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Winners 2000-01

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# THE GAFFER

*Rob Dray*

Good afternoon and welcome back to the Cygnet Healthcare Stadium, as we welcome James Stokoe and his Wimborne Town team to Taunton for today's league game.

It was disappointing not to get the League Cup Quarter Final played on Tuesday against Paulton Rovers, but that is something to look forward to next week. For now our full and undevoted focus is on today and getting another important three points that are on offer.

We are in a very good position just outside the playoff places with games in hand over those above us. Our opponents will be looking to for the points for completely different reasons, so we will have to be switched on from the outset and not take anything for granted.

The support this season has been fantastic and we will need everyone of you to get behind us in the second part of the season as we look to get in the mix.

Up The Peacocks!

*Rob*

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# THE AWAY END

## Wimborne Town

Wimborne Town Football Club was formed in 1878 and originally catered for both football and rugby. In 1884 the South Hampshire and Dorset Football Association was formed with Wimborne as one of the founder members. Three years later the Club became a founder member of the Dorset County Football Association. The Club's first success came in 1913 when they won the Dorset Minor Cup for the only time. A year later they were runners-up in the Dorset Junior Challenge Cup.

The Thirties were a triumphant period in Wimborne Town's history as they carried off the Dorset League Division Two title three times and finished runners-up on a further occasion. The Magpies were also runners-up in Dorset League Division One in 1939. This period also proved successful for Wimborne in cup competitions. The Dorset Junior Challenge Cup was won twice in three final appearances and the Magpies enjoyed four Dorset Junior Amateur Cup victories in five seasons between 1935 and 1939.

Wimborne's first senior honour came in 1937 with the Dorset Senior Amateur Cup but this turned out to be the last honour for some while and it was not until 1964 that this success was repeated. After another lean spell, this time 17 years, Wimborne won the Dorset League Division One championship without losing a match. The Reserve team retained the championship the following season.

In 1981, following the installation of floodlights and the construction of a perimeter wall and new changing rooms at their Cuthbury ground, Wimborne were admitted to the First Division of the Western League. They immediately established themselves among the leading clubs, just losing out on third spot to local rivals Swanage on goal difference. The 1984/85 season saw Wimborne Town's most

successful in the Western League when they finished in third place, this time ahead of Swanage on goal difference.

Wimborne Town joined the Wessex League in 1987 and stayed for the next 23 seasons, finishing outside the top eight only once. During that time the Magpies won the title on three occasions, in 1991/92, 1993/4 and 1999/2000 and twice finished runners-up, in 1992/93 and 1996/97. Wimborne won the Wessex League Cup in 1993/94 to become the first club to achieve the League and Cup double and this feat was repeated in 1999/2000 & 2007/08. They were also runners-up in 1990/91 and 1995/96.

In recent years, Wimborne Town have appeared in 12 County Cup Finals. The Dorset Senior Challenge Cup Final has been contested eight times with victories in 1991/92 and 1996/97. Wimborne have also reached the Dorset League Cup Final on four occasions.

The Magpies entered FA competitions for the first time in many years in 1982/83 when wins over Bridport, Falmouth Town, St Blazey, Bath City and Merthyr Tydfil earned them a visit to Aldershot, then a Football League side, in the First Round Proper. That's where the Wembley dream ended, however, with a gallant 4-0 exit.

Before 1992, Wimborne Town's best performances in the FA Vase had brought them Third Round appearances on three occasions. However, that record was eclipsed in 1992, when the Club, led by Chairman Brian Maidment & manager Alex Pike, enjoyed an epic run to the Wembley final where they defeated favourites Guiseley 5-3 to lift the trophy. In so doing, Wimborne Town became the first ever Dorset club at any level to contest a Wembley final. During that same historic season, Wimborne also won the Dorset Senior Challenge Cup and Wessex League championship to complete a unique treble of trophies.

Season 2009/10 saw the Club, managed by Alex Browne, gain promotion to the Southern League, the highest position in the non-league pyramid that Wimborne Town has occupied in its history.

