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The Gaffer

ROB DRAY

Good afternoon and welcome to the Cygnet Healthcare Stadium for today's Vanarama National League South match against our visitors from Cheshunt, my welcome extends to Craig Edwards, his players, management and supporters who join us today.

Well what a couple of weeks that was for us, the Saturday before last we found our scoring touch with a comprehensive victory over Tonbridge Angels 4-1 here. We then had a full week of training ahead of our Emirates FA Cup 1st Round tie at Milton Keynes Dons of SkyBet League 1, but alas we were unable to cause an upset and exited the competition with a 6-0 defeat, but it was a great day and thank you to everyone that made the long journey to support us and really get behind the team on the day, it was something very special that I will always remember.

Focus is now fully on league matters as we look to reproduce what we did against Tonbridge, get some wins on the board and start to climb the National League South table in order to consolidate our status in this league. It was disappointing for the weather to play it's part midweek as we had to postpone our scheduled league match with Havant & Waterlooville.

Please get behind the boys as you always do today and be in full voice for the team in claret and blue and enjoy the game.....Oh and one last thing, Up the Peacocks!

Rob

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The Away End

CHESHUNT

Cheshunt FC was the oldest amateur team in Hertfordshire back in 1931. Then the club disbanded, only to reform the year after the Second World War ended.

A gentlemen's amateur side of the same name preceded the current club. They were formed in 1880 and competed in the Athenian league, having future Spurs manager Arthur Rowe amongst their numbers, before folding in 1931.

A new Club was formed in 1946, making national headlines only four years later when they knocked holders Bromley out of the Amateur Cup in front of a still-record 5,000 spectators at their newly opened Cheshunt Stadium on Theobalds Lane. Over the next twenty years the Club switched various leagues before finally emulating their old namesakes and joining the Athenian league in 1964, gaining promotion to the top division under former Spurs and Wales winger Terry Medwin a few years later.

The 1970's saw the arrival of John Drabwell as Manager and during his spells in charge, the London Charity Cup, the Athenian league and Cup double and entry into the Isthmian league were all achieved. In 1978 the Ambers also reached the FA Cup 4th qualifying round for the fourth time, an achievement they have yet to equal or better.

Four years later they were knocked out of the last eight of the FA Vase, the furthest they've gone in any national competition, and also saw the beginning of a young Iain Dowie's career who would go onto great success both as a top flight player, a Northern Ireland international and eventually as a premier league manager.

Takeovers and withdrawals saw the near collapse of the club in the mid-80's causing them to tumble down into the Spartan league before returning to the Isthmian league six years later.

New Manager Andy Leese took over in 2002 and guided his side to two successive promotions and the top of the Isthmian premier league before his sudden departure and near relegation in 2005 when the club was switched across to the Southern premier league.

Relegation back to the lower Isthmian divisions came after three nail-biting seasons and another frustrating ten years would follow as the Club's new Chairman and owner, Dean Williamson, went through several managers before appointing Craig Edwards in January 2018.

Initially steering his side away from relegation, everything then clicked for Edwards and his team halfway through the

following campaign and promotion to the Isthmian Premier league was achieved with victory in the play-off final against Bracknell Town.

With level-three football finally regained and major plans for redevelopment of the ground in hand, things were looking good for the Ambers. However, two seasons of limited opportunities frustrated players and staff alike as the Covid pandemic saw the 19/20 and 20/21 curtailed. Working behind closed doors within health guidelines the club retained most of the squad built for step three, and made a flying start to life in the Isthmian Premiership in the club's 75th Anniversary year.

A fantastic FA trophy run saw the club

advance further than ever before finally going out to Vanarama National League champions Stockport County 1-0 in the 5th round. The Trophy run coincided with a slump in league form and a backlog of fixtures, the Ambers recovered in the latter stages of the season securing a play off place with one game in hand, and winning the Herts FA Senior Cup for the first time.

Play off wins, away from home, over Bishop's Stortford and Hornchurch see Cheshunt FC start the 22/23 season at the highest point of the football pyramid achieved in their 75 year history. The club continues to grow with Walking Football, Inclusive teams, A Women's Team and an ever expanding Youth section all seeing success over the season.





