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Club Honours

Isthmian League South Central Division Play-off Semi-finalists:
2023

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

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1993, 2000

Middlesex Senior Cup Winners:
2007, 2016

Middlesex Senior Cup Finalists:
2000, 2002

Middlesex Senior Cup Semi-finalists:
1992, 1997, 1999, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2022

Middlesex Senior Charity Cup Finalists:
1994, 2003, 2005, 2012, 2023

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

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1972, 1977

Middlesex League Challenge Cup Winners:
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Ian Barry

Woods Chairman
Ian Barry welcomes
you to the Skyline
Roofing Stadium for
our latest games...

Good afternoon and welcome to the Skyline Roofing Stadium and our C & G Scaffolding Ltd sponsored clubhouse for our two Bank Holiday weekend Combined Counties League fixtures against Broadfields United FC and Harefield United FC. We trust they both enjoy their short stay here.

Well, I genuinely can't say the season has started as planned and our recent defeats against North Greenford and here last Saturday against Burnham highlighted our shortcomings.

With these two further important games this weekend, if we are to achieve our ambitions this season, we can't afford for many more defeats and lost points, that's for sure. I've always said that there are ways to lose games and with lacklustre performances in these games, that's certainly not expected or acceptable.

As a club, we are now looking to knuckle down, create a proper team environment and kick on from now onwards. Recent seasons have been tough for us for many reasons and whilst I accept full responsibility for this, maybe some of the players can now step up and take some themselves as I don't pick them!

Behind the scenes we are as good as anyone, we look after our opposition in ways I have yet to witness this season elsewhere and we try to do everything right, sometimes to our detriment it



seems. Maybe we are too nice?

The rest of football is also now well underway and silly results are becoming more of the norm early on it seems, so hopefully we are a part of that. I am not settling for average this season and will do everything in my power to avoid that.

Thanks to everyone at the club for their support during my recent health (mainly my eye) issues, it's truly appreciated and such is the set up here that we all come together when these times arise and it doesn't go unnoticed.

As I said earlier, it's two more big derby games for us in 48 hours so let's get behind the team and show our support out on the terraces and here in the clubhouse afterwards.

As always, up The Woods!

Ian

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Woods

Outlook

Club Secretary, **Alan Evans**, brings us all the latest news from around the club.



Welcome to the Fighting Cocks and the Hares

Welcome to the Skyline Roofing Stadium for this Bank Holiday weekend feast of Combined Counties League football as we welcome two fellow Middlesex clubs for Premier Division North fixtures inside 48 hours. Firstly, we host Broadfields United for the Saturday afternoon fixture and then Harefield United arrive for a 1pm contest on Monday afternoon. It means a double-issue of our match-day programme which I hope you will enjoy.

Turning to Broadfields United first, the Fighting Cocks enjoyed the best season in their history in their last campaign, finishing in fourth place before losing 2-0 to Windsor & Eton in the play-off semi-finals in front of a crowd of 1,331; the Royalists then going on to win promotion. Their steady progress over the last few years has been evident with County Cup honours coming their way, winning the Middlesex Charity Cup in both 2023 and 2025. Last season they reached the final of both the Middlesex Senior Cup and Charity Cup, though defeated in each of them against Southall and Uxbridge. This season they have started pretty well too,

unbeaten from the two League games that they have managed to play in between an interesting FA Cup run. A 2-2 draw at Step 4 side Herne Bay earned them a home replay which saw them crushed 6-1 but the FA ordered a replay because the Kent side had used a sixth sub inside normal time. Broadfields were ready for that one though and won 2-1. That gave them a home game against Southern Counties East club Corinthian but they were held to a 1-1 draw last Saturday and were due to replay on Tuesday night. The winners will be rewarded with a home tie against Step 3 side Chichester City in the next round next weekend. Our opponents

have had one setback this season though, losing 2-3 at home to Step 6 side Ampthill Town in the 1st qualifying round.

This will be the first time that we have met Broadfields United in a League fixture today but we have met twice before in competitive matches, both in the Middlesex Charity Cup and our opponents have won both of those matches; 1-0 in the 2023 Final and 2-1 here last season in a semi-final game. It needs be third time lucky for the Woods today.

Our near-neighbours, Harefield United, arrive here at the Skyline, amazingly, for our first League fixture in over thirty years. It was back in 1995-96 that we last competed together in the Isthmian League Division Three. Both games took place in April that season. It was a 2-2 drawn at Prenton Park (with goalkeeper John Toogood making his last ever Woods appearance at the age of 51) while the return, ten days later, produced a 3-1 success for Northwood with two goals for Paul Halbert and one for Gavin MacPherson. At the end of that season, the Hares resigned due to financial issues and dropped into the Spartan League. Since then, we have met four times in Middlesex Charity Cup, the Woods winning three of them, the last being in 2018.

The Hares enjoyed an excellent FA Cup win over Bowers & Pitsea in the opening round but crashed out 0-1 at home to Hullbridge Sports last weekend. They also had an easy 6-1 success over Staines Lammas in the FA Vase and play North Leigh at home in the next round. They beat Reading City 2-1 on the opening day of the league campaign but have since been beaten 3-2 at North Greenford and held to a 1-1 draw at Wallingford & Crowmarsh.

There is no match sponsor for the Broadfields fixture but we are delighted to welcome Dennis Goulding and his boardroom guests for the Harefield contest. Dennis has also sponsored the match ball for that game while we are grateful to Graham Mann for being the Match Ball Sponsor

for our Saturday match. As always, we are looking to have a match ball sponsor for all our games this season so please see the grid elsewhere in this article and if there's a date you fancy, please let me know. It's a cost of £50 for each match and is a great help to the club towards the costs of match balls.

League News

Last Saturday, things didn't go to plan at all in our home match against Burnham as the visitors took all three points with a 2-1 victory, maintaining their position of second in the table. The Woods' second defeat in five days saw us slip down the table to fifteenth and some success over this weekend when we play two further home matches, would certainly be beneficial. All the goals against the Blues came in the second-half as they moved into a 2-0 lead which could have been three but for a fine penalty save from Kacper Orłowski. Mustafa Tiriyaki's header pulled one back with twenty minutes of play still to come and it raised hopes of rescuing a point but our visitors saw out the closing stages comfortably and without too much excitement.

Player News

In the game against Burnham, manager Manny Williams introduced five new names to the teamsheet, four of which made their debuts from the start. With top scorer Liam Enver-Marum unavailable, Reon Smith-Kouassi was given his role up front but he was supported by two debutants in Kayne Connor and Khalil Francis. 22-year-old Connor has previous service at Chalfont St Peter and Burnham and has also played international football for Anguilla (alongside Kieron Lake-Bryan) while Kahlil is now 24 and is on dual-registration with Risborough Rangers having previously played at British Airways, Harefield United and Chalfont St Peter. Tolu James started in midfield for the first time having been previously involved in early pre-season games. The 26-year-old has also played for Chalfont St Peter, Risborough Rangers, Oxhey Jets, Spartans Youth and North Greenford amongst others. Finally, young defender Lewis Buamah came in for Alex Sethi at the back. The 17-year-old was with Blackburn Rovers academy and has also made appearances for Lewisham Borough and Egham

Match & Match Ball Sponsors - Season 2026/27

Date	Opponents	Match Sponsor	Match Ball Sponsor
Sat 1st August	Holyport	-	Gerry Pimm
Sat 8th August	Hutton (FA Cup)	Shamira Hamirani	Sean Moore
Tue 11th August	Burnham	-	Colin Seal
Sat 29th August	Broadfields United		Graham Mann
Mon 31st August	Harefield United	Dennis Goulding	Dennis Goulding
Sat 12th September	Maidenhead Town (FA Vase)		
Tue 15th September	Rayners Lane		
Sat 3rd October	Abingdon United		
Date TBA	Wallingford & Crowmarsh		
Sat 17th October	Redhill (League Cup)		
Tue 20th October	Penn & Tylers Green		
Sat 31st October	Kidlington		
Sat 14th November	Easington Sports		Peter & Michael Gant
Sat 28th November	Hilltop		
Sat 12th December	North Greenford United		
Sat 19th December	Reading City		
Sat 9th January	Wokingham Town		
Sat 16th January	North Leigh	Gerry Pimm	
Sat 6th February	Ardley United		
Sat 13th February	Bedfont		
Sat 6th March	Thatcham Town		
Tue 23rd March	Amersham Town		



Town. The fifth new name was Yannis Manta who didn't get on the pitch from the subs bench but is another youngster, just 18, who has been involved at an academy level at Bedford Town and Luton Town.

