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U14 Managers: Donovan Bontemps, Simon Rollings & Joe Stillwell

U13 Managers: Chris Irving, Billy Irving, Wills Knight, Noel Leighton & Elliot Masterston

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U10 Manager: Josh Reed

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Good afternoon everyone, and welcome back to Jubilee Walk for today's league fixture against Carshalton Athletic.

Firstly, I extend a very warm welcome to the players, management, directors, officials and supporters of Carshalton. Thank you to everyone who has made the journey today. I hope you enjoy our hospitality — although, as always, I hope we enjoy the final result just a little more than you do!

Today we welcome a Carshalton side who sit proudly at the top of the table and remain undefeated. Their results speak for themselves, and we are under no illusions about the size of the challenge ahead.

However, we approach today's game with renewed confidence following an extraordinary afternoon at Dulwich Hamlet on Saturday. Against a very strong Dulwich side, we found ourselves 2–0 behind. During what has already been a challenging start to life at Step 3, it would have been easy for heads to drop.

We then missed not one, but two penalties. Yet the boys refused to accept defeat. They continued to battle, believe and fight like warriors until the final whistle. To come back from two goals down and earn a thoroughly deserved 2–2 draw showed enormous courage, character and togetherness.

It was about far more than earning our first point. That performance demonstrated the spirit within this group and reminded everyone what these players and our management team are capable of. The result has given the entire camp renewed vigour and a determination to build upon it.

There is no hiding from the fact that this has been a tough start for all of us. After last season's incredible success, we became accustomed to winning and celebrating together. Stepping up to Step 3 was always going to present much greater challenges. What matters is that the attitude and belief within the club remain strong. Nobody is looking for excuses, and we will face every challenge together.

Jamie, his management team and every one of our players have the complete backing of the Board. These are the people who gave us one of the greatest seasons in our history, and they deserve our patience, trust and unwavering support.

Once again, I must thank our magnificent supporters. Even when results have not gone our way, you have remained positive and continued encouraging the players. The true strength of a football club is shown when everyone remains united during difficult moments, and you have done exactly that.

I also thank our staff and volunteers, whose hard work makes every matchday possible. Your dedication is never unnoticed or taken for granted.

To the travelling Carshalton supporters, thank you for joining us. You are very welcome, and I wish you a safe journey home. Today is another difficult test, but it is also another opportunity. Let us take the courage, togetherness and fighting spirit shown at Dulwich into this afternoon's game. Hopefully, we can earn another positive result and continue moving up the table.

Whatever happens, we stand together — players, management, staff, volunteers and our amazing and ever-growing supporters.

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A HISTORY OF THREE BRIDGES FOOTBALL CLUB FOUNDED: 1901

Founded in 1901, Three Bridges joined the Mid Sussex Football League in 1902 and claimed their first league championship in the 1907/08 season. Their first significant triumph came in 1933/34 with a Sussex Junior Cup victory, followed by a series of minor honours before they entered the Sussex County Football League in 1952/53. Two years later, they were crowned Second Division Champions.

In 1962/63, they won the Division Two Invitation Cup, and were Second Division runners-up in 1968/69, 1973/74, and 1979/80. A notable achievement came in 1970/71 when they defied expectations to win the League's Invitation Cup against Southwick (3-2). The 1980s saw a string of successes, beginning with reaching the last 16 of the FA Vase in 1981/82, narrowly losing to Molesey (1-2). The following season, they reached the last 32 and captured the Sussex RUR Charity Cup for the first time, defeating Hastings Town 3-2. They finished runners-up in the Thorn EMI National six-a-side tournament the next year, earning a set of floodlights.

The mid-to-late 1980s were particularly strong: Division One runners-up in 1985/86, repeating the feat in 1987/88 (also winning the RUR Cup again) and 1988/89. A fire destroyed their clubhouse in 1993, which refocused club priorities and led to relegation in 1996/97. They bounced back by winning the Division 2 League Cup in 1997/98 and finishing as Division 2 runners-up to regain Division 1 status. RUR Cup runners-up in 2003/04, they claimed the trophy in 2007/08.

