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THE GAFFER

Rob Dray

Good evening and welcome back to the Cygnet Healthcare Stadium, as we welcome Paul Michael and his Yate Town team to Taunton tonight for the rearranged league fixture that should originally have taken place in late September.

Last Tuesday we booked our place in the League Cup Quarter Finals with a 2-1 away win, the first this season over Weston-super-Mare and I am told the first time a Taunton Town team have won at Weston since 1990! We followed that result up with a draw in the league on Saturday against Walton Casuals, a result that sees us still within touching distance of the playoff places with a long way to go this season and still some players to come back from illness and injury.

Home form is critical in the coming weeks as we head into a very busy period over Christmas, win your home games and take whatever you can on the road and we will be in a great position heading into 2022.

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THE AWAY END

Yate Town

Yate Town's earliest history began in 1906 when the club was known as Yate Rovers. Playing representative football either side of the First World War the team eventually disbanded in the early thirties. In the 1933/34 season Yate Y.M.C.A. was formed entering the Bristol and District Division 5 under the captaincy of Arthur Gould with goalkeeper Frank Boulton, one of four brothers in the team, eventually playing for Arsenal. After the Second World War Yate YMCA competed in the Bristol and District League and the Avon Premier Combination and later were amongst the founding clubs of the Gloucester County League. In 1959 the YMCA was dropped in favour of Town.

In 1983 the club gained membership of the Hellenic League and with it moved onto the first step of the National League System. The 1984/85 saw promotion to the Premier Division finishing runners-up to Pegasus Juniors. The following season again proved successful winning the Hellenic Premier League and finishing the campaign unbeaten at home. With progress up the NLS pyramid came the need to improve the playing facilities and in 1984 Yate Town relocated to Lodge Road having previously played at Yate Aerodrome (1954-1960) and Sunnyside Lane (1960-84). Ground improvements were progressive with the first section of covered accommodation erected in 1987 and floodlighting in 1988.

For the 1993/94 season Yate found themselves in the Midland Division for the third time and suffered a disappointing run of results finishing just off the bottom narrowly avoiding relegation and also moving back to the Southern Division after a re-structuring of the league. More change followed in 1994/95 season after a poor start long serving manager Pete Jackson handed over to former Bristol Rovers favourites Ian Alexander assisted by Phil Purnell. A credible sixteenth finish in the table followed plus runners up in the Senior County Cup, with a top half finish the

following season.

The club celebrated its Golden Jubilee in 1996/97 and in the following closed season appointed John Freeguard as Manager to lead the club into the 1997/98 campaign. This was short lived and with just two victories from seventeen games he resigned and was replaced by Martin Durnell, who had managed the successful Youth Team. He was assisted by Club Captain Danny Iddles. Despite these changes the Club still finished in in the drop zone but once again managed to avoid relegation due to a restructuring of the Southern League. The reprieve was some comfort and with a youthful side the 1998/99 saw the club finish 20th in the Southern League.

The 1999/2000 season saw Yate Town return to the Midland Division for the first time for six seasons due to the regionalisation of the Midland and Southern Division into Western and Eastern Divisions. Unfortunately relegation could not be avoided this time and the club slipped into the Hellenic League. Manager Martin Durnell resigned and was replaced by former players Gary Hewlett and Richard Thompson (the current Director of Football) who became Joint Player Managers. After a poor start to the 2000/2001 season Yate Town enjoyed a long run of victories that saw them finish in third place in the league.

The following two seasons saw Yate finish third and then second. The champions North Leigh declined promotion and Yate were offered the promotion opportunity and returned to the Southern League. Although the early return to a tougher division proved a challenge the 2003-04 season was eventually turned around and a credible sixteenth position secured the club's standing in the league for the following season.

Yate enjoyed their most successful season in 2004/05. They finished Runners-up in Division One West, and secured promotion to the Southern League Premier Division for the first time. Additionally, they won the Senior Challenge Cup for the first time in their history, beating Bristol Rovers 2:0 in the final at the Memorial Stadium following victories over Bristol City and Forest Green Rovers on route.

Yate Town exceeded all expectations in the 2005/2006 season, their first in the Premier Division. Despite another poor start, they finished in sixth position, and also retained the Senior Challenge Cup beating Cheltenham Town in the Final. An injury plague campaign through 2006/2007 resulted in poor results towards the end of the season finishing mid-table and similarly in tenth position at the end of the 2007/2008 season.