Freddie Greenstreet made a fairly swift return from his injury issues to come on as a substitute in the game but Rodney Dos Santos and Alex Sethi were both missing alongside Enver-Marum, Nathan Akandi. Chris Rangel will start a three-match suspension today following his late red card at North Greenford.

Cup News

It was two weeks ago that, it was time to start our first FA Vase campaign for the first time in the 21st Century as we made the journey up to play Northamptonshire club Rothwell Corinthians. It was a very pleasant afternoon and it proved a successful one as we notched a 5-2 victory to move into the next round against another Step 6 club in Maidenhead Town next month (Saturday 12th September). Mustafa Tiriyaki led the way with a rare hat-trick for a defender while both Zack Ingham-Wright and Reon Smith-Kouassi also scored their first goals for the club. Hopefully, we can build on that result in the weeks to come.

Under 18's

The Under-18s should have started their new Isthmian Youth League season on Wednesday night when we were hosts to Hayes & Yeading United here at the Skyline so hopefully, we will have kicked-off the campaign with a positive result.

There won't be much time to reflect on that before we start our FA Youth Cup journey as we are scheduled to play away at Everett Rovers this coming Wednesday night, 2nd September 2026 with kick-off at their Dodd Road ground being 7.45pm. Do try to get down to the match if you are able and show the lads your support.

We are back here at the Skyline the following week with a home game against Tooting & Mitcham United,

always a strong youth set-up, on Wednesday 9th September so make a note of that one.

Photographer needed

After the retirement of long-serving club photographer James Brown, we are still currently without an official club photographer so if we are to maintain the standard of our website, programme and social media, we still need a regular replacement that can get to matches. If you are an enthusiastic amateur with a love of photography and football and can assist, then please let us know as soon as possible as we are missing out on capturing the action at present.

Hayes & Hillingdon FC

Our tenants bounced back from an opening day defeat with an emphatic 9-0 victory at home against Indian Gymkhana on a game played on a Friday night with a sizeable crowd. They played at home to Hayes & Yeading B team (who had lost their opening two matches) on Tuesday night but these notes were prepared before the result of that one was known. They are away to Apollo London today but return to the Skyline next Saturday when they take on Wood Lane at 3pm.

Merchandise

There is plenty of new stock available at the merchandise stall inside the ground already including the new shirts, both home and away, in most sizes so please give them a visit. There is also a new range of caps and bucket hats with the club's centenary logo on them plus some lovely polo shirts. More will be added as the season goes along. The new shirts have been selling quite a bit in recent weeks but there are plenty in stock, included in youth sizes.

Thanks for your support over this Bank Holiday weekend and see you all again soon.

Alan

Next up at The Skyline

No midweek game here and the first-team travel away to current league leaders Ardley United next Saturday, the first of several trips to Oxfordshire this season as they are a small town north of Bicester just off the M40. It's a long journey but any support would be much appreciated. We then face a shorter journey to play at Bedford, another side who have started the season pretty well, on the Tuesday night, 8th September before we return here in two weeks; time for the FA Vase.

**Saturday 5th
September 2026
Hayes & Hillingdon v
Wood Lane
Middlesex League
3pm**

**Wednesday 9th
September 2026
Woods U18s v
Tooting & Mitcham
Isthmian Youth League
7.45pm**

**Saturday 12th
September 2026
Woods v
Maidenhead Town
Isuzu FA Vase
3pm**



Manny Williams

Woods manager, **Manny Williams**, welcomes you to the Skyline Roofing Stadium and gives his latest thoughts...

Welcome once again to the Skyline Roofing Stadium. As we head into the bank holiday weekend, we warmly welcome today's visitors, Broadfields United, and also Monday's visitors, Harefield United. We hope everyone enjoy both games.

Our last two league matches have been against two very good sides in North Greenford and Burnham, who I believe will both be challenging for the play-offs come the end of the season. Despite that, we competed well in both games, although we were disappointed not to get anything from either match.

Last Saturday, we made two mistakes against Burnham, which cost us dearly. Against North Greenford a few days earlier, we didn't take advantage of the extra man and didn't manage the game well. In addition, we were too naive and were distracted from playing our style of football. These are areas we must improve if we are to become successful and compete at this level. We played well in the first game against Holyport and now hope to repeat the same outcome.

It is still very early to look too closely at the league table, but I am not entirely pleased with our current position. It is not the start I wanted, although one win could potentially move us as high as eighth. Our focus is on climbing the table, taking things one game at a time. We need to start accumulating the points, starting with today's game.

Squad selection for this weekend has been tricky, with injuries and players away with their families.

However, I will always select the strongest squad available to me. There will also be new faces joining us as I continue to strengthen the squad and find the right balance. Injuries and suspensions have also forced us to bring in players for cover. I believe we are only two or three quality players in key positions away from achieving that.

The FA Vase is a competition I have always enjoyed watching, and I am delighted that we have progressed to the next round, following a comprehensive away victory at Rothwell Corinthians. We will look to produce another strong performance at home against Maidenhead Town on September 12th so please make sure you get down to the game and back the boys as they look for further success in the tournament.

Finally, thank you to all our supporters for your continued support. We will keep working hard to bring you the success you deserve on the pitch. I wish everyone a wonderful bank holiday weekend and safe travels to all our visitors and supporters.

See you in the clubhouse for a chat afterwards.

Up The Woods!

Manny



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Combined Counties League Premier Division North



Last Saturday wasn't a great day for our fellow Premier Division North teams in the FA Cup with only Reading City managing to go straight through to the first qualifying round with a 2-0 victory over Hellenic League side Fairford Town.

However, others battled it out for a home draw and will have faced midweek replays away so Bedfont and Broadfields United still had a chance (at Faversham Town and Corinthian respectively). Penn & Tylers Green lost at Ascot United, North Greenford were beaten at Dunstable, Harefield United lost to Hullbridge Sports

while Thatcham Town were well beaten at Mangotsfield United and North Leigh thrashed 5-0 at Windsor & Eton.

In the League, Ardley United held on to top spot with a 5-0 away win at Amersham Town with well-travelled striker Marcus Mealing scoring a hat-trick and there were lots of goals elsewhere too with Kidlington thrashing Abingdon United 7-1 and Easington Sports inflicting a fifth successive league defeat on Holyport with a 5-2 scoreline.

There were no midweek games but obviously a busy bank holiday weekend of fixtures coming up now.