ONES TO WATCH



Rowan Liburd

Liburd signed for Cheshunt on loan from Billericay Town in November 2021. He made his debut for the club on 20th November 2021 in a 2-1 victory away to eventual Champions Worthing. He scored both of the goals. After scoring 14 goals in 15 games, Cheshunt purchased Liburd from Billericay on 27th February 2022, after his loan move expired. Liburd scored 19 goals across all competitions during the 21/22 season, helping us win the Hertfordshire Senior Cup for the first time in our history.



Preston Edwards

Preston started his second spell with Cheshunt FC in January 2022, having played at the end of the 2019/20 season. Preston has represented England 'C' and is a vastly experienced goalkeeper to have at this level, passing on information & skills, as well as turning in some match winning saves regularly.

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VIEW FROM THE STANDS - by Dave Webster

At the beginning of the 2022/23 campaign, if asked what one wanted or indeed expected from the season ahead. The response from many would have been to survive in the National League South and to have good runs in both major trophies. The FA Cup and the FA Trophy. No one can argue that to equal our previous best efforts in the FA Cup, and make the 1st round proper is an outstanding achievement.

Sadly today, we were up against a club that are 3 divisions higher than ourselves, and it showed throughout. Like at Ebbsfleet, we were outshone in every department. There was to be no giant killing today, or no Ronnie Radford's in this Taunton team. Our situation was not helped by a decision made as early as the 4th minute, when the linesman rose his flag, giving us the impression it was for an offside. Not so!!! The Dons were given a free kick in a very dangerous place which they duly scored from. Maybe Jack ought to have saved it. I have not seen the highlights yet. The goal put us on the back-foot for the rest of the game. If Jack was at error, he more than made up for it, with many out of this world saves.

Enough to earn him the man of the match award. Its no exaggeration to state we could have lost this match by double figures if not for our excellent keeper. Today, we were found out by a much classier club, no one can argue otherwise. At times it looked like boys against men.

The beauty of having good cup runs from a supporters perspective, is the opportunity it gives us to visit different grounds, as well as our club making a few quid as we progress. Today we were spoilt by the chance of seeing our team play at what I consider personally a top class stadium. It was an experience all of us present will never forget.

This is what the FA Cup is all about. A competition I have always loved, that has a special place in my heart. Yes, as someone that hates to lose, I am

gutted by the result. But it has done nothing to deter me from the love i feel for TTFC. Today could have gone either way, the Peacocks could have sneaked a 0-1 win, or we could have got stuffed. Unfortunately it went the way of the latter! With not a single effort on target, the MK defence will not have a easier day.

Guessing the players will be hurting even more than us fans right now. But they must now dust themselves down and concentrate on the task in hand on Tuesday, with the visit of 3rd placed Havant & Waterlooville. Forget today, what's done is done. Full focus must be gave to this match. If half of the supporters present today, turn up on Tues, then that will be great. But something tells me they won't. Please prove me wrong! We are currently in 17th place, and need something from this game. Maybe 3 points is a big ask, but we must go for it.

Staying in this division is the priority, and with a run of 4 home matches, the need to not drop points at home is now paramount. Heads up lads, we also still have the FA Trophy tie verses Dulwich Hamlet coming up. Still so much to look forward to. UTP.





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EMIRATES FA CUP 1st ROUND - SATURDAY 5th NOVEMBER 2022

VENUE: STADIUM MK - ATTENDANCE: 2,739

There was to be no November 5th fireworks from the Peacocks as they suffered a comprehensive defeat at Stadium MK to end their FA Cup aspirations for another year. The League One side were in the driving seat from the moment they grabbed the lead after just six minutes and from then on it was an uphill battle for Town to cope with the quality of football displayed by the full timers.

Head of Football Rob Dray made just the one change from the previous match against Tonbridge, Nick McCootie replacing Dave Sims-Burgess up front. Town were actually the first to encroach in the opposition half, a foul on Ollie Chamberlain presenting Lloyd James with a free kick which was swung in but comfortably cleared. It very soon became evident though that the Dons were a class or two above the usual opposition faced on a Saturday afternoon. A good interception by Chamberlain averted danger when Louie Barry threatened before MK took an early lead on six minutes. Will Grigg was brought down by Joe Guest just outside the area on the left side and the Town wall failed to do its job as Dawson Devoy fired through it to beat Jack Bycroft at his right-hand post.