Steve Cuss was appointed manager in June 2011 and he led the Magpies to 12<sup>th</sup> spot in the table in season 2012/13. After four years of service, during which time Steve established the Club in the Southern League and led them to the First Round



Proper of the FA Trophy in 2014/15, he resigned in November 2015, club stalwart Paul Roast took over as caretaker boss before replacement Simon Browne the brother of previous manager Alex took over full time. Unfortunately, Simon's financial expectations for the 2016-17 season could not be met, the playing budget being slashed and most of the squad leaving, relegation was avoided and he resigned in May 2016.

In July 2016, ex professional and former AFC Bournemouth Pre-Academy Lead Coach, Matty Holmes joined Wimborne Town as 1st Team Manager. Matty brought his brother Danny with him. Together, they work hard on introducing a new brand of football, which has proved both pleasing to the eye and effective. Matty assembled a strong but young squad which achieved our then highest position in the Southern League of 11th.

The team improved on that in 2017-18, finishing 3rd on 77 points, having scored over 100 goals, and winning the Dorset Senior Cup for the first time in 21 years. The euphoria was muted by a play-off final defeat by Swindon Supermarine in a penalty shoot-out. However, the restructuring of leagues at Steps 3 and 4, and the demise of Shaw Lane FC led to a late promotion for Wimborne as the highest performing team not already promoted.

In 2018/19 The Magpies played at Step 3 for the first time in their history in the Southern League Premier South. After an initial struggle, they held their own in the bottom half of the table. And on a dramatic last day of the season, when seven teams were in danger of falling into the third relegation spot, Wimborne ended up in 14th place, albeit with just three points to spare.

In September 2019 Matty Holmes stepped down as Wimborne Team Manager to concentrate on building and setting up the new Wimborne Town FC Elite Academy, something that Matty had been building up since his time with Wimborne Town FC.

Matty's brother Danny stepped up from Assistant Manager to become Manager with James Stokoe taking on the role as Assistant/Player Manager. When the 2019/20 season was abandoned in March, Wimborne were lying in 15th place.

As thoughts turned to the 2020/21 season, and with club budgets under serious

scrutiny, Danny Holmes resigned as Manager. The Board wasted no time in appointing club legend James Stokoe as Manager, and he brought in another former player, Mark Gamble, as his Assistant. But with only five players remaining from the previous season, and on a vastly reduced budget, the new management duo set about rebuilding the team.

Although the league season was again curtailed with Wimborne having played just 6 games, there was time for the club to have a thrilling FA Cup run - reaching the 4th Round Qualifying for the first time since 1986.

In December 2020 the club moved into its brand new stadium, named New Cuthbury, on the other side of town. The Development Team were able to successfully complete their season at the new ground winning the Hampshire Combination and Development League Premier Division, but the first team had to wait until the start of the 2021/22 season to play their first league game there.

In the summer of 2021 a 3G training pitch was installed next to the main ground and will be used by the club's new Academy, Development Centre teams from U9s to U16s, and 20 Youth teams. The future for the club looks exciting.







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# MEET THE OPPO

## Wimborne Town

### ● JAMES STOKOE - Midfield/Manager

In his two spells with the club as a player, James has made over 450 appearances and scored over 100 goals. His previous clubs include Eastleigh, Bashley, Lymington & New Milton, and Farnborough. His first step into management came in 2019/20 when he was appointed Player / Assistant Manager. under Danny Holmes

### ● MARK GAMBLE - Striker

In his three seasons as a player at WTFC, 'Gambo' scored 77 goals in 99 appearances. Mark managed the BTEC programme at Southampton for 12 years. He holds a UEFA B licence.

### ● DAN BARTLETT - Midfield

Joined the club this month

### ● LEWIS BEALE - Striker

On a short loan from Vanarama National League side Eastleigh FC. Lewis came through the ranks at the Silverlake Stadium, making his first-team debut in 2018/19. He has had previous loan spells at US Portsmouth, AFC Totton, and Metropolitan Police, for whom he scored 4 times in 9 games.

### ● JEZ BEDFORD - Midfield

Jez was at Portsmouth in their Youth set-up from age 14-19. After first being on loan, he then joined Poole Town, making over 100 appearances for the Dolphins. He has now crossed over the River Stour to join the Magpies.

