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Good afternoon and welcome to the Jubilee Field for today's fixture against **ASHFORD UNITED**. We welcome their players, officials and supporters and also welcome to today's match officials. We hope you all have a safe journey home after the game.

Ashford had over 1,000 in attendance at their last game, a 1-2 home defeat against league leaders Hastings United, which also saw Ashford drop from second place to fourth. However, their 46 points tally is only one fewer than the two other sides above them, Ramsgate and Cray Valley PM, but the result allowed Hastings to open up a six point lead at the head of the table.

Earlier this season we managed a goal-less draw away to Ashford on a rain soaked 3G pitch. It was one of the last games played by Billy Irving before injury ruled him out for the season, and he's not the only one to have been hampered by long term injury this season with Alex Barbary also being forced to watch from the sidelines as we continue to strive to maintain our Isthmian League status.

Last Saturday's topsy turvey loss away to Lancing typifies our season. After being difficult to break down for much of the season, we have been conceding rather more than we'd have liked. From an attacking point of view, three goals in each of our last three games is a healthy return, but with a couple of suspensions now completed, we'll hope to keep a tighter rein of things at the back, although Ashford will of course have different ideas.

The Sussex Senior Cup semi final draw paired us with high flying Worthing, whilst Horsham face Brighton & Hove Albion in the other semi final. At the time of writing these notes, the dates for those games have yet to be set but both games will be played at the SCFA pitch in Lancing.

Today's Match Ball Sponsors are Peter and Jeanette Sait, who also sponsor us via their holiday home called Sarrasota Villas in Florida, which can be hired by anyone interested (full advert a few pages further along the programme). Thanks for their support yet again.



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Enjoy today's game and note that we are at home again next Saturday, when Hythe Town will be the visitors.

Alf Blackler

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SOUTH EAST DIVISION – 2021/2022

(As at 29th January 2022)

	Home	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts	Away
1	1-2	Hastings United	25	17	2	6	54	274	27	53	19 Mar
2	2-2	Ramsgate	24	14	5	5	54	31	23	47	2-0
3	1-3	Cray Valley PM	25	13	8	4	50	28	22	47	5 Mar
4	5 Feb	ASHFORD UNITED	24	14	4	6	48	26	22	46	0-0
5	1-6	Haywards Heath Town	24	13	7	4	39	21	18	46	19 Feb
6	2-3	Herne Bay	23	12	5	6	38	25	13	41	6-0
7	23 Apr	Burgess Hill Town	25	12	5	8	37	33	4	41	0-0
8	12 Mar	Sittingbourne	25	12	4	9	37	32	5	40	1-1
9	3-4	VCD Athletic	25	11	5	9	49	34	15	38	9 Apr
10	1-0	Chichester City	24	10	7	7	36	24	12	-37	1-0
11	3-2	Corinthian	25	9	7	9	29	29	0	34	1-1
12	1-2	East Grinstead Town	24	7	7	10	25	37	-12	28	18 Apr
13	X	THREE BRIDGES	25	6	9	10	35	49	-14	27	X
14	1-1	Faversham Town	24	7	4	13	28	43	-15	25	26 Mar
15	12 Feb	Hythe Town	24	7	4	13	26	52	-26	25	2-2
16	16 Apr	Whitehawk	24	6	6	12	24	34	-10	24	0-1
17	2-2	Sevenoaks Town	25	7	2	16	29	50	-21	23	2-4
18	26 Feb	Whitstable Town	25	6	4	15	30	50	-20	22	1-1
19	1-0	Lancing	25	5	7	13	22	43	-21	22	4-3
20	2 Apr	Phoenix Sports	25	4	4	17	24	46	-22	16	2-3

(Home team score shown first in both home and away columns)

UPCOMING FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

HOME



HYTHE TOWN

Saturday, 12th February 2022
Pitch In South East Division



WHITSTABLE TOWN

Saturday, 26th February 2022
Pitch In South East Division



SITTINGBOURNE

Saturday, 12th March 2022
Pitch In South East Division



PHOENIX SPORTS

Saturday, 2nd April 2022
Pitch In South East Division

AWAY



HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN

Saturday, 19th February 2022
Pitch In South East Division



CRAY VALLEY PM

Saturday, 5th March 2022
Pitch In South East Division



HASTINGS UNITED

Saturday, 19th March 2022
Pitch In South East Division



FAVERSHAM TOWN

Saturday, 26th March 2022
Pitch In South East Division



HISTORY OF THREE BRIDGES FC

Founded in 1901, Three Bridges joined the Mid Sussex Football League in 1902 and were Champions of that League for the first time in the 1907/08 season. Their first major success came in 1933/34, when they won the Sussex Junior Cup, and sundry other minor honours came their way before they joined the Sussex County Football League in 1952/53, and two years later were crowned Second Division Champions.

In 1962/63 they won the Division Two Invitation Cup and in 1968/69, 1973/74 and 1979/80 were Second Division Runners Up. 1970/71 produced an against-the-odds triumph when winning the League's Invitation Cup against Southwick (3-2). The 1980s heralded a run of successes, starting with reaching the last 16 of the FA Vase for the first time in 1981/82 before losing at Molesey (1-2). A season later they made it to the last 32 but also won the Sussex RUR Charity Cup for the first time, beating Hastings Town 3-2. Another year on saw them finish runners up in the Thorn EMI National six-a-side tournament, winning a set of floodlights. 1985/86 saw them finish as County League Division One runners up, a feat they repeated in both 1987/88 (when they also won the RUR Cup again) and 1988/89.

A fire destroyed their clubhouse in 1993 which re-focused their priorities and ultimately resulted in relegation in 1996/97. They won the Division 2 League Cup a season later and then finished runners up in Division 2 to regain Division 1 status. They were RUR Cup runners up in 2003/04 and then winners of that same prestigious trophy in 2007/08.

In season 2010/11 hopes were high when they started by winning their first nine League games, but eventually finished the season in 5th place. However they did win the John O'Hara League Challenge Cup for the first time that season, beating Rye United 2-1, a tremendous feat that they achieved again in 2011/12, this time AFC Uckfield being defeated 2-1. It looked like being another tough League campaign when they lost four of the first nine matches, but then lost only one of the remaining 29 games, which was concluded by beating Championship rivals Rye United 1-0 at home on the final day of the season! This tremendous run meant the club had achieved its ambition and become Sussex County Football League Champions. With a superb run in the FA Vase too, losing in the last 32 on a penalty shoot-out with Derbyshire side, Gresley FC, the 2011/12 'Double' season had undoubtedly been the best in Three Bridges' history.

Their first season in the Ryman Isthmian Football League South Division saw them struggle for much of the time. However, having been 10 points adrift at the bottom of the table in mid-February, they went on a run of 11 matches that produced 7 victories, 2 draws and just 2 defeats, earning them Team of the Month Awards in both March and April as a result. It meant that they survived the drop, but their second season in the Ryman League saw them struggle at times again but some key signings midway through the season helped them to 19th place.

The 2014/15 season saw an even greater improvement with a healthy mixture of youth and experience guiding them into 7th position and, whilst they were happy to score 94 League goals, they were less than happy about the 95 they conceded! They improved their defensive record in conceding 67 goals in season 2015/16 but only scored 59, hardly helped by long-term injuries to strike partners Allan Tait and Tony Garrod. With 66 points, they slumped to 14th position, although they only accumulated 6 points fewer than in the previous campaign!

Bridges maintained most of that season's squad for the 2016/17 campaign. However, with at least 11 first team players out injured by September, they had to use a lot of the U21s, Academy and U18s players and by November had lost 12 games in a row, drew three and won just one game. Towards the end of the season, they strengthened the squad but it was too late to avoid relegation.

For the 2017/18 season, Bridges kept a few of the best of the players from the previous season and strengthened the team with more experienced players in the hope of promotion once again. Having dispensed with the services of Simon Wormull, Paul Hammond and Danny Lee from the coaching team and folding the Academy team, Bridges also strengthened the management team with the additions of the experienced ex-Bridges player, Martin Dynan as Assistant Manager, and UEFA 'A' licensed Coach, Marc Wardley.

That season turned out to be an extremely tough one with every team wanting to beat us. However, Bridges accomplished what they set out to do by gaining promotion back to the Isthmian League having finished second place in the Southern Combination League Premier Division, just one point behind the winners, Haywards Heath Town, and despite having only lost 3 games all season.

After serving 25 years with the Club as a manager, Paul Faii stood down as First Team Manager for the 2018/19 season in order to concentrate on his role as Club Chairman, and handed the management reins over to Martin Dynan, assisted by Liam Collins alongside Keith George. He also recruited a new U23s manager in Oliver Saunders, another UEFA 'A' licensed coach, to work closely with the First Team in developing both the U23s and U18s. After losing 8 out of 12 League games by the end of November, as well as being knocked out of all four cup competitions (FA Cup, FA Trophy, League Cup and Sussex Senior Cup), the future looked bleak for Martin Dynan. However, the team then went on an unbeaten run in December, earning Martin the League's Manager of the Month Award. Unfortunately, that didn't last and Martin's demise was inevitable by the end of February, having lost 8 of the last nine games with relegation looming. Paul Faii stepped in for the remaining 9 games of the season attaining 4 wins, 2 draws and 3 losses – enough for a 14th place finish and 14 points clear of relegation.

