)

South Park: Michael Eacott, Giani Ashley, Jake Hill, Andrew Herring, Charlie Alexiou, Jay Bradley, Tyreke Leslie (Ehis Izokun 75m), Ryan Healy, Sebastien Osei-Obengo, Sam Remfry, Chevron McLean

ON THIS DAY

56
years ago

Harrow & Wembley League Senior Div. Northwood 5 Alveston Athletic 7

1962: Harrow, Wembley & District League Senior Division leaders

Northwood suffered their first defeat of the season in a high-scoring game against Alveston.

Goals came at regular intervals on a greasy pitch, and the home side was always at least one goal behind. After missing chances in the opening minutes, Northwood were soon in arrears and it was only the opportunism of Pat Byrne and Stalky Bowden (2) which enabled them to turn around only one goal down.

Showing more spirit at the beginning of the second half, Northwood had more of the play but continued to miss chances and were soon 5-3 down. Bowden pulled one back to complete his hat-trick, but slack making ion defence enabled the visiting right-winger to beat Northwood keeper Ray Byrne from close range. Joe Saunders kept Northwood's hopes alive by heading in Carey's centre, but this was to be short-lived as yet another long ball was converted into a goal by the Alveston centre-forward Backhouse, making his tally four for the afternoon; Waller (2) and Boreham also scored for the visitors.



Opportunist: Pat Byrne

whose curling cross found Ian Harvey equal to the chance, and he chipped the ball in via the post.

Northwood allowed Moreton back into the match when Little hammered a free kick through the wall. It was their swansong. After 35 minutes Roger Livingstone was presented with the easiest of goals after a move had swept the length of the field. The move, involving five players, was so brisk and efficient that it heralded the Moreton frustration.

In the second period, Moreton briefly tried to play their way back into the match, but were soon reduced to fouling. Livingstone stretched the lead and Woods were unlucky not to increase their tally when twice they were adjudged offside with the ball in the net, and also nearly scored on the stroke of time.

Northwood: Dave Russell, Norman Heslop, Steve Revell, Martin O'Donnell, Alan Merison, Robin Tidd, Pip Boyle, Ian Harvey, Roger Livingstone, Martin Ellis, Nigel Franklin, Sub: Alan Clarke



Storm weathered: Dave Russell

39
years ago

Hellenic League Premier Div. Moreton Town 1 Northwood 3

1979: Northwood gained a good Hellenic League Premier Division victory away to high-riding Moreton Town. But physio Lol Taylor's magic sponge needed all its powers of healing in the second half, as Northwood outplayed the home side, but suffered retribution for their skills. Martin O'Donnell and Dave Russell helped Woods to weather an early Moreton Town storm, and when they broke from defence to attack, Moreton looked distinctly vulnerable. In the 15th minute Martin Ellis split the defence to Steve Revell,

34
years ago

London Spartan Premier Burnham 1 Northwood 0

1984: A tremendous second half

display was not enough to give Northwood as much as a share of the spoils as they unluckily went down to London Spartan League Premier Division leaders Burnham. The otherwise immaculate Woods' defence only made one mistake in an even first half, but it proved one too many. A deep ball was not cleared properly and Ling scrambled it home in the ensuing melee.



Phil Boyle: back to best

Ken Green takes a look back at the Woods' fortunes on 3rd November during the club's history

Far from destroying Woods, it sparked them into greater effort and their controlled football saw them in the driving seat after the break, with 17 year old Derek Payne and Kevin Charamoulos both showing skill that belied their ages. With Pihil Boyle back to his best, Northwood dominated for long periods but until they learn to take their chances they would continue to struggle to earn the points they deserved. Northwood: Richard Rendell, Peter Davies, Nigel Pompilis, Gary Amer, Peter Lammin, Derek Payne, Viv James, Phil Boyle, Bobby Bennett, Billy Stagg, Peter Caines. Sub: Dennis Ryan.