### ● GERARD BENFIELD - Goalkeeper

Joined the club this month

### ● DANIEL CANN - Striker

Joined the club in October 2021

### ● JAKE CARSWELL - Midfield

Jake's formative football years took in the Matt Le Tissier Academy, Grange Athletic, and New Milton. Last season he captained Wimborne's Development Team which won the Hampshire Combination and Development League Premier Division.

### ● CALLUM CHUGG - Defence

Callum started out at Blackfield & Langley aged 16. He moved to AFC Fawley, AFC Totton, Gosport Borough, then back to Blackfield and Totton before joining the Magpies in the summer as one of Manager Stokoe's first signings.

### ● RYAN HALL - Goalkeeper

Ryan started off in the Portsmouth Academy 2008-16, before joining Aldershot Town 2016-21. The biggest game he's played in was in the National League for Aldershot against Bromley.

### ● JAMIE HENRY - Midfield

Jamie was at Aberdeen FC for 3 years, captaining the under 20s team and winning the league. He then signed with Arbroath in 2017 playing half a season there before moving onto Annan Athletic. After that he signed for Pollok FC who are a big semi pro club in Glasgow. He played there until signing for Wimborne in September 2020.

### ● MARK JAMISON - Defender

Mark rejoined The Magpies in September 2021. Ten years previously he was with us for our second season in the Southern League under Manager Steve Cuss, making 29 appearances. On the team photo for that season, Mark, as a 19 year old newboy, managed to position himself on the front row between the club captain and club officials. After that season Mark moved away for work and study and played for a number of teams in the London area, including Wingate & Finchley, Beaconsfield and finally Corinthian Casuals. He was with Casuals for three seasons playing in the Isthmian Premier before returning to Wimborne.

### ● JAMES LANGDON - Goalkeeper

James recently graduated from

Bournemouth University with a B.Sc. in Sports Management.

### ● REGAN MASON - Defender

Regan played for AFC Bournemouth's u19's to u16's before joining Wimborne in the Development Team (now renamed Reserves) and signing for the first team in summer 2021

### ● BILLY MAYBURY - Defender

Re-signed in September 2021.

### ● LOUIS McWILLIAMS - Midfield

Signed for the club in June 2021.

### ● HARRY MORGAN - Midfield

As a schoolboy, Harry was at AFC Bournemouth and Ringwood before breaking into the first teams at Ringwood and Christchurch. Next he was at Bashley for 5 years combined with playing for Bath University First XI, Bath City U23s, and a year in Australia. He was with Weymouth's first team squad at the start of the 2019-20 season. Harry's preferred position is the no.10 role, but is happy anywhere in the centre of the park.

### ● CONNAL MORRISON - Defender

Connal was at AFC Bournemouth for 11 years, and also played for Portadown in Northern Ireland. The biggest game he played in was against Tottenham in the FA Youth cup.

### ● BEN SCOREY - Defender

Ben played for AFC Bournemouth U9's-16's, before doing a scholarship with



Eastleigh and earning a professional contract there. He was released at the end of last season and joined The Magpies.

● **CAMERON SMITH** - Midfield  
Cam's football development included the AFC Bournemouth Academy and Wales National Development squad at u14 & u15 before being part of Wimborne's Development Team.

● **DAN STRUGNELL** - Defence  
Dan was at AFC Bournemouth from age 12 to 20. He then spent 7 years at Havant & Waterlooville achieving back to back promotions from the Ryman Premier and National League South, playing in the National League in 2018-19. Last season he was at Dorchester for a brief spell before joining Gosport. While at AFCB Dan had his first taste of senior football in loan at Wimborne in 2011.

● **JACK TORNIAINEN** - Defender  
Jack has joined Wimborne on dual-registration with Vanarama National League side Eastleigh. He previously had a short spell with our league rivals Beaconsfield Town. The 20 year old defender signed full-time with the Spitfires in the summer having impressed in the club's development team since arriving in July 2020. He was originally on the books at Championship side AFC Bournemouth where he progressed to play regularly for the Cherries under 18 side. He also got his first taste of senior

football with a loan spell with Dorchester Town from September 2019 until January 2020 where he played 12 games scoring once.