Paul remained as Manager, ably assisted by Keith George and coached by Jamie Crellin who played for the Club for five seasons, but sadly had to hang up his boots after sustaining an ankle injury early in the 2018/19 season, after making 164 appearances for the Club. Oliver Saunders remained as U23s Manager, assisted by Tom Hayward who had been involved with the U18s as both Assistant Manager and Manager over the previous four seasons, while First Team player, Brannon O'Neill, was appointed as U18s Manager. Sadly Oliver decided to move to South Park as First Team Coach in November 2019, following Martin Dynan's appointment there so Tom was appointed as U23s Manager for the remainder of the season. For the 2020/2021 season, the only change was a new manager for the U23s (Development Squad) with Ryan Gayler appointed as Manager and Tom Hayward becoming Vice Chairman.

2021/22 sees Jamie Crellin taking over as First Team Manager, with both Danny Lee and Lee Cole (former Academy manager and coach) returning to the club to join Jamie in the dugout as assistant manager and First Team coach respectively. The U23s have been disbanded but we will have an additional U18s playing in the Southern Combination Football League on Sundays.

SOUTH EAST DIVISION – RESULTS

SATURDAY, 22ND JANUARY

Cray Valley PM	0-0	East Grinstead Town
Faversham Town <i>H. Harding (2)</i>	2-3	Ramsgate <i>C. Peck (2); D. Olopade</i>
Hastings United <i>O. Black (2)</i>	2-3	Burgess Hill Town <i>T. Chalaye (2); M. Box</i>
Haywards Heath Town	0-0	Lancing

Herne Bay 0-3 ASHFORD UNITED

J. May (2); G. Lockyer

Sevenoaks Town <i>L. Leppard</i>	2-0	Phoenix Sports
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Sittingbourne <i>H. Stannard; T. Fisher</i>	2-1	Hythe Town <i>A. Brown</i>
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THREE BRIDGES 3-2 Corinthian

C. Gayler; D. Perry; J. Billings (OG) *J. Bath (2)*

VCD Athletic <i>Y. Bamba (2); B. Gorham</i>	3-0	Whitstable Town
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Whitehawk <i>O. Munt</i>	1-1	Chichester City <i>L. Rowlatt</i>
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TUESDAY, 25TH JANUARY

Phoenix Sports <i>L. Clark</i>	1-2	East Grinstead Town <i>O. Folkes; M. Cornwell</i>
Sittingbourne	0-1	Burgess Hill Town <i>M. Box</i>

SATURDAY, 29TH JANUARY

ASHFORD UNITED 1-2 Hastings United

L. Burdon *T. Chalmers; R. Worrall*

Burgess Hill Town <i>M. Box</i>	1-0	Whitehawk
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Chichester City	0-1	Haywards Heath Town <i>D. Cravid</i>
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Corinthian <i>J. Miller; F. Morgan; R. Sawyer</i>	3-0	VCD Athletic
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East Grinstead Town <i>M. Cornwell; A. Briggs</i>	2-1	Sevenoaks Town <i>L. Collins</i>
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Hythe Town <i>R. Alford (2)</i>	2-1	Faversham Town <i>M. Elliott</i>
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Lancing 4-3 THREE BRIDGES

M. Daniel (2); J. Rhodes; L. Lewis *R. Brackpool (2); D. Ferreria*

Phoenix Sports	0-0	Cray Valley PM
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Ramsgate <i>L. Prescott; J. Ajayi</i>	2-0	Herne Bay
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Whitstable Town	0-2	Sittingbourne <i>K. Rowland; T. Bancroft</i>
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TUESDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY

Chichester City <i>c. Overton; L. Rowlatt</i>	2-1	Burgess Hill Town <i>P. Harding</i>
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Cray Valley PM <i>D. Gayle; A. Adeyemo; M. Barrington</i>	3-0	Sevenoaks Town
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SOUTH EAST DIVISION – FIXTURES

SATURDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY

Cray Valley PM	v	Whitstable Town
Faversham Town	v	Burgess Hill Town
Hastings United	v	Hythe Town
Haywards Heath Town	v	Phoenix Sports
Herne Bay	v	East Grinstead
Sevenoaks Town	v	Lancing
Sittingbourne	v	Chichester City

THREE BRIDGES

v

ASHFORD UNITED

VCD Athletic	v	Ramsgate
Whitehawk	v	Corinthian

TUESDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY

Chichester City	v	Herne Bay
Hythe Town	v	Whitehawk

SATURDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY

ASHFORD UNITED

v

Sevenoaks Town

Burgess Hill Town	v	Ramsgate
Chichester City	v	Cray Valley PM
Corinthian	v	Lancing
East Grinstead Town	v	Whitehawk
Faversham Town	v	VCD Athletic
Herne Bay	v	Haywards Heath Town
Phoenix Sports	v	Whitstable Town
Sittingbourne	v	Hastings United

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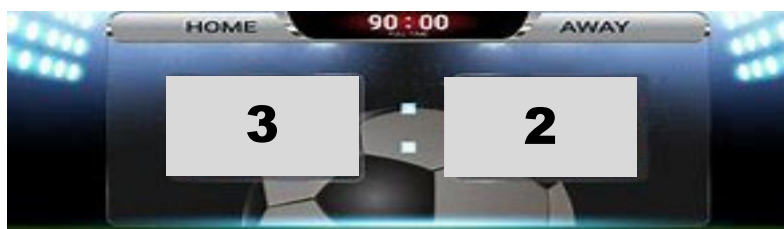
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Saturday, 22nd January 2022

Report by Alf Blackler



Bridges: M. Bromage; J. Young; G. Ashley; D. Ferreria; T. Bromage; M. Wilson; C. Gayler; B. O'Neill; D. Perry; C. Lawson (B. Aubrey, 77); B. Bacon (R. Brackpool, 86)
Unused Subs: R. Jeffery; L. Anderson; C. Collicutt

Corinthian: A. Prall; H. Lashley (L. Clarke, 82); F. Morgan; J. Bath; J. Billings (J. Holland, 68); R. Sawyer; J. James; J. Miller (L. Tanner, 71); O. Housego; J. Mahoney; J. Stirman
Unused Subs: H. Smith; O. Majeygbe

The nerves were kicking in once Bridges conceded an 81st minute goal that made the score 3-2. For in their last home game against VCD, Bridges led by the same score just as added time was approaching, and they managed to lose that one 4-3!

This time they hung on, but most spectators wondered how they didn't concede in an opening 20 minutes dominated by the visitors, who were denied by the post no fewer than four times in that spell! Goalkeeper Mitch Bromage was responsible for pushing a couple of those efforts onto the woodwork and he also denied both Jack Mahoney and skipper Jack Bath on two occasions apiece!

Bromage also denied Ryan Sawyer and he was aided by a dominant display at the back by his brother Tadley, but he was finally beaten after 31 minutes when a free kick, which had earned James Young a booking, crept through the pack and was touched in by **JACK BATH**. This spurred Bridges into action and three minutes later they were level when Brannon O'Neill laid his corner into the path of **CURTIS GAYLER**, whose explosive shot was helped on its way by a deflection.

Camron Lawson saw a header cleared at the last moment and Bridges continued on the front foot after the break, taking a 52nd minute lead from a free kick, which again followed a yellow card for defender James Billings. O'Neill whipped the free kick into the box and **DAN PERRY** applied the finish. It got even better for Bridges 10 minutes later when Ben Bacon's desire got him into the position to deliver a telling low cross from the left which went in off the unfortunate **JAMES BILLINGS**.

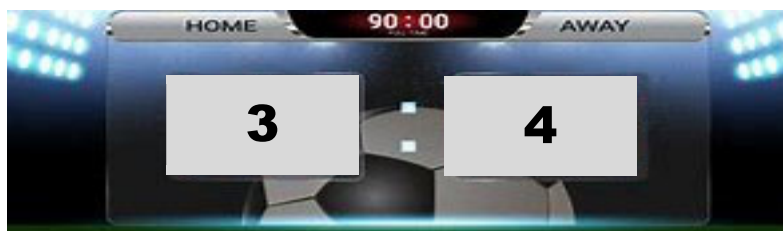
There were a couple of other half chances for the home side but it was the visitors who exerted late pressure and **JACK BATH** was again on the scoresheet as the ball bounced off attackers and defenders alike before hitting the back of the net. However, scares were few despite Corinthian pressing for an equaliser, although the visiting manager was also shown a yellow card for dissent after the final whistle.





Saturday, 29th January 2022

Report by Alf Blackler



Lancing: G. Shaw; D. Goldsmith; H. Parker (G. Robinson, 75); F. Daniels-Yeomans; J. Rye (M. Juwara, 48); L. Hendy; M. Jammeh; W. Berry; M. Daniel; J. Rhodes (D. Ojo, 62); **L. Lewis**

Unused Subs: A. Sisimayi; M. Zabadne

Bridges: M. Bromage; G. Ashley; T. Bromage; R. Brackpool; D. Ferreria; M. Wilson; C. Gayler; B. O'Neill; C. Lawson (C. Chesworth, 51); B. Bacon (B. Aubrey, 51); D. Perry

Unused Subs: J. Young; C. Collcutt

Football can often be a game of highs and lows, and Bridges certainly had their fair share of both in this topsy-turvy affair. For most of the first half, they were second best to Lancing, who attacked in numbers but often spurned their chances.

Lancing struck first in the 6th minute when the excellent Lorenzo Lewis crossed and former Bridges player **MATT DANIEL** stabbed the ball home. Darius Goldsmith flashed just wide after good work by Modou Jammeh, and Bridges' only response was a speculative lob by Dan Perry that went just wide.