The 2010/11 season started strongly with nine consecutive league wins, though they ultimately finished 5th. However, they won the John O'Hara League Challenge Cup for the first time, defeating Rye United 2-1—a feat repeated in 2011/12 with a 2-1 victory over AFC Uckfield. After a rocky start in one season losing four of the first nine matches, they went on a 29-game stretch with just a single defeat, finishing as Sussex County Football League Champions after a decisive 1-0 win over rivals Rye United.

Their debut season in the Ryman Isthmian League South Division was challenging, but an 11-match run late in the season, including seven wins, secured survival and earned Team of the Month Awards in March and April. Subsequent seasons saw fluctuating results, with mid-season signings helping them avoid relegation and later achieving 7th place in 2014/15, though defensive issues remained. The 2015/16 season saw improved defence but fewer goals scored, leading to a 14th-place finish with 66 points—only six fewer than the previous season.

The 2016/17 campaign was hit hard by injuries, forcing reliance on U21, Academy, and U18 players. Despite squad reinforcements later, relegation could not be avoided. In 2017/18, a strengthened squad and management team, including ex-player Martin Dynan as Assistant Manager and UEFA 'A' licensed Coach Marc Wardley, helped Three Bridges finish second in the Southern Combination League Premier Division, earning promotion back to the Isthmian League.

After 25 years as manager, Paul Faili stepped down in 2018/19 to focus on his role as Club Chairman, handing management to Martin Dynan, assisted by Liam Collins and Keith George. Despite a poor start, a brief unbeaten run earned Dynan Manager of the Month, but he departed after continued struggles. Paul Faili returned for the final nine games, securing a 14th-place finish, 14 points clear of relegation.

Paul remained in charge as manager, supported by Keith George, with coaching duties undertaken by Jamie Crellin, who later retired through injury after making 164 appearances. For the 2021/22 season, Crellin stepped up to become First Team Manager, with Danny Lee appointed as his assistant. Ahead of 2022/23, Brannon O'Neill took on the role of Assistant Manager, while Joe Kay joined the staff as First Team Coach. That campaign proved a remarkable one, as Three Bridges recorded what was then their highest-ever league finish, securing fourth place, although they were ultimately beaten by Chichester City in the playoff final.

In May 2024, Brannon O'Neill departed for Burgess Hill Town, resulting in Joe Kay moving into the Assistant Manager role alongside Jamie Crellin, with Ross Ball joining the coaching setup as Goalkeeping Coach. The 2024/25 season represented a significant milestone with the unveiling of the club's new 3G pitch on 26 December 2024. During construction, home fixtures were temporarily staged at The Bauvill Stadium in Chatham between August and early December. By January 2025, the new facility was fully operational, providing a major boost for the Men's, Women's and youth sides, as well as the local community. On the pitch, despite sitting in the relegation places as late as November, a strong second half of the season saw the team climb to an impressive 8th-place finish.

Much of the 2024/25 squad carried over into the 2025/26 campaign, supplemented by the additions of Sam Roberts, Charlie Bennett and Ade Adeyinka, as the club embarked on a historic season celebrating its 125th Anniversary. The Men's First Team produced outstanding league form throughout, sweeping aside opponents and comfortably securing the Isthmian League South East Division title with 96 points, finishing 11 clear of second-placed Croydon Athletic. Noel Leighton was also crowned the league's top scorer, registering 31 goals.

Capping off a memorable season, the Men's First Team reached the Sussex Transport Senior Cup Final, overcoming National League South sides Horsham and Worthing along the way, before lifting the trophy on penalties against Brighton & Hove Albion's U21's at the Amex Stadium. The league and cup double was secured amid widespread celebrations. Across all competitions, the side scored over 150 goals, with Noel Leighton, Reece Hallard and Charlie Bennett contributing a remarkable, combined total of 95.