● **CURTIS YOUNG** - Forward  
Curtis was at AFC Bournemouth from 2007 to 2017. He then had a season at AFC Totton before joining The Magpies in 2018.



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## THIS SEASON AT A GLANCE

GAMES  
PLAYED

23

GAMES  
PLAYED

22

WON

12

WON

2

DRAWN

6

DRAWN

5

LOST

5

LOST

15

POINTS

42

POINTS

11



## LEAGUE POSITION - 6<sup>th</sup>

**FORM** (Last 6 matches) - P 6, W 4, D 2, L 0, F 15, A 5, GD +10, PTS 14

**FORM** (Last 4 at home) - P 4, W 3, D 1, L 0, F 13, A 4, GD +9, PTS 10

**HOME & AWAY POINTS %** - HOME 60%, AWAY 40%

Taunton Town are ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in the league in scoring having scored forty-five goals so far this season and are ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in defending, having conceded twenty-five goals so far in the 2021/22 season.



## LEAGUE POSITION - 22<sup>nd</sup>

**FORM** (Last 6 matches) - P 6, W 1, D 1, L 4, F 9, A 16, GD -7, PTS 4

**FORM** (Last 4 away) - P 4, W 0, D 1, L 3, F 3, A 10, GD -7 PTS 1

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

Wimborne Town are ranked 22<sup>nd</sup> in the league in scoring having scored twenty-two goals so far this season and are ranked 19<sup>th</sup> in defending, having conceded forty-eight goals so far in the 2021/22 season.

Statistics courtesy of [www.soccerstats.com](http://www.soccerstats.com)





# MATCH REPORT

## DORCHESTER TOWN TAUNTON TOWN

Half Time: 0 **0**

Half Time: 1 **1**

PITCHING IN SOUTHERN LEAGUE, PREMIER SOUTH - SATURDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2022

VENUE: THE AVENUE STADIUM - ATTENDANCE: 389

Jared Lewington's 10th goal of the season proved sufficient to maintain the Peacock's unbeaten run as they claimed the League double over the Magpies. Dorchester had proved a difficult nut to crack earlier in the season when Town scraped through with a 2-1 win and the contest at the Avenue Stadium was no different, Lewington's header being the reward for some excellent football in the first half before the hosts clawed themselves back into the game after the break when the Peacocks had to show their defensive mettle.

With defender Jake Wannell ruled out with a hand injury, the side had to be shuffled following Monday's win over Tiverton, with Zac Smith stepping back into the team on the right. A wet afternoon did not deter a sizeable travelling support from making the journey into Dorset and they saw their team make a confident start on the 3G pitch.

Ross Stearn's cross was deflected to Magpies' keeper Jack Bycroft before the first opening came after three minutes, Chamberlain crossing from the left to find Lewington who glanced a header wide of the target.

The first home foray saw Will Buse claim a Tiago Sa cross, but it was the visitors who were looking much the better side going forward. After Chamberlain had a low shot from the edge of the box held by Bycroft, the Magpies' keeper was beaten after 17 minutes when the Peacocks scored what proved to be the winner. A break down the right saw Zac Smith curl in an enticing cross which Lewington skilfully headed across Bycroft into the far corner.

Town were spraying the ball around nicely with Lloyd James instrumental in the middle and it was from his cross that Town came

close again, the ball reaching Chamberlain whose strike from the left took a deflection and Bycroft tipped over. Another Chamberlain centre across goal couldn't pick out a teammate while James had an effort blocked before the only real moment of concern for Town in the opening period came just past the half hour mark when Olaf Koszela got clear from the middle and despite rounding Buse, the Peacocks' custodian managed to intervene and claim the ball. A brief flurry from the home side before the interval led to Koszela's shot being blocked by Jay Foulston but Town were well worth their lead at the break.

The visitors were forced to make a change ahead of the action resuming, birthday boy Gethyn Hill coming on for Toby Holmes who had seemed to jar his ankle on the plastic surface towards the end of the first half. Town's goalscorer Lewington soon followed with a knock, and he was replaced by Dan Sullivan whose first contribution was a goalbound shot which deflected for a throw-in. Chamberlain, who had a fine game on the flank, also fired in an effort which went wide while a good build-up on the left ended with Stearn's strike from the edge of the box, but the effort proved a routine stop for Bycroft. Stearn did have the ball in the net soon after, latching onto Chamberlain's lofted pass, but the flag was already raised for offside.

