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Hellenic League Division 1 West Runners-up **2009-10, 2012-13**  
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Hellenic League Division 1 Cup Runners-up **1994-95**  
Wiltshire County League Division 1 Champions **1987-88**  
Wiltshire County League Runners-up **1905-06**  
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Wiltshire County League Division 2 Runners-up **1978-79**  
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# Men's First Team Bassett Bulletin

## Welcome To Tonight's Game

**GOOD EVENING,** and welcome to the Sustain Stadium here at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground for this first ever UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division Play-off Final game against Cinderford Town, with promotion to the Southern League at stake here this evening. A special warm welcome to the players, officials and supporters from our visitors who have made the journey from Gloucestershire for the game, we hope you enjoy your short stay with us this evening and we wish you all a safe journey home.

As well as welcoming our opponents a warm welcome also to all the UHlsport Hellenic League officers and members of the Wiltshire FA who are here in attendance this evening. A special warm welcome also to our two lucky charms Don Rogers and John Trollope, who will hopefully see another win for Bassett to coincide with their attendance, as is often the case.

Tonight is the climax to what has been an excellent season for both sides and hopefully the game will be played in front of our largest ever crowd here at the Sustain Stadium so that the two sides enjoy a lucrative end of season bonus. The two sides path to this historic Play-off Final is included elsewhere in tonight's programme but both teams made it through to tonight's final thanks to a narrow 1-0 wins away from home in the semi-finals. Whilst there was a tremendous cheer when that final whistle went at Highworth from our supporters, there was then an almost equally loud cheer when that result came through from Corsham. There are some really good people at Corsham, I am thinking of the likes of John Cuthbertson, Chris Perry, John Gingell and Doug Perry. However, some of the way their dugout and players go about trying to get players sent-off in games has made them an unpopular side with a lot of opponents, plus that side they fielded for their final league game against Highworth irritated many, hence that large cheer that Cinderford received for their win from our fans that night.

On to tonight's game, our record against Cinderford is a good one with two wins and a draw in the three previous meetings between the two sides and hopefully we can maintain that unbeaten record here this evening. Whatever the result, win or lose hopefully we will do it in a dignified way, celebrate if we win

but congratulate our opponents if it is they that come out on top this evening.

Whilst this is the final game of the season for the First Team, the Development Team have one game to play away at near neighbours Malmesbury Victoria Development tomorrow night. The game was scheduled for tonight but a big thank you to Malmesbury for switching it to tomorrow to enable everyone to attend this historic game here at the Sustain Stadium. The Development Team still occupy fifth spot in the table and with the teams below them keep taking points off each other from their games in hand they could still achieve a top six finish which would be a tremendous achievement in a tough division this season.

The Women's side concluded their games on Sunday with a 4-1 win over Shaftesbury to finish just two points behind champions Poole. A fine effort to achieve an immediate return to Step 5 which fell just short in the end. At the time of writing the U18s still sit in second place in the U18 Floodlight Division but are unlikely to achieve runners-up this season as Bristol Manor Farm, Calne Town or Radstock Town could overtake them when they finally complete their fixtures in what has been a totally disjointed season. With seven new teams joining for next season the league will split into two regional divisions although the Club's Committee have already made the decision not to enter a side next season.

As this is the last home game of the season it is the time of the year when it is appropriate to say thank you to the people who have helped the club over the season. Apologies if I miss anyone out (this was not intentional) and in no apparent order I would like to say a **BIG THANK YOU** to:

- Sam, Griff, Lee and Jon for their duties this season with the First Team. Whatever the outcome today it is our highest ever finish in our history and something the management team should be almightily proud of.
- Kara for all their efforts on the therapist front for the First Team, often the most difficult position to fill on match days. Congratulations also on completing the London Marathon last week in a time of 5hrs 2 mins & 30 seconds;
- PD for his stewardship of the two senior sides, and his efforts with the U18s;

- Simmo and JD for their efforts with the Development Team who could yet achieve a top six finish in a very strong league;
- Gavin and Nick for their efforts with the U18s this season, they may still yet again secure runners-up spot in the league if Bristol Manor Farm continue to fail to turn up to games;
- Adam, Sam & Bryan for their efforts with the Women's side this season who went so close to undoing the relegation inflicted by the poor season in 2022-23;
- Ian for all the secretarial duties and his match day duties. With my League Officers' hat on this club doesn't know how lucky they are to have such an efficient Club Secretary;
- PC for his match day secretarial duties and for chasing up info for the programmes from opponents and reminding me to send stuff to our opponents;
- Simon for all his efforts with the Youth Section, especially with all the diplomacy needed to deal with managing sometimes difficult relations between managers and parents;
- Mike for looking after the club funds in his role as Treasurer and making me laugh with his Facebook posts;
- Roger for looking after the kit for all the sides at the club and dealing with the payment of referees etc on match days;
- Rod for his continued work around the club (hopefully that result on Friday night put you in a better mood than Ian would have been in);
- Carlos for his matchday announcer duties and his excellent YouTube interviews where he is not afraid to put Sam on the spot with those difficult questions;
- Martin for his efforts with the Vets Section;
- Andy our groundsman for his efforts looking after all the pitches at the complex and we are all so pleased that he has overcome his health scare;
- Dave, Tony, Gordy and Pete and all those others who help clean the dressing rooms and ground after the games;
- Pete also for his efforts with the Sports Association, as well as all he does for the football club;
- Simon Green for his duties on the turnstile;
- Erk for his efforts in providing the fantastic post match meals for the players and officials;
- Lucia and Mike for their efforts in the tea hut during the season;
- Stuart for all his efforts in producing content for the club website and the pre-match social media feeds. Virtually all this seasons match reports for the First Team and Women's team have either been written in the South of France or Costa Rica, with tonight's scheduled to be prepared in Nicaragua!;
- Scott for maintaining the Club website;
- Mari for taking the match-day social media to the next level and for the excellent creative ideas to enhance engagement between the Youth Section and the First Team;
- Steve for all the brilliant photographs when following all of our sides, including some long trips down the South Coast covering the Women's side;
- Mark, Kevin and Kelvin & the Saturday crew for the free coaching sessions;
- All the team managers and coaches of the various Youth Section sides;
- All of our sponsors including the various kit and player sponsors and those who have helped in other ways such as with advertising boards or programme adverts;
- All the players who have represented the Club from U7 through to the First Team.
- Burkie for managing the club merchandise and making me laugh with his Facebook posts about Liverpool;
- Mandy Rouse for her role as the Club's Respect Officer;
- All of our spectators who have followed the side home and away this season. As Sam has said on screen on many occasions this season, the support this season has been tremendous;
- Ben and the team at Interprint for printing this match day programme for us. They have been superb all season providing a first class service in their third season as our printer; and
- Finally the Chairman who has once again led by example all season, often seen in the tea bar on match days, & who has stepped admirably into the big shoes left by Andy.

Enjoy the game, enjoy the summer break and hopefully see you back in August in the Southern League.

*Mark*



# Path To The Play-Off Final

The Hellenic League Premier Division playoff final between Royal Wootton Bassett Town and Cinderford Town is set to be full of intrigue, pitting two sides with contrasting fortunes and contrasting paths to the final against each other.

Bassett are the upstarts. Before last season they had never finished inside the top half of the Hellenic Premier. Now, after a season in which they have been remarkably consistent, grinding out result after result, they stand one game away from reaching the Southern League for the first time in club history.

Cinderford, on the other hand, are looking to get back to a league in which they spent more than a quarter of a century prior to relegation to the Hellenic League last season. In contrast to Bassett though, their path to the playoff final has had multiple twists and turns.