2008/2009 saw just two wins in twenty League matches and into the relegation zone. Richard Thompson left in February 2009 followed by his assistant Lee Barlass. Dave Mogg who had previously been an assistant at Taunton Town and Weston Super Mare was appointed as Manager but change was too late and the club was relegated to the South & West Division.

It was a much changed and inexperienced squad that ran out for the 2009-10 season but managed to finish mid table. Experienced players were added to the squad for the 2010/11 but did not deliver the expected improvement and after two years with the club David Mogg was replaced by Rob Cousins, initially in a caretaker role but after an immediate upturn in results the appointment was made permanent. Although Yate only managed a mid-table in the league the club did secure victory in the final of the Senior Challenge Cup beating Cheltenham Town Reserves 3-2, having beaten Bristol City Reserves in the Semi-Final. In the 2011-2012 season was also disappointing finishing in the bottom half of the table although decent runs in the F.A. Cup and F.A. Trophy provided some comfort.

The 2013-14 season was one of the most memorable of the club's recent history with a superb run in the FA Cup eventually getting into the First Round proper. On the journey Yate managed victories over Poole Town, Winchester City, Oxford City and North Leigh before securing a home tie against Newport County of the Conference League in the Final Qualifying Round. At home a 3-1 lead was cancelled out at the death with two late goals by Newport. The replay, against a team who would eventually gain promotion to the Football League, presented a huge challenge but Yate fought back from a goal down to equalise before taking the game into extra time, scoring twice and running out 1-3 victors. The first round draw pitted Yate away to neighbouring Cheltenham Town. This proved too much of a challenge and the Football League club ran out 3-0 winners. The success in the cup improved the league performances and Yate enjoyed a run of good results finishing just outside the play off positions.

Due to the FA cup success many of the strongest players had attracted the attention of more senior clubs and the 2013/2014 season saw a new look squad and following an inconsistent start, a series of good results saw the club briefly threaten to make the play-offs before sliding to a disappointing but credible ninth position. The previous season's FA Cup success could not be repeated but Yate did manage to reach the third round qualifying before losing to Gloucester City in a replay.

The 2014/15 season started inconsistently and in March 2015 Rob Cousins and Michael Meaker were replaced by Craig Laird with Rob Boyd as his assistant. Several experienced and high profile signings were brought in for the 2015/16 season but the anticipated success did not follow and a poor end to the season saw another change in management. Paul Britton, assisted by John Lester were installed in preparation for the 2016-17 campaign. Once again Yate looked to youth to rebuild and by the end of that season a new look team was in place. The following season saw some more experienced players join the club and Yate finished mid-table. Momentum under Britton continued with much of the 2018-19 season spent leading the division. Although a disappointing end to the season resulted in a third place finish the team re-grouped for the play-offs with home victories over Moneyfields in the play-off semi final and Cinderford Town in the Final in front of a crowd of over 1,000. The result took Yate into the Premier Division for the first time since 2009.

Yate began the 2019-20 season with many of the previous season's squad still in place. Despite some very notable home victories Yate struggled to put together back to back victories and the threat of relegation was very real. With very little separating the teams at the foot of the table a number of strong performances started to lift Yate clear before the early end to the season due to COVID. Having achieved promotion with Yate and kept the club in the Premier division Paul Britton and his management team decided to leave the club with Richard Thompson coming in as Director of Football to appoint Paul's successor to take the club forward into the 2020-21 campaign.

Late in the summer of 2020 Paul Michael was appointed Manager for the somewhat short 2020-21 season. It is fair to say he had very little time to establish a squad compounded by the uncertainty around the new season ahead caused by the COVID pandemic. Despite these challenges a relatively strong squad was assembled but the much needed game time was not available and there were far more important things than football to dominate 2020. When the season came to its inevitable early cessation Yate Town were sitting fourth from bottom of the Southern Premier league having only played eight games with two draws and a win against Dorchester Town providing all the points. Of those matches played four had been against clubs at the top of the table and therefore it had been a tough start to the season for Paul and his newly formed squad of players.