Livewire Aston Villa loanee Barry saw a shot blocked and Bycroft came out to gather ahead of the incoming Daniel Harvie as the home side gave no time for Town to regroup which produced a second goal after 12 minutes, Lewington finding

Harvie whose low cross from the left was almost nonchalantly stroked past Bycroft from six yards by former Wigan and Sunderland striker Will Grigg.

A Nick Grimes surge into the Dons' half had promise but he opted to shoot rather than find Chamberlain free out wide and his effort travelled wide while Jay Foulston looped a free kick in which fell to Grimes on the right, however his attempted cross back ricocheted off him for a goal kick. Opportunities for Town proved rare though as the hosts dominated, retaining possession with ease, and constantly looking for gaps which unfortunately they found too regularly.

Bycroft made a fantastic touchover from Devoy's strike although the flag was already raised while Barry beat two men to drill across goal for Dan Ball to clear. Another cross from Darragh Burns was cleared as far as Devoy who fired over the target, Barry turned to shoot just wide from 20 yards and Grimes intervened to thwart Grigg from profiting from a Devoy cross as the Peacocks were forced to mainly defend, their only relief coming when Guest released Chamberlain whose shot took a slight deflection to drift benignly to home keeper Franco Ravizzoli. His opposite number Bycroft then did superbly well to deny Barry who had skipped clear just before the break, his pace taking him into the box, but Bycroft spread his body to get something on the effort to divert it over the bar. The first half ended with Town just about clinging on to the game, two goals

down but needing a big improvement at both ends if any ideas of a comeback were to bear fruit.

Those hopes crumbled three minutes after the break when MK added a third, Devoy's excellent pass over the defence finding Burns who took the ball down before firing past the exposed Bycroft into the corner of the net. It nearly got worse a minute later when Jack Tucker's diagonal ball reached Barry on the left and he cut in to see his strike touched onto a post by Bycroft, with Harvie's follow-up blocked. As the afternoon turned increasingly dank and chillier, it became a case of damage limitation from the visitors who were given no breathing space by a home side now on cruise control. Henry Lawrence moved inside with ease to thread a pass through which Grigg lashed wide while Bycroft again came to the rescue, blocking a close range cross from Barry before foiling Grigg who had got his head on Lawrence's delivery into the mix.

A triple substitution on the hour from the hosts would hopefully quieten things down. No such luck. One of the new faces Nathan Holland was soon involved, evading a number of yellow shirts down the left to see his effort from a tight angle palmed away by Bycroft. The Peacocks then made a double swap of their own, with Dylan Morgan and Sims-Burgess replacing Lee Lucas and McCootie. Although this freshened things up going forward, Morgan beating his man before the home defence cleared, Dons were always probing for inlets through the Town backline and found one again, Mo Eisa finding space to slant an effort narrowly wide of the far post.

A Holland miskick then released Eisa who had his shot blocked but there was no denying the MK sub who scored the fourth goal after 74 minutes. Conor Grant who had only been on the pitch for two minutes made ground to find Eisa on the left and the Dons' striker moved inside to deliver a peach of a finish into the far corner from 25 yards. There was no respite as straight afterwards Eisa fed Holland whose drive was parried by Bycroft, the only candidate for Town's Man Of The Match

award, who then got his body behind a shot from Tennai Watson and although unable to hold the ball was eventually cleared.

Joe Budd replaced James ahead of the final ten minutes which produced another two goals to embellish the scoreline. Another defence splitting pass, this time from Lawrence, reached an unmarked Grant who had breached the defence and it was all too easy for him to slot past Bycroft on 81 minutes. After Town had made their final two substitutions, five being allowed from this stage of the FA Cup, Grant added his second of the contest and his team's sixth three minutes later, Devoy slipping a pass through to him on the edge of the box and despite Bycroft getting a hand to the shot there was too much power on it to keep it out.