Town made their third and final substitution when Joe Budd replaced Stearn and he was soon involved, having a low shot held by Bycroft after the ball had fallen loose from Chamberlain's cross. Dorchester

though were having more possession as the half progressed and with only a single goal advantage there was always a chance for the hosts but the Town defence were more than equal to what they had to offer. Pressure from the Magpies saw Alfie Stanley neatly turn on the edge of the area and curl a shot narrowly past the post and Buse then easily held a strike from Tom Purrington. At the opposite end, the Peacocks couldn't engineer a second to make the game safe, Nick Grimes heading wide from a James free kick.

There were some nervy moments as the final minutes ticked away, Chamberlain receiving the only booking of the game, but the free kick came to nothing, before six minutes of stoppage time were signalled. Quite where that amount of added time came from is a mystery and tempers became more heated two minutes into stoppage when Joe Guest's pass over the top found Sullivan whose drive from 16 yards was clearly palmed over the top by keeper Bycroft. Referee Clinton mystifyingly awarded a goal kick instead, angering fans, players, and management alike which culminated in Rob Dray and Jared Lewington being sent from the bench. Buse had to make one final save, clutching a Koszela shot from the edge of the box but the Peacocks had done enough to chalk off another win and keep their interest very much alive in 6th spot.





## SOUTHERN LEAGUE - PREMIER SOUTH

| P Team                   | GP        | W         | D        | L         | F         | A         | +/-        | PTS       |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| 1 Farnborough            | 24        | 18        | 2        | 4         | 52        | 30        | +22        | 56        |
| 2 Metropolitan Police    | 25        | 14        | 6        | 5         | 38        | 22        | +16        | 48        |
| 3 Hayes & Yeading United | 21        | 14        | 2        | 5         | 51        | 22        | +29        | 44        |
| 4 Gosport Borough        | 25        | 13        | 4        | 8         | 43        | 29        | +14        | 43        |
| 5 Chesham United         | 26        | 11        | 10       | 5         | 45        | 34        | +11        | 43        |
| <b>6 TAUNTON TOWN</b>    | <b>23</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>5</b>  | <b>45</b> | <b>25</b> | <b>+20</b> | <b>42</b> |
| 7 Weston-super-Mare      | 23        | 13        | 2        | 8         | 35        | 25        | +10        | 41        |
| 8 Yate Town              | 21        | 11        | 6        | 4         | 39        | 22        | +17        | 39        |
| 9 Poole Town             | 25        | 11        | 6        | 8         | 47        | 40        | +7         | 39        |
| 10 Walton Casuals        | 26        | 11        | 5        | 10        | 39        | 42        | -3         | 38        |
| 11 Harrow Borough        | 24        | 11        | 2        | 11        | 36        | 42        | -6         | 35        |
| 12 Truro City            | 20        | 9         | 5        | 6         | 33        | 28        | +5         | 32        |
| 13 Beaconsfield Town     | 27        | 9         | 5        | 13        | 39        | 59        | -20        | 32        |
| 14 Hendon                | 24        | 9         | 3        | 12        | 37        | 39        | -2         | 30        |
| 15 Salisbury             | 22        | 8         | 6        | 8         | 33        | 39        | -6         | 30        |
| 16 Swindon Supermarine   | 24        | 7         | 7        | 10        | 31        | 39        | -8         | 28        |
| 17 Tiverton Town         | 22        | 6         | 7        | 9         | 35        | 35        | 0          | 25        |
| 18 Dorchester Town       | 26        | 7         | 2        | 17        | 27        | 39        | -12        | 23        |
| 19 Hartley Wintney       | 24        | 6         | 4        | 14        | 30        | 48        | -18        | 22        |
| 20 Kings Langley         | 26        | 4         | 7        | 15        | 29        | 47        | -18        | 19        |
| 21 Merthyr Town          | 24        | 2         | 6        | 16        | 25        | 57        | -32        | 12        |
| <b>22 WIMBORNE TOWN</b>  | <b>22</b> | <b>2</b>  | <b>5</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>-26</b> | <b>11</b> |