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MEET THE OPPO

Yate Town

● **JAMIE ADAMS** - A centre midfielder signed in December 2020 from Bristol Manor Farm where he was club captain. A hardworking, tenacious and talented midfielder who hails from Weston-super-Mare Jamie will add some experience and energy to midfield. Jamie is a graduate of Cardiff Metropolitan University where he played in the welsh pyramid amongst spells at a number of other southern league clubs.

● **JOSHUA ALLEN** - Josh arrives at Yate from Goytre United in the Cymru South (Tier 2 in Wales) where he also had spells with Pontypridd Town & Taffs Well. A talented left footed centre midfielder with an eye for goal and a great range of passing.

● **LIAM ANGEL** - 'Ange' was a product of the Cardiff City academy where he represented Wales at all age groups up to under 19's and turned professional at Newport County. Upon leaving Newport the left sided centre back signed for Cinderford Town and moved to Yate last summer aged 21.

● **MATT BOWER** - Matt made his football league debut for Cheltenham town on August 19th 2017, later moving to Weston on loan and onto Bath City after leaving Cheltenham. The 6 ft 6in defender is still only 21 and has excellent ability with the ball at his feet for such a tall man. Bower became one of Paul Michael's first signings last summer.

● **CALLUM BRAIN** - 18 year old goal keeper who is a product of Newport County's academy. Arrived at Yate in the summer of 2021 after his release from the exiles. Callum is from Cwmbran in south Wales and is a student at Bath University.

● **JOE HALL** - Joe is a product of the Bristol City academy who joined Mangotsfield after leaving the Robins and after returning from a bad knee injury. Joe has impressed in pre-season and forced his way into the squad demonstrating his outstanding technical ability, another young player and another new recruit in 20-21.

● **ANDREW HANNAH** - A product of the Plymouth Argyle academy Hannah moved to Hartpury on a football

scholarship after his time with "The Pilgrims" came to an end. Whilst in the Gloucester area Hannah spent time with a number of clubs including Mangotsfield, Evesham and Gloucester City before moving to Yate.

● **JAMES HARDING** - 'Hards' is originally from High Wycombe and moved to Gloucestershire where he was part of the highly successful Hartpury University set up. In this time James had spells with Gloucester City, Yate & Cinderford prior to moving to Hungerford for 20-21. James signed for Stratford Town in the summer of 2021 but has quickly made the move to Yate Town.

● **LUKE HOPPER** - Striker "Hopps" arrived in the summer of 2021 from Hungerford having also had prolific spells with Gloucester City, Chippenham Town & Salisbury to name a few. Luke is another personal trainer who will hope to add goals and experience to the Yate Town frontline.

● **SAM KAMARA** - Sam originally signed for us in 2013 following his release from Bristol Rovers; he has now regained his enthusiasm for the game after playing for Longwell Green Sports in 2017-18, and joined us at the start of the successful 2018-19 season.

● **ANDY LEWIS** - 'Swans' returns for his second spell at the club after being converted from a centre back to a centre midfielder under Paul Michael at

Cinderford Town. Andy has an excellent range of passing and scored 12 goals from midfield over the 19/20 season winning Player of the Year at Cinderford.

● **OLLY MEHEW** - Olly is a striker who joined us after being released by Forest Green Rovers at the end of 2017-18 season, and was our leading scorer in his first season at Lodge Road. He was a scholar at Blackburn Rovers before joining Bristol Rovers, and has previously appeared on loan for a variety of non-league clubs including Mangotsfield Utd, Cirencester Town, Bideford, Salisbury, Evesham Utd, Taunton Town and Dorchester Town. He returned to the club after a period with Bristol Manor Farm.

● **BRANDON POWELL** - A product of Hereford's youth academy Brandon made his Hereford first team debut keeping a clean sheet at Edgar Street before going on to make a handful of national league appearances. With opportunities limited Brandon moved on to Westfields but opted to join Yate to compete for the number 1 jersey. Brandon will dual register in order to keep developing as a young goalkeeper.

● **RICARDO REES** - A quick striker who progressed through the academy at Bristol City before being released this summer after two years as a professional. A regular scorer in the Robins under 23's Ricardo also had

short loan spells at Bath City and Salisbury. Capped by Wales at youth levels Ricardo joined the Bluebells in September 2020.