28
years ago

FA Vase First Round Flackwell Heath 0 Northwood 2

1990: Northwood stormed into the next round of the FA Vase when Greg Phillips scored the second goal in a 2-0 win and gave Woods revenge for a 4-3 defeat by Flackwell Heath in the same competition the previous season. The first half was goal-less, although Garfield Blackman went close after just five minutes and Stefan McGarrell's cross just eluded John McCormack's head. Blackman had an effort cleared off the line just before the break.

Woods went ahead after 57 minutes. McGarrell fired in a shot which the goalkeeper could not hold, and home defender Trevor Bennett put the ball into his own net.

That bit of luck spurred on Northwood and, when Augustine found Phillips in space, the midfielder surged through the home defence and fired home a superb goal to seal the match.

Northwood: Ken Lavender, Dave Nolan, Peter Augustine, Peter Lammin, Paul Curran, Jeremy Billins, Greg Phillips, John McCormack, Andy Edey, Stefan McGarrell, Garfield Blackman.



Second goal: Greg Phillips

17
years ago

FA Trophy First Round Northwood 0 Maidenhead United 1

2001: Luck was not with the Woods for this Trophy tie as they were unable to break down the Magpies' defences after conceding an early goal. The goal came as early as the twelfth minute and from Maidenhead United's very first attack. The Woods were defending too deep and Adrian Allen scored with a delicate lob of Paul Riordan, who was actually inside his six-yard box. After 19 minutes, the Woods showed signs of getting back into the game with Ryan Ashe beginning to threaten. He won a free-kick just outside the box and Wayne Carter curled a shot only just wide of the post. The pressure continued with Maidenhead goalkeeper Richard Barnard dealing well with a cross from Chris Gell and then a header from Gary Williams.



The Woods took control early in the second period as Maidenhead sat back a little and after 49 minutes, a half-cleared corner fell to Hale out wide on the left. Hale then had an attempted overhead kick which went wide and then after 67 minutes, Craig McIntosh got forward with a 25-yard strike which Barnard kept out with an acrobatic tip over the bar. Four minutes later came a succession of goal attempts that showed perhaps the luck was not going to go Northwood's way. From a corner, Cook saw his header cleared off the line by Obinna Ulasi. He followed up with a shot, only for Ulasi to block on the line again and the ball was scrambled away.

Northwood: Paul Riordan, Craig McIntosh (Dave Nolan), Dave Sargent, Andy Cook, Paul Watkins, Gary Williams, Wayne Carter, Chris Gell, Steve Hale (Scott Fitzgerald), Lawrence Yaku, Ryan Ashe.



TEN YEARS AFTER

Today we continue with our popular feature where we look back to events here at Northwood Park from exactly a decade ago.

The Woods had made a pretty good start to the season with just three defeats from their opening ten league matches and though an exit from the FA Cup at the first hurdle, losing at home to the Metropolitan Police had been a disappointment, there had been success in the FA Trophy with a victory over Whyteleafe.



Having lost a tough midweek game at Thamesmead Town, next up, on Saturday 11th October 2008, was a trip to Maldon Town and Manager Colin Payne was still having to shuffle his injury-hit squad with Rodney Hicks returning from a spell at St Albans City to make a start on the left flank. Danny Power replaced the injured Lee Holland at right-back while Abdul Yoki paired up with Otis Williams up front. Two other players had joined on work experience from St. Albans to make up the numbers on the bench – midfielder Craig Mortimer and striker Inih Effiong.

However, the lack of first choice players didn't affect the Woods dominance of the first-half as Michael Gordon caused havoc on the right-flank, combining well on several occasions with Power to play some accurate crosses into the box. Hicks went close early on with a downward header that was scrambled of the line and Yoki put a free header wide. Anthony

Page also headed over, Williams had a shot well blocked by the oncoming 'keeper while Yoki then rattled the crossbar with a fierce strike. The home side looked dangerous on the break though and James Robinson saw one effort cleared off the line by Danny Murphy while putting another chance into the side-netting.