Upcoming Fixtures

Saturday 29th August 2026

Abingdon United v North Greenford United
Amersham Town v Thatcham Town
Bedfont v Wallingford & Crowmarsh
Harefield United v Burnham
Kidlington v Wokingham Town
North Leigh v Holyport
Northwood v Broadfields United
Penn & Tylers Green v Easington Sports
Rayners Lane v Ardley United

Monday 31st August 2026

Abingdon United v North Leigh
Ardley United v Kidlington
Burnham v Bedfont
North Greenford United v Rayners Lane
Penn & Tylers Green v Broadfields United
Thatcham Town v Reading City
Wokingham Town v Holyport
Northwood v Harefield United

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Wallingford & Crowmarsh v Easington Sports

Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Hilltop v Amersham Town

Combined Counties League Premier Division North League Table

Up to and including Saturday 22nd August 2026

	P	Home						Away						GD	Pts
		W	D	L	F	A		W	D	L	F	A			
1 Ardley United	5	3	0	0	10	2		1	0	1	5	2		11	12
2 Burnham	5	1	0	1	3	3		3	0	0	10	2		8	12
3 Reading City	5	3	0	0	9	1		0	1	1	4	5		7	10
4 Kidlington	5	2	0	1	10	4		1	0	1	3	3		6	9
5 North Greenford United	3	2	0	0	6	3		1	0	0	2	0		5	9
6 Wallingford & Crowmarsh	4	2	1	0	7	3		0	1	0	3	3		4	8
7 Penn & Tylers Green	4	1	1	1	8	8		1	0	0	5	1		4	7
8 Bedfont	3	2	0	0	5	1		0	0	1	1	2		3	6
9 Easington Sports	5	1	0	1	6	5		1	0	2	3	6		-2	6
10 Broadfields United	2	0	1	0	0	0		1	0	0	3	1		2	4
11 Harefield United	3	1	0	0	2	1		0	1	1	3	4		0	4
12 Wokingham Town	3	0	1	0	2	2		1	0	1	2	2		0	4
13 Thatcham Town	5	1	0	1	2	4		0	1	2	4	8		-6	4
14 Hilltop	3	0	0	1	1	2		1	0	1	5	5		-1	3
15 Northwood	3	1	0	1	3	2		0	0	1	1	3		-1	3
16 North Leigh	4	0	0	2	0	3		1	0	1	3	5		-5	3
17 Amersham Town	3	0	0	2	0	7		1	0	0	3	2		-6	3
18 Abingdon United	5	1	0	1	4	6		0	0	3	1	13		-14	3
19 Rayners Lane	3	0	1	0	3	3		0	1	1	0	1		-1	2
20 Holyport	5	0	0	1	1	5		0	0	4	4	14		-14	0

A Century of FOOTBALL HISTORY

Part 3: Researched and written by **Ken Green**



We are now celebrating the Centenary of Northwood FC, which was founded in 1926 as Northwood United. As we are now in the club's 101st season – although no activity took place during World War II between 1940 and 1946 – in this season's matchday programmes over the coming weeks and months, we will bring you a whole host of stories covering the past century, telling of games, players, club officials, league titles, cup wins, and yes, the odd relegation.

In the previous issue, I told of how the outbreak of World War I led to many young men signing up to fight for their county, including up to 15 players from Northwood Rovers. Several of those men were killed or seriously injured – like those players, the club did not return after the war.

The war ended on 11 November 1918, so the first season afterwards for local football was 1919-20, and a new Northwood Football Club were formed in just five weeks from early August, and they were able to enter two teams into the Harrow & District League. The club "tendered most hearty thanks to the residents of Northwood for their monetary assistance, and good wishes, which enabled them

to form a brand new club in the short space of time". Mr W. Weller was club president, Mr Fountain, chairman and Mr L Faint secretary. However, in their first game, on 13 September 1919, they lost 1-7 away to No. 4 Stores Depot. Harrow St Peter's were beaten 4-2 in the first game at Northwood Recreation Ground a week later, but then followed a series of reverses. The season saw the new Northwood FC finish eighth of 12 clubs, whilst the second team were also eighth, of ten teams.

At the same time, another club was formed in the town, named Northwood United, and they competed in Division 2 of the Harrow League, alongside Northwood Reserves. Mr E. H. Parramore was United's secretary.



Rickmansworth Road area in 1921 - railway & Northwood Rec on the left

However, they struggled all season, finishing in last place in the table – and then agreed to merge the club into Northwood FC at the annual meeting in May 1920.

Northwood had a fine start to the 1920-21 season, winning 12 of their first 13 league games, including a 5-1 defeat of Ruislip Manor at Northwood Recreation Ground, J. Milton scoring four and S. Tilbury getting the other; the team was: L. Faint, C. West, R. Allen, P. Osbourne, F. Arnold, W. Allen, S. Tilbury, P. Barr, W. Barr, J. Milton, G. Beckford. Northwood slipped to only their second defeat of the season on 26th March, to Alperton, but unfortunately, that was the first of six successive losses that saw the side slip from top to fifth in the final table.

1920-21 saw the launch of another team in the town, the church side Emmanuel Northwood, who acquired a pitch on Moor Park Road, Northwood, and entered into Division 2 of the Harrow & District League. They finished the season 9th of 13 clubs – four places and 13 points behind Northwood's second team.

Northwood had prospects of not having a pitch to play on when in the summer of 1921 the Council decided to close the Recreation Ground to football teams. Fortunately, they reversed that decision in mid-August and players and officials worked rapidly to bring the area into order; the club made their headquarters and dressing room at the Northwood Men's Club – something of a trek to the pitch! The club also said that "the old warrior, W. Allen, has again signed, this being his twenty-first year of football". Three of the Northwood men – Beckford, H. Parramore and G. Green – had trials with Queen's Park Rangers during the summer.

They started with a 2-1 home win against Stanmore Athletic in mid-September, W. Barr and A. Wrights scoring for Northwood, whose team was: H. Parramore, H. Butler, G. Green, J. Cook, C. West, F. Arnold (capt.), T. Sanderson, J. Elworthy, W. Barr, A. Wright, H. King. The best win of the season, 8-0, came a week later against Wembley

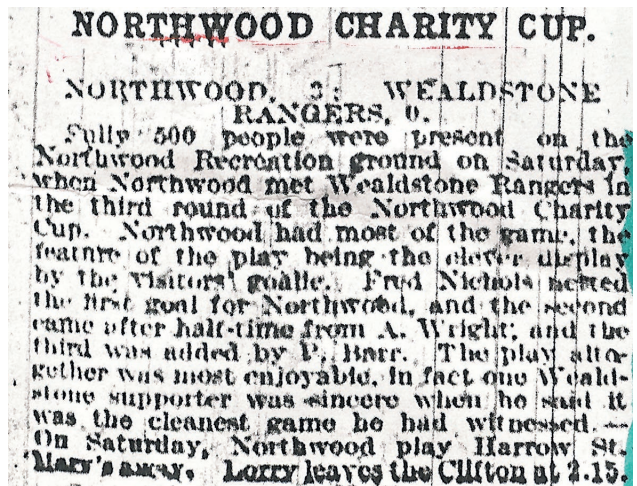
Harrow & District League Division One 1920/21

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Roxeth & Harrow Old Boys	22	17	3	2	70	24	37
Alperton	22	15	5	2	52	18	35
Greenhill	22	15	3	4	55	23	33
Wembley Institute	22	12	5	5	66	35	29
Northwood	22	13	2	7	55	38	28
Harrow St May's	22	12	2	8	49	35	26
Stanmore	22	8	1	13	49	49	17
Harrow St Peter's	22	7	3	12	30	33	17
The Weald	22	6	4	12	31	48	16
Ruislip Manor	22	5	4	13	23	45	14
The Aster Works	22	3	4	15	26	61	10
Ruislip	22	0	2	20	8	105	2

Brigade Old Boys, W. Barr getting a hat-trick. Northwood enjoyed a steady campaign, finishing fifth in the table.

A highlight came in the inaugural Northwood War Memorial Charity Cup, in which Northwood defeated Harrow St Mary's, Rickmansworth and Wealdstone Rangers to reach the final at Northwood Recreation Ground on Easter Monday. The Rec was closed by permission of the Council so that an admission of men 6d, boys 3d (no mention of females!) could be charged – and "fully 1,000

souls" paid to watch Northwood beat Hamilton's Wealdstone 1-0! The Rickmansworth & District brass band "had kept the crowd entertained with several selections". Northwood's team in that match was: E.H. Parramore, C. West, G. Walden, J. Cook, J. Wright, F. Arnold, P. Barr, W. Barr, F. Nicholls, A. Wright, Ratcliffe. The cup was in later years known as the Northwood & Pinner Hospital Cup, won a few times by the present club under the names of Northwood United and Northwood.