The best attempt of the game for the Peacocks came in the final minute when an unconvincing clearance from Ravizzoli was picked up by Zac Smith to find Ross Stearn who drilled a strike inches over from distance. That was as good as it got as the whistle brought an end to Town's Cup campaign. Not the result Town wanted, and the margin of defeat was certainly more than might have been envisaged at 3pm but a memorable day out nevertheless, with the fantastic Peacock contingent unrelenting in their support during the game and comfortably winning the singing competition against the muted home fans. On the pitch though it was a different matter as the visitors were ultimately outclassed by their senior opponents.





VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTH
2022-23 LEAGUE STANDINGS
 as at 8th November 2022

P	Team	GP	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	PTS
1	Ebbsfleet United	16	13	3	0	40	13	+27	42
2	Dartford	18	13	1	4	38	17	+21	40
3	Havant & Waterlooville	16	11	3	2	35	19	+16	36
4	Chelmsford City	16	10	4	2	24	9	+15	34
5	St Albans City	18	8	5	5	27	17	+10	29
6	Braintree Town	16	9	2	5	31	23	+8	29
7	Worthing	17	7	8	2	24	16	+8	29
8	Bath City	17	8	4	5	30	24	+6	28
9	Oxford City	16	7	3	6	23	20	+3	24
10	Welling United	17	6	6	5	24	27	-3	24
11	Tonbridge Angels	17	7	2	8	24	28	-4	23
12	Dover Athletic	16	6	4	6	22	22	0	22
13	Hemel Hempstead Town	17	6	4	7	18	23	-5	22
14	Eastbourne Borough	16	6	2	8	28	27	+1	20
15	Slough Town	17	5	4	8	19	30	-11	19
16	Farnborough	15	5	3	7	13	16	-3	18
17	Hampton & Richmond Borough	17	5	3	9	22	30	-8	18
18	TAUNTON TOWN	14	4	5	5	13	15	-2	17
19	Dulwich Hamlet	15	5	2	8	21	24	-3	17
20	Concord Rangers	16	5	2	9	15	26	-11	17
21	Chippenham Town	15	4	3	8	11	20	-9	15
22	CHESHUNT	17	4	0	13	20	39	-19	12
23	Hungerford Town	18	2	3	13	11	25	-14	9
24	Weymouth	15	1	2	12	12	35	-23	5

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

Today's Other Fixtures - Saturday 12th November

3pm	Bath City v Worthing
3pm	Chelmsford City v Hampton & Richmond Borough
3pm	Concord Rangers v Welling United
3pm	Dover Athletic v Chippenham Town
3pm	Eastbourne Borough v St Albans City
3pm	Ebbsfleet United v Tonbridge Angels
3pm	Farnborough v Dartford
3pm	Havant & Waterlooville v Dulwich Hamlet
3pm	Hungerford Town v Slough Town
3pm	Oxford City v Hemel Hempstead Town
3pm	Weymouth v Braintree Town

Upcoming Fixtures - Tuesday 15th November

7.45pm	Braintree Town v Farnborough
7.45pm	Cheshunt v Ebbsfleet United
7.45pm	Chippenham Town v Havant & Waterlooville
7.45pm	Oxford City v Dover Athletic

Upcoming Fixtures - Tuesday 22nd November

7.45pm	Farnborough v Slough Town
7.45pm	Hemel Hempstead Town v Eastbourne Borough
7.45pm	Oxford City v Dartford
7.45pm	Taunton Town v Dulwich Hamlet



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The word 'legend' is a term used pretty loosely in football these days, but there aren't many people in the Non-League game who consider Neil Cugley as anything but.

Last week, the veteran boss stood down as manager of Folkestone Invicta after 26 years and 1,299 games in the dugout, making him the longest-serving manager in the top eight tiers of English football since Arsene Wenger left Arsenal in 2018.

"He changed my life," striker Ade Yusuff told us. "A lot of managers I've had haven't really understood me as a player – maybe even a man, sometimes – whereas he's allowed me to be myself. That's helped me to flourish on the pitch under him."

Twenty six years. It can never be underestimated just what an achievement that is, especially in this day and age where managers are lucky to last 26 days before the knives come out.

That, though, is where Non-League football is cut from a different cloth. Yes, there are still the odd over-reactive parting of ways but I like to think there is a genuine loyalty that high-end clubs could learn from.