## Bassett's path to the final

Having finished fifth last season - their first ever top half finish in the Hellenic League Premier Division, Royal Wootton Bassett Town's goal this year was to repeat that feat and with it earn a spot in the inaugural promotion playoffs.

And Bassett did just that, achieving a fourth place finish thanks to their remarkable consistency. Collier's side rarely blew their opponents away. Instead they got this far by grinding out result after result over the course of a relentless, gruelling campaign. And team spirit and desire have been the key ingredients that have got Bassett to the cusp of creating club history.

The team hit the ground running, earning twelve points from twelve to begin the season. The league campaign started impressively with a come from behind 2-1 win at home against Slimbridge before a comfortable 4-0 triumph away at Wantage Town. Consecutive 1-0 victories at home against Mangotsfield United and Hereford Pegasus maintained Bassett's 100% start. But that would eventually end with a narrow 1-0 derby defeat away at Highworth Town in

a game that Bassett felt they should have won.

There were then no complaints as Bassett were thumped 7-1 away at Corsham Town at the beginning of September. But the team bounced back from that heavy loss, edging out Tuffley Rovers 2-1 before a four goal first half blitz set them on their way to a 4-2 victory at rivals Fairford Town.

A mini slump followed though. Away at Pershore Town, Bassett came back to level from 2-0 down only to lose 3-2 late on. A last minute equaliser was then needed to claim a point off Thornbury Town (2-2) before a disappointing 2-0 loss at Lydney Town. Those results left Bassett in tenth, albeit still within touching distance of the top five positions.

Four consecutive wins then had Bassett headed in the right direction though. That run started with back-to-back victories by the odd goal in three, first away at Thornbury and then at home against Hereford Lads Club before an impressive 3-1 triumph at Brimscombe and Thrupp. Playing most of the second half with ten men, Bassett then dug deep to claim a vital 1-0 win at home against fellow playoff hopefuls Roman Glass St George.

A 4-0 defeat away at Worcester City brought that run to an end. But Bassett again quickly bounced back, coming from behind to snatch a last minute 2-1 victory at Westfields. At home against Pershore, Bassett drew 1-1 while having to play the majority of the second half with ten men. Collier's side then put Lydney to the sword at home (4-2) before prevailing 2-0 at Longlevens.

Those results had Bassett riding high in third place as they headed into their home Christmas derby with Highworth. But despite taking the lead, they were well beaten by their local rivals (1-3). No bother. Bassett immediately returned to form. Two trips to Hereford in the space of 48 hours yielded maximum points. At Pegasus, the hosts twice equalised before Bassett eventually found a winner to prevail by the odd goal in five.

# Path To The Play-Off Final



Away at Lads Club it was more straightforward as Bassett recorded a resounding 4-1 win. The positive results continued as Collier's team secured a 1-1 draw against Cinderford before another comeback win, this time away at Worcester Raiders (2-1). A freezing midweek clash at home against Tuffley then saw another single goal victory (1-0) as the results continued to be delivered.

The end of January and start of February saw another brief slip up. Westfields got revenge for their earlier season loss by claiming a last minute win of their own (1-2) before Roman Glass squeaked out a victory (0-1).

Those losses were not too damaging though as Bassett remained in third. And consecutive 3-0 home wins against Longlevens and Wantage saw the team reach the 60 point mark and close within touching distance of the playoffs. A 0-0 draw at Mangotsfield pulled them nearer again - and the home defeats that followed against Worcester Raiders (0-4) and, agonisingly, Corsham (1-2) were thus not too damaging.

A tense 1-0 Friday night triumph against Fairford settled the nerves before Brimscombe were brushed aside 4-0 to reach 67 points. Bassett then pushed Worcester City all the way in a thrilling game that ended in defeat (1-2).

That left two remaining away fixtures against fellow playoff contenders Cinderford and Slimbridge. Points were still needed with Bassett not yet mathematically secure of their playoff place. Six from six did the trick though, with Cinderford beaten 1-0 courtesy of a late goal and a 2-1 comeback triumph earned at Slimbridge.

Bassett did ultimately finish fourth as Highworth climbed into third courtesy of their superior goal difference. However, home advantage wasn't needed for the playoff semi final as Oly Case's first half header was enough for a 1-0 victory.

It was fitting that the semi final win came by such a score. Single goal margins of victory have been Bassett's trademark with fourteen in the league regular season, another in the playoff semi final and a further three in cup competitions.

That's a sign of the team's willingness to dig in deep for one another - a characteristic that has now carried Bassett to the brink of promotion.



## Cinderford's path to the final

Relegated to the Hellenic League Premier Division after 27 consecutive years in the Southern League, Cinderford Town started the season hoping their stay at step five would be a short one.

They now have the chance to guarantee just that - but their path to the playoff final has been an eventful one.

After an inconsistent opening half of the campaign, it took a strong finish to the campaign to put them in contention for the postseason. A late wobble - not helped by a relentless schedule in late March and April caused by multiple postponements - almost cost them. But a helping hand from Bassett helped the Foresters pip Slimbridge to the final playoff spot.



# Path To The Play-Off Final



## Cinderford's path to the final continued.....

The Foresters began the season with a dramatic 3-3 draw away against Westfields before a big 5-1 home victory against Longlevens. But the Foresters then recorded just one point from the next available nine as they lost against Worcester City (2-4) and Pershore Town (1-2) and drew 0-0 at Hereford Lads Club.

A 4-2 triumph at Lydney Town snapped that run, but Cinderford then let a 2-1 half time lead slip as they lost by the odd goal in five at home against Hereford Pegasus.

Their inconsistent early season form continued as consecutive wins against Brimscombe and Thrupp (2-0) and Worcester Raiders (3-1) were followed by a goalless draw away at Tuffley and a 5-0 thrashing against Corsham at the end of September.

Another high-scoring encounter with Westfields ended with a 4-3 victory but four days later Cinderford were well beaten at home by Fairford (1-3). A 3-0 triumph at Roman Glass was then followed by a 2-0 reverse at the hands of Slimbridge to leave the Foresters in 12th place.

The final weeks of 2023 began with a narrow 3-2 victory at Wantage before a 1-0 defeat at Fairford. Narrow victories against Highworth (2-1) and Lydney (3-2) then brought them just inside the top half at the season's halfway point. But they were still nine points off fifth (albeit with a couple games in hand).

Their strong run of form continued as they saw out the calendar year with a third straight win - this time against Mangotsfield (3-1). Then, after their draw with Bassett at the Sustain Stadium, Cinderford beat lowly Thornbury 3-1.

Cinderford missed a great chance to leapfrog Slimbridge though, falling to a 2-0 defeat as they remained on the outside of

the playoff hunt.

However, four straight single goal wins against Longlevens (1-0), Pershore (2-1), Lads Club (1-0) and Pegasus (3-2) closed the gap on fifth place to four points even though Cinderford remained ninth.

A 3-1 reverse at the hands of Brimscombe at the start of March was then a setback. But Cinderford bounced back with a clinical run.

That began with a 1-1 home draw against Worcester Raiders before narrow wins against Tuffley (3-2), at Thornbury (2-1) and a crucial 3-1 triumph against fellow playoff chasers Roman Glass. Those results lifted Cinderford to sixth - and a 0-0 draw in a 'home' game against Corsham played at Gloucester City helped their cause.

Quickly though their fortunes changed as Bassett prevailed 1-0 in a fixture moved to Westfields' ground due to the effect the wet weather was having on Cinderford's ground. Highworth then brushed the Foresters aside 3-0.

With three games to go, Cinderford were five points behind Slimbridge with two games in hand. A 2-0 victory against Wantage closed the gap before Bassett's helping hand in their 2-1 win at Slimbridge left them needing one win from their final two games to qualify.