Yesterday TODAY



Throughout Northwood's history – which dates back one hundred years to 1926 – the club have played 16 fixtures on 29th August; all previous matches are listed below, and I take a look at three of them in more detail.

by Ken Green

1988 Woods 6 Corinthian Casuals 1

A good Bank Holiday crowd were treated to a Greene King Spartan League goal feast by Woods, with Garfield Blackman notching a fine hat-trick.

Casuals' resistance was to be admired, and only a single goal by Henry Pacquette separated the two sides for the first hour.

The home side dominated the last 20 minutes and the floodgates opened up as Woods created chance after chance, which the forwards clinically put away.

Henry Pacquette and Neil Lane

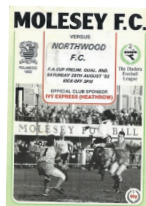


rounded off a very efficient performance from Alan Merison's Northwood side.

Northwood: John Toogood, Jez Riley, Tony Rich (Richard Doyle), Mick Freeman, Steve Revell, Bob Wright, Malcolm Bennett, Darren Colwill, Neil Lane, Henry Pacquette Garfield Blackman.

1992 Molesey 3 Woods 1

Northwood, just starting their first season in the Diadora (Isthmian) League, played a side two divisions higher in this FA Cup tie at Molesey, gave a good account of themselves early on. The difference between the two divisions was evident, however, and the home



team's tackling and direct play gave the Woods defence a lot of problems, with goalkeeper Ken Lavender having to be on great form.

Dave Nolan put in some fine runs, and crosses, with both Vic Schwartz and Moran Dodds going close, but it was Molesey who went ahead in the 34th minute when Micky Rose clinically finished a good run by Chris Vidal, just a couple of minutes after Dodds had cleared a goal-bound effort off the line.

Lavender saved a Roger Worrall effort a few minutes later, but on 40 minutes Woods were back level terms when Nolan put Micky Devane away and, shrugging off two challenges, he beat the advancing keeper Brace from just inside the area.

But two minutes into the second half Molesey were ahead again when the defence failed to clear a cross, and Trevor McCoy turned neatly and gave Lavender no chance with a shot into the roof of the net.

Substitute Tim Vincent made an impact and his forceful runs gave Paul Rogan, Rob Holland and Andy Edey chances which were stopped. And Molesey grabbed a third to wrap up the tie in the 81st minute when Rose finished off a fine move.

Northwood: Ken Lavender, David Nolan, Peter Augustine, Simon Elliott (Tim Vincent), Rob Holland, Bernie Thomas (Greg Phillips), Paul Rogan, Micky Devane, Moran Dodds, Vic Schwartz, Andy Edey



1988

Hat-trick man Garfield Blackman in familiar pose



1992

Micky Devane fires home the Northwood leveller

2015 Aylesbury United 1 Woods 2

Northwood showed some great spirit to recover from going a goal down just eleven minutes from time to win this hard-fought FA Cup tie. The Woods who went into the game missing their the management team of Mark Burgess and Simon Huggett; standing in or them were Jamie Hand and Max Howell.

The game was just five minutes old when debut keeper David Moran's early nerves showed as he failed to collect a through ball and Stacey Field rolled a shot across goal but wide of the far post. It was an early warning for the Woods but they

soon settled into some stylish football and neat passing created a few early chances.

It was a quick break that saw Aylesbury awarded a penalty when Williams trying to get past Nick Turner and he seemed to trip over his own feet but the referee immediately pointed to the spot, and Casey had the chance to put the Ducks ahead, from the resulting penalty but David Moran made a memorable debut possible by diving the right way and pushing his shot away.

But the home side did suddenly get their noses in front after 79 minutes when Grace whipped in a ball from the left, Field flicked on a header and Adcock arrived in timely fashion to plant a header past Moran.

Just over a minute later, the Woods were back on level terms again, though. Michael Murray won a free-

kick 30 yards out and went for goal with Tokarczyk only able to parry. The ball ran loose and Nicholas managed to force it over the line despite the attempts of Wood on the line to keep it out. An almighty scramble around the Northwood box eventually saw Field's effort saved at the post by the keeper and then Lomas got nearer with another shot from distance that was only just over the bar, as both teams had chances to win it.

And what proved to be the winning goal came after 86 minutes. Stephenson produced a great direct run down the left, getting past two defenders and then cut the ball back perfectly for Murray to rifle home.

Northwood: David Moran, Omar Vassell, Andy Lomas, Nick Turner, Steve Brown, George Nicholas, Joakim Ehui (Max Holland), Perry Dicker (Myles Stephenson), Louis Stead, Michael Murray, Rob Hastings (Giles Townsend)



2015

Louis Stead pushes the attack forwards

Games The Woods have played on 29th August

Date	Competition	Opponents	F-A	Scorers	Att
Wed 29 Aug 1928	A Friendly	Holy Trinity, Northwood	2-2	R Allen 2	
Sat 29 Aug 1970	A Friendly	Guinness	6-3	Byrne, P Roche, Sanders, Gould, Millward 2	
Mon 29 Aug 1977	A Rickmansworth Charity Cup	Kings Langley	0-1		
Wed 29 Aug 1979	H Hellenic League Div. 1	Flackwell Heath	1-0	Franklin	
Sat 29 Aug 1981	A Hellenic League Premier	Kidlington	2-1	Tidd, Ellis	
Mon 29 Aug 1988	H London Spartan	Corinthian-Casuals	6-1	Blackman 3, Pacquette 2, Lane	
Sat 29 Aug 1992	A FA Cup Prelim	Molesey	1-3	Devane	
Sat 29 Aug 1998	A Ryman Div 2	Horsham	3-1	Boreham 2, o.g.	210
Thur 29 Aug 2002	H Friendly	Chelsea XI	1-1	Fitzgerald	
Tue 29 Aug 2006	H Southern League Premier	Wealdstone	1-2	Tunnell	355
Sat 29 Aug 2009	H FA Cup Prelim	St Margaretsbury	3-1	Senior 2, Lawrence	118
Mon 29 Aug 2011	A Southern Div 1 Central	North Greenford United	3-2	O'Sullivan, Lansiquot, Hawkins	106
Sat 29 Aug 2015	A FA Cup Prelim	Aylesbury United	2-1	Nicholas, Murray	141
Mon 29 Aug 2016	H Southern Div 1 Central	Potters Bar Town	3-2	Stephenson, Debattista, Bircham	177
Sat 29 Aug 2021	H Friendly	Potters Bar Town	0-2		
Mon 29 Aug 2022	H Pitching-In Isthmian League Division 1SC	Southall	2-0	Helmore, Tingey	228



SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST

Visiting The Skyline...

Broadfields United

Formed
1993

Nickname
**FIGHTING
COCKS**

Ground
**TITHE FARM SPORTS
& SOCIAL CLUB**



groundshare at Tithe Farm Sports & Social Club with Rayners Lane.

The following season saw the club reach the Emirates FA Cup Second Round Qualifying for the first time.

Following a move to the Combined Counties League Premier Division North, the club underwent a significant rebuilding process. Sunny Tailor and Ryan Duffy took charge late in the season and guided the team to safety with an unbeaten final seven matches. The campaign also brought another major honour as Jordan Greaves scored the winning goal against Northwood to secure the club's first Middlesex Senior Charity Cup.

Ahead of the 2023/24 season Sunny Tailor became sole first-team manager, leading Broadfields to a then record ninth-place finish. The club also reached the semi-finals of the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup and narrowly lost 1-0 to National League side Barnet in the Middlesex Senior Cup at The Hive.