Cugs may have stepped away from the dugout but his heart and soul remains at Cheriton Road. His wife runs the bar and his stepson is one of the club's biggest fans. You can bet Cugs will join them on the terraces, barking his usual instructions, on a Saturday afternoon from here on in.

Cugley's exit got me thinking about other Non-League legends from the dugout, of which there are quite a few.

On the south coast alone, Tommy Killick, at Poole Town, and Dave Diaper, at Sholing FC, have been at their respective clubs for over 20 years, while Terry Brown, at the age of 70, has recently returned to the Aldershot Town dugout on an interim basis, leading the club to three straight wins on the back of Mark Molesley's departure. You can't buy experience like that.

So, with Cugley swapping his trench coat for gardening gloves, who is the new managerial stalwart who has served his club the longest? The answer to that is Bacup Borough boss Brent Peters.

Twenty-five years ago, then Borough chairman Frank Manning and co-director Graham Schofield walked into a local pub looking for help to rescue the historic club from extinction. Little did they know that the man they were talking to would still be holding that baton twenty-five years later.

In a recent interview with BBC Radio Lancashire, Peters said his greatest achievement was keeping the club afloat amid difficult times with other in the Valley, like his very own beloved Rossendale United, having fallen by the wayside.



"Brent Peters, in my eyes is Mr Non-League," said club representative Steven Brown. "He cuts the grass, he does the plumbing, he changes the beer barrels, he takes out the rubbish, etc, etc. There is no job at Bacup Borough FC that this man doesn't do. He is a machine and it's fair to say that there would be no club without Brent Peters."

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The likes of Cugley, Peters, Killick, Diaper, Brown and others are the lifeblood of their club and the Non-League game as a whole. Loyalty is everything in life in general – it's so gratifying to see it rewarded.

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TAUNTON TOWN vs CHESHUNT
AUGUST '22

Date	Venue	Opposition	Competition	KickOff/Score	Attendance
6th	HOME	WELLING UNITED	VNLS	0-0 D	813
13th	AWAY	CONCORD RANGERS	VNLS	1-0 L	285
16th	AWAY	FARNBOROUGH	VNLS	1-0 L	501
20th	HOME	DARTFORD	VNLS	2-1 W	743
27th	AWAY	ST ALBANS CITY	VNLS	0-0 D	766
29th	HOME	CHIPPENHAM TOWN	VNLS	3-1 W	1,148

SEPTEMBER '22

3rd	AWAY	HUNGERFORD TOWN	VNLS	0-1 W	377
13th	AWAY	SLOUGH TOWN	VNLS	1-0 L	452
17th	HOME	LAVERSTOCK & FORD	FAC 2Q	1-0 W	645
24th	HOME	CHELMSFORD CITY	VNLS	0-0 D	928
27th	HOME	BATH CITY	VNLS	1-1 D	958

OCTOBER '22

1st	HOME	WALTON & HERSHAM	FAC 3Q	1-0 W	731
4th	HOME	ODD DOWN	SPC	7-0 W	184
8th	AWAY	EBBSFLEET UNITED	VNLS	5-0 L	1,474
15th	AWAY	YEOVIL TOWN	FAC 4Q	0-0 D	3,093
18th	HOME	YEOVIL TOWN	FAC 4QR	1-0 W	2,347
22nd	AWAY	WORTHING	VNLS	1-1 D	1,295
25th	AWAY	OXFORD CITY	VNLS	2-1 L	374
29th	HOME	TONBRIDGE ANGELS	VNLS	4-1 W	872

NOVEMBER '22

5th	AWAY	MILTON KEYNES DONS	FAC 1	6-0 L	2,739
8th	HOME	HAVANT & WATERLOOVILLE	VNLS	P-P	N/A
12th	HOME	CHESHUNT	VNLS	3:00pm	-
15th	AWAY	YEOVIL TOWN	SPC	7:45pm	-
19th	HOME	DULWICH HAMLET	FAT 2	3:00pm	-
22nd	HOME	DULWICH HAMLET	VNLS	7:45pm	-
26th	AWAY	HEMEL HEMPSTEAD TOWN	VNLS	3:00pm	-