● **MARK THUO** - Mark arrives from Bristol City where he was a product of the robins successful academy. The 18 year old is a quick, athletic and skilful player who can play anywhere on the right hand side.

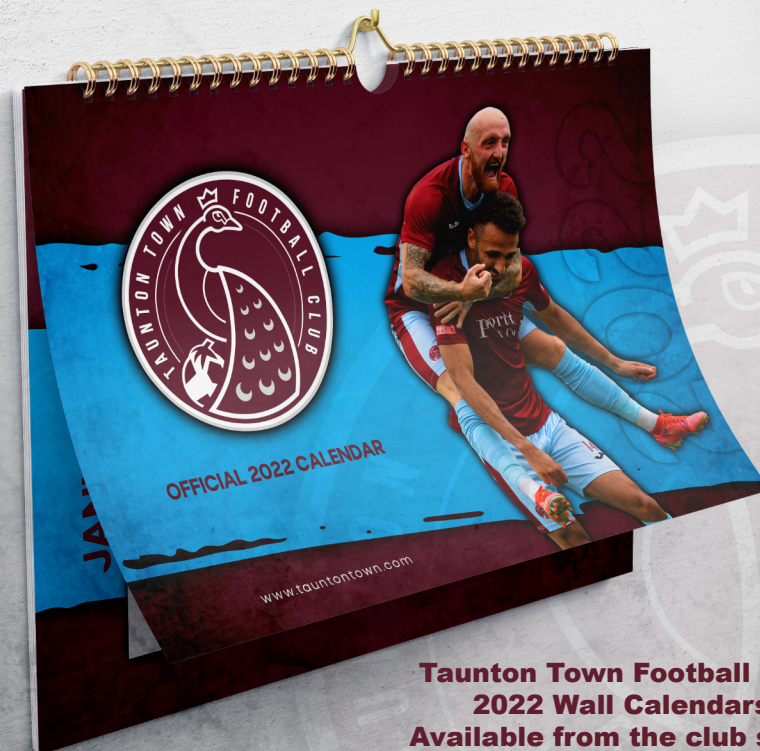
● **JOE TUMELTY** - "Turns" is an experienced attacking midfielder who arrived from Larkhall in the summer of 2021 and will hope to add creativity and a share of goals to Yate this season. Joe has also had spells Bristol Manor Farm, Hereford and Chippenham amongst others.

● **WILL TUNNICLIFF** - After spells with Birmingham City and Cheltenham Town academies as a youngster, Will became a product of the Gloucester City youth set up before building his reputation as a talented and strong left sided defender in two spells at Cirencester either side of a season at Evesham. Will is another 2020 summer signing.

● **SAM TURL** - A youth team player at Gloucester City Sam made his first steps into senior football impressing at Slimbridge where Paul Michael made the approach to take him to Cinderford in 2018. The full back went on to win player's player of the year two years running and built up an excellent reputation for his one v one defending before following Michael to Yate.



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LEAGUE POSITION - 10th

FORM (Last 6 matches) - P 6, W 1, D 3, L 2, F 4, A 7, GD -3, PTS 6

FORM (Last 4 at home) - P 4, W 3, D 1, L 0, F 13, A 3, GD +10, PTS 10

HOME & AWAY POINTS % - HOME 55%, AWAY 45%

Taunton Town are ranked 9th in the league in scoring having scored Thirty-one goals so far this season and are ranked 6th in defending, having conceded twenty-one goals so far in the 2021/22 season.



LEAGUE POSITION - 6th

FORM (Last 6 matches) - P 6, W 3, D 2, L 1, F 11, A 5, GD +6, PTS 11

FORM (Last 4 away) - P 4, W 2, D 1, L 1, F 9 A 4 GD +5 PTS 7

HOME & AWAY POINTS % - HOME 50%, AWAY 50%

Yate Town are ranked 7th in the league in scoring having scored thirty-three goals so far this season and are ranked 4th in defending, having conceded twenty goals so far in the 2021/22 season.