Success extended beyond the Men's side, with the Women's First Team completing a treble by winning the SCWGFL Premier Division, SCWGFL Challenge Cup and Combined Counties Trophy. The U18's also enjoyed their most successful league campaign to date in the Isthmian Youth League East Division, while reaching the County Cup Final for the first time. It was a truly exceptional 2025/26 season across the entire club, one that will be remembered fondly for many years to come.



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FIXTURES & RESULTS

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Friday 28th August 2026

7.45pm	Burgess Hill Town	v	Dartford
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Saturday 29th August 2026

3pm	AFC Whyteleafe	v	Cheshunt
3pm	Aveley	v	Lewes
3pm	Carshalton Athletic	v	Brentwood Town
3pm	Chatham Town	v	Wingate & Finchley
3pm	Dulwich Hamlet	v	Three Bridges
3pm	Eastbourne Borough	v	Leatherhead
3pm	Enfield Town	v	Whitehawk
3pm	Maldon & Tiptree	v	Cray Wanderers
3pm	St Albans City	v	Stanway Rovers
3pm	Welling United	v	Ramsgate

Monday 31st August 2026

3pm	Brentwood Town	v	Maldon & Tiptree
3pm	Cheshunt	v	St Albans City
3pm	Cray Wanderers	v	Welling United
3pm	Dartford	v	Chatham Town
3pm	Leatherhead	v	Dulwich Hamlet
3pm	Lewes	v	Eastbourne Borough
3pm	Ramsgate	v	AFC Whyteleafe
3pm	Stanway Rovers	v	Aveley
3pm	Three Bridges	v	Carshalton Athletic
3pm	Whitehawk	v	Burgess Hill Town
3pm	Wingate & Finchley	v	Enfield Town



FIXTURES & RESULTS

Date	Comp	H/A	Opposition	Res.	Scorers
29/07	COMMUNITY SHIELD	N	STEYNING TOWN COMMUNITY	3-2	Leighton, Velvick, Irving
08/08	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	DARTFORD	2-3	Bennett (pen) x2
11/08	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	EASTBOURNE BOROUGH	2-3	Velvick, Rivera
15/08	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	CHATHAM TOWN	1-3	Rivera
22/08	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	AVELEY	1-5	Velvick
29/08	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	DULWICH HAMLET	2-2	Leighton, Malone
31/08	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	CARSHALTON ATHLETIC		
04/09	FA CUP	H	KINGSTONIAN		
12/09	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	ST ALBANS CITY		
15/09	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	WHITEHAWK		
19/09	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	LEATHERHEAD		
26/09	FA TROPHY	TBC	TBC		
03/10	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	CRAY WANDERERS		
06/10	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	LEWES		
10/10	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	STANWAY ROVERS		
17/10	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	ENFIELD TOWN		
20/10	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	EASTBOURNE BOROUGH		
24/10	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	DARTFORD		
31/10	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	MALDON & TIPTREE		
07/11	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	BRENTWOOD TOWN		
14/11	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	WELLING UNITED		
21/11	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	CHESHUNT		
28/11	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	WINGATE & FINCHLEY		
05/12	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	RAMSGATE		
12/12	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	DULWICH HAMLET		
19/12	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	AFC WHYTELEAFE		
28/12	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	BURGESS HILL TOWN		
02/01	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	CARSHALTON ATHLETIC		
09/01	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	MALDON & TIPTREE		
16/01	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	BRENTWOOD TOWN		
23/01	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	WELLING UNITED		
30/01	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	CHESHUNT		
06/02	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	WHITEHAWK		
09/02	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	LEWES		
13/02	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	LEATHERHEAD		
20/02	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	CRAY WANDERERS		
27/02	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	WINGATE & FINCHLEY		
06/03	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	RAMSGATE		
13/03	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	ST ALBANS CITY		
20/03	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	AVELEY		
27/03	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	AFC WHYTELEAFE		
29/03	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	BURGESS HILL TOWN		
03/04	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	CHATHAM TOWN		
10/04	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	H	STANWAY ROVERS		
17/04	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE	A	ENFIELD TOWN		