But the deserved goal never arrived for the Woods and just two minutes into the second-half, an uncharacteristic mistake at the back from Richard Orlu presented Jack West with an easy chance and Maldon were suddenly in front. Heads appeared to drop a little as the Woods struggled to get back on top and the two youngsters were both introduced along with Rob Ursell. But it made little difference as the side had lost their way and Maldon did well to defend their slender lead. Effiong went closest with a header which wasn't far wide but overall it was a desperately disappointing second-half performance and the Woods fell to a second successive defeat in a week. Effiong never appeared for the Woods again but has had a good career in non-League football in the decade since, including at the top level and currently plays for Dover Athletic.

There was a quick chance to bounce back in a midweek home game against Cheshunt and





Alan Evans looks back at Northwood events of a decade ago

PHOTOS by JAMES BROWN

hard-working Otis Williams continued to cause problems with the Cheshunt keeper making two good stops from him and another from Christian. The Woods couldn't find a way through and had to settle for just a point but it had been a much better performance than of late.

Colin Payne was pleased to welcome back both Dwane Williams and striker Sean Sonner



from injury, Rodney Hicks and Anthony Page making way for their return.

But there was the worst possible start as the match was just three minutes old when Bradley Harrison tried his luck from distance with a speculative shot and the ball floated over goalkeeper Mitch Swain and into an empty net. The Woods picked themselves up and took the game to Cheshunt as they looked for a quick equaliser. They went close with Otis Williams hitting the post with one strike and then John Christian drove another effort inches wide of the other post. Michael Gordon was again impressing on the flank and the leveller eventually came on 34 minutes when Sonner picked himself up off the floor to head home from close-range.

Unfortunately they then lost Dwane Williams to a facial injury and Cheshunt threatened again with Swain saving well at the feet of Yohance Lewis. Richard Orlu appeared to have put the Woods ahead with a near-post header converting Abdul Yoki's hanging cross but it was harshly penalised for a foul by the big man and it was still level at half-time.

The second half was more even but the

- It was back to the FA Trophy at the weekend and an away tie, pictured here, at Crowborough Athletic down in East Sussex.
- Ruled out again were Sean Sonner, who continued to be troubled by his hamstring problem, and Dwane Williams who failed to recover from his eye injury but also the in-form Michael Gordon. Back in were Anthony Page and Rob Ursell along with Danny Brown.
- But it was time for Ursell to make an impact for the Woods and he netted his first goal for the club after only 12 minutes as he got on the end of a cut-back from Abdul Yoki to fire home with a shot that the 'keeper just failed to keep out. It was a competitive half but the Woods lost Mark Burgess with an ankle injury and he was replaced by another of the youth



- team, Eric Gbio, for the second half. It was again hard-fought but the defence held strong, Mitch Swain made a couple of important saves and then, on 79 minutes, Ursell struck again to make the tie safe and earn the Woods a home game against Brackley Town in the next round.
- We will have more from events of a decade ago, Ten Years After, in our next match programme.



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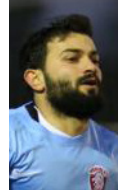
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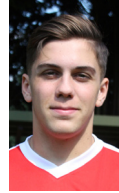
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Antoine Akinola	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Luke Alfano	2	0	2	0	4	1	0	1	4	1	1	0
Ben Andreos	0	3	2	0	5	0	0	0	5	0	1	0
Femi Azeze	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
Wilson Chingoka	5	0	2	1	8	0	0	0	50	7	1	0
Ned Clarke	3	2	6	2	13	0	1	1	16	1	2	0
Kweku Conrad-Lucan	4	5	4	0	13	0	0	0	13	0	0	0
Matt Cooper	7	1	8	0	16	1	0	1	16	1	2	0
Cameron Currie	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Keir Dickson	3	4	3	2	12	0	0	0	21	1	1	0
Coalan Doyle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
James Ewington	8	0	4	0	12	10	4	14	12	14	0	0
Cameron Ferguson	4	1	3	2	10	0	0	0	10	0	2	0
Jamie Fulton	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
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Chris Gosling	4	3	2	1	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
Sam Jenkins	5	1	3	2	11	0	0	0	11	0	1	0
Luke Jupp	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Tom Massey	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
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Emmanuel Melford-Rowe	2	1	2	2	7	0	0	0	7	0	3	1
Alex Morgan	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Jon Munday	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	1	0	0
Dan Newton	2	1	3	0	6	0	1	1	6	1	3	0
Hakim Nyariki	3	3	4	2	12	2	0	2	22	2	1	0
Brendan Ocran	1	0	3	0	4	0	1	1	4	1	1	0
Ben Pattie	4	0	3	3	10	1	2	3	10	3	1	0
Carl Pearce	9	0	8	0	17	2	0	2	17	2	0	0
Dan Pett	1	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Stefan Powell	3	0	3	0	6	0	0	0	6	0	1	0
Zaied Sabti	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Luke Sheldrick	10	0	8	0	18	0	0	0	18	0	1	0
Rhys Shirley-Clarke	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Jorome Slew	7	0	1	0	8	3	0	3	8	3	1	0
Karl Stevenson	4	0	4	1	9	0	0	0	9	0	3	0
Sam Tring	8	0	6	0	14	1	0	1	26	1	1	1
Kyran Worrell	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	4	0	0	0