A good cross-field move ended with Lewis firing just over, and it was almost inevitable that Lancing would double their tally, which they did after 29 minutes when poor defending allowed **JAMES RHODES** to finish into the far corner from the right.

Bridges unexpectedly received a lifeline after 38 minutes when Curtis Gayler's free kick left the home defence exposed and **RYAN BRACKPOOL** took advantage of indifferent marking to head home.

It was no surprise that Bridges upped their game after the break. Michael Wilson fired just over and he was involved in a move across the field that led to **DAN FERRERIA** equalising after 65 minutes, and just two minutes later the visitors incredibly went ahead when **RYAN BRACKPOOL**, from deep in his own half, cleared upfield and caught keeper Gregor Shaw well off his line for a quite stunning goal that led to wild celebrations for Bridges players and officials alike.

However, it proved to be a false dawn for Bridges on 79 minutes when good play by substitute Destiny Ojo ended with a low cross that **MATT DANIEL** met with the simplest of tap ins and it got even worse after 86 minutes when the defence looked all over the place as **LORENZO LEWIS** found the room to drive low and hard past Mitch Bromage for what proved to be the winner.

There was still time for a mini brawl in added time which left Gayler with a yellow card whilst **Lewis** received his marching orders to spoil what had been an otherwise good afternoon for him.





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Ashford United		3-1	26/03	3-1	26/02	2-1	2-2	1-2	2-3	2-1	4-0	2-2	12/03	16/04	12/02	1-0	0-0	3-1	23/04	2-0
Burgess Hill Town	2-0		18/04	0-2	3-2	1-0	1-0	2-3	1-1	02/04	26/02	2-2	0-2	12/02	3-2	09/04	0-0	2-0	1-0	12/03
Chichester City	3-2	2-1		02/04	12/02	16/04	5-1	26/02	0-1	08/02	1-1	4-0	2-0	23/04	12/03	1-1	1-0	0-3	6-1	2-1
Corinthian	0-0	26/03	0-2		1-1	12/03	0-1	2-1	0-0	0-0	2-1	12/02	18/04	2-1	26/02	1-4	1-1	3-0	0-4	09/04
Cray Valley PM	1-0	16/04	0-0	1-0		0-0	23/04	12/03	1-1	2-1	4-0	1-2	1-0	02/04	3-0	19/02	05/03	0-3	1-1	05/02
East Grinstead Town	05/02	19/03	1-0	0-0	5-3		1-0	26/03	1-1	0-0	0-1	1-1	09/04	0-2	2-1	2-4	18/04	26/02	12/02	3-1
Faversham Town	18/04	05/02	2-1	19/03	0-4	1-1		09/04	3-1	15/02	1-2	26/02	2-0	2-3	1-2	3-1	26/03	12/02	1-0	1-2
Hastings United	1-3	2-3	2-0	05/03	1-2	5-0	4-0		02/04	1-1	05/02	1-0	19/02	2-0	23/04	2-1	19/03	16/04	2-0	4-1
Haywards Heath Town	2-1	2-1	1-0	16/04	19/03	3-0	05/03	2-0		0-1	0-1	0-0	05/02	15/02	2-1	2-0	19/02	23/04	0-0	26/03
Herne Bay	0-3	0-0	09/04	1-0	26/03	05/02	12/03	0-2	12/02		18/04	2-1	2-0	1-3	2-1	1-1	6-0	3-0	26/02	7-2
Hythe Town	05/03	1-5	19/02	1-2	2-4	23/04	2-1	0-3	12/03	1-2		02/04	1-1	0-3	16/04	2-1	2-2	0-4	08/02	0-3
Lancing	09/04	05/03	0-0	0-3	2-4	19/02	1-1	18/04	0-1	19/03	0-1		0-2	1-2	2-1	0-1	4-3	26/03	1-1	1-0
Phoenix Sports	0-2	5-2	19/03	0-1	0-0	1-2	0-1	2-4	2-5	23/04	26/03	16/04		26/02	0-3	2-1	2-3	1-1	2-3	12/02
Ramsgate	2-3	2-4	2-2	19/02	1-1	05/03	2-1	3-2	09/04	2-0	3-3	12/03	4-0		2-1	26/03	2-0	1-2	3-1	18/04
Sevenoaks Town	0-3	19/02	1-1	1-0	09/04	2-0	02/04	1-4	1-2	05/03	3-1	05/02	2-0	0-5		18/04	2-4	19/03	0-3	0-1
Sittingbourne	19/03	0-1	05/02	23/04	0-6	02/04	3-1	12/02	26/02	18/04	2-1	4-0	2-1	0-0	1-0		1-1	1-0	3-1	3-2
THREE BRIDGES	05/02	23/04	1-0	3-2	1-3	1-2	1-1	1-2	1-6	2-3	12/02	1-0	02/04	2-2	2-2	12/03		3-4	16/04	26/02
VCD Athletic	02/04	2-0	1-2	1-4	18/04	4-1	4-1	2-2	1-1	19/02	1-2	4-0	1-1	05/02	5-0	05/03	09/04		12/03	3-0
Whitehawk	1-4	0-0	1-1	05/02	1-1	1-0	19/02	0-1	18/04	1-2	09/04	1-2	05/03	19/03	26/03	1-0	0-1	2-1		0-1
Whitstable Town	19/02	0-1	05/03	2-2	3-4	2-2	16/04	0-1	3-2	1-2	19/03	23/04	1-0	1-4	1-2	0-2	1-1	1-1	02/04	

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Date	Comp	H/A	Opposition	Res.	Scorers
14/08	League	H	RAMSGATE	2-2	R. Brackpool; B. O'Neill
21/08	FAC-P	A	South Park	3-3	M. Juwara; B. Aubrey (2)
24/08	FAC-PR	H	SOUTH PARK	2-4	B. O'Neill(2)
28/08	League	A	Herne Bay	6-0	N/A
30/08	League	H	SEVENOAKS TOWN	2-2	S. Smith; B. Bacon
04/09	League	H	LANCING	1-0	B. O'Neill
11/09	League	A	Burgess Hill Town	0-0	N/A
14/09	League	A	Corinthian	1-1	B. Bacon
18/09	League	H	CRAY VALLEY PM	1-3	B. Bacon
02/10	League	A	Ashford United	0-0	N/A
05/10	League	H	CHICHESTER CITY	1-0	M. Doughty
09/10	FAT-2Q	A	Staines Town	3-1	B. O'Neill
16/10	League	A	Hythe Town	2-2	D. Perry; R. Brackpool
23/10	League	H	HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN	1-6	C. Gayler
30/10	League	A	Whitstable Town	1-1	D. Perry
09/11	VT-1	H	SITTINGBOURNE	0-0 (4-5)	N/A
13/11	League	A	Sittingbourne	1-1	D. Perry
16/11	SCC-2	A	Billingshurst	3-5	N. Leighton, D. Perry, J. Stone, B. Bacon (2)
20/11	League	H	HASTINGS UNITED	1-2	N. Leighton
27/11	League	A	Phoenix Sports	2-3	D. Perry(2); J. Kay
04/12	League	H	FAVERSHAM TOWN	1-1	T. Bromage
11/12	League	A	Ramsgate	2-0	N/A
18/12	League	H	HERNE BAY	2-3	B. Villavicencio; A. Barbary
27/12	League	A	Sevenoaks Town	2-4	D. Perry (2); C. Gayler (2)
01/01	League	H	EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN	1-2	C. Lawson
03/01	League	A	Whitehawk	0-1	N. Leighton
08/01	League	H	VCD ATHLETIC	3-4	D. Perry; C. Gayler; B. O'Neill
11/01	SSC-3	A	Little Common	0-3	N. Leighton; D. Perry; B. O'Neill
15/01	League	A	Chichester City	1-0	N/A
18/01	SSC-QF	A	Horsham YMCA	1-3	N. Leighton; C. Gayler; D. Perry
22/01	League	H	CORINTHIAN	3-2	C. Gayler; D. Perry; J. Billings (OG)
29/01	League	A	Lancing	4-3	R. Brackpool (2); D. Ferreria
05/02	League	H	ASHFORD UNITED		
12/02	League	H	HYTHE TOWN		
19/02	League	A	Haywards Heath Town		
26/02	League	H	WHITSTABLE TOWN		
05/03	League	A	Cray Valley PM		
12/03	League	H	SITTINGBOURNE		
19/03	League	A	Hastings United		
26/03	League	A	Faversham Town		
02/04	League	H	PHOENIX SPORTS		
09/04	League	A	VCD Athletic		
16/04	League	H	WHITEHAWK		
18/04	League	A	East Grinstead Town		
23/04	League	H	BURGESS HILL TOWN		
TBC	SSC-QF	H	WORTHING		TO BE PLAYED AT CULVER ROAD, LANCING

FAC = FA Cup

FAT = FA Trophy

VT = League Cup

SSC = Sussex Senior Cup



FIRST TEAM STATISTICS

(As at 29th January 2022)