Statistics courtesy of www.soccerstats.com



MATCH REPORT

WALTON CASUALS TAUNTON TOWN

Half Time: 0

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Half Time: 1

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PITCHING IN SOUTHERN LEAGUE, PREMIER SOUTH - SATURDAY 4th DECEMBER 2021

VENUE: WATERSIDE STADIUM - ATTENDANCE: 165

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It was a case of two points dropped for the Peacocks as they were forced to settle for a draw at a chilly Elmbridge Sports Hub. Town had won both their previous visits to the Surrey club and Toby Holmes' first half opener had looked to be enough to secure another victory until a soft goal three minutes from time allowed Casuals a share of the spoils from a scrappy game.

An accident on the M3 meant the Peacocks did not arrive until 2.30, resulting in a delayed kick-off and with striker Jared Lewington having also dropped out due to Covid, preparations might have been smoother. Ross Stearn stepped in for Lewington, the only change from the midweek win at Weston, whilst Fixtures Secretary Martin Dongworth, in danger of missing his first game since 1976, managed to make the trip eastwards in time for kick-off.

Early play produced little to enthuse the crowd, John Gilbert's shot taking a deflection to earn the first corner of the game while Stearn's cross at the other end was cleared to Joe Guest who fired over the top from 12 yards. Holmes saw another shot suffer the same fate before a back pass from Rohdell Gordon caused some consternation for Casuals, Stearn appearing to be in at one stage before losing his footing.

The first real chance came for the hosts just past the 20 minute mark when Tom Bird's free kick picked out the unmarked Jerry Wiltshire, but he could only fire straight at Will Buse from close range. Tarik Moore-Azille then headed wide of the post from Bird's corner and Gilbert ballooned a strike over before Town won their first corner on 34 minutes following a terrific run from Ollie Chamberlain.

Incisiveness in front of goal improved two minutes later when the Peacocks took the lead with a well-worked strike. The referee played advantage for Zac Smith to find Holmes who in turn passed to Stearn, he slipped a neat pass through to Joe Budd who set up Holmes to curl a fine finish into the corner of Jacob Adams' net from 15 yards, one of the few moments of quality in the game. Stearn then fired a first time shot just wide from distance as Town returned to the changing rooms with their noses in front.

The Peacocks again had more of the play after the break but couldn't find a second goal to put the game to bed which eventually cost them. Casuals failed to clear an early corner, giving Budd a shooting chance, which was blocked, the follow-up from Chamberlain being drilled wide. Jay Foulston's cross was the wrong side of the inrushing Holmes and Stearn blasted a shot over after receiving Foulston's throw before a long kick downfield from Buse reached Stearn but the ball wouldn't come down for him to get a shot in.

Walton meanwhile were not posing too many problems for the Town rearguard apart from Adam Liddle's cross flashing across goal and a free kick being conceded in a dangerous position just outside the box after Gordon had been tripped. The chipped set piece from Bird beat the wall but not Buse who caught comfortably. All too often though the football lacked composure from both sides.

Casuals' skipper Gabriel Odunaike drove wide after benefitting from a ricochet and

when Shaun McAuley's cross failed to get a touch from a Walton player it appeared as though Town would escape with the points as the match began to peter out. However, they were undone by a tame equaliser on 87 minutes, Gordon making inroads from the right before curling a cross towards the far post which escaped the attentions of all to sneak in at the post.

Town had one last opportunity to regain their advantage, a decent break ending with Stearn's shot being deflected for a corner from which Ben Adelsbury's header was caught by Adams at the back post. The contest ended on an acrimonious note in stoppage time when a straight red for Jake Wannell and a second yellow for Liddle saw both dismissed following a scuffle which sparked a melee between the teams, unfortunate given the benign nature of the previous 90 minutes.

On a positive note, it was another point on the road for the Peacocks who extend their unbeaten run to four games. In reality though it should have been all three from a match which will not live long in the memory.