By The Non-League Paper's

MATT BADCOCK

It's that time of the year again where the FA Cup take centre stage – first round proper weekend is upon us and we await to see where this year's FA Cup shocks will be.

After a season where Lincoln City remarkably reached the quarter-final against Arsenal, last year was a bit quieter with no Non-League representation in the third round. Although we still had some good moments to enjoy along the way. I fancy the Non-League flag to be flying high again in 2018-19, though.

It's always struck me how the Sliding Doors effect is brought into even sharper focus when it comes to the FA Cup. The ifs, buts and maybes that populate football chat after every game, can often be the difference between a money spinning run and sitting at home watching someone else enjoy one instead.

Inevitably, if a club is to have a good run then they will have had the run of the green you need to win close games. And that's the beauty of it.

Despite the best efforts of people to talk down the competition, for Non-League clubs it still feels very much alive.

You watch this season. If (when) the scalp of Football League side is claimed next weekend, the victory will soon be followed with words like, magic and romance.

And that's all good. Because that's exactly it. But a lot of it will be centred on the argument they are ingredients that have gone missing from the competition.

For Non-League clubs I'd argue against that claim. Maybe at the latter stages for the bigger Premier League clubs, but here it's going well, thanks.

It is reason for a club to dream, can launch careers and transform long-term fortunes. Even more so with the welcome doubling of the FA Cup prize money – with the introduction of handing losing clubs some cash in the extra preliminary and preliminary rounds also making a big difference.

The FA Cup is a perfect vessel to put money into the game through results on the pitch.

Personally, I'd like to see some of the pound notes ring-fenced for clubs to use on infrastructure, equipment or ground issues.

But there has to be an appreciation that if a club wins money it is entitled to use how it sees fit. If that means bringing in a new striker to help the season, then that's their right.

Of course, for most Non-League clubs the FA Cup is already over for another year. For many it was finished at the beginning of August.

For others, just making it through a couple of rounds was success enough. I took a trip to Lymington Town for their second round qualifying clash with Torquay United. Although the Wessex League side were well beaten on the day, it was obvious to see what their slice of FA Cup history had brought the club, with an ex-Football League side at home in front of the BBC online cameras. You can be sure the interest it created would have brought in more fans.



UNDER 18's

The Woods Under 18s are again this season playing in the Isthmian Youth League - now known as the Save The Children Youth League - West Division, guided by Mark Fox and Richard Elderfield.

There have been mixed results for the Under 18s since our last matchday programme review. They achieved a superb victory away to Wealdstone, coming back from a two-goal deficit to win 4-3, and their first league victory of the campaign. James Bromley-Price and Kyran Worrell both netted before the break to level the scores at half-time. brought them level before the break.

Woods went ahead with goals from Callum Bedwell and Ollie Lawford, before the Stones got a late consolation. The team was: Caolan Doyle, Kieran Ali, Dan Cresswell, Jamie Fulton, Callum Bedwell, Daanyaal Anwar, Kyran Worrell, James Bromley-Price, Ollie Lawford, Kyle Matthew, Morgan Whittick. Subs. Antony Amankwa, Enajar, Fitzgerald.