APPEARANCES	2021/22							Bridges First Team Career					
	League		Cup		Total		MOM	League		Cup		Total	
	Start	Sub	Start	Sub	Start	Sub		Start	Sub	Start	Sub	Start	Sub
Leo Anderson	3	0	1	1	4	1	1	3	0	2	1	5	1
Giani Ashley	17	2	5	0	22	2	2	27	5	8	0	35	5
Ben Aubrey	1	10	1	3	2	13		1	10	1	3	2	13
Ben Bacon	9	11	1	6	10	17		26	22	2	8	28	30
Alex Barbary	7	1	1	0	8	1		13	1	5	0	18	1
Ryan Brackpool	19	2	4	0	23	2	4	19	2	4	0	23	2
Mitch Bromage	7	0	3	0	10	0	1	7	0	3	0	10	0
Tadley Bromage	20	0	3	0	23	0	4	42	1	11	1	53	2
Callum Chesworth	11	7	3	1	14	8	3	11	7	3	1	14	8
Connor Collcutt	1	1	0	1	1	2		1	1	0	1	1	2
Mason Doughty	2	6	1	1	3	7		7	16	4	2	11	18
Dan Ferreria	16	1	3	1	19	2	1	16	1	3	1	19	2
Curtis Gayler	20	2	5	0	25	2	1	47	2	11	0	58	2
Lee Hall	4	2	1	0	5	2	1	102	13	22	1	124	14
Billy Irving	4	1	1	0	5	1	1	7	6	1	1	8	7
Mo Juwara	0	0	1	1	1	1		0	0	1	1	1	1
Joseph Kay	8	2	2	0	10	2	1	8	2	3	0	11	2
Camron Lawson	7	6	0	4	7	10		8	8	0	4	8	12
Noel Leighton	6	0	4	0	10	0		6	0	4	0	10	0
Dan Mobsby	2	1	1	0	3	1	1	52	14	8	0	60	14
Brannon O'Neill	23	0	7	0	30	0	3	81	10	17	2	98	12
Dan Perry	18	3	4	1	22	4		18	3	4	1	22	4
Daniel Smith	4	0	1	0	5	0	1	4	0	1	0	5	0
Steve Smith	2	3	2	0	4	3		6	3	6	0	12	3
Joe Stone	6	2	4	0	10	2	1	9	3	4	1	13	4
Kieron Thorp	6	0	2	0	8	0	1	172	0	35	0	207	0
Tom Tolfrey	3	1	1	0	4	1		32	5	10	3	42	8
Bryan Villavicencio	16	2	5	0	21	2	4	16	2	5	0	21	2
Patrick Wanat	5	0	0	0	5	0		5	0	0	0	5	0
James Waters	0	1	0	0	0	1		0	1	0	0	0	1
Michael Wilson	21	1	7	0	28	1		44	12	8	1	52	13
Harvey Woollard	0	1	0	1	0	2		0	1	0	1	0	2
James Young	7	0	3	1	10	1	1	7	0	3	1	10	1

GOAL SCORERS	2021/22			Bridges First Team Career		
	League	Cup	Total	League	Cup	Total
Ben Aubrey	0	2	2	0	2	2
Ben Bacon	3	2	5	15	2	17
Alex Barbary	1	0	1	3	1	4
Ryan Brackpool	4	0	4	4	0	4
Tadley Bromage	1	0	1	1	1	2
Mason Doughty	1	0	1	2	0	2
Dan Ferreria	1	0	1	1	0	1
Curtis Gayler	5	1	6	9	2	11
Mo Juwara	0	1	1	0	1	1
Joe Kay	1	0	1	1	0	1
Camron Lawson	1	0	1	1	0	1
Noel Leighton	2	3	5	2	3	5
Brannon O'Neill	3	4	7	17	6	23
Dan Perry	9	3	12	9	3	12
Steve Smith	1	0	1	1	0	1
Joe Stone	0	1	1	0	1	1
Bryan Villavicencio	1	0	1	1	0	1

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES / RESULTS / APPEARANCES 2021-22																		
Date	Opposition	COMP	RES		STARTING LINE-UP										Subs Used			
14/08	Ramsgate	League	D	2-2	Thorp	Kay	Brackpool*	Gayler	O'Neill*	Smith	Chesworth	Wilson	Ferreria	Villavicencio	Tolfrey	Ashley	Bacon	Aubrey
21/08	South Park	FAC-P	D	3-3	Thorp	Ashley	Brackpool	Ferreria	O'Neill	Smith	Chesworth	Wilson	Bacon	Villavicencio	Tolfrey	Aubrey**	Juwara*	Doughty
24/08	South Park	FAC-PR	L	2-4	Thorp	Ashley	Brackpool	Ferreria	O'Neill**	Smith	Chesworth	Wilson	Aubrey	Villavicencio	Aubrey	Bacon	Lawson	
28/08	Herne Bay	League	L	6-0	Thorp	Ashley	Brackpool	Kay	O'Neill	Smith	Chesworth	Wilson	Lawson	Villavicencio	Aubrey	Bacon	Doughty	Tolfrey
30/08	Sevenoaks Town	League	D	2-2	Thorp	Ashley	Brackpool	Kay	O'Neill	Gayler	Chesworth	Wilson	Young	Villavicencio	Tolfrey	Ferreria	Smith*	Bacon*
04/09	Lancing	League	W	1-0	Thorp	T Bromage	Brackpool	Kay	O'Neill*	Gayler	Chesworth	Wilson	Ferreria	Villavicencio	Tolfrey	Bacon	Perry	Smith
11/09	Burgess Hill Town	League	D	0-0	Anderson	T Bromage	Brackpool	Kay	Ferreria	O'Neill	Chesworth	Wilson	Gayler	Villavicencio	Bacon	Doughty	Perry	Smith
14/09	Corinthian	League	D	1-1	Thorp	T Bromage	Brackpool	Kay	Ferreria	O'Neill	Chesworth	Wilson	Gayler	Bacon*	Doughty	Ashley	Perry	Hall
18/09	Cray Valley PM	League	L	1-3	Thorp	T Bromage	Brackpool	Kay	Ferreria	O'Neill	Chesworth	Wilson	Gayler	Bacon*	Perry	Doughty	Hall	Lawson
02/10	Ashford United	League	D	0-0	Smith	T Bromage	Irving	Ashley	Ferreria	O'Neill	Chesworth	Wilson	Gayler	Hall	Perry	Doughty	Waters	Villavicencio
05/10	Chichester City	League	W	1-0	Smith	T Bromage	Irving	Ashley	Ferreria	O'Neill	Chesworth	Wilson	Perry	Hall	Doughty	Villavicencio	Bacon	Brackpool
09/10	Staines Town	FAT-2Q	L	3-1	Smith	T Bromage	Irving	Ashley	Ferreria	O'Neill	Chesworth	Wilson	Gayler	Hall	Doughty	Perry	Ferreria	Aubrey
16/10	Hythe Town	League	D	2-2	Smith	T Bromage	Brackpool	Ashley	Ferreria	O'Neill	Hall	Wilson	Gayler	Bacon	Perry	Lawson	Doughty	Irvine
23/10	Haywards Heath Town	League	L	1-6	Smith	T Bromage	Brackpool	Ashley	Irving	O'Neill	Chesworth	Wilson	Gayler*	Hall	Perry	Mobsby	Kay	Doughty
30/10	Whitstable Town	League	D	1-1	Anderson	T Bromage	Irving	Ashley	Ferreria	O'Neill	Villavicencio	Wilson	Gayler	Barbary	Perry*	Chesworth	Bacon	Lawson
09/11	Sittingbourne	VT-1	L	0-0 (4-5)	M Bromage	Kay	Stone	Young	Mobsby	O'Neill	Barbary	Wilson	Gayler	Leighton	Perry	Woollard; Bacon; Anderson; Lawson; Aubrey		
13/11	Sittingbourne	League	D	1-1	Anderson	T Bromage	Brackpool	Ashley	Ferreria	O'Neill	Barbary	Villavicencio	Gayler	Leighton	Perry*	Aubrey	Bacon	
16/11	Billingshurst	SSCC-2	W	3-5	Anderson	T Bromage	Brackpool	Stone*	Kay	O'Neill	Villavicencio	Wilson	Gayler	Leighton*	Perry*	Bacon**	Young	Lawson
20/11	Hastings United	League	L	1-2	Wanat	T Bromage	Brackpool	Ashley	Ferreria	O'Neill	Villavicencio	Wilson	Gayler	Leighton	Perry	Stone	Barbary	Bacon
27/11	Phoenix Sports	League	W	2-3	Wanat	T Bromage	Brackpool	Kay*	Mobsby	O'Neill	Villavicencio	Lawson	Barbary	Bacon	Perry**	Chesworth	Stone	Aubrey
04/12	Faversham Town	League	D	1-1	Wanat	T Bromage*	Brackpool	Stone	Ferreria	O'Neill	Villavicencio	Wilson	Barbary	Bacon	Perry	Gayler	Kay	
11/12	Ramsgate	League	L	2-0	Wanat	T Bromage	Brackpool	Stone	Mobsby	O'Neill	Villavicencio	Wilson	Barbary	Ferreria	Barbary	Lawson	Gayler	Bacon
18/12	Herne Bay	League	L	2-3	Wanat	T Bromage	Young	Ashley	Stone	O'Neill	Villavicencio	Lawson	Gayler	Barbary	Bacon	Chesworth	Aubrey	
27/12	Sevenoaks Town	League	W	2-4	M Bromage	T Bromage	Stone	Ashley	Lawson	O'Neill	Villavicencio	Gayler**	Barbary	Leighton	Perry**	Chesworth	Wilson	Aubrey
01/01	East Grinstead Town	League	L	1-2	M Bromage	T Bromage	Brackpool	Ashley	Young	Lawson*	Villavicencio	Wilson	Gayler	Leighton	Perry	Chesworth	Bacon	Aubrey
03/01	Whitehawk	League	W	0-1	M Bromage	Stone	Brackpool	Ashley	Young	Chesworth	Villavicencio	Wilson	Gayler	Leighton*	Perry	Aubrey	Colcutt	
08/01	VCD Athletic	League	L	3-4	M Bromage	Stone	Brackpool	Ashley	Young	O'Neill*	Villavicencio	Wilson	Gayler*	Leighton	Perry*	Lawson	Aubrey	Chesworth
11/01	Little Common	SSCC-3	W	0-3	M Bromage	Stone	Brackpool	Ashley	Young	O'Neill*	Villavicencio	Wilson	Gayler	Leighton*	Perry*	Lawson	Bacon	Ferreria
15/01	Chichester City	League	L	1-0	M Bromage	T Bromage	Brackpool	Ashley	Young	O'Neill	Ferreria	Wilson	Gayler	Colcutt	Perry	Bacon		
18/01	Horsham YMCA	SSCC-QF	W	1-3	M Bromage	T Bromage	Stone	Ashley	Young	O'Neill	Villavicencio	Wilson	Gayler*	Leighton*	Perry*	Bacon	Chesworth	Colcutt
22/01	Corinthian	League	W	3-2	M Bromage	T Bromage	Young	Ashley	Ferreria	O'Neill	Lawson	Wilson	Gayler*	Bacon	Perry*	Aubrey	Brackpool	
29/01	Lancing	League	L	4-3	M Bromage	T Bromage	Brackpool**	Ashley	Ferreria*	O'Neill	Lawson	Wilson	Gayler	Bacon	Perry	Aubrey	Chesworth	
05/02	Ashford United	League																
12/02	Hythe Town	League																
19/02	Haywards Heath Town	League																
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23/04	Burgess Hill Town	League																
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* - Goal scorer