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1 Farnborough	19	15	1	3	44	25	+19	46
2 Metropolitan Police	18	12	4	2	28	11	+17	40
3 Gosport Borough	20	11	3	6	34	23	+11	36
4 Hayes & Yeading United	15	11	2	2	38	13	+25	35
5 Chesham United	21	9	7	5	36	30	+6	34
6 YATE TOWN	18	9	5	4	33	20	+13	32
7 Poole Town	21	9	5	7	37	34	+3	32
8 Weston-super-Mare	18	10	1	7	25	18	+7	31
9 Harrow Borough	18	10	0	8	29	25	+4	30
10 TAUNTON TOWN	18	8	5	5	31	21	+10	29
11 Hendon	21	9	2	10	34	33	+1	29
12 Salisbury	19	8	4	7	30	31	-1	28
13 Truro City	17	8	3	6	25	21	+4	27
14 Walton Casuals	20	7	5	8	27	36	-9	26
15 Swindon Supermarine	21	6	7	8	28	33	-5	25
16 Tiverton Town	18	6	5	7	27	24	+3	23
17 Dorchester Town	22	7	1	14	24	31	-7	22
18 Beaconsfield Town	22	6	4	12	32	54	-22	22
19 Hartley Wintney	19	4	4	11	25	43	-18	16
20 Kings Langley	21	3	5	13	22	37	-15	14
21 Merthyr Town	20	2	5	13	22	44	-22	11
22 Wimborne Town	18	1	4	13	14	38	-24	7

- P - Position GP - Games Played W - Won L - Lost D - Drawn F - For A - Against PTS - Points -

Results - Saturday 4th December 2021

Beaconsfield Town 0-4 Yate Town
 Chesham United 3-1 Truro City
 Dorchester Town 3-1 Harrow Borough
 Farnborough 3-2 Merthyr Town
 Hartley Wintney 1-2 Weston-super-Mare
 Hayes & Yeading United 1-2 Metropolitan Police
 Poole Town 6-2 Kings Langley
 Swindon Supermarine 2-1 Salisbury
 Tiverton Town 2-2 Gosport Borough
 Walton Casuals 1-1 Taunton Town
 Wimborne Town 1-4 Hendon

Tonight's Other Fixtures - Tuesday 7th December 2021

7.45pm Chesham United v Harrow Borough
 7.45pm Truro City v Tiverton Town
 7.45pm Walton Casuals v Hayes & Yeading United

Pitching In Southern Premier South - Top 10 Goalscorers

Player Name	Club	Goals
Tony-James Lee	Poole Town	24
Bradley Clayton	Chesham United	13
Francis Amartey	Hayes & Yeading United	10
Liam Brooks	Hendon	10
Nathan Minhas	Beaconsfield Town	10
Paul Hodges	Farnborough	10
Moses Emmanuel	Hayes & Yeading United	10
Oliver Mehew	Yate Town	9
James Ewington	Harrow Borough	9
Hassan Jalloh	Hayes & Yeading United	9

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C O L U M N

For some reason, I've got a rather an and fascination with the mentality of football managers at the moment.

You may recall in my last NLP programme column, I highlighted the new-age approach of the modern-day coach and questioned whether their scientific methods were over-complicating the simple and beautiful game.

Since then, we've seen a number of notable shifts in momentum across the Non-League game that only emphasizes my point further.

I've said for a long time that Non-League managers are one of a kind and that has been proved beyond doubt so far this season.

Take the situation at Barnet. No fewer than 11 managers have occupied the hotseat at The Hive over the last three years and only now are they actually showing signs of stability and, with it, progression.

The Bees were mighty fortunate to avoid the drop from the National League over the two Covid-hit seasons and this summer recruited former Leeds, Liverpool and Australian international Harry Kewell as their new manager.

As talented a coach as Harry clearly is, this never seemed the right fit and it was no surprise to us at NLP Towers to see the experiment come to a premature end with the club having taken just two points from their first seven games.

The answer, we believe, was under their nose all the time. Dean Brennan had been hired alongside Kewell to "oversee off-field football matters" - a role every bit as odd as it sounds.

Dean is one of Non-League football's brightest young managers having plied his trade at Hemel Hempstead Town, Billericay,

Kingstonian and Wealdstone and it's no surprise to see him turning things around at The Hive in the manager's chair.

Another team forced into a change were Stockport County. Simon Rusk, fresh from the Brighton & Hove Albion academy, showed glimpses of why he is so highly-rated in the game but hardly pulled up trees with one of the divisions biggest budgets.

Cue then Dave Challinor, lured from Hartlepool United having steered them back into the Football League last season and suddenly Stockport look like world beaters. Don't be surprised to see Challinor adding another promotion to his glittering CV come May.

Phil Brown was another who struggled to adjust. The perma-tan boss may have managed in the top-flight with Hull City but looked a fish out of water in the National League at Southend United, prompting the Shrimpers to make an enforced change just 10 games into the club's first-ever Non-League campaign.