The 2024/25 season began with a difficult run of results, but an excellent recovery lifted the club comfortably clear of danger. The highlight came in the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup Final, where Lucas Sinclair's headed goal secured a 1-0 victory over Southall.

The 2025/26 campaign became one of the finest in Broadfields United's history. The club achieved its highest-ever league finish, ending fourth in the Combined Counties Premier Division North before losing the Play-Off Final. Broadfields also reached both the Middlesex County FA Challenge Cup Final and the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup Final.

Broadfields United Football Club was formed in 1993 at Broadfields Sports & Social Club in Harrow.

Within a year the club had grown to field 10 teams. The 1995/96 season marked the club's first in the Middlesex County Football League, with the First Team winning the Presidents Cup before securing the Division One title the following season.

By 2001/02 the club had five teams competing across Saturday and Sunday football. However, tragedy struck when a fire destroyed the Broadfields clubhouse, leaving only the changing rooms and shower facilities standing. Despite this setback, the club continued to develop.

Silverware returned in 2011/12 as Ryan Duffy and Chris Webster guided the First Team to the Alec Smith Premier Cup, successfully defending the trophy the following season.

Promotion to Spartan South Midlands League Division One

followed in 2014/15. The summer also saw James Brophy become the club's first player to move into the professional game after signing for Swindon Town.

The club adapted quickly to Step 6 football, reaching the League Cup semi-finals in its first season and finishing 11th. In 2016/17 the First Team won the Middlesex Premier Cup for the first time, reached the Second Round of the FA Vase and the Reserve Team secured promotion to the Hertfordshire County League Premier Division.

The 2017/18 season proved historic as Broadfields secured a cup double, winning both the Middlesex Premier Cup and Spartan League Challenge Trophy, while also qualifying for the FA Cup for the first time.

Another milestone followed in 2018/19 as the First Team achieved promotion to Step 5 after finishing runners-up with 94 points.

Broadfields made a strong start to life at Step 5 and during this period the club also moved to a new

*Visiting The Skyline...*

Harefield United

Formed
1868Nickname
**THE
HARES**Ground
**PRESTON
PARK**

Harefield United are the oldest football club in Middlesex, founded in 1868. Originally known as Harefield Victoria, their rich history spans over 150 years.

In 1934, after merging with Harefield FC, we officially became Harefield United.

In the 1940s, the Hares clinched the Uxbridge & District League's Division 3 title and won the Uxbridge Junior Cup. By the 1960s, the club had earned titles in both the Great Western Combination and the Parthenon League.

The 1970s brought bigger challenges, but they rose to meet them, securing Athenian League status in 1975. By 1984, Harefield had become a founding member of the Isthmian League, earning a place in Division Two (South) after a few years of consolidation. Their peak came in the late 1980s when they finished 7th in the 1990-91 season.

In 1996, after financial difficulties United resigned from the league and joined the Spartan League

where they saw early success, winning the League Cup in 2002 and the Challenge Trophy in 2003.

The club also made great strides at the youth level- the U18s winning the Middlesex Youth Cup in 2006, whilst the senior team narrowly missed promotion to the Premier League that same year.

In recent years, the club has continued to build on its proud legacy. United finished as runners-up in the Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division in both 2007 and 2009. However, the highlight came in the 2018-2019 season when they achieved promotion to the Premier Division, finishing unbeaten and earning their first-ever "Invincibles" title.

Harefield were led by Jason Shaw up until the end of the 2022/23 season, at which point Ray Green took charge for the 2023/24 campaign, until a full-time replacement was found. Wayne Carter took over in October immediately making an impact, bringing in loan players from

Hanwell Town and Slough Town to stabilize the team. A mid-table finish that season set the stage for greater things to come.

The 2024-2025 season was one to remember. Harefield embarked on a thrilling FA Cup run, defeating Beckenham Town (Step 4) and Lewes FC (Step 3), before a heartbreaking last-minute goal from Hastings United (Step 3) ended their campaign. But their league form was exceptional, as they ended the season on a 9-home game winning streak and finished 4th, securing a spot in the Play-offs. Amersham Town were beaten in the semi-finals but a narrow defeat followed in the final to Bedfont Sports.

After the season, Wayne Carter moved on to Harrow Borough, taking the majority of the playing squad with him. Richard Pacquette was brought in, one of our former "Invincibles," as Player Manager for his first role in management. Pacqs has been hard at work with his new management team, bringing in Marc Charles-Smith and Hamza Marchoud to help steer the club forward. Together, they've been building a fresh squad in pre-season, aiming to continue the club's progress and keep pushing Harefield United to new heights.

Heading into the 2026/27 season, Pacqs, Hamza, and Marc remain in charge with the addition of former player Ben Payne. After an up and down first season in 2025/26, Pacqs and his team have worked hard to build a squad ready to compete on all fronts throughout the season.



Follow the Woods throughout the season

Match by Match 2026/27

AUGUST			F-A	Att	1	2	3	4	5	6
SAT 1	HOLYPORT	LGE	2-0	129	Orlowski	Lake-Bryan	Santos	McNamara	Tiryaki	Greenstreet
SAT 8	HUTTON	FACEPR	1-1	132	Vaughan	Lake-Bryan	Dos Santos	Smith-Kouassi	Greenstreet	Tiryaki
WED 12	HUTTON	FACEPRR	1-2	221	Vaughan	Lake-Bryan	Dos Santos	Fofana	Sethi	Trujillo
SAT 15	ROTHWELL CORINTHIANS	FAVIQR	5-2	65	Orlowski	Lake-Bryan	Dos Santos	Havard	Sethi	Tiryaki (3)
TUE 18	NORTH GREENFORD UNITED	LGE	1-3	136	Orlowski	Lake-Bryan	Yone	McNamara	Sethi	Rangel
SAT 22	BURNHAM	LGE	1-2	117	Orlowski	Lake-Bryan	Yone	McNamara	Tiryaki (1)	Buamah
SAT 29	BROADFIELDS UNITED	LGE								
MON 31	HAREFIELD UNITED	LGE								
SEPTEMBER										
SAT 5	ARDLEY UNITED	LGE								
TUE 8	BEDFONT	LGE								
SAT 12	MAIDENHEAD TOWN	FAV2QR								
TUE 15	RAYNERS LANE	LGE								
SAT 19	NORTH LEIGH	LGE								
TUE 22	HARROW BOROUGH	MSC								
SAT 26	WOKINGHAM TOWN	LGE								
WED 30	HILLTOP	LGE								
OCTOBER										
SAT 3	ABINGDON UNITED	LGE								
SAT 10	READING CITY	LGE								
SAT 17	REDHILL	LC								
TUE 20	PENN & TYLERS GREEN	LGE								
SAT 24	THATCHAM TOWN	LGE								
SAT 31	KIDLINGTON	LGE								
NOVEMBER										
SAT 7	AMERSHAM TOWN	LGE								
SAT 14	EASINGTON SPORTS	LGE								
SAT 28	HILLTOP	LGE								
DECEMBER										
SAT 5	WALLINGFORD & CROWMARSH	LGE								
SAT 12	NORTH GREENFORD UNITED	LGE								
SAT 19	READING CITY	LGE								
MON 28	HAREFIELD UNITED	LGE								
JANUARY										
SAT 2	BROADFIELDS UNITED	LGE								
SAT 9	WOKINGHAM TOWN	LGE								
SAT 16	NORTH LEIGH	LGE								
SAT 23	ABINGDON UNITED	LGE								
SAT 30	RAYNERS LANE	LGE								
FEBRUARY										
SAT 6	ARDLEY UNITED	LGE								
SAT 13	BEDFONT	LGE								
SAT 20	PENN & TYLERS GREEN	LGE								
SAT 27	BURNHAM	LGE								
MARCH										
SAT 6	THATCHAM TOWN	LGE								
SAT 13	HOLYPORT	LGE								
TUE 23	AMERSHAM TOWN	LGE								
SAT 27	KIDLINGTON	LGE								
APRIL										
SAT 3	EASINGTON SPORTS	LGE								
TBC	WALLINGFORD & CROWMARSH	LGE								