DECEMBER '22

3rd	HOME	BRAINTREE TOWN	VNLS	3:00pm	-
6th	AWAY	HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH	VNLS	7:45pm	-
10th	AWAY	WELLING UNITED	VNLS	3:00pm	-
13th	HOME	FARNBOROUGH	VNLS	7:45pm	-
26th	HOME	WEYMOUTH	VNLS	3:00pm	-

VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTH
JANUARY '23

Date	Venue	Opposition	Competition	KickOff/Score	Attendance
1st	AWAY	WEYMOUTH	VNLS	3:00pm	-
7th	HOME	CONCORD RANGERS	VNLS	3:00pm	-
14th	AWAY	CHIPPENHAM TOWN	VNLS	3:00pm	-
21st	AWAY	DARTFORD	VNLS	3:00pm	-
28th	HOME	ST ALBANS CITY	VNLS	3:00pm	-

FEBRUARY '23

4th	AWAY	EASTBOURNE BOROUGH	VNLS	3:00pm	-
11th	HOME	HUNGERFORD TOWN	VNLS	3:00pm	-
18th	AWAY	HAVANT & WATERLOOVILLE	VNLS	3:00pm	-
21st	HOME	OXFORD CITY	VNLS	7:45pm	-
25th	HOME	DOVER ATHLETIC	VNLS	3:00pm	-

MARCH '23

4th	AWAY	TONBRIDGE ANGELS	VNLS	3:00pm	-
7th	HOME	HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH	VNLS	7:45pm	-
11th	AWAY	CHESHUNT	VNLS	3:00pm	-
18th	HOME	HEMEL HEMPSTEAD TOWN	VNLS	3:00pm	-
25th	AWAY	BRAINTREE TOWN	VNLS	3:00pm	-

APRIL '23

1st	HOME	EBBSFLEET UNITED	VNLS	3:00pm	-
7th	AWAY	BATH CITY	VNLS	3:00pm	-
10th	HOME	SLOUGH TOWN	VNLS	3:00pm	-
15th	AWAY	DULWICH HAMLET	VNLS	3:00pm	-
22nd	HOME	WORTHING	VNLS	3:00pm	-
29th	AWAY	CHELMSFORD CITY	VNLS	3:00pm	-
TBC	AWAY	DOVER ATHLETIC	VNLS	TBC	-
TBC	HOME	EASTBOURNE BOROUGH	VNLS	TBC	-



THE UNTOLD GAME

- Best Regards To The Lads at Orient -

At the end of the 1913-14 season, there were rumblings across Europe and the propaganda machine was beginning to swing into action at home, but nobody really believed that war was coming. There had been posturing before, but Germany's economy was closely linked to Britain's and it would make no sense to threaten that with a major war. There hadn't been a large-scale continental conflict that threatened Britain for a century. And besides, a system of alliances kept the competing forces in balance. And then, on the 28 th June 1914, on the other side of Europe, a teenager fired the shot that changes the world. The posturing became threats, the threats became action, and within a month the world was at war. By the 4 th August Britain had joined the conflict, drawn in by its own alliance system.

Football, as you might expect, had a problem. The British Expeditionary Force - the small, professional army maintained for this kind of conflict - was all but wiped out before Christmas, as the football season was in full swing. The call for volunteers went out; conscription would come in 1917. People across the country joined up en masse, and they were expected to, and football tried to figure out how to play its part. On the 15 th December, a meeting was called at Fulham Town Hall, and the 17 th Middlesex Regiment was formed. It would be known as the Footballers Battalion.

Key to its formation were Henry Wells-

Holland and Robert Dalrymple, one the chairman of, and the other playing for, Clapton Orient. They joined Fred "Spider" Parker, Orient's captain, and a handful of others. Dalrymple had spent much of his career at Hearts, and the Scottish club also responded enthusiastically when the message was sent north. Of the 35 footballers who joined up at that first meeting, ten played for Clapton Orient.

Wells-Holland had a military background, and that meant that ten players was simply not enough to satisfy his recruitment drive. He went back to the club with the Footballers Battalion formed, and started encouraging other players to join the service. With the help of the original ten, they set about impressing the importance of the endeavour on their teammates, and as the football season continued into 1915, Clapton Orient eventually became the first English club to sign up together, as the ten swelled to 41. In Scotland, Dalrymple had worked his magic at Hearts, and they did the same.