That came against Mangotsfield, with a single goal deciding it - and, much to the Foresters' relief, made immaterial the outcome of their final game against champions Worcester.

Fifth place was therefore Cinderford's - meaning a date with hot playoff favourites Corsham. The first half of their semi final ended goalless before Dale Evans opened the scoring early in the second half from a free kick. Evans would soon be dismissed. However, Cinderford kept Corsham at bay to seal passage to the final.

# Chairman's Chat

## Paul Gerrish



### GOOD EVENING

It's a pleasure to welcome our supporters along with the players, officials and supporters from Cinderford Town FC to the Sustain Stadium today for this Hellenic Premier League play-off final.

After the madness of the semi-finals where teams were given a couple of days between fixtures to prepare, indeed Cinderford still had to complete their fixtures, we have now been sat waiting for almost two weeks to play the final. I am sure our ability to complete our season in good time meant we were a little fresher than the other three teams involved although that didn't help Corsham after they played a much weaker team in their last game including players from their Vets team who then became ineligible for their Vets team!

I fully appreciate how difficult it has been for the League to administer fixtures given the number of postponements this season, but it feels like no consideration has been given to the teams involved in the play-offs, not just players but all those behind the scenes preparing pitches, producing programmes, sorting catering. The play-offs should be a show-case for the League, let's hope we have a final to remember tonight.

Our 1-0 win against Highworth felt a little

more emphatic than the scoreline suggests and certainly made up for the defeats in the regular season. It was great to see so many fans there to celebrate at the end with the team.

Whatever the result tonight, this season has been an exceptional one for the club with Sam, Griff and the team recording the highest points tally and highest finish in the club's history. I know everyone who follows them week in week out would like to thank them for a fantastic journey that could take us to the uncharted territory of the Southern League.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Robbie Waite of RW Bathrooms for sponsoring tonight's fixture. Robbie is a welcome addition to the growing band of supporters and we have been lucky to see him at most games, home and away this season

I also need to thank our main sponsors for the 1st team – Sustain, Interprint, H&B Carpentry and Smart Control Technologies for their great support throughout the season.

Thank you all for your continued support, it is greatly appreciated .

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# Opponents History

## Cinderford Town

Cinderford Town was formed in 1922 and played in the Glos Northern Senior League until 1939. In that year they joined the newly formed Bristol Charity League, but this folded two weeks later at the outbreak of World War Two. They then joined the Western League Division 2, and in 1957 won the title. During the two seasons they spent in the top flight, they set a ground attendance record, when a home game with Minehead saw 4,850 people in attendance. Sadly, participation at this level put severe financial pressure on the Club, who were then forced to withdraw and return to the Glos Northern Senior League.

Three years later, the Club made the unusual decision to join the Warwickshire Combination, and won a League and Cup double in 1964, which saw them step up to the West Midlands (Regional) League. A very strong league at the time, with member clubs such as Kidderminster Harriers, Boston United, Tamworth and Hednesford. 1968-69 season was their last at this level, but they bowed out as Joint League Cup winners with Kidderminster. Both Clubs shared the Trophy for 6 months.

Cinderford returned to play in the newly formed Gloucestershire County League for the 1969-70 season and stayed for the next 5 years, finishing as runners-up on 3 occasions. They again sought a higher standard of football, and were accepted into the Midland Combination. Town played in this League for the next 10 seasons, achieving a best finish of 4th and also winning the League Cup, before being forced to return to the Glos County League following financial problems relating to the Social Club. A new Committee stabilised the Club, so much so that floodlights were purchased outright, and in the 1990-91 season, the Club gained admission to the Hellenic League, initially in Division 1, where they won the title at the first attempt. Four years later, the Club claimed an historic first by winning the Premier Division title, the League Cup and the Hellenic Floodlight Cup, and stepped up to the Southern League.

The 1995-96 season saw Cinderford embark on an incredible F A Cup run, beating 2 Conference Clubs to reach the Second Round Proper, holding Gravesend & Northfleet to a 1-1 home draw before losing 3-0 in the replay in Kent. The winners were drawn with Aston Villa in the Third Round.

In the 2015-16 season, Cinderford were Champions of Southern League Div 1, South & West, but initially rejected promotion when undisclosed debts were discovered. However they accepted promotion following a series of appeals which affected the constitution of the League going into the new season. The Club were duly relegated in their first season in the Premier Division, returning to play in the Southern League First Division again.

Under the then leadership of Manager Paul Michael, the Club went from strength to strength, with a League Cup Final appearance, losing to a single goal at Premier Division side Stratford Town, and reaching a League play-off final, losing away at Yate Town, who persuaded Paul to join them for their promotion to the Premier Division.

Former Bishops Cleeve Manager Steve Cleal was appointed to replace Paul Michael but after an unsuccessful spell, he was succeeded as Manager by Alex Sykes, the former Gloucester City and Forest Green player, who was also unable to improve matters on the pitch.

After an incredible 28 consecutive seasons as members of the Southern League, the Club were relegated at the end of the 2022-2023 season, to rejoin the Hellenic League Premier Division.

Alex Sykes left the Club by mutual consent, and has been replaced by former Merthyr Town player and former Manager at Welsh Club Aberbargoed, Matt Driscoll, who has had the unenviable task of rebuilding the entire squad. Hopes are high for a successful return to the Hellenic League, and eventual return back to the Southern League.

# Today's Opponents

## Cinderford Town



### Cinderford Town Historical Record - Last 15 Seasons

Season	League & Division	FAC	FAT**	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Top Scorer
2008/09	Southern 1SW	Prelim	Prelim	42	15	11	16	71	75	56	11 out of 22	As ever with teams who played in the Southern League this information is not readily available.
2009/10	Southern 1SW	Prelim	1QR	42	13	8	21	66	78	47	16 out of 22	
2010/11	Southern 1SW	3QR	2QR	40	16	8	16	63	61	56	12 out of 21	
2011/12	Southern 1SW	2QR	Prelim	40	17	8	15	49	39	59	10 out of 21	
2012/13	Southern 1SW	1QR	1QR	42	17	8	17	61	66	59	10 out of 22	
2013/14	Southern 1SW	Prelim	Prelim	42	13	10	19	69	79	49	15 out of 22	
2014/15	Southern 1SW	Prelim	Prelim	42	19	10	13	79	48	67	9 out of 22	
2015/16	Southern 1SW	1QR	Prelim	42	29	9	4	80	29	96	1 out of 22	
2016/17	Southern Premier	1QR	1QR	46	8	3	35	49	106	27	24 out of 24	
2017/18	Southern 1W	3QR	Prelim	42	14	12	16	81	71	54	13 out of 22	
2018/19	Southern 1S	2QR	1QR	38	21	8	9	64	39	71	5 out of 20	
2019/20	Southern 1S	2QR	3QR	26	13	4	9	59	45	43	8* out of 20	
2020/21	Southern 1S	1QR	3QR	7	2	1	4	10	21	7	14* out of 20	
2021/22	Southern 1S	Prelim	1st	36	8	7	21	54	83	31	17 out of 19	
2022/23	Southern 1S	1QR	1QR	38	8	10	20	47	85	34	19 out of 20	

Totals  
 Won:Drew:Lost Ratio 37.7% 20.7% 41.6%

\* Position at time season curtailed due to Covid-19

\*\* FA Trophy rather than FA Vase for all seasons

	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	17.4%	6.5%	76.1%
Southern League Premier Division	46	8	3	35	49	106	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	17.4%	6.5%	76.1%
Southern League Div 1 South West	332	139	72	121	538	475	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	41.9%	21.7%	36.4%
Southern League Div 1 West	42	14	12	16	81	71	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	33.3%	28.6%	38.1%
Southern League Div 1 South	145	52	30	63	234	273	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio	35.9%	20.7%	43.4%