Indeed, testimony to the unique nature of a Non-League manager's job came from former England international Carlton Palmer in The NLP last week.

Speaking to Matt Badcock, Palmer told how his short spell in charge of Grantham Town proved a huge eye-opener, admitting that he wasn't fully prepared for the rigours of managing in the seventh tier of English football.

Palmer did, however, say he learned some valuable lessons in charge of the Gingerbreads and says he is ready for another crack of the whip with a fresh attitude and approach in place.

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Aug 14 th	League	Wimborne Town	Away	1-4 W	595
Aug 17 th	League	Dorchester Town	Home	2-1 W	526
Aug 21 st	League	Metropolitan Police	Home	0-1 L	435
Aug 28 th	League	Hayes & Yeading United	Away	1-2 L	253
Aug 30 th	League	Truro City	Home	2-1 W	623
Sep 4 th	FA Cup 1 st Q	Shepton Mallet	Away	1-8 W	362
Sep 7 th	League Cup	Bideford	Away	1-1 (2-4) W	157
Sep 11 th	League	Farnborough	Away	3-2 L	446
Sep 14 th	League	Poole Town	Away	2-2 D	318
Sep 18 th	FA Cup 2 nd Q	Weston-super-Mare	Away	5-1 L	706
Sep 25 th	League	Walton Casuals	Home	3-0 W	331
Sep 28 th	League	Yate Town	Home	P-P	-
Oct 2 nd	League	Hartley Wintney	Away	1-2 W	175
Oct 5 th	Somerset Cup	Ashton & Backwell	Home	1-1 (4-5) L	181
Oct 9 th	League	Kings Langley	Away	1-1 D	285
Oct 12 th	League Cup 1 st	Barnstaple Town	Home	6-0 W	204
Oct 16 th	League	Beaconsfield Town	Home	7-1 W	524
Oct 19 th	League	Swindon Supermarine	Away	0-1 W	204
Oct 23 rd	League	Hendon	Away	2-0 L	174
Oct 30 th	FAT 3 rd Q	Weston-super-Mare	Away	3-2 L	480

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	VENUE	KO/SCORE	ATT
Nov 9 th	League Cup 2 nd	Truro City	Home	3-1 W	317
Nov 13 th	League	Yate Town	Away	0-0 D	295
Nov 16 th	League	Weston-super-Mare	Away	2-0 L	691
Nov 20 th	League	Gosport Borough	Home	2-1 W	522
Nov 27 th	League	Poole Town	Home	1-1 D	540
Nov 30 th	League Cup 3 rd	Weston-super-Mare	Away	1-2 W	262
Dec 4 th	League	Walton Casuals	Away	1-1 D	165
Dec 7 th	League	Yate Town	Home	7:45pm	-
Dec 11 th	League	Hartley Wintney	Home	3:00pm	-
Dec 18 th	League	Chesham United	Away	3:00pm	-
Dec 21 st	League	Harrow Borough	Home	7:45pm	-
Dec 27 th	League	Truro City	Away	3:00pm	-
Jan 3 rd	League	Tiverton Town	Home	3:00pm	-
Jan 8 th	League	Dorchester Town	Away	3:00pm	-
Jan 15 th	League	Wimborne Town	Home	3:00pm	-
Jan 18 th	League	Merthyr Town	Home	7:45pm	-
Jan 22 nd	League	Beaconsfield Town	Away	3:00pm	-
Feb 5 th	League	Merthyr Town	Away	3:00pm	-
Feb 12 th	League	Swindon Supermarine	Home	3:00pm	-
Feb 19 th	League	Hendon	Home	3:00pm	-
Feb 26 th	League	Harrow Borough	Away	3:00pm	-
Mar 5 th	League	Salisbury	Away	3:00pm	-
Mar 19 th	League	Chesham United	Home	3:00pm	-
Mar 26 th	League	Gosport Borough	Away	3:00pm	-
Apr 2 nd	League	Weston-super-Mare	Home	3:00pm	-
Apr 9 th	League	Metropolitan Police	Away	3:00pm	-
Apr 16 th	League	Hayes & Yeading United	Home	3:00pm	-
Apr 18 th	League	Tiverton Town	Away	3:00pm	-
Apr 23 rd	League	Farnborough	Home	3:00pm	-



CYGNET HEALTHCARE STADIUM REGULATIONS

Persons entering this stadium must abide by the Stadium Regulations as printed in the matchday programme and displayed on posters inside the stadium. Failure to do so may result in ejection from the premises, a ban from attending any future events and also be the subject of a football banning order. Admission to and the right remain within the stadium is strictly on condition that any person attending will adhere to the Stadium Regulations as detailed below.