LEAGUE TABLE

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION



Correct as of 30 August 2026

		Home				Away				Total							
		P	W	D	L	P	W	D	L	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
	1 Carshalton Athletic	3	3	0	0	2	2	0	0	5	5	0	0	10	2	+8	15
	2 Enfield Town	3	2	0	1	2	2	0	0	5	4	0	1	16	6	+10	12
	3 Welling United	3	3	0	0	2	1	0	1	5	4	0	1	11	4	+7	12
	4 Leatherhead	2	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	5	3	1	1	10	8	+2	10
	5 Lewes	2	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	5	3	1	1	7	5	+2	10
	6 Chatham Town	3	2	0	1	2	1	0	1	5	3	0	2	12	8	+4	9
	7 St Albans City	3	2	0	1	2	1	0	1	5	3	0	2	9	9	0	9
	8 Dartford	2	1	0	1	3	2	0	1	5	3	0	2	7	8	-1	9
	9 Burgess Hill Town	3	2	1	0	2	0	1	1	5	2	2	1	8	6	+2	8
	10 Wingate & Finchley	2	1	1	0	3	1	1	1	5	2	2	1	7	7	0	8
	11 Dulwich Hamlet	3	2	1	0	2	0	0	2	5	2	1	2	11	6	+5	7
	12 Aveley	3	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	5	2	1	2	10	8	+2	7
	13 Eastbourne Borough	3	2	0	1	2	0	1	1	5	2	1	2	9	9	0	7
	14 Ramsgate	2	1	0	1	3	1	0	2	5	2	0	3	10	7	+3	6
	15 Maldon & Tiptree	2	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	4	2	0	2	6	9	-3	6
	16 Cray Wanderers	2	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	4	1	2	1	4	4	0	5
	17 Cheshunt	2	0	2	0	3	0	2	1	5	0	4	1	3	5	-2	4
	18 Brentwood Town	2	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	5	1	0	4	5	9	-4	3
	19 AFC Whyteleafe	3	0	2	1	2	0	0	2	5	0	2	3	5	12	-7	2
	20 Three Bridges	2	0	0	2	3	0	1	2	5	0	1	4	8	16	-8	1
	21 Stanway Rovers	2	0	0	2	3	0	1	2	5	0	1	4	3	13	-10	1
	22 Whitehawk	2	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	5	0	1	4	3	13	-10	1



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A HISTORY OF CARSHALTON ATHLETIC FC FOUNDED: 1905

Carshalton Athletic traces its origins to two local teams playing around Wrythe Green in the early 20th century: Mill Lane Mission, formed for teenage boys and playing friendlies from 1903, and Carshalton St Andrews, established in 1897 by the Reverend C.W. Cleaver.

Mill Lane Mission joined the Croydon & District League in 1906 and, following discussions with St Andrews, registered the name Carshalton Athletic F.C. with the Surrey FA in 1907. The first match under the new name was played on 7 September 1907 against Westbrook at Wrythe Green.

The newly formed club enjoyed immediate success, winning three successive promotions between 1908 and 1910. Further league and cup success followed, including Suburban League titles in 1913 and 1914 and victories in the Surrey Junior Cup, Surrey Junior Charity Cup and Croydon Charity Cup.

The outbreak of the First World War brought football to a halt, with the club's ground being used for agriculture. Carshalton reformed in March 1919 and, after playing at several grounds, moved into its new home at Colston Avenue during the 1920–21 season. The ground was built as a memorial to club members who had lost their lives during the war and remains the club's home today.