# Today's Opponents

## Cinderford Town Season 23-24

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The Causeway Ground,  
Edge Hills Road,  
Cinderford, GL14 2QH

### MAJOR HONOURS

Southern League Div 1 SW

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Cup Winners 1994-95

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Winners 1964-65

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Winners 1968-69

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Winners 1982-83

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League Winners 1938-39,  
1960-61

Gloucestershire Senior Cup

Winners 2000-01

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Nick Simonds

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### MANAGER

Matt Driscoll



## Cinderford Town This Season

### SEASON 2023-24

League Results	Home	Away
Brimscombe & Thrupp	W 2 - 0	L 1 - 3
Corsham Town	D 0 - 0	L 0 - 5
Fairford	L 1 - 3	L 0 - 1
Hereford Lads Club	W 1 - 0	D 0 - 0
Hereford Pegasus	L 2 - 3	W 3 - 2
Highworth Town	W 2 - 1	L 0 - 3
Longlevens	W 5 - 1	W 1 - 0
Lydney Town	W 3 - 2	W 4 - 2
Mangotsfield United	W 1 - 0	W 3 - 1
Pershore Town	L 1 - 2	W 2 - 1
Roman Glass St George	W 3 - 1	W 3 - 0
RWBTFC	L 0 - 1	D 1 - 1
Slimbridge	L 0 - 2	L 0 - 2
Thornbury Town	W 3 - 1	W 2 - 1
Tuffley Rovers	W 3 - 2	D 0 - 0
Wantage Town	W 2 - 0	W 3 - 2
Westfields	W 4 - 3	D 3 - 3
Worcester Raiders	D 1 - 1	W 3 - 1
Worcester City	L 0 - 2	L 2 - 4

# Today's Opponents

## Cinderford Town Season 2023-24

### Cinderford Town Statistics Season 2023-24

		Apps	Goals 	Discipline Table			
				Yellow 	Red 	2Y Red 	Sin Bin 
1	Daniel Barnard	42	3	5	1	1	
2	Ben Vine	39	1	9	2	2	
3	Craig Norman	38	15	11	1	1	1
4	Joshua Jones	37	2	3			
5	Ethan Hayes	35	7	4			
6	Charlie Davies	33	9	4			
7	James Smallcombe	32					
8	Kian Skidmore	29		3			
9	Kerry Morgan	25	3	4			2
10	Adam Davies	23	1	4			
11	Benjamin Watkins	22		2			
12	Daniel Brain	21		3			
13	Dale Evans	20	1	4	1		
14	Drew Heffernan	19	1	4			
15	Finley Jones	18		7			
16	Andy Lewis	14	1	1			
17	Lewis Powell	14	15	1			1
18	Luke Firkin	13	4	1			
19	Blaine Waugh	13	2	5		1	
20	Ollie Mason	12					
21	Ryan Hillier	10	2	1			
22	William Morford	9	1				
23	Michael Symons	9		1			
24	Harry Knight	8	1	1			
25	Kallum Thomas	8					
26	Lewis Adams	8		2			
27	Jack Fox	7	5	2			
28	Declan Grant	7	1				
29	Ismail Yakubu	7		1			
30	Kyle Gibbs	5	1				
31	Matthew Lee	5					
32	Lewis Lloyd	5		1			
33	Cristiano Ascencao	5					
34	Lewis Binns	4					
35	Tom Stokes	4					
36	Archie Burford	3					
37	Kieren James	3		1	1	1	
38	Ben Scottford	3	1	1			
39	Tyrone Tucker-Dixon	3					
40	Harrison Cadd	3					
41	Daryl Addis	2					
42	William Cape O'Reilly	2					
43	Samuel Franklin	2					
44	Christopher Knowles	2	1				
45	Alexander Avenell	1					
46	Jordan Chappelle	1		1			
47	Daniel Dima	1					
48	Marshall Hopkins	1		1			
49	Charlie Taylor	1					
50	Finley Thomson	1					
51	Liam Wilkins	1					



# Today's Opponents

## Cinderford Town Player Pics



**JAMES SMALLCOMBE**  
Goalkeeper  
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**JOSH JONES**  
Defender/Midfield  
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Defender  
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**BEN VINE**  
Defender  
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**KIAN SKIDMORE**  
Defender  
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**RYAN HILLIER**  
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Defender



**BEN WATKINS**  
Midfield



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**BLAINE WAUGH**

Striker



**BEN WATKINS**

Midfield



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# From The Dugout

## Sam Talks to



Royal Wootton Bassett boss Sam Collier has urged his players to give it their all one last time this season as the club prepares for arguably the biggest game in its history next week.

Bassett host Cinderford Town in the Hellenic Premier Division play-off final at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground on Tuesday evening with a place in the Southern League next term the prize for the victor.

A win would see Bassett reach Step Four of the non-league pyramid for the first time in the club's 142-year history.

Collier's side finished the regular league season in fourth spot but spent the majority of the campaign in third, with a promotion play-off spot cemented

following victory, as chance would have it, over their upcoming opponents.

Bassett then overcame Highworth Town in the semi-final courtesy of an Olly Case goal, while Cinderford caused something of an upset as they edged past favourites Corsham Town in their knockout game.

Ahead of the match on Tuesday, Collier said:

"It's a play-off final so we know it's going to be tough. There's no such thing as an easy final and Cinderford have earned the right to be there as much as we have.

"They've had a really gruelling fixture list over the last few weeks and have come out on top. They've got some excellent players and have drafted in some lads who have played at a higher level. So we know it will be a challenge.

"But for us preparations will be pretty much what they have been like all season. We're not going to change our processes too much.

"We're glad to be playing at home and we're very much looking forward to it. We're going to give it our all and what will be will be."

The Bassett manager has a fully-fit squad to choose from and goes into the game knowing what an achievement earning promotion would be.

Collier added: "If we end up a Southern League team at 10pm on Tuesday night then that will be fantastic for this football club and the players.

"I played for 15 or 16 years and never even got close to a promotion at this level so it is something we need to grasp and that will be the message to the players."



# Previous Encounters

## Cinderford Town



2

RWBTFC Wins

1

Draws

0

Cinderford Wins

Season	Date	Comp	Match Details			
2020-21	22-Sep-20	League	Cinderford Town	2	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	2
Bassett Scorers: Baker, Bohane (RWBT won 6-5 on pens) Bassett Team: Ellis, Lapham, Dinsmore, Ockwell, Berry-Hargreaves, Taylor, Presley, Wrona, Pagliaroli, Bohane, Robinson. Suns: Stirland, Francis, Baker						
2023-24	6-Jan-24	League	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	1	Cinderford Town	1
Bassett Scorers: Dodd Bassett Team: Brown, Partridge, Spalding, Corcoran, Softley, Presley, Packer, Ouldrige, Taylor, Gallagher, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Dodd, Bampton, Morris						
2023-24	6-Apr-24	League	Cinderford Town	0	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	1
Bassett Scorers: Ouldrige Bassett Team: Foster, Chilcott, Spalding, Corcoran, Taylor, Presley, Case, Ouldrige, Moore, Gallagher, Hobson-McVeigh. Subs: Bampton, Griffin						





# Last Meeting Home v Cinderford Town



**Saturday 6 January 2024**  
**Dodd Heads Bassett to Crucial Point**  
**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1**  
**Cinderford Town 1**

**STARTING XI**

1 BROWN  
2 PARTRIDGE  
3 SPALDING  
4 TAYLOR  
5 CORCORAN (C)  
6 SOFTLEY  
7 PRESLEY  
9 PACKER  
10 OULDRIDGE  
11 GALLAGHER  
22 HOBSON-MCVEIGH

SUBSTITUTES  
8. ROBERTSON  
10. SHERCOTT  
15. SAMPTON  
16. MOORE  
17. DODD

6.1.2024 15:00

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If you can't win, don't lose. Royal Wootton Bassett Town did just that as Sam Collier's side came from behind to earn a hard fought point against a strong Cinderford Town side and further bolster their hopes of reaching the Hellenic League Premier Division playoffs.