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LEO ANDERSON	Squad No. 13
Bio to come	
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GIANI ASHLEY	Squad No. 3
Born 05.07.96 in Amsterdam. Joined Bridges in November 2019. Previous clubs include: South Park Rangers; Redhill; Margate	
	
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BEN AUBREY	Squad No. 20
Bio to come	
	
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BEN BACON	Squad No. 10
Born 25.08.1990. First joined Bridges on 19th December 2017 after transferring from Steyning Town, then re-joined Steyning at the end of that season. Re-signed for Bridges on 9th December 2019.	
	
Sponsor: Medusa Cocktail Bar www.facebook.com/medusacocktailbar	

ALEX BARBARY	Squad No. 17
Made 47 appearances, scoring 17 goals for Horsham YMCA after joining them in the summer of 2018 before leaving to join Burgess Hill FC in June 2019. Joined Bridges in 2020/21 season.	
	
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RYAN BRACKPOOL	Squad No. 6
Bio to come	
	
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TADLEY BROMAGE	Squad No. 5
Born 18.09.97 in Shoreham. First joined Bridges on 10th August 2018. Other clubs include: Shoreham; Burgess Hill Town; Loxwood.	
AVAILABLE TO SPONSOR	

MITCH BROMAGE	Squad No. 1
Goalkeeper who joined Bridges on 2nd November 2021. Other clubs include: Burgess Hill Town, Worthing United, Broadbridge Heath and Lancing	
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CALLUM CHESWORTH	Squad No. 22
Bio to come	
	
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DAN FERRERIA	Squad No. 14
Bio to come	
	
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CURTIS GAYLER	Squad No. 7
Born 01.09.95 in Brighton. Joined Bridges on 11th October 2019. Previous clubs include: Burgess Hill Town, Hastings United, Worthing, Whitehawk, Lewes, Horsham, East Grinstead Town.	
	
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BILLY IRVING	Squad No. 18
Bio to come	
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JOSHUA KAY	Squad No. 2
Bio to come	
	
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CAMRON LAWSON	Squad No. 15
Bio to come	
	
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NOEL LEIGHTON	Squad No. 11
Born 18 February 199 in Tunbridge Wells. Centre forward who joined on 4th November 2021 from Hythe Town. Other clubs include: Millwall (U18s and U23s); Dagenham & Redbridge; Woking; Margate	
AVAILABLE TO SPONSOR	

DAN MOBSBY	Squad No. 19
Born 16.11.90 in Crawley. First joined Bridges in July 2015 before joining Horsham YMCA in the 2017-18 season where he played before rejoining Bridges in October 2021. Previously played for Broadbridge Heath, Haywards Heath Town, Gosport and Pagham. He won two caps at U18's level for Wales.	
AVAILABLE TO SPONSOR	

BRANNON O'NEILL	Squad No. 8
Born 22.03.1990 in Cuckfield. Joined on 12th January 2018 from Burgess Hill. Spent four years at Worthing before leaving to join Dorking Wanderers in 2016/17 season. He then signed for Burgess Hill in the Bostik Premier Division in 2017/18 season before transferring to Bridges. Joined Whitehawk the start of the 2018/19 season and re-signed for Bridges on 11th October 2018. Club Captain for 2020/21 season.	
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DAN PERRY	Squad No. 9
Bio to come	
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JOE STONE	Squad No. 23
Bio to come	
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BRYAN VILLAVICENCIO	Squad No. 16
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MICHAEL WILSON	Squad No. 4
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U18 South Division Tables/Fixtures/Results 2021/22

Date	Comp	H/A	Opposition	Res.	Scorers
23/08	League	A	Bognor Regis Town	3-0	N/A
01/09	FAC-P	H	CHERTSEY TOWN	4-0	<i>C. Colcutt (3); S. Jones</i>
06/09	League	H	WHITEHAWK	5-0	<i>H. Woollard (2); B. Aubrey; C. Colcutt; A. Thirkettle</i>
16/09	FAC-1Q	A	Kingstonian	2-2 (3-1)	<i>C. Colcutt; B. Aubrey</i>
23/09	League	A	Hastings United	3-2	<i>R. Jeffery; C. Colcutt</i>
04/10	League	H	WORTHING	0-3	N/A
18/10	League	H	HORSHAM	2-1	<i>B. Aubrey</i>
28/10	League	A	Lewes	2-2	<i>D. Bedir; C. Colcutt</i>
01/11	League	H	EASTBOURNE BOROUGH	3-5	<i>C. Colcutt; M. Bigg; B. Aubrey</i>
07/11	SSC-2	A	Loxwood	1-0	N/A
15/11	League	H	BURGESS HILL TOWN	5-2	<i>B. Aubrey (3); E. Cowdrey; OG</i>
22/11	League	H	HORSHAM YMCA	4-0	<i>C. Chesworth; B. Aubrey; Y. Ainine; G. Costa</i>
30/11	League	H	BOGNOR REGIS TOWN	7-1	<i>C. Chesworth(3); B. Aubrey(2); C. Colcutt; G. Costa</i>
10/01	League	A	Eastbourne Borough	2-0	N/A
17/01	League	A	Burgess Hill Town	1-2	<i>C. Chesworth; M. Bigg</i>
24/01	League	H	Horsham YMCA	3-4	<i>J. Charman; D. Bedir; B. Aubrey; C. Chesworth</i>
01/02	League	A	Worthing	2-2	<i>B. Aubrey; C. Chesworth</i>
08/02	League	A	Horsham		
14/02	League	H	LEWES		
21/02	League	A	Whitehawk		
14/03	League	H	HASTINGS UNITED		

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(As at 3rd February 2022)

	Home	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts	Away
1	0-3	Worthing	13	11	2	0	62	14	48	35	2-2
2	3-5	Eastbourne Borough	15	9	0	6	29	28	1	27	2-0
3	14 Feb	Lewes	13	7	5	1	34	12	22	26	2-2
4	X	THREE BRIDGES	14	7	2	5	38	28	10	23	X
5	2-1	Horsham	15	5	6	4	27	26	1	21	8 Feb
6	14 Mar	Hastings United	11	6	1	4	19	17	2	19	3-2
7	4-0	Horsham YMCA	14	4	2	8	20	35	-15	14	3-4
8	5-0	Whitehawk	12	2	1	9	10	33	-23	7	21 Feb
9	5-1	Burgess Hill Town	11	1	2	8	13	37	-24	5	1-2
10	7-1	Bognor Regis Town	10	1	1	8	12	34	-22	4	3-0

(Home team score shown first in both home and away columns)