However, on Thursday last week the Woods went down 1-3 at home to Potters Bar Town after Ollie Lawford had put our youngsters ahead. After Potters Bar levelled, Northwood had Jamie Fulton dismissed after receiving two cautions, and ultimately the visitors took advantage of the extra man to take the points. Woods' side was: Caolan Doyle, Ben Dufaux, Dan Cresswell, Jamie Fulton, Callum Bedwell, Daanyaal Anwar, Morgan Whittick, James Bromley-Price, Ollie Lawford, Kyle Matthew, Kyran Worrell. Subs. Wright-Keizer, Angold, Manning.

The Under 18s were back in action on Thursday evening, after this matchday programme had gone to print, with a speedy return fixture at the Acretweed Stadium against Wealdstone.

The Sunday youth teams this season have a new Mitre kit and a new sponsor in 8build - www.8build.co.uk.



RESULTS & FIXTURES 2018-19

Tue 24 Jul	KODAK 1st XI (F)	L 0-2
Mon 30 Jul	Harefield United (F)	W 3-1
Wed 1 Aug	COCKFOSTERS (F)	W 6-0
Wed 8 Aug	Uxbridge (F)	W 3-1
Thur 16 Aug	NORTHWOOD XI (F)	L 1-3
Mon 20 Aug	Camberley Town	L 1-4
Thur 30 Aug	Potters Bar Town (LC1)	L 2-4
Thur 6 Sep	BRIMSDOWN (FAYC)	W 5-0
Mon 10 Sep	Aldershot Town	L 0-1
Mon 17 Sep	Colney Heath (FAYC)	L 1-2*
Thur 11 Oct	HAYES & YEADING UNITED	D 2-2
Wed 17 Oct	Wealdstone	W 4-3
Thur 25 Oct	POTTERS BAR TOWN	L 1-3
Thur 1 Nov	WEALDSTONE	HOME
Thur 22 Nov	BEDFONT SPORTS	HOME
Tue 27 Nov	Ashford Town	Away
Thur 6 Dec	HAMPTON & RICHMOND B	HOME
Thur 13 Dec	STAINES TOWN	HOME
Thur 10 Jan	CAMBERLEY TOWN	HOME
Thur 17 Jan	ALDERSHOT TOWN	HOME
Wed 23 Jan	Hayes & Yeading United	Away
Thur 31 Jan	Potters Bar Town	Away
Mon 11 Feb	Bedfont Sports	Away
Thur 21 Feb	ASHFORD TOWN	HOME
Wed 27 Feb	Hampton & Richmond Boro	Away
Mon 4 Mar	Staines Town	Away

* after extra time

SAVE THE CHILDREN YOUTH LEAGUE WEST DIVISION

Including 31.10.18	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bedfont Sports	5	4	1	0	20	5	13
Potters Bar Town	5	4	1	0	12	5	13
Camberley Town	4	4	0	0	16	3	12
Staines Town	6	3	1	2	15	8	10
Wealdstone	6	2	0	4	14	16	6
Hayes & Yeading	4	1	1	2	18	9	4
Aldershot Town	3	1	1	1	6	7	4
Northwood	5	1	1	3	8	13	4
Hampton & R Boro	4	0	0	4	3	17	0
Ashford Town	4	0	0	4	2	31	0

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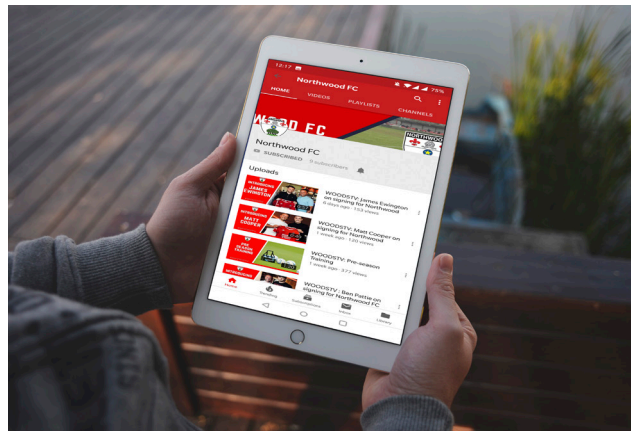
Welcome back as we entertain Ashford Town today. We are now (already!) in the fourth month of the season. Hasn't it gone quickly?