HOME GAMES IN BOLD; GOAL SCORER (1);
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FA CUP



7	8	9	10	11	Used Substitutes	OG
Lombardi	Fofana	Enver-Marum (1)	Bubb (1)	Trujillo	Ingham-Wright 53; Morris 64; Rangel 85; Akandi 90+6	
Trujillo	Fofana	Enver-Marum (1)	Morris	Ingham-Wright	Sethi 21; Yone 46; Akandi 58; Havard 63; Stephen-Lett 86	
Lombardi	Morris	Enver-Marum (1)	Smith-Kouassi	Akandi ■	Havard 40; Jalloh 43; James 58; Ingham-Wright 72; Gillespie 72	
Fofana	McNamara	Smith-Kouassi (1)	Ingham-Wright (1)	Akandi	Gillespie 58; Jalloh 66; Trujillo 66; Lombardi 66; Enver-Marum 75	
Trujillo	Fofana	Enver-Marum (1)	Smith-Kouassi	Akandi	Gillespie 27; Lombardi 46; Jalloh 74; Tiryaki 80; Ingham-Wright 83	
Trujillo	James	Smith-Kouassi	Connor	Francis	Fofana 46 (Ingham-Wright 88); Greenstreet 69; Lombardi 77;	



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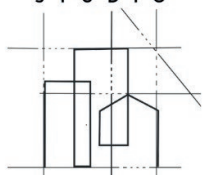
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Welcome to another Commercial Corner!

This week you may have noticed we've announced a few more sponsorship renewals on social media including Premium Tier Sponsor Flame Corporate Clothing Ltd.

Flame are a corporate uniform and workwear supplier based in Watford. With over 30 years of industry experience, the company specialises in providing tailored, branded apparel across a variety of business sectors. They supply everything from ultra-practical, rugged workwear to stylish, formal front-of-house attire. They custom-tailor corporate wear for industries including corporate offices, hospitality, healthcare, beauty, and fitness. There is Custom Branding and they offer embroidery, vinyl transfer, and flexible team identity styling through curated collections like their Ignite By Flame range.

They also supply some of the

Woods merchandise range and in particular the sports caps, bucket hats, beanie hats, bobble hats and scarves. Our new Centenary range is excellent quality and the caps in particular have been selling well over the warm weather. With winter approaching there are likely to be some clothing additions! I'd just like to thank owner Tony Marks for all his help supporting the club and supplying all the products.

Just a reminder our new home and away shirts are available at £45. I wore the yellow PFE Express one for first time at the Hutton FA cup replay. Loving the change in colour this season to yellow!

Once again I'd like to do a call out for volunteers. We're always in need of help and particularly on social media and the commercial side of things although there is always something to do around the place! Volunteering is a great way of getting to know people and making a contribution to



a community club like ours. If anyone is looking to get more involved please contact me on 07766 135243.

Our Instagram matchday sponsor for today's game against Broadfields is R.Duffy & Daughters and SM London Construction when we play Harefield on Bank Holiday Monday.

Until next time, Up The Woods!

John





Woods Under 18's



Back in Action

The Under-18s were scheduled to start their Isthmian Youth League season on Wednesday night with a visit from Hayes & Yeading to the Skyline but these notes had to be finalised before the result of that game was known so its fingers crossed that they started well.

The side is then straight into the big one, an FA Youth Cup fixture away at near-neighbours Everett Rovers on the 3G pitch there (where we played a friendly last month against their reserves). That's being played this coming Wednesday night, 2nd September at 7.45pm so if you can get along and show some support, I'm sure they would appreciate it.

At the time of writing, Matt Kaye's new squad consists of 21 players, nine of which made some appearances in our successful campaign last season. These are led by James King who has 35 Under-18s appearances behind him, scoring 8 goals. Luke Atkinson and Jude Flemming played 24 games last season, Calum Gardner 23 and Caleb Wright scored 5 times in his 20 matches played.

While those will provide plenty of experience, the group has been supplemented with a host of new recruits who we hope to get to know in the coming weeks. Two have joined from Kingstonian in striker Oliver Kostrycki and

defender Blake Harrison while Connor Haire has been included in Harefield United first-team squads this year having played at Uxbridge last season.

However, it will be a tough task to match last season and Matt is being assisted by Karl Scott while Tom Lewis has joined as Coach.

With Everett Rovers our opponents in the FA Youth Cup next week, we have also received the cup draws for the League Cup and County Cup in the last two weeks. We will travel to Kingstonian in a tough opening game in the Isthmian Youth League Cup, the match being played at South Park FC on Monday 21st September while the Middlesex Senior Youth Cup has paired us for a quick second fixture at home to Hayes & Yeading United with that match scheduled for the following week, on Wednesday 30th September.

Once again, it is our intention to have all the U18s players sponsored for the season so if you can help out with that, please let us know. It's just £30 per player (and management). Remember that all NFC Season Ticket holders get free admission to the Isthmian Youth games here at the Skyline Roofing Stadium and our next scheduled home game is on Wednesday 9th September when we host Tooting & Mitcham United at 7.45pm.

Fixtures & Results 2026/27

AUGUST

Wed 26 Hayes & Yeading United

SEPTEMBER

Wed 2 Everett Rovers (FAY)

Wed 9 Tooting & Mitcham United

Wed 21 Kingstonian (at South Park FC)

Wed 30 Hayes & Yeading United (MXY)

OCTOBER

Wed 7 Aldershot Town

Wed 28 Sutton United

NOVEMBER

Wed 4 Camberley Town

Mon 9 Hayes & Yeading United

Wed 18 Ascot United

Mon 23 Tooting & Mitcham United

Mon 30 Walton & Hersham

DECEMBER

Mon 14 Aldershot Town

JANUARY

Thu 7 Woking

Thu 14 Camberley Town

Wed 20 Woking

Wed 27 Walton & Hersham

FEBRUARY

Tue 2 Ascot United

Wed 17 Sutton United

Isthmian Youth League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Aldershot Town	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
2 Ascot United	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 Camberley Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Hayes & Yeading	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 Northwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Tooting & Mitcham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Walton & Hersham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Woking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Sutton United	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0

FAY = FA Youth Cup; IYC = Isthmian Youth League Cup; MXY = Middlesex Youth Cup

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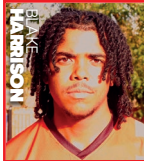
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2026/27 Appearances & Goals

	APPS	GOALS
Owen Miall-Smith	0 (0)	0
Pratik Sharma	0 (0)	0
Alfie Clark	0 (0)	0
Blake Harrison	0 (0)	0
Jack Boardman	0 (0)	0
Robbie Bunker	0 (0)	0
Tomas Gunasekera	0 (0)	0
Caleb Wright	0 (0)	0
Ledion Latifi	0 (0)	0
Ruben Machado	0 (0)	0
Connor Haire	0 (0)	0
Luke Atkinson	0 (0)	0
James King	0 (0)	0
Finley Brooks	0 (0)	0
Ted Gooch	0 (0)	0
Jude Flemming	0 (0)	0
Calum Gardner	0 (0)	0
Reuben Nornoo	0 (0)	0
Oliver Kostrycki	0 (0)	0
Marek Myszczyński	0 (0)	0

3 OF A KIND

Ken Green revisits three memorable past meetings with today's opponents Harefield United



Monday 29th March 1948
Northwood Hospital Charity Cup Final

Northwood 1 Harefield United 3

Before a record crowd of at least 900, the holders Harefield United, of the Great Western Combination, defeated Northwood at Northwood Recreation Ground in the final of the Northwood Hospital Charity Cup on Easter Monday by 3 goals to 1 after extra time, and thus became the first club to win this trophy two years in succession.