ISTHMIAN 18S FIXTURES / RESULTS / APPEARANCES 2021-2022																SUBS USED		
23/08	Bognor Regis	League	L	3-0	Mead	Bigg‡	Pepper	Woollard	Jones	Cowdrey	Bedir	Collcutt	Taylor	Costa	Mortimer	Manful	Groves	Hayes
01/09	Chertsey	FAC-P	W	4-0	Anderson	Wraight	Sharpe	Woollard	Thirkettle‡	Pepper	Chesworth	Jones*	Collcutt#	Costa	Bigg	Taylor	Jeffery	Hayes
06/09	Whitehawk	League	W	5-0	Anderson	Wraight	Sharpe	Woollard**‡	Thirkettle*	Pepper	Chesworth	Jones	Aubrey*	Collcutt*	Bigg	Mortimer	Bedir	Costa
16/09	Kingstonian	FAC-1Q	L	2-2 (3-1)	Anderson	Wraight	Mortimer	Jones	Thirkettle*	Pepper	Chesworth	Collcutt*	Aubrey*	Costa	Bigg	Cowdray	Jeffery	
23/09	Hastings United	League	L	3-2	Mead	Wraight	Mortimer	Woollard	Thirkettle	Sharpe	Chesworth	Collcutt*‡	Hayes	Bedir	Jeffery*	Bigg	Costa	Taylor
04/10	Worthing	League	L	0-3	Mead	Wraight	Mortimer	Woollard	Thirkettle	Sharpe	Jeffery	Bedir	Aubrey‡	Collcutt	Costa	Bigg	Cowdrey	Groves
18/10	Horsham	League	W	2-1	Anderson	Wraight	Sharpe	Woollard‡	Thirkettle	Cowdrey	Bigg	Costa	Aubrey**	Collcutt	Jeffery	Taylor	Ainine	Charman
28/10	Lewes	League	D	2-2	Bryson	Wraight	Mortimer	Bedir*	Charman	Cowdrey	Chesworth	Jeffery	Aubrey	Collcutt*‡	Bigg	Sharpe	Ainine	Jones
01/11	Eastbourne Boro	League	L	3-5	Mead	Wraight	Mortimer	Woollard	Charman	Cowdrey	Chesworth	Bedir	Aubrey*‡	Collcutt*	Bigg*	Thirkettle	Sharpe	Costa
07/11	Loxwood	SSC-2	L	1-0	Mead	Tuesley	Mortimer	Stewart	Thirkettle	Ainine	Steadman	Jeffery	L Jones	S Jones	Costa	Woollard; Aubrey; Bigg; Cowdrey		
15/11	Burgess Hill	League	W	3-5	Mead	Wraight	Sharpe	Woollard	Thirkettle	Cowdrey*	Chesworth	S Jones	Aubrey#	Jeffery	Costa	Bedir	Ainine	Mortimer
22/11	Horsham YMCA	League	W	4-0	Mead	Wraight	Sharpe	Woollard*	Thirkettle	Cowdrey*	Chesworth*	Bedir	Aubrey	Colcutt	Jeffery	Costa*	Bigg	Ainine*
30/11	Bognor Regis	League	W	7-1	Mead	Wraight	Sharpe	Cowdrey	Thirkettle	Ainine	Chesworth#	Bedir	Aubrey**	Colcutt*	Costa*	Bigg	Pepper	Stewart
10/01	Eastbourne Boro	League	L	2-0	Mead	Wraight	Mortimer	Woollard	Pepper	Cowdrey	Bigg	Bedir	Aubrey	Colcutt	Costa	Jeffrey	Ainine	
17/01	Burgess Hill	League	W	1-2	Mead	Bigg*	Jeffery	Charman	Pepper	Cowdrey	Chesworth*	Bedir	L Jones	Collcutt	Costa	Wraight	Ainine	Mortimer
24/01	Horsham YMCA	League	W	3-4	Mead	Wraight	Mortimer	Charman*	Pepper	Cowdrey	Chesworth*	Bedir*	Aubrey*	Collcutt	Costa	Jeffery	Sharp	Tuesley
01/02	Worthing	League	D	2-2	Mead	Wraight	Sharpe	Woollard	Pepper	Cowdrey	Chesworth*	Bedir	Aubrey*	Collcutt	Jeffery	Bigg	L Jones	Costa
08/02	Horsham	League																
14/02	Lewes	League																
21/12	Whitehawk	League																
14/03	Hastings United	League																

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ISTHMIAN U18 STATISTICS 2021-2022												
PLAYER	APPEARANCES						GOALS			MAN OF MATCH		
	League		Cup		Total		League	Cup	Total	League	Cup	Total
	Start	Sub	Start	Sub	Start	Sub						
Yassin Ainine	1	6	1	0	2	6	1	0	1	0	0	0
Leo Anderson (GK)	2	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ben Aubrey	11	0	1	1	12	1	12	1	13	3	0	3
Deren Bedir	11	2	0	0	11	2	2	0	2	1	0	1
Marley Bigg	7	5	2	1	9	6	2	0	2	1	0	1
Nathan Bryson (GK)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jack Charman	4	1	0	0	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
Callum Chesworth	10	0	2	0	12	0	8	0	8	2	0	2
Connor Colcutt	13	0	2	0	15	0	5	4	9	2	0	2
Guilherme Costa	8	4	3	0	11	4	2	0	2	1	0	1
Ethan Cowdrey	11	1	0	2	11	3	1	0	1	0	0	0
Maxwell Groves	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Joshua Hayes	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reegan Jeffery	8	2	1	2	9	4	1	0	1	1	0	1
Liam Jones	1	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sam Jones	3	1	3	0	6	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Elvin Manful	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
George Mead (GK)	11	0	1	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mackenzie Mortimer	7	2	2	0	9	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matthew Pepper	6	1	2	0	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
William Sharpe	7	3	1	0	8	3	0	0	0	1	0	1
Kristian Steadman	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harrison Stewart	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Michael Taylor	1	2	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alexander (“Xander”) Thirkettle	7	1	3	0	10	1	1	0	1	0	2	2
Stanley Tuesley	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Harvey Woollard	10	0	1	1	11	1	2	0	2	2	0	2
Lewis Wraight	12	1	2	0	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0



U18 North Division Tables/Fixtures/Results 2021/22

Fixtures provided monthly
Home games played at Jubilee Field – 11:00 am

Date	Comp	H/A	Opposition	Res.	Scorers
29/08	League	H	CRAWLEY DOWN GATWICK	0-2	N/A
05/09	League	A	Roffey	3-3	C. Pleydell; H. Stewart; C. Collcutt
12/09	League	H	HORSHAM	0-5	N/A
19/09	League	H	LOXWOOD	4-0	S. Tuesley (3); E. Manful
26/09	League	A	Broadbridge Heath	3-0	N/A
10/10	League	A	Alfold	1-1	D. Marzec
17/10	League	A	East Grinstead Town	3-0	N/A
24/10	League	H	BILLINGSHURST	3-8	D. Marzec (2); L. Jones
07/11	League	A	Crawley Down Gatwick	0-0	N/A
14/11	SSC-2	A	Southdown Rovers	1-4	S. Tuesley; D. Marzec; H. Finn; M. Hattan
28/11	League	H	ALFOLD	0-11	N/A
05/12	League	H	ROFFEY	1-5	C. Colcutt
16/01	SSC-3	A	Stone Cross Royals	1-5	D. Marzac (2); R. Jeffery (2); Y. Salam
23/01	League	A	Billingshurst	2-2	J. Scutt; S. Tuesley
30/01	SSC-QF	A	ASC Strikers	5-1	H. Stewart
06/02	YLC	H	PAGHAM		
13/02	League	A	Loxwood		
TBA	League	H	HORSHAM YMCA		
TBA	League	A	Horsham		
TBA	League	H	BROADBRIDGE HEATH		
TBA	League	H	East Grinstead Town		
TBA	League	A	Horsham YMCA		

YLC = Youth Section Challenge Cup

FAYC = FA Youth Cup

SSC = Sussex County Cup (U16s)

(As at 30th January 2022)

	Home	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts	Away
1	0-5	Horsham	15	11	2	2	47	14	33	35	
2	0-11	Alfold	13	11	1	1	67	13	54	34	1-1
3		Broadbridge Heath	12	8	2	2	31	17	14	26	3-0
4	1-5	Roffey	12	7	2	3	35	16	19	23	3-3
5	0-2	Crawley Down Gatwick	13	6	2	5	15	15	0	20	0-0
6		East Grinstead Town	11	5	1	5	24	32	-5	16	3-0
7	3-8	Billingshurst	13	4	1	8	30	42	-12	13	2-2
8	X	THREE BRIDGES	12	1	4	7	14	43	-29	7	X
9		Horsham YMCA	12	1	0	11	12	50	-38	3	
10	4-0	Loxwood	11	0	1	10	4	37	-33	1	13 Feb

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SOUTHERN COMBINATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE – U18 NORTH DIVISION
FIXTURES / RESULTS / APPEARANCES 2021-2022