Three wins in a row over Christmas had lifted Cinderford into contention for a playoff position - and, as expected, they provided a tough test for Bassett.

A closely fought first half eventually ended goalless. But it was Cinderford who came out the stronger after the restart and their pressure eventually paid off when solid build up play from Charlie and Adam Davies set up Ethan Hayes, who got the better of Rob Brown in the Bassett goal.

Their lead last all of five minutes though as substitute Ben Dodd shed his marker and guided a Tommy Ouldridge corner into the back of the net with an assured close range header.

That set up a tense finish. And Bassett were handed a potentially crucial advantage when Kerry Morgan was sin binned for the visitors shortly after his introduction off the bench.

That almost paid off when Luke Softley rose highest to meet another Ouldridge corner, but his glancing header was hacked off the line by Ismail Yakubu who found himself in the right place at the right time at the far post.

Ultimately neither side was able to find a winner - but the draw nonetheless represented satisfactory outcome for the hosts.

With Worcester City and Corsham Town both winning, Bassett did lose ground on the top two. But that Collier and his team find themselves in pole position in the race to finish behind the two runaway favourites - a spot that would guarantee a home playoff fixture - reflects on how well Bassett have played so far this season.

And defeats for Pershore Town and Roman Glass St George served to strengthen Bassett's position. Bassett now hold a four point lead over the latter with a game in hand over both still to play. Meanwhile nine points separates Bassett from Highworth Town - the team who currently occupy the first spot outside of the playoff positions.

There's still a long way to go and plenty of football to play. Yet Bassett's resilience and ability to grind out results has them in a very good place.

**POTM LUKE SOFTLEY**

**sustain**



# Last Meeting Away v Cinderford Town



**Saturday 6 April 2024**  
**Late Ouldridge winner has**  
**Bassett on the brink**  
**Cinderford Town 0**  
**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1**

**STARTING XI**

- 1 FOSTER
- 12 CHILCOTT
- 3 SPALDING
- 4 TAYLOR
- 5 CORCORAN (C)
- 6 CASE
- 7 PRESLEY
- 22 HOBSON-MCVEIGH
- 9 MOORE
- 10 OULDRIDGE
- 11 GALLAGHER

6.4.2024 15:00

**sustain**

But with the game seemingly set to end in stalemate, Ouldridge fired a fine finish into top corner from just outside the box after Bassett recycled the ball following a half cleared corner.

Having won on all three of their planned visits to Hereford this season, this unscheduled trip made it a fine four from four in a city that has been Bassett's home away from home during this hugely successful campaign.

In fairness, a draw would have been a very helpful result for Bassett. But the three points are doubly satisfying given its ramifications.

These are outlined in full below. But essentially Bassett will now finish above Slimbridge if they avoid defeat against the Swans next Saturday (that could be confirmed sooner if Slimbridge fail to beat Mangotsfield United in midweek).

And Highworth and Cinderford - nine and ten points behind respectively both with three games in hand and a match against each other to play this Thursday - now have a huge amount of work to do if they are to overhaul Bassett.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town's place in the Hellenic League Premier Division playoffs may not yet be fully confirmed. But a 1-0 victory courtesy of a dramatic late Tommy Ouldridge goal 'away' at playoff rivals Cinderford Town means that Sam Collier and his team have one foot firmly in the postseason door, with the other just centimetres away from crossing the threshold.

Victory, coupled with Highworth Town's 2-0 defeat against Tuffley Rovers, also means that Bassett should now be firm favourites to finish in third place - which comes with the benefit of having home advantage in the playoff semi finals.

Bassett's visit to Cinderford - moved less than 48 hours before kick off to Westfields' Allpay Park ground due to the Foresters suffering a spate of recent postponements - was a tight, edgy contest with chances at a premium.

**POTM OLLY CASE**

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# Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

## PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <p><b>Rob Brown</b></p>	<p>Keeper who recently signed for the club following the injury suffered by Harry Pickering against Longlevens. Experienced goalkeeper who joined Bassett in October 2023 from reigning Hellenic League Premier Division champions Cribbs. An all-round 'keeper, Brown is a great stopper who possesses superb reflexes, is commanding in the air and also has excellent distribution. After starring for Corsham Town as they finished fifth in the Hellenic League Premier Division and reached the Wiltshire Premier Shield final in 2021-22. Brown moved to Cribbs early last season and played a key role as they finished as champions while conceding just 15 times all season. Brown has prior title winning experience, lifting the Western League Premier Division crown with Melksham Town in 2017-18. With Forest Green Rovers as a youth, Brown also has gained Southern League experience with Paulton Rovers and Frome Town.</p>	
 <p><b>Louis Spalding</b></p>	<p>Highly talented full back entering his 2nd season with Bassett. Skilful, quick, an outstanding defender &amp; a player who always looks to get forward. Was named Manager's &amp; Players' Player of the Year following a standout debut season. Played 47 times, scoring a hugely impressive 10 goals, including a long range stunner in the FA Cup against Reading City, a last minute winner at home against Tuffley Rovers &amp; a brace away at the same opponents. With Swindon Town as a youth, before joining Cirencester on loan in 17-18 making 11 appearances, before signing with the Centurions after his release from Swindon. With Cirencester in 18-19, featuring 38 times for the League runners-up in Southern League Div 1 South. He then joined Swindon Supermarine, appearing in 38 games in the curtailed 2019-20 Season, 10 matches a season later and 4 times in 21-22.</p>	<p><b>John &amp; Kath Fellows</b></p>
 <p><b>Harry Walters</b></p>	<p>Full back who is quick, keen to get forward, impressive on the ball and a solid man-marker who made an impressive impact after making his First Team debut last season. Made his first appearance in senior football with Stratton Juniors in 2020-21, featuring 12 times for them in the Wiltshire League Premier Division. He started the subsequent campaign with Stratton before transferring to Bassett, playing 14 times as the Development team were crowned Wiltshire League champions. Continued to impress with the Dev side at the start of last season, and it wasn't long before Sam Collier drafted him into the First Team squad. Made his debut in a Floodlit Cup win against Cribbs and went on to make 19 appearances.</p>	
 <p><b>Adam Corcoran</b></p>	<p>Bassett's current longest serving player and captain, now entering his 12th season with the club, having reached the 300 appearance mark last season. An imposing central defender - with the ability to also play at full back when needed - who is composed on the ball and dominant in the air. A Cirencester Town Academy graduate, he initially joined Bassett in 2011-12 after brief spells with Fairford Town and Calne Town. He quickly established himself as a key part of Bassett's defence, and in 2012-13 helped the team to promotion from Division One West. After a brief spell with Shrivernham, he re-joined Bassett in the summer of 2015 and has been with the club since. He is a player whose performances have seemed to get better and better over time too. The 2021-22 campaign was without doubt his best in Bassett colours, with the defender going on to earn both Manager's and Players' Player of the Year awards. A quality striker of the ball and danger at set pieces, he has also contributed 15 goals in his 316 Bassett appearances.</p>	<p><b>Mark Smedley</b></p>
 <p><b>David Bampton</b></p>	<p>Aggressive and tough in the tackle, yet elegant and composed in possession, highly experienced player who has played at the highest level of non-league. Capable of playing either in the centre of defence or midfield, entering his 4th season with Bassett, having played 85 times, scoring 4 goals since joining in 20-21. Started his career with Swindon Town, captaining their youth team before going on to make 4 First Team appearances in 2002-03. After his release in the summer of 2004, he joined Conference side Tamworth and during a 4-year spell at the club received a call-up to the England National C team. After spending 2008-09 with Worcester City he moved to Supermarine in the summer of 2009 and was part of their squad that reached the FA Cup 2nd round. Forced to stop playing due to a back injury during the 2014-15 campaign but he returned to action in 2017-18, splitting his time between Shrivernham and Supermarine over the course of 3 seasons before moving to Bassett.</p>	
 <p><b>Jack Hobson McVeigh</b></p>	<p>Experienced, cultured central midfielder, entering his 2nd season with Bassett having joined from Malmesbury Vics. Cool in possession with excellent distribution skills, the midfielder is also a threat from set pieces and has the knack for producing spectacular goals. A New Zealand national who represented his country in the 2009 U17 World Cup in which he scored a spectacular goal against Turkey, helping the Kiwis reach the last 16. Has played at the highest level in his home country too. Moved to Germany in 2016 and played as high as the fifth tier with Dusseldorf West and SC Union Nettetal. He then moved to England, joining Malmesbury in 20-21 after a brief spell with Cirencester Town. In his first season with Bassett, Hobson-McVeigh scored 5 times in 36 games.</p>	<p><b>Steve Green</b></p>
 <p><b>Scott Chilcott</b></p>	<p>Dependable full back entering his 3rd season with Bassett after joining from Shrivernham. Consistent performer who is tough in the tackle and willing to get forward to help out in attack. Primarily a right back, but can also perform effectively at centre half, as well as centre forward when required. Player with plenty of Hellenic experience, initially beginning his career as a forward, featuring for Highworth Town Res before establishing himself as a first team regular with Malmesbury Vics in 2013-14. He spent the following 3 seasons with Fairford, featuring 30 times in their 2016-17 Div One West title winning campaign. After a year with Pewsey in 2017-18, he moved to Shrivernham where he played the next 3 years before joining Bassett. In his first season at Bassett, he played in 26 games. He then added 31 appearances last season, scoring three goals in a 4 game spell when plugged into a forward role.</p>	<p><b>Mike Price</b></p>