Play was fast and exciting and considering the light ball, was of a high standard for a cup



final. Harefield did most of the attacking and held a 1-0 lead at half-time after Evans had put across a low pass about a yard in front of goal. A melee ensued and eventually Barass got the ball into the net off a defender.

After changing ends, Northwood went all out to draw level, and after 30 minutes they equalised with a picture goal from Roly Sanderson.

Things looked rather black for Harefield but Weatherley at centre-half dominated the Northwood forwards and gradually Harefield asserted themselves and took command.

Sandilands put Harefield ahead in the first half of extra-time, and in the second half he added another to make the game safe.

The Northwood Hospital Charity Cup was initially known as the Northwood War Memorial Charity Cup, following World War I. A

previous Northwood FC won the inaugural competition in 1922, defeating Hamilton's Wealdstone in the final. The cup was in later years known as the Northwood & Pinner Hospital Charity Cup, and was won a few times by

the present club under the names of Northwood United and Northwood. Harefield FC won the cup in 1923 and Harefield United in 1947 and 1948; the trophy appears to have last been played for in 1958.

Tuesday 26th November 1985
FA Vase Second Round replay

Harefield Town 3 Northwood 5

Vic Schwartz was Northwood's two-goal extra-time hero as they pulled off a shock result by putting neighbours Harefield

United out of the FA Vase in this replay on Tuesday. Harefield were playing in Isthmian League Division 2 North whilst Woods were mid-table in the London Spartan League.

Unlike Saturday's drab encounter when Steve Revell's equaliser gave Woods a 1-1 draw after Tony Kelly had put Hares on front, this was a real humdinger.

Hares looked odds-on an easy win when Richard Mount's back-pass was intercepted by Theo Edgar and laid off for Kelly to score after just three minutes, but Woods levelled when a Junior Jones free-kick in the 32nd minute eluded both defence and attack alike and



1948

Northwood squad with league & league cup trophies

1985

Grainy action from the first match at Northwood



bounced over Hyde into the net.

Edgar regained the lead for Hares after 37 minutes but Woods battled back, and when Peter Davies drove them level from a corner in the 66th minute, it was no more than they deserved.

Kelly's 78th minute goal seemed to have ended Woods' brave effort, but a superbly struck equaliser from Jones five minutes later took the tie to extra time, where Schwartz took over.

Within a minute he put Woods ahead from a Boyle cross, and he sealed his side's prize of a home tie with Heybridge in the next round when he lobbed Hyde after Thomas nodded down a May clearance.

Both sides ended the match with ten men, Darren Sparrowhawk and Vic James being sent off after an unpleasant clash in the closing stages.

Northwood: Keith May, Peter Davies, Nigel Pompilis, Richard Mount, Steve Revell, Phil Boyle, Mark Thomas, Kevin Charamboulos, Vic Schwartz, Junior Jones, Viv James, sub. Dave St Clair.

Monday 17th April 1995
Diadora Isthmian League
Division Three

Northwood 3
Harefield United 0

Northwood scored three times in the second half of this Easter Monday game to complete a good

holiday break for themselves in Division 3 of the Diadora League, and a mixed one for neighbours Harefield.

One of the few highlights of the first half was Northwood's Tony Ponnou hitting the bar from 35 yards and home goalkeeper Terry Henderson saving well from Harefield's Jeb Hughes.

Harefield were hit by injuries to both Dave Hewing and Hughes, but always looked dangerous on the break.

Northwood took the second half by the scruff on the neck,

however, and after Chris Gell had hit the side-netting, went ahead on the hour.

Kevin Dobson beat two defenders in a great run and crossed for Bobby Hutchinson to score at the near post.

Then, three minutes later Lawrence Holmes raced onto a through ball and crossed for Hutchinson to score his and Woods' second goal.

Northwood then made it three goals in nine minutes with Holmes again setting up the goal, this time for Lee Hawkins finishing things off this time.

Harefield finished with only ten men with Matt Bowen going off late in the game.

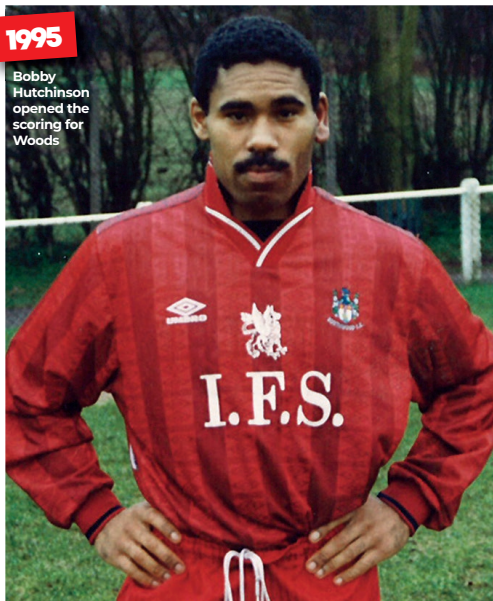
Northwood: Terry Henderson, Steve Payton, Kevin Dobson, Rod Romain, Simon Walsh, Chris Gell, Richard Hylton, Tony Ponnou, Bobby Hutchinson, Lawrence Holmes, Tony Collins, subs. Deon Ross, Lee Hawkins.

Harefield United: Keith Small, Gary Hughes, Jason Zazzera, Zandy Whiting, Lee Johnson, Matt Bowen, Thane Little, Avi Schwarz, Dave Hewing, Jeb Hughes, Mitch Morris.



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Bobby Hutchinson opened the scoring for Woods



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Match Report

Northwood vs Burnham

Saturday 22nd August 2026, 3pm
Combined Counties League
Premier Division North



1-2



Tiryaki 74

Bertoli 62
Brown 68

Northwood looked to bounce back from their midweek defeat at North Greenford as Burnham arrived at the Skyline sitting in second place in the Premier North table.

Manager Manny Williams was forced to ring the changes once again with several players missing through injury and unavailability. There were five new names on the teamsheet, four of them making debuts as starters in another reshuffled side which also saw Mustafa Tiryaki back in defence alongside youngster Lewis Buamah.

There was a slow start to the game with the Woods restricted to one blocked effort from Reon Smith-Kouassi which was followed by debutant Khalil Francis firing over from the loose ball.

Burnham had more possession and after 11 minutes, former Woods striker Jordan Brown broke into the box but was denied by a superb tackle from Kieron Lake-Bryan. Then, midway through the half, Brown had another chance with a shot blocked by Buamah and then the follow-up was saved by Kacper Orlowski.

The Blues continued to dominate and Brown knocked a cross wide of the post when it looked easier to score and further efforts, mainly from distance were also blocked or lacked the power to severely test Orlowski.

It was almost half-time when Kayne Connor slipped a ball through to Reon Smith-Kouassi who battled



past his marker but then hit his shot into the side-netting and the scores remained goalless at half-time.

HT: Northwood 0-0 Burnham

There was one change at half-time, as Amara Fofana replaced Francis who had picked up a knock but still Burnham looked the more likely to threaten a goal, dominating the midfield through Rafael Bertoli and finding space down the right flank. It almost paid off in the 57th minute when the Blues won a corner and then Kieron Marshall showed a good touch before seeing his shot saved by Orlowski at his near-post.

62' 0-1 | Rafael Bertoli

The opening goal followed just five minutes later. Another ball worked down the right found Jabir Laraba, just on as a substitute and he played a simple ball across to the unmarked Bertoli who fired home.