The inter-war years were relatively quiet, although Carshalton won the Surrey Intermediate Cup in 1922 and 1932. In 1922–23 the club became founder members of the Surrey Senior League and gained senior status with the Football Association, allowing entry into national competitions and senior county cups.

After the Second World War, significant improvements were made to Colston Avenue by volunteers and supporters. This enabled Carshalton to join the newly formed Corinthian League in 1946.

The early post-war years were followed by a golden period. In 1952–53 Carshalton won the Corinthian League title and successfully defended it the following season. In 1954–55 the club reached the Surrey Senior Shield final and, for the first time, the quarter-finals of the FA Amateur Cup. Support also continued to grow, with the supporters' club exceeding 2,000 members.

In 1956 Carshalton moved into the Athenian League, beginning a 17-year spell in which league success proved harder to achieve. The club's best league finish was third in 1963–64, while floodlights were finally installed at Colston Avenue in 1967.

Carshalton became founder members of the Isthmian League Division Two in 1973. After several difficult seasons, promotion to the Isthmian Premier Division was achieved in 1976–77.

The following decade brought mixed fortunes, but the appointment of Billy Smith in 1986 began the most successful period in the club's history. During Smith's first spell, Carshalton reached the FA Cup First Round Proper twice, won the Surrey Senior Cup three times in four years, reached the final five times in seven years, recorded the club's highest-ever league placing in 1988–89 and won the London Challenge Cup in 1991.

Further cup highlights followed, including a run to the third round of the FA Trophy and appearances in the FA Cup First Round. However, the club's fortunes deteriorated towards the end of the 1990s.

The turn of the millennium brought a particularly difficult period. In 2000 Carshalton faced severe financial problems, ownership changed twice, the clubhouse was destroyed by arson and the club faced the threat of eviction from Colston Avenue. Relegation to Division One followed.

Carshalton responded with a rapid recovery. In 2001–02, under Graham Roberts, the club won the Isthmian Division One South title and returned to the Premier Division. A seventh-place finish the following season was enough to secure a place in the newly created Conference South.

The club survived its first season at that level, but was relegated back to the Isthmian League in its centenary season of 2005–06.

Financial problems continued to threaten the club, and by 2008 Carshalton was technically insolvent, carrying substantial tax liabilities. Local businessman Paul Dipre took over the club, paid off significant debts and introduced a long-term plan to stabilise the club and develop it as a community hub.

Dipre's first full season brought immediate encouragement. Carshalton finished fourth in the Isthmian Premier Division and reached the play-off final after a dramatic semi-final victory over Tonbridge Angels. Promotion was ultimately denied by an extra-time defeat to Staines Town.

The club also returned to its traditional red colours and modernised its badge. Investment began in the club's facilities, academy and youth structure, laying the foundations for a more sustainable future.

One of the most memorable results of the period came in the 2011–12 FA Trophy, when Carshalton defeated Lincoln City 3–1 at Colston Avenue, with Paul Vines scoring a hat-trick.

Off the pitch, the club's community work received major recognition. In 2012 Carshalton won the South East Regional Community Club of the Year, Surrey FA Community Club of the Year and FA National Community Club of the Year awards. The following year the club received a UEFA Silver Award for the best grassroots club in Europe.

Despite these achievements, the first team suffered relegation to the Ryman South in 2014.

A major turning point came with the installation of a 3G artificial pitch in 2015. The project was intended to secure the club's long-term future by providing facilities for hundreds of junior players, local clubs and community organisations. Colston Avenue was subsequently refurbished between 2016 and 2017, transforming the ground into a busy sports and community hub.

On the pitch, Peter Adeniyi's appointment in 2016 brought renewed ambition. After narrowly missing the play-offs in 2016–17, Carshalton went one better the following season, winning the Isthmian South League title in 2017–18 and earning promotion to the Isthmian Premier Division.