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Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <p><b>Jowan Partridge</b></p>	<p>Recent graduate of Bassett's U18 team. Extremely talented young defender who is comfortable at either centre half or half back. Calm and assured when in possession, an excellent distributor of the ball and his anticipation and ability to read the game make him an ultra-composed defender. Joined Bassett's U18 side in 2021-22 and quickly stood as a star player and his performances earned the attention of Men's First Team manager Sam Collier, making his debut as a substitute in an FA Vase win against Downton before appearing twice more. Last season saw him earn his first start in an away win at Mangotsfield and in all he featured 29 times and was named Bassett's Young Player of the Year, the defender also narrowly missed out on selection for English Schools FA U18 Schoolboys' squad, reaching the final trial.</p>	
 <p><b>Kai Robinson</b></p>	<p>An unsung hero of the team. An energetic, tough-tackling central midfielder who is entering his 7th year with Bassett. Initially joined the club at the start of the 17-18 season and was one of Bassett's leading appearance makers that year, playing 36 times and scoring once. His appearances were more limited over the next 4 seasons. However over the past 18 months Robinson has played a key role in the heart of midfield. His performances over 43 games in 22-23 earned him joint Manager's Player of the Year honours. Has played 132 times for Bassett, scoring twice. Initially joined Bassett from Wantage Town, with whom he gained Southern League experience during the Alfredians' difficult 16-17 campaign.</p>	
 <p><b>Chris Taylor</b></p>	<p>A vastly experienced central midfielder who is entering his 4th season with Bassett. A classy operator, who is supremely confident on the ball, possesses excellent distribution and superb fitness, he has featured 81 times, scoring twice, since making his Bassett debut in 2020-21. Joined Bassett after 4 years at Highworth, during which he helped them achieve promotion to the Southern League. However, it is with Swindon Supermarine that he spent most of his career. An England U15 international in his youth, he featured 4 times for Swindon Town in 2002-03 before being released in 2006. He then joined Supermarine making 355 appearances over the course of 9 seasons. He has also played for Newport County, Maidenhead Utd, Cirencester Town, Hungerford Town and Australian side Dandenong Thunder.</p>	
 <p><b>Spence Bowen</b></p>	<p>A talented young player who is aiming to break through and establish a regular place in the First Team this season. A left-sided player capable of playing either in defence or midfield, he possesses great skill and is a strong passer of the ball. Starred for Bassett's U18 side as they finished as Wiltshire League Floodlit Division runners-up last season. Earning both Manager's and Players' Player of the Year awards, he made 20 appearances, scoring one goal. He also featured twice for the Development team before making his First Team debut as a substitute in a 3-0 home win against Hereford Pegasus. Bowen went on to make another five appearances from the bench.</p>	
 <p><b>Sam Packer</b></p>	<p>Cultured midfielder with the ability to change the outcome of a game. Re-joins Bassett having moved back to the UK after a period abroad. A tenacious player with clever movement, an eye for a pass and a willingness to take opponents on, he is capable of turning the game from defence to attack very quickly. Initially joined Bassett in 2011 from Highworth, where he had been a key feature of their successful reserve team. After a strong start to the 2011/12 season, he left for then-Southern League Abingdon Utd. There he played a vital role in helping them survive relegation. In the summer of 2012 he moved to Cirencester Town. With the Centurions he featured 21 times, scoring 4 goals but returned to Bassett the following season, making 13 appearances and scoring once, before moving to Shrivenham for 2014/15. He was back with Bassett a season later, scoring 4 goals in 40 appearances before adding 6 in 32 games in 2016/17. In 2017/18 - his last full season with Bassett - he registered his best haul of goals yet, scoring ten times in 22 matches. Overall, Packer has played 159 times for Bassett, scoring 31 times.</p>	
 <p><b>Flynn Walters</b></p>	<p>Promising young forward who made his Men's First Team debut last season. Skillful, with good pace and an assured finisher, he was a part of the Under 18 Floodlit team who finished as Wiltshire League Floodlit Division runners-up in each of the last two seasons. He registered twice in 13 games for the U18s in 2021-22 before playing a more significant role in 2022-23 as he scored eight times in 21 games. His performances saw him earn a place in the club's senior Men's sides last season too. Walters featured five times for the Development team and made his First Team debut as a substitute against Chipping Sodbury Town, scoring the final goal to cap a 4-1 victory.</p>	<p><b>Matt Paul</b></p>
 <p><b>Alfie Presley</b></p>	<p>A hugely talented attacking midfielder who re-joins Bassett after very brief spells with Corsham Town and Abingdon United at the start of this season. Boasting skill, speed and strength, the willingness to take defenders on and expert delivery, his performances have seen him earn Player of the Year awards for Bassett in two different seasons. In 2019-20 Presley was crowned both Manager's Player and Players' Player of the Year, while in 2022-23 he earned Supporters' Player of the Year. Presley is a player who has the ability to play effectively across the entire front line - be that out wide or as a number nine or ten. He also has an eye for goal, netting 24 times in 80 appearances for Bassett, including 15 last season. Presley first played for Bassett in 2016-17, making a single appearance in a season in which he also briefly featured for Marlborough Town in the Wiltshire League. In blue and yellow last season he enjoyed his best year in front of goal to date.</p>	