Following today's game we will have full highlights and interviews with the management and a player available to view on WoodsTV from tomorrow morning. This month we are also hoping to interview a Northwood legend for WoodsTV and once it's online we will let you know.

Our monthly newsletter was sent out during this week. Remember to subscribe online or look for the link on our social media sites to sign up and find out about what's happening at the club.

It's been another impressive month for the club across social media which is a little strange considering we had only one home game. But our numbers across all platforms do continue to grow, which is really impressive. Another note on this is that so far this season our home gate is up slightly on last year which shows we are bringing in a few more people. If you have a social media account don't forget to share our content and try and bring more people down to the game, especially with some of the amazing offers we have for members of the Armed Forces and for students!

Last month we have also added another student to our ranks in Alon, who is a friend of Marlon our cameraman. Alon will be assisting with match reports and some



press and marketing with the local newspapers in the coming months. He is currently studying Sports Journalism at a local university, so this is great for him to gain experience and also helps the club out. On a matchday you can find him in the press area along with the rest of the team, so come across and say hi to us, and especially if you have any ideas for content.

We hope to continue to grow on and off the field in the rest of the season, enhancing the reputation of the club and getting more people to notice the good work we all do. The club can always do with more volunteers on matchday, including acting as a steward or helping on the gates. No job is too small and it all helps, so to get involved come and say hi to any of us on a matchday.

Craig

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BOSTIK LEAGUE ROUND-UP



TODAY'S FIXTURES

Bracknell Town v Hertford Town
 Cheshunt v Chalfont St Peter
 Marlow v Chipstead
 Molesey v Egham Town
 Northwood v Ashford Town
 South Park v Hanwell Town
 Uxbridge v Bedfont Sports
 Waltham Abbey v Tooting & M.U.
 Ware v Hayes & Yeading
 Westfield v FC Romania

Only a handful of League fixtures last weekend, and Waltham Abbey went back to the top of the table with a hard-fought 1-0 win at Egham Town, Ibrahim Kehinde with the goal.

Marlow's Devontae Romeo scored the only goal of the game early on as they won at Bedfont Sports, whilst Tooting & Mitcham United continued their recent good run with their third straight victory, an own goal and a Danny Bassett effort – his fifth in those three matches. Gareth Chendlik had equalised for Hanwell Town, but it wasn't enough to get them a point.

On Tuesday evening, Hayes and Yeading United beat Uxbridge 5-0. Lee Barney and Hassan Jalloh got two each, the other going to Scott Donnelly. Marlow did almost as well, grabbing four at home to Hanwell Town. They got two in each half, Calam Gallimore opening the scoring, Kameron English getting the next two, before Isaac Osei-Tutu rounded things off. Williams Danquah got a late consolation for Town.

In the FA Trophy, a goal from Lee Barney was sufficient for Hayes & Yeading United to win at Hitchin Town. Ashford Town took the lead in the first half through Adam Baigent against Lewes, but the visitors hit back in the second half, Omarr Lawson and Declan Appau finding the net for a 1-2 result.

Chipstead continued their good form with a 2-1 win over Berkhamsted Town, Sam Clayton and Oliver Thornton with their goals. Molesey fell 1-0 at home to Walton Casuals.

Bracknell Town were 2-1 ahead through goals from Liam Ferdinand and James McClurg but Premier Division Bognor Regis Town equalised in stoppage time. In Tuesday's replay, Bracknell were 2-0 up after just fourteen minutes through Adam Cornell and Liam Ferdinand, only for Bognor pull one back and eventually equalise on 88 minutes. Then Bognor won the penalty shoot-out 3-2.