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

Results - Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Beaconsfield Town 1-0 Kings Langley  
 Dorchester Town 0-1 Taunton Town  
 Gosport Borough 1-0 Walton Casuals  
 Hayes & Yeading United 2-1 Hendon  
 Merthyr Town 1-3 Weston-super-Mare  
 Metropolitan Police 3-1 Swindon Supermarine

Upcoming Fixtures - Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

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

## Pitching In Southern Premier South - Top 10 Goalscorers

| Player Name     | Club                   | Goals |
|-----------------|------------------------|-------|
| Tony-James Lee  | Poole Town             | 25    |
| Moses Emmanuel  | Hayes & Yeading United | 16    |
| James Ewington  | Harrow Borough         | 15    |
| Tyler Harvey    | Truro City             | 13    |
| Francis Amartey | Hayes & Yeading United | 13    |
| Paul Hodges     | Farnborough            | 12    |
| Bradley Clayton | Chesham United         | 11    |
| Nathan Minhas   | Beaconsfield Town      | 11    |
| Liam Brooks     | Hendon                 | 11    |
| Toby Holmes     | Taunton Town           | 10    |

## NEXT UP

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## C O L U M N

Happy New Year and first we must ask: Is everything OK in the Premier League?

It's been difficult to open a newspaper, listen to the radio or watch the TV without hearing a top flight boss moaning about playing too many games over the festive period, bleating about a lack of players, not being able to use five subs in a game or even the League Cup schedule clogging up the calendar.

Apparently there is also concern about the fixture congestion after 18 games needed to be postponed in recent weeks. Although some welcome relief that UEFA will allow games to be played on the same nights as Champions League matches. Phew!

That sound you can hear is a collective laugh from Non-League as a whole, including fixture secretaries who might lose twice that amount of games to bad weather in the space of three days.

Look, it's easy to take pot shots at the whinging managers. When they are paid as well as they are, have access to the best facilities in elite sports and can rotate their squads far more easily than they let on, they probably deserve a bit of dig in the ribs.

Non-League managers and players will have a wry smile when thinking about the schedules their players, all while working proper day jobs around it, go through.

I've always felt that if those at the top of the game are concerned about player welfare, then it should be listened to. It should also be pointed out that the TV money they benefit from is based on the fact they have to play a lot of games, particularly around the Christmas period where demand is high.

But Christmas 2021 has also shown the interest for Non-League football, with crowds booming across the Pyramid. Four-figure crowds suddenly don't seem all that unusual at Steps 4, 5 and even 6.

And that's key for clubs to boost the coffers. Festive football is such an important money spinner for all Non-League clubs where the pounds across the turnstiles and the second spend in the bar is so crucial.

Fans flocking to grounds can probably be put down to a combination of factors. Apathy at the cost of higher football, thirst for live sport, people feeling comfortable in lower crowds are no doubt among a number of reasons.

Hopefully people have also seen enough that they want to return regularly. There are plenty of games to come this season. And after the last two seasons were hit by Covid, you won't hear much moaning about it down here.