# Men's First Team Squad 2023-24

## PEN PICS AND SPONSORS

Player	Biography	Sponsor
 <p><b>Tommy Ouldridge</b></p>	<p>A mercurial attacking midfielder entering his 3rd full season with the club. Capable of playing on either wing or through the middle. Talented player who possesses great skill, the ability to pick out any pass, an excellent delivery and an eye for goal. Came through Swindon Town's youth system but never made a first team appearance. Released by Swindon after loan spells at Chippenham and Cirencester in 17-18. Started the 18-19 campaign with Hungerford before moving back to Cirencester where he spent the majority of the next 2 seasons. Played 6 times for Bassett in 20-21, scoring 3. A season later, he featured 41 times, scoring 7. Injuries frustrated him last season, but still made 30 appearances, contributing 5 goals.</p>	AFC Mannington
 <p><b>Bailey Gallagher</b></p>	<p>Graduate of Bassett's youth section. Highly skilful attacking midfielder who can play on either wing, he boasts a great turn of pace and is not afraid to take players on. With his trickery and pace, Gallagher is exceptionally difficult to defend against and he also has the knack for producing spectacular goals. Impressed in his first full season playing at Hellenic Premier level. Bassett's leading outfield appearance maker in 2021-22, he featured 44 times, scoring 9 goals. Last season he added another 7 goals in 47 matches.</p>	Ethan Price
 <p><b>Harry Pickering</b></p>	<p>Pickering is a highly-rated young goalkeeper who joins Bassett this season from Melksham Town. A player who has represented Wiltshire at Under 18 level, his performances helped Melksham Under 18s finish as unbeaten winners of the Wiltshire League Floodlit Division in 2018-19. That year he also made his debut for Melksham Reserves in the Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division before serving as their first choice 'keeper in each of the last three seasons, as well as being backup for their first team in the Southern League.</p>	
 <p><b>George Staten</b></p>	<p>Returning to the club this year after being away at university, Staten is a talented player who is a product of Bassett's youth section. Possessing great pace and a great left foot, he is capable of playing either in midfield or at full back. Staten made his debut in senior football with Bassett in 2017-18. Spending the majority the season playing for the Development team, he scored three goals, while winning the Manager's Player of the Year award. His impressive displays were enough to earn a call-up to the first team towards the end of the campaign. In all he made five appearances, winning man of the match on his debut against Abingdon United. A year later he scored six goals in 17 Development team appearances and was again named as Manager's Player of the Year. Staten briefly appeared for the Development side in 2022-23 too, playing three times.</p>	Hello Loveli Photography
 <p><b>Alan Griffin</b></p>	<p>A high quality target man who enjoyed a distinguished playing career in non-league football. Now entering his 2nd season as Bassett's assistant manager. Initially joined for the 21-22 season as a player, scoring 16 times in 32 appearances before joining the coaching staff. While taking on his current role, Griffin has continued to play, featuring 38 times last season (34 appearances coming from the bench) and adding 5 goals. As a player, Griffin is an assured finisher, strong in the air and capable of effectively holding up the ball. He made a prolific start to his playing career with Corsham in the Western League, and soon moved onto Southern League football, plying his trade with Cirencester, Chippenham, Gloucester City, Mangotsfield Utd, S.Supermarine and Bristol Manor Farm. He spent most of his career with Chippenham and was part of their 16-17 promotion winning squad that saw the Bluebirds earn National League South status. In 18-19 he hit 26 goals for Cirencester as they finished runners-up in Southern League Division One South. Joined Bassett after splitting the 19-20 season between Melksham Town and Malmesbury Victoria. Griffin also has prior managerial experience having spent time in charge of Malmesbury.</p>	John & Kath Fellows
 <p><b>Connor Waldon</b></p>	<p>Waldon is a well-travelled forward with professional experience who joins Bassett this season. A player who came through the ranks at Swindon Town, Waldon made eight appearances for the Robins - including three starts - between 2013 and 2015. He also had numerous loan spells during his time at Swindon, including in the National League with Tamworth, Gloucester City and Brackley Town. Following his release, Waldon joined Swindon Supermarine (where he had also been on loan), and over the course of three spells with Marine he scored 34 goals in 73 matches. Waldon has also had spells with Mangotsfield United and North Leigh in the Southern League while he has featured for Highworth Town, Shrivensham and Chipping Sodbury Town in the Hellenic League.</p>	Phil Hall
 <p><b>Sam Collier (Manager)</b></p>	<p>Bassett manager since taking the role in January 2018. In 18-19, his first full season in charge, he guided the team to 10th in the Hellenic Premier Division - at that point, the club's highest ever finish. Bassett exceeded that record last season with a 5th place finish. Bassett has also set records in national cup competitions under his stewardship, with Collier's sides equalling the club's best FA Cup run in 20-21 and going further than ever before in the FA Vase, reaching the 3rd round in both 21-22 and 22-23. This is Collier's 2nd job in management after he served as Shrivensham player-manager from 2014 to 2015. As a player, he has made 159 appearances for Bassett, scoring 71, finishing as top scorer in 09-10, when Bassett earned promotion to the Hellenic Premier Division, and 10-11. Collier has played in almost every other position for Bassett including as goalkeeper, making a last minute penalty save in 22-23 to preserve a point against eventual champions Cribbs. During his playing career, he also featured for Purton, Abingdon Utd, Cirencester Town, Wantage T and Thatcham T among others.</p>	Phil Hall
 <p><b>Lee Beavis (Coach)</b></p>	<p>Beavis is a new addition to joins Bassett's Men's First Team management team for this season. A strong defender in his playing days, Beavis featured for Bassett during the first half of the 2006-07 season under then-manager Paul Burke. He also played for Devizes Town, Calne Town, Melksham Town and Malmesbury Victoria among others.</p>	



# Match Report

## Slimbridge (A)



Saturday 13 April 2024

### Presley pair seals impressive Swans double

**Slimbridge 1**  
**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 2**

**STARTING XI**

- 1 FOSTER
- 2 PARTRIDGE
- 3 SPALDING
- 4 TAYLOR
- 5 CORCORAN (C)
- 6 CASE
- 7 PRESLEY
- 19 HOBSON-MCVEIGH
- 9 DUGAN
- 10 OULDRIDGE
- 12 CHILCOTT

**SUBSTITUTES**

- 14 WALTERS
- 15 SIMPSON
- 16 CRUPPIN
- 17 GALLAGHER
- 18 GALLAGHER

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A second 2-1 come from behind win of the season against Slimbridge - their first ever victory away against the Swans - means that Royal Wootton Bassett Town have done all they can to secure a home Hellenic League Premier Division playoff semi final.

Now Bassett have to play the waiting game to see how Highworth Town get on in their final league fixture of the season against Corsham Town. Highworth will definitely be Bassett's semi final opponents - but the venue is still to be confirmed.

Anything less than a win for the Worthians against Corsham will mean a derby date with the highest of stakes at the Sustain Stadium.

Regardless of where the match takes place though, Sam Collier's side will be confident

that they can get the result they need to get through to the final. Highworth - winners of both league meetings - will be very tough opponents.

But their victory at Slimbridge - like that against Cinderford Town last week - demonstrated Bassett's quality and why they are deservedly a playoff side.

The first half in Gloucestershire was one of limited chances.

James Foster was called into action early on when he denied George Neill after he had played a give-and-go with Jack Smith.

But it wasn't until the half hour mark that he was called into action a second time as he again kept Neill out to make up for a scuffed clearance that fell straight to the forward.

Bassett's only real of the opportunity of the half fell to Elliott Dugan who shot over. And Foster was again needed on the stroke of half time to tip over a Rudi McKinnon free kick.