Date	Opposition	COMP	RES		STARTING LINE UP											Subs Used (rolling)
29/09	Crawley Down	League	L	0-2	Bryson	Wright	Sharpe	Stewart	Scutt	Pleydell‡	Spurle	Manful	Evans	Tuesley	Groves	Steadman; Darlison; Colcutt
05/09	Roffey	League	D	3-3	Bryson	Marsden	Playdell*	Stewart*‡	Scutt	Steadman	Darlison	Manful	Colcutt*	Tuesley	Groves	Evans; Marzec; Finn; Spurle
12/09	Horsham	League	L	0-5	Bryson	Groves	Ribeiro	Stewart	Scutt	Steadman‡	Jeffery	Marzec	Evans	Tuesley	Darlison	Pleydell; Spurle; Finn; Manful; Marsden
19/09	Loxwood	League	W	4-0	Bryson	Groves	Sharpe	Stewart	Scutt	Steadman	Finn	Tuesley#‡	Evans	Manful*	Spurle	Marsden; Darlison; Pleydell; Marzec; Jeffery
26/09	B'bridge Heath	League	L	3-0	Bryson	Marsden	Ribeiro	Stewart	Scutt	Evans	Finn	Manful	Colcutt	Tuesley‡	Cowdrey	Groves; Jeffery; Marzec; Pleydell; Spurle
10/10	Alfold	League	D	1-1	Bryson	Wright	Groves	Stewart	Scutt‡	Pleydell	Jeffery	Manful	Jones	Tuesley	Ainine	Finn; Marsden; Spurle; Marzec*; Evans
17/09	East Grinstead Town	League	L	3-0	Bryson	Evans‡	Groves	Stewart	Scutt	Pleydell	Finn	Tuesley	Jones	Manful	Aduwo	Marsden; Marzec; Darlison; Ribeiro; Steadman
24/10	Billingshurst	League	L	3-8	Hill‡	Marsden	Evans	Stewart	Scutt	Pleydell	Marzec**	Tuesley	Jones*	Manful	Groves	Finn; Darlison; Steadman; Aduwo; Ribeiro
07/11	Crawley Down Gat	League	D	0-0	Bryson	Groves	Sharpe	Manful	Scutt	Pleydell	Marzec	Wright‡	Evans	Finn	Darlison	Ribeiro; Spurle; Marsden
14/11	Southdown Rovers	SCC-2	W	1-4	Hill	Marsden	Mortimer	Stewart	Steadman	Read	Groves	Tuesley*	Marzec*	Finn*	Darlison	Spurle; Jeffery; Hattan*; Pears
28/11	Alfold	League	L	0-11	Hill	Marsden	Rueben	Stewart	Steadman	Ribeiro	Groves	Tuesley	Marzec	Finn	Scutt	Pleydell; Manful; Darlison; Adawo; Evans
05/12	Roffey	League	L	1-5	Bryson	Marsden	Groves	Stewart	Charman	Ribeiro	Finn	Tuesley	Marzec	Evans	Aduwo	Darlison; Spurle; Manful; Colcutt*; Pleydell
16/01	Stone Cross Royals	SCC-3	W	1-5	Groves	Finn	Moore	Stewart	Steadman	Read	Spurle	Tuesley	Marzac**	Darlison	Jeffery**	Salam*
23/01	Billingshurst	League	D	2-2	Bryson	Finn	Ribeiro	Stewart	Scutt*	Steadman	Spurle	Tuesley*	Marzec	Darlison	Jeffery	Marsden; Manful
30/01	ASC Strikers	SCC-QF	L	5-1	Willett	Finn	Moore	Stewart*	Steadman	Read	Spurle	Darlison	Marzec	Jeffery	Mortimer	Hatton; Salom
TBA	Horsham YMCA	League														
TBA	Horsham	League														
TBA	Broadbridge Heath	League														
TBA	Loxwood	League														
TBA	East Grinstead Town	League														
TBA	Horsham YMCA	League														
TBA	Pagham	YLC														

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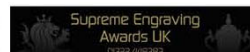
SOUTHERN COMBINATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE U18 STATISTICS 2021-2022												
PLAYER	APPEARANCES						GOALS			MAN OF MATCH		
	League		Cup		Total		League	Cup	Total	League	Cup	Total
	Start	Sub	Start	Sub	Start	Sub						
Daniel Aduwo	2	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yassin Ainine	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Naythan Bryson (GK)	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jack Charman	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Connor Colcutt	2	2	0	0	2	2	2	0	2	0	0	0
Ethan Cowdrey	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Archie Darlison	4	6	3	0	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Max Evans	8	3	0	0	8	3	0	0	0	1	0	1
Harry Finn	7	4	3	0	10	4	1	0	1	0	0	0
Maxwell Groves	10	1	2	0	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Max Hatton	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Joe Hill (GK)	2	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Reegan Jeffery	3	2	2	1	5	3	0	2	2	0	0	0
Liam Jones	4	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Elvin Manful	8	3	0	0	8	3	1	0	1	0	0	0
Rueben Marsden	5	5	1	0	6	5	0	0	0	1	0	1
Dawid Marzec	6	5	3	0	9	5	3	3	6	0	1	1
Harry Moore	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mackenzie Mortimer	0	0	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Casey Pears	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charlie Pleydell	6	5	0	0	6	5	1	0	1	1	0	1
Casey Read	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kevin Ribeiro	5	3	0	0	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yassen Salam	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Joe Scutt	11	0	0	0	11	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Will Sharpe	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daniel Spurle	3	6	2	1	5	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristian Steadman	5	3	3	0	8	3	0	0	0	1	0	1
Harrison Stewart	11	0	3	0	14	0	1	1	2	1	1	2
Stanley Tuesley	11	0	2	0	13	0	4	1	5	3	0	3
Matthew Willett	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lewis Wraight	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1



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ASHFORD UNITED

Initially, Ashford Town's home ground was at the back of the Victoria Hotel on Beaver Road.

The club were founder members of the Kent Premier League in 1894–95 with a reserve side playing in Kent League 2. The club relocated to an enclosed ground with a timber built stand at Godinton Road where the 1899 KCFA Cup Final was staged. Team colours at the time were black and white striped shirts.

The team appeared in the Kent Cup Final for two successive years, 1902 and 1903 but were unsuccessful on both occasions: losing a replay 1–4 to Sittingbourne (a last minute penalty equaliser against Ashford causing the replay) and to Maidstone respectively. In 1907 owing to a lack of support at their Godinton Road ground (which being beyond the railway bridge was a fair distance from the town and their previous base in the Newtown area), the club suffering from heavy debts was unable to fulfill its fixtures and ceased playing mid-season. Shortly afterwards however a new club was formed, playing as the Ashford Railway Works. The club's home ground was relocated back to Newtown on land believed to have been provided rent-free by the South Eastern & Chatham Railway.

Playing in the Eastern Section of the Kent League and wearing red and green quartered colours, the team enjoyed considerable success winning the League in four successive seasons, 1912, 1913, 1914 & 1920 (the latter after the break caused by the Great War). It was around this time that the club acquired its nickname of the 'Nuts and Bolts' as many of the members were drawn from the ranks of skilled engineers in the railway.

The club became more commonly known as 'Ashford' upon the post-war resumption of the Kent League competition. However once more fate took a hand and in 1928 the club folded leaving the Town with no senior club.

The decision to found Ashford Town was taken at a meeting in April 1930 chaired by Sir Charles Iggledon, who was the editor of the Kentish Express. Ashford Town were elected to the Kent League, and played their first match on 30 August of the same year at the railway works ground with Canterbury Waverley the visitors. The result was a 4–2 victory. The following year, the club moved to Essella Park. It was the sale of this ground in the mid 1980's that enabled the purchase and development of the present ground at The Homelands, named after the farm that originally occupied the site, 4 miles south of the town centre and with easy access to the M20 Motorway.

Despite being Champions of the Kent League in the 1948-49 season, it was cup football that was to provide the greatest success. Town reached the first round proper of the FA Cup as a Kent League side in 1959-59, losing 1-0 to Crystal Palace in front of a ground record crowd of 6,525. In the 1960's, Town reached the first round of the FA Cup on 4 occasions, falling to league opposition each time. Further honours arrived with success in the Kent Senior Cup in 1959 and 1963.

In 1972-73, Town reached the semi-finals of the FA Trophy, losing to Scarborough by a penalty goal. The following year they finished third in the League when Alan Morton set the club scoring record of 46 goals from 69 games, a record which still stands today and will be extremely difficult to beat.

The club earned promotion to the Premier Division of the Southern League in the 1986-87 season, at a time when the new ground at The Homelands was being constructed. The final game played at Essella Park was a draw with Dorchester, which ensured that both teams were promoted. The next season saw ground sharing at Folkestone whilst the new Homelands ground was being constructed. Sadly, the first season at The Homelands ended in disappointment when the club was relegated.

During the 1990's, manager Neil Cugley produced an entertaining and successful side which gained promotion back to the Premier Division in 1995-96 and, as a highlight, drew a first round FA Cup match with Fulham captained by Micky Adams. A capacity crowd of 3,300 packed into The Homelands and Sky TV showed highlights of the game. The result was a creditable 2-2 draw, with a replay at Craven Cottage. Again they impressed their league host and took the game into extra time, eventually losing 5-3.

The following year, Ashford defeated Dagenham & Redbridge in the first round and then drew Watford away in the second round, losing 5-0. The season ended poorly with a finishing position of 18th, with the club only saved from relegation by the resignation of Sudbury from the league.

Several managers then came and went, with varying degrees of success until Don Crosbie and Tony Betteridge took over as owners. Their first appointment as manager was Clive Walker, who was replaced during the season by Steve Lovell.

Following a major falling out at Boardroom level, the club's future was in the balance in the 2009-10 season. This resulted in several players departing, and manager Steve Lovell was just able to put together a side to keep the club from relegation. This valiant effort was to be in vain, since the Boardroom conflict had reached the courts with Tony Betteridge forcing the winding up of Ashford Town FC. Tony Betteridge succeeded in purchasing the club assets from the Administrator despite enormous protests from Chairman Don Crosbie who managed to receive assurances in the court for Football at the highest possible level to be maintained at least till the legal battle was settled through the courts. Under the new name of Ashford United, the club continued with a Board comprising of local football enthusiasts.

During what transpired to be a short one-season hiatus the club was reformed as Ashford United (harking back to before the Ashford Town days!). The club adopted the same crest as their forerunners, Ashford Town, except of course the word 'United' now replaced 'Town' and the simple wording 'Founded 1930' was expanded to 'Founded 1891, Reformed 2011'. The home ground for the club remained at 'Homelands'.

Under FA rules the 'new' Ashford United were not permitted to re-join the league where their predecessors had left-off: for their inaugural season of 2011–12 they were placed into 'step 6' football in the newly formed Kent Invicta League. Initially the club appointed former manager Tony Reynolds as manager for the 2011–12 season but owing to personal commitments he stepped aside and Paul Chambers took up the reins. After an indifferent start to their first season results improved over the second half and the team finished in fifth position.