The Robins then enjoyed another excellent campaign in 2018–19, finishing runners-up in the Isthmian Premier Division. They reached the play-offs but were defeated by Merstham.

In 2019 the club launched its Football Academy Programme, combining education with football development for 16–18-year-olds.

At the beginning of the 2019–20 season, the club announced ambitions of reaching the National League by 2025. Carshalton appeared well placed to challenge for promotion, sitting comfortably in the play-off positions when the season was curtailed by the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020.

The following season suffered the same fate, with another promising campaign ended prematurely by COVID-19 while the Robins were again in the play-off places.

The 2021–22 season saw a decline in league form and Peter Adeniyi stepped down as first-team manager, moving into a Director of Football role. Steve McKimm took over for 2022–23, but departed at the end of the season after a campaign that fell short of expectations.

Peter Adeniyi returned as first-team manager for the 2023–24 season, continuing his long association with the club. The Robins finished 11th in 2024, 7th in 2025, but struggled during the 2025-26 season. Peter Adeniyi resigned from his position in February 2026, with Steven Bates confirmed as his replacement. Bates moved quickly to strengthen the squad in an effort to avoid relegation, a goal he ultimately achieved, securing survival by winning their final game of the season.



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MATCH REPORT

DULWICH HAMLET 2-2 THREE BRIDGES

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2026

Three Bridges secured their first-ever point at Step 3 level with a remarkable comeback away at Dulwich Hamlet on Saturday, recovering from 2–0 down to earn a thrilling 2–2 draw at Champion Hill, despite missing two penalties.

After a difficult opening to life in the Isthmian Premier, with Bridges pointless from their first four matches, there was a major boost before kick-off as captain and all-time leading goalscorer Noel Leighton passed a late fitness test to make his first appearance of the season.

Bridges started brightly, but it was Dulwich who struck first in the 10th minute. A lapse in the visitors' defence allowed **Danny Mills** time and space inside the box, and he curled an effort beyond Sam Roberts to give the hosts the lead.

Bridges responded well, with Dan Ferreira striking the post in the 20th minute and Ade Adeyinka, Leighton and Kevin Rivera causing the Dulwich defence plenty of problems. Rivera went close again shortly before half-time, but his effort sailed over as Bridges went into the break 1–0 down.

Dulwich appealed for a penalty early in the second half when a shot appeared to strike Sam Bull's hand, but the referee waved away the claims. Instead, the hosts extended their lead in the 52nd minute when **Lonit Talla** found the corner from outside the box with a superb effort.

Bridges refused to fold, and the introduction of Stefan Ilić in the 57th minute added fresh energy to the attack. Their pressure finally brought a chance from the penalty spot when Charlie Bennett was brought down by goalkeeper Toby Bull. Bennett took responsibility, but his spot-kick struck the post.

The visitors continued to dominate and were rewarded in the 83rd minute when **Noel Leighton** rose highest to meet a superb Ilic corner and head home, giving Bridges renewed hope.

Just a minute later, another penalty was awarded after Rivera was brought down following another dangerous run into the box. Leighton stepped up, but Bull guessed correctly to save, before also denying the captain's rebound. **Scott Malone** reacted quickest, however, smashing home from the third attempt to level the scores and send the travelling Bridges supporters into raptures. The comeback was complete in the 87th minute as Bridges made it 2–2.

There was still time for more drama, with Leighton and Josh Hallard both going close, while at the other end Malone produced a crucial goal-line clearance to ensure the visitors left Champion Hill with a deserved point.

The final whistle confirmed a thrilling 2–2 draw and arguably Three Bridges best performance of the season so far. More importantly, Jamie Crellin's side had secured their first point at Step 3 level, overcoming a two-goal deficit and two missed penalties in the process.