At the end of the 1914-15 season, Orient welcomed Leicester Fosse to Millfields Road for the final fixture. 20,000 spectators packed into the cramped ground - squeezing in around the anti-aircraft gun that had been positioned on the Spion Kop - and cheered their side on to a 2-0 victory. At the final whistle, the original ten changed into their army uniforms and, with other members of the Footballers Battalion,

paraded around the pitch before heading off to their training camp. They were captured on film (the footage is on YouTube), and they were soon followed by the remaining 31 players and staff.

The Footballers Battalion was sent to France, where they acquitted themselves honourably among the rest of the British forces. They were included in major plans to break the German lines across the Western Front, including the Battles of Verdun, Passchendaele, the Somme. Those three battles alone had a combined death toll approaching 2.5 million. Particularly deadly for the Footballers Battalion was the Somme. Although not involved in the opening exchanges, they saw heavy fighting in Devil's Wood. Orient lost three of their players - they were comparatively lucky compared to some other clubs - in the fighting.

Defender George Scott died of his wounds in a military hospital in Le Cateau, but Willie Jonas and Richard McFadden were together in the thick of the fighting. Jonas had been something of a favourite with the ladies of the East End, receiving dozens of fawning letters every week and eventually taking out a piece in the local newspaper, asking that, as flattered as he was, they could please stop sending them. McFadden, a goalscorer with a killer instinct, was even better known. He was a hero in East London, having saved a man from a burning building, and saved a child who was drowning in the River Lea. His exploits continued in France, where he would regularly crawl out into No-Man's Land to haul his injured comrades back to the British lines. He was honoured for this with the Military Medal for Bravery.

McFadden witnessed Jonas' death, writing

back to his club that they were both trapped in a trench at the Somme. "Willie turned to me and said "Goodbye Mac. Best of luck, special love to my sweetheart Mary Jane," and Jonas stood up to leave the trench. His final recorded words were "best regards to the lads at Orient" and he was gone, over the trench and not seen again.

McFadden survived the battle with heavy wounds, and received his medal and a promotion, before sadly losing his life in a shell blast not long afterwards. The Manchester Football Chronicle recorded that "Two things distinguished Richard McFadden throughout his career as a footballer - his heroism and his goal-scoring proclivities. In civil life he was a hero, and he proved himself a hero on the battlefield."

At the closing of hostilities, as the country mourned, Clapton Orient looked back at the heavy toll the conflict had taken on their club. Tributes poured in, including one from King George V himself:

"Good luck to Clapton Orient FC, no football club had paid a greater price to patriotism."

We Will Remember Them.

Enjoy the game.



Martyn Green



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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.
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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.
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17. Umbrellas are permitted within the stadium but must not be used if obstructing the view of other spectators.

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- 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.
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TODAY'S TEAMS

Saturday 12th November 2022 - KickOff 3:00pm



Head of Football: Rob Dray

Manager: Craig Edwards

Jack Bycroft - GK	1	●	●	Preston Edwards - GK
Joe Budd	2	●	●	Chevron McLean
Jay Foulston	3	●	●	Taylor McKenzie
Nick Grimes	4	●	●	Raul Da Silva
Dan Ball	5	●	●	Joe Re
Jake Wannell	6	●	●	Jamie Reynolds
Ollie Chamberlain	7	●	●	Reece Beckles-Richards
Lloyd James	8	●	●	Zack Newton
Nat Jarvis	9	●	●	Rowan Liburd
Nick McCootie	10	●	●	Brandon Adams
Joe Guest	11	●	●	Dayshonne Golding
Harry Warwick	12	●	●	Joesph Rose - GK
Ross Stearn	13	●	●	William Cracknell
Zac Smith	16	●	●	Enoch Ekongo
Ross Staley	18	●	●	Lewis Hobbs
Dave Sims-Burgess	20	●	●	Luke Eley-Warner
Lloyd Irish - GK	21	●	●	Fraser Alexander
Dylan Morgan	22	●	●	Emmanuel Maja
Lee Lucas	31	●	●	Ken Charles
		●	●	Chris Harris
		●	●	
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Match Officials

Referee: Lewis Sandoe

Assistant Referee: Paul Barber Assistant Referee: Benjamin Duffill