68' 0-2 | Jordan Brown

It got worse for the Woods six minutes later when a short back-pass saw Brown and Orlowski meet for a 50/50 challenge that the striker took full advantage of as the ball rebounded kindly for him to knock a second goal into an empty net.

There was a welcome sight when Freddie Greenstreet returned to the side as substitute for debutant Tolu James after 69 minutes having recovered from injury issues but it could have been three on 72

minutes when Orlowski dived to save another breakaway striker and despite seeming to push the ball away before the attacker fell over him, the Referee pointed to the spot. The Woods' keeper made amends though as he dived to his left and pushed Laraba's penalty wide of the post.

74' 1-2 Mustafa Tiryaki

If Northwood were going to get anything out of the game, they had to reduce the arrears quickly and they managed to do that just two minutes later as a ball pumped to the edge of the box was flicked on by the head of Tiryaki and flew over the keeper and into the empty net.

Luca Lombardi brought fresh legs in place of Pierce McNamara on 77 minutes as the Woods looked to push for an equaliser but the Blues looked to defend in numbers and they were unable to create much.

Brandon Trujillo had one effort blocked but the goalkeeper wasn't tested and it was Burnham who went closest to adding to the scoreline when the impressive Bertoli started a move that sent Laraba into the box. He returned the ball back to the onrushing Bertoli but his effort skimmed the crossbar.

The Blues held on to record all three points and strengthen their spot close to the top of the table.

FT: Northwood 1-2 Burnham

Attendance: 117

Words Alan Evans

Woods Live-Up

Orlowski, Lake-Bryan, Yone, McNamara (Lombardi 77), Tiryaki, Buamah, Trujillo, James (Greenstreet 69), Smith-Kouassi, Connor, Francis (Fofana 46 (Ingham-Wright 88)).

Unused sub: Manta



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Skilful 19-year-old winger who arrives at the Skyline having previously had spells with Crawley Green, Colney Heath and AFC Welwyn.



Ivorian, Amara is a 23-year-old central midfielder who has been playing in France for AS Ararat Issy in the French League De Paris.



20-year-old goalkeeper who has joined us on dual-registration from Uxbridge. Was with Bromley and Dulwich Hamet academies as a youngster and has also played for Blinfield and Sutton Common Rovers.



19-year-old defender who has been with Hampton & Richmond Borough and Woking Academies and had short loan spells with Corinthian Casuals and Molesey last season.



Josh comes into first-team contention having made 30 appearances in midfield for the successful Under-18s. Only just turned 18, further progress would be great to see.



Vastly-experienced striker, now 38, who's long non-League career saw him play at Chalfont St Peter, Beaconsfield and then Farnborough Town. He also played at Aldershot Town, Basingstoke Town, Eastleigh, Woking, Havant & Waterlooville, Oxford City, Ebbsfleet United and Wealdstone while also playing in Belgium for Royal Antwerp. Has 10 caps for Grenada.

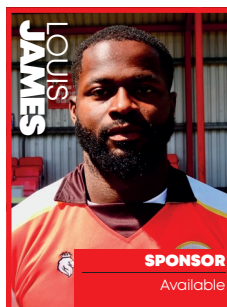


Craig joins from Amersham Town. The 26-year-old central defender spent two seasons at Oxhey Jets after returning from playing in Sweden for GIF Sundsvall. He has also played for Harefield United, Staines Lammas and Enfield Town U23s. He represented Grenada U20s as a youngster.



Experienced 39-year-old former pro with Tranmere Rovers who he joined after spells at Maidenhead United and Havant & Waterlooville. The striker played in Turkey for 1461 Trabzon before returning to National League side Boreham Wood. He also played at Wealdstone and Bedford Sports.

LOUIS JAMES



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Imposing striker, now 26, who arrives at the Woods having previously played at Egham Town, Cockfosters, Burnham, Belstone and Welwyn Garden City.

TOLU JAMES



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Experienced midfielder, age 28, who has most recently seen service at Chalfont St Peter, Spartans Youth, Risborough Rangers, Oxhey Jets and North Greenford amongst others.

RODNEY DOSSANTOS



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24-year-old left-back who arrives having played last season at Fleet Town and Risborough Rangers. Other clubs include Hastings United, Knaphill, Camberley Town and Horsham YMCA.

LUCA LOMBARDI



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20-year-old, attacking midfielder who signed in July 2026. Started out in the academies of Brentford, Fulham and Maidenhead United. Has since played for Langley and Beaconsfield.

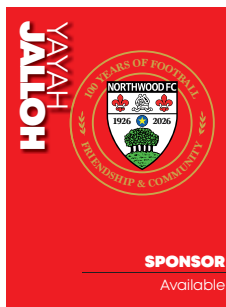
KIERON LAKE-BRYAN



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22-year-old defender who has represented Anguilla as an International, joined Northwood from Dorking Wanderers in March 2026 having previously played for Edgware & Kingsbury.

YAYAH JALLOH



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Experienced 28-year-old central midfielder, Yayah lists St Margaretsbury, Sporting Hackney, Barking, Alexandra Knights and Anatolians as his former clubs.

REON SMITH-KOUASSI



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Former Leyton Orient Academy player who has played Step 3 football for Cheshunt and AFC Sudbury. While with the O's, the 20-year-old attacker had loan spells with Basildon United, Bowers & Pitsea and Grays Athletic.

NEIL SANNEH



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Experienced goalkeeper, 28-year-old Neil has joined from Frimley Green where he has played over 30 games over two seasons. He has also played for Fleet Town and Harefield United.

CHRIS RANGEL



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Young defender who was with Merstham, where he enjoyed a long run in the FA Youth Cup, and then Woking Elite Development as a youngster. Only 18, he will be looking to maintain a place and develop in the Woods squad.

BRANDON TRULLIO



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23-year-old midfielder. His former clubs include British Airways, Risborough Rangers, Edgware & Kingsbury, Uxbridge, Harrow Borough, Sutton Common Rovers and Herne Bay.

ZACK INGHAM-WRIGHT



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22-year-old striker who arrived at the Woods in July 2026. Was with Walton & Hersham as a youngster. Previous clubs include Epsom & Ewell, Abbey Rangers, AFC Royal Holloway, Deportivo Galicia, Tooting Bec and Tooting & Mitcham United.

NATHANIEL AKANDI



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Skillful 19-year-old winger who arrives at the Skyline having previously had spells with Crawley Green, Colney Heath and AFC Welwyn.



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Manny steps into his first full role as first-team manager here at the Woods after calling time on his long non-League playing career in April. Over more than two decades, the 45-year-old made most appearances in spells for Maidenhead United, Havant & Waterlooville and Slough Town and he made one appearance for the country of his birth, Sierra Leone, back in 2012 in an African Nations Cup qualifier.



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38-year-old Liam joins the Woods as Assistant Manager and is a vastly-experienced striker who started out at Reading and Cambridge United, enjoying a long and successful career which included spells at National League side Woking, Eastbourne Borough, Forest Green Rovers, Ebbsfleet United, Braintree Town and Maidstone United. An appearance in a pre-season game may suggest his playing career is not yet finished!



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Tom arrives as first-team coach at the Woods after a similar spell with Metropolitan Police. The 41-year-old enjoyed a long career as an attacking midfielder playing in Sierra Leone and Sweden (for Akropolis and Arameisk Syrianska) as well as here in the UK for Met. Police, Merstham, Kings Langley and Hendon. He also has his own coaching academy – TK Born and Raised – which operates both here and in Sierra Leone.



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The well-travelled 39-year-old's career has seen him play for Maidenhead United and then for Gretna, Partick Thistle, Queen of the South and Brechin City in Scotland. He then moved south of the border to make over 100 appearances for Northampton Town and then played 69 games for Crewe Alexandra. He also played for Kerkyra and Lamia in Greece and more recently at Dartford, Walton Casuals, Sittingbourne and Hanwell Town.



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