Bridges Team: Roberts, Ferreria, J Hallard, Adeyinka, Bull, Malone, Richards (Ilic), Leighton (C), Rivera, Velvick, Bennett (Villavicencio)

Unused Subs: Watson, Holden, Irving

Booked: Bennett

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APPEARANCES

APPEARANCES	2026/27						Three Bridges First Team Career					
	League		Cup		Total		League		Cup		Total	
	Start	Sub	Start	Sub	Start	Sub	Start	Sub	Start	Sub	Start	Sub
Ade Adeyinka	5				5		42	1	9	1	51	2
Charlie Bennett	5		1		6		41	4	9	4	50	8
Naythan Bryson							7		2		9	
Sam Bull	5				5		64		9	1	73	1
Tresor Difika				1			32	10	6	5	38	15
William Dupray	2	1	1		3	1	3	2	1	1	4	3
Ayman El-Mogharbel		1				1		1				1
George Falzon								13	1	2	1	15
Dan Ferreira	5		1		6		141	16	28	3	169	19
Sam Freeman			1				2		1		3	
Josh Hallard	2		1		3		65	2	8	1	73	4
Reece Hallard	1		1		2		83	4	16		99	4
Connor Hayden-Pickering		1				1	2	19	2	3	4	23
Ben Holden	2	2	1		3	2	37	29	6	3	43	32
Stefan Ilic		2				2		2				2
Billy Irving	4		1		5		85	35	27	5	112	40
Noel Leighton	1		1		2		138	4	24	3	162	7
Hayden Neathey							62	1	9	1	71	2
Scott Malone	2				2		2				2	
Carlos Richards	4	1		1	4	2	8	4		2	8	6
Kevin Rivera	5		1		6		130	23	28	2	158	25
Sam Roberts	3	1			3	1	44	1	9		53	1
Hayden Velvick	5		1		6		79	9	14	3	93	12
Bryan Villavicencio		1		1		1	104	28	23	4	127	33
Jamie Watson	2	1			2	1	2	1			2	1
Harry White	2				2		2				2	



GOALSCORERS

GOAL SCORERS	2026/27			Three Bridges First Team Career		
	League	Cup	Total	League	Cup	Total
Ade Adeyinka				13	2	15
Charlie Bennett	2			25	7	32
Sam Bull				2		2
Tresor Difika				3	1	4
William Dupray						
Ayman El-Mogharbel						
Dan Ferreira				3		3
Reece Hallard				56	9	65
Josh Hallard						
Connor Hayden-Pickering						
Ben Holden				11	3	14
Stefan Ilic						
Billy Irving		1		7	5	12
Noel Leighton	1	1		89	12	101
Scott Malone	1			1		1
Hayden Neathey				2		2
Carlos Richards				3		
Kevin Rivera	2			30	8	38
Hayden Velvick	2	1		17	4	21
Bryan Villavicencio				9	1	10
Jamie Watson						



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MANAGER: **JAMIE CRELLIN**

COLOUR: **AMBER & BLACK**

CARSHALTON ATHLETIC FC

NICKNAME: **THE ROBINS**

MANAGER: **STEVEN BATES**

COLOUR: **RED**

1 SAM ROBERTS (GK)
2 DAN FERREIRA
3 JOSH HALLARD
4 ADE ADEYINKA
5 SAM BULL
6 HAYDEN NEATHEY (VC)
7 CARLOS RICHARDS
8 BRYAN VILLAVICENCIO
9 NOEL LEIGHTON (C)
10 KEVIN RIVERA
11 REECE HALLARD
12 AYMAN EL-MOGHARBEL
13 NAYTHAN BRYSON (GK)
14 JAMIE WATSON
15 CONNOR H-PICKERING
16 BEN HOLDEN
17 HAYDEN VELVICK
18 BILLY IRVING
19 WILL DUPRAY
20 CHARLIE BENNETT
21 SCOTT MALONE
22 STEFAN ILIC

BEN DUDZINSKI (GK)
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RENEDI MASAMPU
ETHAN KAISER
TYRESE OSBOURNE
NATHAN YOUNG-COOMBES
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