League table

Including 2.11.18

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Waltham Abbey	10	8	0	2	20	11	24
Hayes & Yeading	9	7	1	1	37	7	22
Bracknell Town	9	7	1	1	29	7	22
Cheshunt	10	6	3	1	24	11	21
Marlow	10	6	3	1	13	5	21
Chipstead	10	5	1	4	21	14	16
Tooting & Mitcham	11	5	1	5	22	22	16
Chalfont St Peter	9	4	3	2	17	10	15
Hanwell Town	10	4	2	4	15	13	14
Northwood	10	4	2	4	21	24	14
Uxbridge	9	4	2	3	14	17	14
Ashford Town	9	4	2	3	15	19	14
Hertford Town	10	3	4	3	19	20	13
Ware	10	3	3	4	16	19	12
Westfield	10	3	2	5	18	19	11
Bedfont Sports	10	2	2	6	18	26	8
FC Romania	9	2	0	7	5	24	6
South Park	10	1	1	8	8	24	4
Egham Town	10	1	1	8	8	31	4
Molesey	9	0	2	7	6	23	2

LEADING GOALSCORERS (League games only)

James Ewington	Northwood	10
Danny Bassett	Tooting & Mitcham	9
Liam Ferdinand	Bracknell Town	9
Joe Grant	Bracknell Town	8
Ezekiel Bademosi	Chipstead	6
Lee Barney	Hayes & Yeading	6
Mark Bitmead	Ashford Town	6
Jason Hallett	Cheshunt	6



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













Date	Opponents	Venue	Result	Gate	Lge. pos.				
AUGUST									
Sat 11	TOOTING & MITCHAM UNITED	HOME	W 4-3	148	4	Sheldrick	Stevenson	Matos	Chingoka
Sat 18	FC Romania	Away	W 3-1	80	2	Sheldrick	Stevenson	Matos	Nyariki
Sat 25	LONGLEVENS (FACP)	HOME	W 3-1	107	-	Sheldrick	Stevenson	Cooper	Nyariki
Mon 27	Uxbridge	Away	L 1-4	108	6	Sheldrick	Stevenson	Matos	Nyariki
SEPTEMBER									
Sat 1	WALTHAM ABBEY	HOME	L 0-2	122	7	Sheldrick	Stevenson	Cooper	Alfano
Sat 8	KINGS LANGLEY (FAC1Q)	HOME	D 0-0	229	-	Sheldrick	Stevenson	Cooper	Gosling
Tue 11	Kings Langley (FAC1QR)	Away	L 1-3	230	-	Sheldrick	Stevenson	Cooper	Gosling
Sat 15	Bracknell Town	Away	L 1-2	268	12	Sheldrick	Gibbs	Cooper	Gosling
Tue 18	BURY TOWN (VT1)	HOME	W 2-0	62	-	Sheldrick	Gibbs	Cooper	Chingoka
Sat 22	MOLESEY	HOME	W 6-1	113	8	Sheldrick	Jenkins	Cooper	Chingoka
Tue 25	Hayes & Yeading United	Away	L 0-6	180	10	Sheldrick	Jenkins	Cooper	Nyariki
Sat 29	WARE	HOME	D 2-2	137	11	Sheldrick	Jenkins	Cooper	Powell
OCTOBER									
Sat 6	Westfield	Away	W 2-1	60	7	Sheldrick	Jenkins	Cooper	Powell
Tue 9	Wingate & Finchley (MCC1)	Away	D 0-0*	81	-	Sheldrick	Newton	Cooper	Powell
Sat 13	Dunstable Town (FATP)	Away	L 0-2	152	-	Sheldrick	Newton	Cooper	Ferguson
Tue 16	AFC Hayes (MSC1)	Away	W 3-0	34	-	Sheldrick	Stevenson	Cooper	Powell
Sat 20	SOUTH PARK	HOME	D 2-2	122	9	Sheldrick	Newton	Cooper	Powell
Tue 23	Felixstowe & Walton United (VT2)	Away	L 1-3	165	-	Sheldrick	Newton	Cooper	Powell
NOVEMBER									
Sat 3	ASHFORD TOWN	HOME							
Tue 6	Harrow Borough (MSC2)	Away							
Sat 17	HERTFORD TOWN	HOME							
Sat 24	Chipstead	Away							
Tue 27	Bedfont Sports	Away							
DECEMBER									
Sat 1	CHALFONT ST PETER	HOME							
Sat 8	Egham Town	Away							
Sat 15	HANWELL TOWN	HOME							
Wed 26	UXBRIDGE	HOME							
Sat 29	Marlow	Away							
JANUARY									
Mon 5	CHESHUNT	HOME							
Sat 12	Waltham Abbey	Away							
Sat 19	Ware	Away							
Sat 26	WESTFIELD	HOME							
FEBRUARY									
Sat 2	South Park	Away							
Tue 5	HAYES & YEADING UNITED	HOME							
Sun 10	Tooting & Mitcham United	Away							
Sat 16	FC ROMANIA	HOME							
Sat 23	Ashford Town	Away							
MARCH									
Sat 2	BEDFONT SPORTS	HOME							
Sat 9	Hertford Town	Away							
Sat 16	CHIPSTEAD	HOME							
Sat 23	Chalfont St Peter	Away							
Sat 30	EGHAM TOWN	HOME							
APRIL									
Sat 6	Hanwell Town	Away							
Sat 13	BRACKNELL TOWN	HOME							
Sat 20	Cheshunt	Away							
Mon 22	MARLOW	HOME							
Sat 27	Molesey	Away							