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# FIXTURES

## & Results

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

| DATE                 | COMP                       | OPPONENTS              | VENUE | KO/SCORE | ATT   |
|----------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------|----------|-------|
| Nov 9 <sup>th</sup>  | League Cup 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Truro City             | Home  | 3-1 W    | 317   |
| Nov 13 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Yate Town              | Away  | 0-0 D    | 295   |
| Nov 16 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Weston-super-Mare      | Away  | 2-0 L    | 691   |
| Nov 20 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Gosport Borough        | Home  | 2-1 W    | 522   |
| Nov 27 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Poole Town             | Home  | 1-1 D    | 540   |
| Nov 30 <sup>th</sup> | League Cup 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Weston-super-Mare      | Away  | 1-2 W    | 262   |
| Dec 4 <sup>th</sup>  | League                     | Walton Casuals         | Away  | 1-1 D    | 165   |
| Dec 11 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Hartley Wintney        | Home  | 2-1 W    | 423   |
| Dec 18 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Chesham United         | Away  | 1-1 D    | 514   |
| Dec 21 <sup>st</sup> | League                     | Harrow Borough         | Home  | 7-1 W    | 501   |
| Jan 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | League                     | Tiverton Town          | Home  | 3-1 W    | 1,473 |
| Jan 8 <sup>th</sup>  | League                     | Dorchester Town        | Away  | 0-1 W    | 389   |
| Jan 15 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Wimborne Town          | Home  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Jan 18 <sup>th</sup> | League Cup QF              | Paulton Rovers         | Home  | 7:45pm   | -     |
| Jan 22 <sup>nd</sup> | League                     | Beaconsfield Town      | Away  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Jan 29 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Kings Langley          | Home  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Feb 1 <sup>st</sup>  | League                     | Salisbury              | Home  | 7:45pm   | -     |
| Feb 5 <sup>th</sup>  | League                     | Merthyr Town           | Away  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Feb 12 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Swindon Supermarine    | Home  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Feb 19 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Hendon                 | Home  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Feb 26 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Harrow Borough         | Away  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Mar 1 <sup>st</sup>  | League                     | Truro City             | Away  | 7:45pm   | -     |
| Mar 5 <sup>th</sup>  | League                     | Salisbury              | Away  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Mar 19 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Chesham United         | Home  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Mar 26 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Gosport Borough        | Away  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Apr 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | League                     | Weston-super-Mare      | Home  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Apr 9 <sup>th</sup>  | League                     | Metropolitan Police    | Away  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Apr 16 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Hayes & Yeading United | Home  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Apr 18 <sup>th</sup> | League                     | Tiverton Town          | Away  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| Apr 23 <sup>rd</sup> | League                     | Farnborough            | Home  | 3:00pm   | -     |
| TBA                  | League                     | Merthyr Town           | Home  | TBA      | -     |





## 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.

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Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022 - 3:00pm Kick-Off



Head of Football  
Rob DRAY



Premier South



Player/Manager  
James STOKOE

|                     |       |                    |       |
|---------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|
| ● Will BUSE - GK    | ● ● ● | ● Tommy SCOTT - GK | ● ● ● |
| ● Joe BUDD          | ● ● ● | ● Connal MORRISON  | ● ● ● |
| ● Jay FOULSTON      | ● ● ● | ● Callum CHUGG     | ● ● ● |
| ● Ben ADELSBURY     | ● ● ● | ● Scott ARNOLD     | ● ● ● |
| ● Nick GRIMES       | ● ● ● | ● Jamie HENRY      | ● ● ● |
| ● Jake WANNELL      | ● ● ● | ● Curtis YOUNG     | ● ● ● |
| ● Ollie CHAMBERLAIN | ● ● ● | ● Harry MORGAN     | ● ● ● |
| ● Toby HOLMES       | ● ● ● | ● Regan MASON      | ● ● ● |
| ● Dan SULLIVAN      | ● ● ● | ● Dan BARTLETT     | ● ● ● |
| ● Joe GUEST         | ● ● ● | ● Lewis BEALE      | ● ● ● |
| ● Ross STEARN       | ● ● ● | ● Jez BEDFORD      | ● ● ● |
| ● Gethyn HILL       | ● ● ● | ● James LANGDON    | ● ● ● |
| ● Conor HARTLEY     | ● ● ● | ● Louis KELLAWAY   | ● ● ● |
| ● Zac SMITH         | ● ● ● | ● Ben SCOREY       | ● ● ● |
| ● Jack VEALE        | ● ● ● | ● Mark JAMISON     | ● ● ● |
| ● Ross STALEY       | ● ● ● | ● Jack TORNIAINEN  | ● ● ● |
| ● Jared LEWINGTON   | ● ● ● | ● Billy MAYBURY    | ● ● ● |
| ● Ioan RICHARDS     | ● ● ● | ● James STOKOE     | ● ● ● |
| ● Lloyd JAMES       | ● ● ● | ● Mark GAMBLE      | ● ● ● |
| ●                   | ● ● ● | ●                  | ● ● ● |

## MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Jack CLENCH

Assistant Referee: Fraser LEWIS   Assistant Referee: Gregory WENTLAND

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