1. All persons must comply with any directions given by a Steward, Club Official or Police Officer.
2. Encroachment onto the playing area, sterile area, or its adjoining parts is prohibited.
3. Climbing on any building, wall, fence or any other structure is prohibited.
4. Persons must not throw any object onto the pitch or within the spectator areas.
5. Persons must not be in possession of, and/or lighting any firework or flare.
6. Chanting or singing of an obscene, indecent, discriminatory or offensive nature is not permitted.
7. Persons must not use obscene, indecent, discriminatory, offensive or threatening language.
8. Persons must not use obscene, indecent, discriminatory, offensive or threatening gestures.
9. Persons must not damage or deface Club and Stadium property.
10. Persons must not damage, deface or obstruct any notice or advertisement.
11. Alcohol must not be brought into the stadium.
12. Persons must not consume alcohol that has not been purchased at Taunton Town FC.
13. Persons must not consume alcohol in any alcohol free designated areas.
14. There will be zero tolerance to alcohol abuse/misuse.
15. There will be zero tolerance to drug possession, use and abuse.
16. Smoking is permitted in the stadium except in areas designated as a No Smoking area.
17. Umbrellas are permitted within the stadium but must not be used if obstructing the view of other spectators.

Spectators must also note the following:

- A) The Club does not accept any responsibility or liability whatsoever for any loss or damage to vehicles or their contents, or any other personal property brought onto the Clubs premises and stadium.
- B) The Club is unable to accept any additional responsibility for minors attending matches beyond those matters covered by the Stadium Regulations.
- C) Photography and use of video including CCTV is in operation at all matches and events and may be used in any of our media channels as well as press releases.
- D) Dogs on a lead are permitted in the Stadium but they remain the sole responsibility of their owner at all times.

THE CLUB RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CARRY OUT PERSONAL SECURITY SEARCHES AND/OR REFUSE ADMISSION TO ANY PERSON AT ANY TIME, WITHOUT EXPLANATION.

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TONIGHT'S TEAMS

Tuesday 7th December 2021 - 7:45pm Kick-Off



Head of Football
Rob DRAY

Manager
Paul MICHAEL

● Will BUSE - GK	● ● ●	● Andrew HANNAH	● ● ●
● Joe BUDD	● ● ●	● Sam TURL	● ● ●
● Jay FOULSTON	● ● ●	● Will TUNNICLIFF	● ● ●
● Ben ADELSBURY	● ● ●	● Nick RHODES	● ● ●
● Nick GRIMES	● ● ●	● Liam ANGEL	● ● ●
● Jake WANNELL	● ● ●	● Matt BOWER	● ● ●
● Ollie CHAMBERLAIN	● ● ●	● Joe TUMELTY	● ● ●
● Toby HOLMES	● ● ●	● Andy LEWIS	● ● ●
● Dan SULLIVAN	● ● ●	● Ricardo REES	● ● ●
● Joe GUEST	● ● ●	● Joe HALL	● ● ●
● Jack GOODALL	● ● ●	● Sam KAMARA	● ● ●
● Ross STEARN	● ● ●	● Joshua ALLEN	● ● ●
● Gethyn HILL	● ● ●	● Stuart FLEETWOOD	● ● ●
● Conor HARTLEY	● ● ●	● Olly MEHEW	● ● ●
● Zac SMITH	● ● ●	● James HARDING	● ● ●
● Jack VEALE	● ● ●	●	● ● ●
● Ross STALEY	● ● ●	●	● ● ●
● Jared LEWINGTON	● ● ●	●	● ● ●
● loan RICHARDS	● ● ●	●	● ● ●
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MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Graham PEARCE

Assistant Referee: Jack BROMHAM Assistant Referee: Kevin RODD

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