* won on penalties

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	Tring	Pearce	Conrad-Lucan	Chingoka	Pattie	Ewington ①	Slew	Dickson 	Clarke 	Gosling
	Massey	Tring 	Slew 	Gosling	Chingoka	Ewington	Dickson	Andreos	Nyariki	Currie
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	Tring	Pearce	Melford-Rowe 	Ferguson	Morgan	Ewington ②	Sabti	Conrad-Lucan	Newton	Matos
	Newton	Pearce	Conrad-Lucan	Gosling	Clarke	Ferguson	Matos	Dickson	Nyariki ② 	Akinola
	Tring	Pearce	Conrad-Lucan	Nyariki	Clarke	Ferguson	Ocran	Dickson	Melford-Rowe	Stevenson
	Tring	Pearce	Conrad-Lucan	Nyariki	Clarke	Ocran	Dickson	Pattie	Pett	Jenkins
	Tring	Pearce	Jenkins	Pett	Clarke ①	Pattie ①	Ocran ① 	Melford-Rowe 	Worrell	Nyariki
	Tring ①	Pearce	Conrad-Lucan	Pett	Clarke	Pattie ①	Ocran	Dickson	Ferguson	Jenkins
	Tring	Pearce	Conrad-Lucan	Nyariki	Melford-Rowe	Pattie	Dickson	Clarke	Ferguson 	Worrell

Isthmian Football League Respect Statement

supports the FA statement that there should be a zero tolerance approach against racism and all form of discriminatory abuse whether it be based on race or ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, form of abuse will be reported to The Football Association for action by that Association." (The FA 0800 085 0508 / Kick it Out 020 7253 0162)



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- SAM JENKINS
- MATT COOPER
- CARL PEARCE ©
- DAN NEWTON
- SAM TRING
- CHRIS GOSLING
- STEFAN POWELL
- BRENDAN OCRAN
- KEIR DICKSON
- BEN PATTIE
- HAKIM NYARIKI
- EMMANUEL MELFORD-ROWE
- KWEKU CONRAD-LUCAN
- NED CLARKE
- DAN PETT
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- ZAIED SABTI
- KYRAN WORRELL
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ASSISTANT: Daniel Jacobs



Manager: Ben Murray

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- RUSSELL CANDERTON
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- WARREN THOMAS
- NEBAY HAILE
- SAMAD KAZI
- TOM HOWARD
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NEXT HOME GAME

Saturday 17th November

HERTFORD TOWN

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.