ASHFORD UNITED

Their finishing position improved two places in the 2012–13 season to third, with the new “United” setting a record with six straight league victories, which was just two less than the eight match winning streak twice achieved by Ashford Town, the side actually went unbeaten in their first twelve league games. An individual player record as United was also established with forward Mo Takalo (Takalobighashi) scoring in each of these six matches. Although only the teams finishing in the top two positions were eligible for automatic promotion to the Kent League, Ashford United were awarded promotion instead of the second placed club Hollands & Blair, as Ashford had the facilities and ground grading in place in order to take the promotion.

During the close season the Kent League renamed itself as the Southern Counties East Football League. The names of opposing clubs were more familiar to long-time Ashford supporters than in the previous league with clubs from Canterbury, Deal and Tunbridge Wells as opponents.

After a positive start on the pitch to the 2013-14 season it was announced in November 2013 by owner Tony Betteridge that he had relinquished his ownership of the club and the Homelands freehold to a company whose Director was the wife of Don Crosbie – the director he had fought for ownership of the club back in 2010.

In the 2013–14 season’s cup competitions the team reached the last 32 of the FA Vase competition and reached the Final of the Kent Senior Trophy played at Tonbridge, where they lost 0–4 to Beckenham Town. During a good campaign Ashford went on a 10 match winning league run from 14 September 2013 to 18 February 2014 and United topped their league around Christmas 2013. However fixture congestion due to their cup exploits saw a slight dip in form with the team having to play three games a week in the closing weeks of the season and they finished in second position.

The following season was in some ways a re-run of the previous one with a last 32 appearance in the FA Vase and a runners-up finish in the league. A return including seven draws and two defeats in the first sixteen league matches meant the ‘Nuts and Bolts’ were always playing catch-up to eventual 2014-15 league winners Phoenix Sports. The team did though put together a run of thirteen successive victories and were the only club to record a league victory over the league champions, but in the end Phoenix proved worthy champions by an eight-point margin.

A noteworthy occurrence of the season was the breaking of the Ashford club post-war single season goal scoring record by Stuart Zanone (who signed seven competitive games into the season) with 47 goals in 35 appearances. Stuart was also the winner of the league Golden Boot award for the season. Included in his record haul was a club record all seven goals in a 7-0 victory over Lingfield. The previous club season goal scorer record had been established by Alan Morton playing for Ashford Town 42 years previously.

The incredible goal scoring season by Zanone was a dream for a football statistician, as not only did he surpass Morton’s 46 goal haul, he also beat Mo Takalo’s new “United” record by scoring in seven successive appearances from 8 November 2014 to 27 December 2014. Overall, he also found the net in 11 consecutive league appearances (18 October 2014 to 28 February 2015), as well as scoring 28 goals in 11 consecutive away games, a run started on 18 October 2014 which ended with his one-man seven goal show at Lingfield on 24 March 2015.

As the 2014-15 season ended the club announced that the natural grass pitch at the Homelands (which had a history of poor drainage leading to postponed fixtures) was to be replaced during the close season with a synthetic 3G playing surface – this mooted as being the first stage of a sports village redevelopment plan to ensure a steady source of income for the club owners.

The installation of the new pitch was delayed owing in part to Operation Stack which caused the delay in delivery of materials required for construction of the pitch. As a result, several early 2015-16 season home fixtures for both United and tenants Canterbury City were postponed. This though was only the start of events sparked by the pitch installation: in November 2015 the company who had financed the installation (V Bar Limited via its lending arm of Minotaur) claimed not all financial matters had been disclosed at the time of the investment and demanded repayment of the loan. This was disputed by the club owners but they couldn’t prevent the ownership of the Homelands ground being transferred via court proceedings to V Bar; then in February news broke of a disputed winding-up petition being filed against the football club company – which was indeed overturned by the court. Owing to the financial situation the League levied a 10 point deduction. The football club owners continue to dispute and legally challenge matters.

These on-going disputes detracted from an otherwise more than satisfactory 2015-16 season on the pitch – albeit it was without silverware. It actually started inauspiciously when after just two games of the season, the manager Paul Chambers was relieved of his duties after four years and 171 matches in charge following a heavy 1-5 loss in the FA Cup to fellow SCEFL side Cray Valley PM on 15 August 2015. Former Ashford Town defender Danny Lye – who had returned to the Homelands as a player in December 2014 – was duly appointed as player-manager until the end of the season.

After a run of four defeats and two draws over his first ten league matches whilst he re-fashioned his squad Lye saw only two more league defeats and 18 victories in the remaining 25 league matches to see the team finish third in the table (which would have been second, nine points behind winners Greenwich Borough had it not been for the ten points deduction). The club went two rounds better than previously in the FA Vase: after a replay win away in the north-east at Gateshead based Northern League Dunston UTS they reached the last eight before being eliminated by former Southern League rival Salisbury. It was heartbreak once again in the Kent Senior Trophy final though where the ‘Nuts and Bolts’ lost out in a penalty shoot-out 6-7 to Sheppey United in the final.

The previous season’s top scorer Stuart Zanone left early in the season but his record of scoring in seven consecutive matches was eclipsed by veteran forward Shaun Welford who had been brought in as player-assistant manager from Hythe Town). He strung together a run of scoring in nine consecutive matches, which was last achieved in Ashford colours by Lee McRobert for the former Town side during season 1999-2000. Welford also finished as club top scorer, netting on 37 occasions: 31 league plus six cup goals.



ASHFORD UNITED

The club began the 2016-17 season with the legal dispute from the previous campaign unresolved. Against this backdrop the returning player coach Danny Lye put together a strong squad with many players returning from the previous campaign and with several strong additions – although the club asked the supporters to contribute towards the playing budget. Off-pitch matters continued to feature: December brought news that, despite being in top spot in the league table, the club had not registered with the FA for acceptance for promotion. The club stated their application had not been received by the FA and in light of this mitigating circumstance the club appealed and in mid-February the FA accepted the application. Whilst this played-out news came that the teams' league organisation had deemed the 3G pitch at the Homelands as unsuitable for matches and the owners Minotuar stating £220,000 remedial work would be required. They however gained a temporary dispensation from the FA against the league decision which allowed matches to continue to be played on the pitch. Mid-March brought an announcement that the legal dispute between the club and ground owners had been settled and ownership of the Homelands had been transferred back to the football club. Subsequently, the pitch and facilities passed ground grading requirements. Amongst all this a new Director, Derek Pestridge, was appointed and a legal charge over the ground was established in his favour against an interest-free £500,000 loan made to the club company.

On the pitch the team challenged all season at the top of the SCEFL Premier Division. In a pivotal match at the Homelands at the start of April they defeated their closest rivals in the table Crowborough Athletic. It was the only defeat the Crows suffered all season on their travels and although they had established a one-nil lead, a hat-trick from Rory Hill saw the Nuts and Bolts triumph. It put the clubs level on points but crucially Ashford had a superior goal difference and victories in the remaining five matches of the campaign meant they clinched the SCEFL Premier League title and promotion to Division One South of the Isthmian League. It was a season of records: most league wins (30 out of 38 games); most league points (92); highest Homelands league attendance for Ashford United of 807; and in scoring 119 goals, the club record of 115 scored by Ashford Town in the Kent League of 1931-32 was eclipsed. There was also success in the Kent Senior Trophy where after twice in previous years being runners-up United lifted the trophy with a 2-1 win (both goals from Shaun Welford) over Cray Valley PM on neutral turf at Maidstone. There was too a personal record for Shaun Welford (who with a hat-trick in the season's last match) notched 48 goals in all matches (with 37 and the Golden Boot in league matches) beating Start Zanone's record of 47 from two seasons previously.

With the legal/stadium disputes settled and promotion achieved the close of the 2016-17 season saw the team return to where their forerunners Ashford Town had been when they ceased existence seven years previously. Ashford returned to the Isthmian League (sponsored by Bostik) for the 2017-18. Any thoughts of a successful season were quickly extinguished with defeats in the first two games which led to the club parting company with manager Danny Lye and subsequent departure of experienced players. Youth team coach Jason Whitmore was appointed manager but having to rebuild the squad – and in the interim fielding inexperienced youth team players – led to a continued run of poor results including an autumn run of 12 league matches without a win (10 losses; 2 draws). During January the club appointed experienced former manager of Greenwich Borough Gary Alexander[47] as Whitmore's assistant with a plan for the former to take over as manager the following season.

There was a significant turnover of players with 78 players donning the clubs jersey over the season; the highest appearance by any player was 32 (Jonathan Difford and Pat Kingwell); 31 players played in 3 or fewer matches; there were 21 goalscorers with Max Watters topping the list with 8 (from 27 appearances). The previous season had been one of positive records this one featured negatives: in conceding a record 111 goals over the league campaign it was the first time that in excess of over 100 had been conceded by either Town or United; the goal difference of negative 51 was similarly an unwanted record; the 28 league losses was the worst since the record 29 in the 1997-98 campaign; the Nuts and Bolts 9-1 defeat at Cray Wanderers was the record league-wide scoring/winning margin match of the season. The team finished 21st from 24 clubs in the league and thus maintained their league status.

The 2018/2019 season started slowly and saw manager Gary Alexander, along with coaches Huseyin Torgut and John Mackie relieved of their duties in October 2018. Ex Nuts & Bolts player and Thamesmead Town manager Tommy Warrilow took over at the helm and lead us to our first ever play-offs. After beating Hastings United 3-2 in the semi-final, we were defeated by Horsham in the final but it was an excellent season for the Nuts & Bolts. 2019/2020 is approaching and Tommy Warrilow is busy building a side which will look to take one step better than we did last season.

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