Slimbridge were then in the ascendancy early in the second half, and Foster was forced into another great save to keep out Smith's 20-yard drive.

McKinnon eventually got the better of him midway through the half though to put the hosts ahead.

Bassett's response was rapid, however, and an Alfie Presley brace quickly turned the game around.

Bassett's leading scorer first put away a penalty before heading home four minutes later to put the visitors in front.

That left Slimbridge in need of a goal to strengthen their position in the table. But they'll have to make do with a slender two point advantage over Cinderford (who have two games left to play) for the final playoff spot, the Swans' frustrations having shown when captain Myron Turner saw a stoppage time shot blocked on the line.



# Match Report

## Worcester City (H)



**Tuesday 26 March 2024**

### **Title favourites edge thriller**

**Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1  
Worcester City 2**

Royal Wootton Bassett Town may have been unable to hinder Worcester City's seemingly inexorable march towards the Hellenic League Premier Division title (and a potential quadruple). But Sam Collier's side pushed City all the way before falling to defeat by the odd goal in three in a pulsating encounter played in the driving rain at the Sustain Stadium.

City were made to sweat all night as Bassett rose to the occasion and took the game to their gilded opponents. It certainly wasn't the kind of night that City were hoping for just over 72 hours away from the first leg of their Buildbase FA Vase semi final.

Ultimately, however, Worcester came away winners courtesy of a brace from leading marksman Kyle Belmonte, with Alfie Presley's first half penalty proving not enough for a share of the spoils that Bassett's excellent performance arguably merited.

Indeed, Bassett will look back with some frustration on the two goals they conceded. Two clipped balls over the top that opened up their defence proved the hosts' undoing on a night when otherwise they were defensively stout and also able to pose a consistent threat at the other end of the pitch.

While having the opening chance of the match – Louis Spalding seeing a firm drive from the edge of the area blocked inside the six yard box, the home faithful could have been forgiven for thinking they were in for a

long night when Worcester took the lead in just the sixth minute.

It was a rather simple goal too: Dylan Hart flicked the ball on to set strike partner Elliott Hartley in behind the defence and he squared for the onrushing Belmonte who, presented with a one-on-one opportunity, coolly slotted past Rob Brown.

But Bassett were on their game and quickly set about searching for an equaliser. Home 'keeper Haydn Whitcombe twice frustrated their efforts, parrying from Sam Packer after great work from Kyle Tooze and Scott Chilcott to keep play alive before tipping away from Chilcott after he had been teed up by Presley.

Whitcombe soon came to Bassett's aid though. On 17 minutes he clumsily clattered into Spalding as the pair contested a high ball into the box and the hosts had a penalty. Leading scorer Presley stepped up to the mark and coolly sent Whitcombe the wrong way, stroking the spot kick into the bottom left corner.

The game – aided by a slick, sodden pitch - ebbed and flowed for the remainder of the half, with action at both ends.

Worcester fashioned the better of the chances. Belmonte twice forced Brown to save – the second time somewhat awkwardly – with powerful shots from range, while the Bassett 'keeper also did brilliantly to one-handedly swat away Kirk Layton's close range half volley. With half time looming, Brown then made one block before a further goalline clearance helped keep the visitors out after an Adam Mace corner caused a scramble in the box.

Bassett may not have had truly created another shot on goal before the break. But they did feel as though they should have had another penalty when Chilcott was bundled over. This time, however, Bassett's calls for a spot kick were waved away.

There was then to be no letting up from either side after the restart.

Worcester should have been back ahead less than 120 seconds after play resumed when Hartley latched onto Jordan Lymn's defence splitting pass. In behind the defence he had just Brown to beat, but curled a first time left-foot shot wide of the post.

Bassett found themselves pinned deep in their own territory in the opening minutes of the half, but were able to keep City at bay.

Soon enough, Bassett were causing problems at the other end. Presley flicked on a Spalding ball into the left channel for the lively Tooze. And after teasing with Layton, he eventually cut in and powered past the City centre half. That opened up a sight on goal and Tooze's tight-angled shot flew towards the right corner only to rattle the post. He would have a second bite at the cherry though as the rebound fell for him but that effort was blocked.

Liam Lockett then came close at the other end. Cutting inside from the left, he squeezed between both Jowan Partridge and Tom Moore before seeing a low drive batted away by Brown.

The game's decisive moment arrived on 65 minutes. Substitute Kyonn Evans made an immediate impact, shrugging off the attentions of Olly Case – with, it could be argued excessive force, to race onto a ball played in behind the defence. And he squared for Belmonte who swept home from just inside the box.

The remaining twenty minutes remained tense with the game still on a knife-edge. Chasing another equaliser, Bassett were forced to open up. As would be expected, Worcester continued to threaten, but Bassett were able to withstand the pressure they came under.

Collier's team also continued to pose questions of the Worcester defence. But, while bending, they did not break.

That's the mark of champions – and it will be little surprise if Worcester quickly collect the eleven points they need to seal the title.

**STARTING XI**

- 1 BROWN
- 2 PARTRIDGE
- 3 SPALDING
- 4 TAYLOR
- 5 CORCORAN (C)
- 6 CASE
- 7 PRESLEY
- 8 PACKER
- 19 TOOZE
- 10 OULDRIDGE
- 12 CHILCOTT

SUBSTITUTES  
9 MOORE  
14 WALTERS  
15 BAMPFON  
16 GREEN  
23 HOBBSON-MCVEIGH

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ROYAL WOTTON BASSETT TOWN FC

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# Match Report

## Highworth Town (A)



Wednesday 17 April 2024

### Case heads Bassett into playoff final

#### Highworth Town 0

#### Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1

Just 90 minutes of football stands between Royal Wootton Bassett Town and a possible first ever promotion to the Southern League after Olly Case's headed goal delivered a derby playoff semi final victory away against Highworth Town.

In a tense contest, Sam Collier's side were ultimately deserved winners - and they will now take their place in the final at home against Cinderford Town after the Foresters shocked favourites Corsham Town, also triumphing 1-0.

At the start of the season, Bassett's goal was to reach to the playoffs. Now they have an excellent chance to win them and achieve club history.

Recent weeks have seen Bassett grind out important, narrow wins against both Cinderford and Slimbridge in the battle to cement a playoff place.

Here, on their rivals' own patch Bassett ground out another victory by the smallest of margins to advance a step closer to promotion.

Collier's team started brightly and were almost ahead within the opening ten minutes. A firm tackle from Louis Spalding initiated a counter which ultimately led to Tommy Ouldridge being presented with a one-on-one opportunity. However he was brilliantly foiled by onrushing home 'keeper James Walker who parried away.

The remainder of the opening period was largely scrappy with half chances the order of the day.

The breakthrough eventually arrived shortly

before the interval though. Spalding delivered an inswinging corner with his mercurial left foot into the heart of the Highworth box and Case, checking his run ever so slightly, found himself perfectly placed to plant a firm header from ten yards out into the bottom right corner.

Bassett would have been grateful to have more of a cushion - and the visitors pushed hard to extend their advantage following the restart.

Ouldridge and Kyle Tooze both tested Walker's reflexes, the former with a snap shot after the hosts failed to clear, the latter with a firm drive after cutting inside from the left. Alfie Presley also came close as the visitors were unable to extend their advantage.

Ultimately though Bassett were able to hang on for a famous victory. An outstretched David Pratt narrowly missed the target for the Worthians while their best opportunity fell to Connor Mattimore who forced a fine save from James Foster in the Bassett goal.

What a win this was. And what a prize that is now on offer.

Bring on the final. Bring on Cinderford. And bring on a shot at promotion to the Southern League.

**STARTING XI**

- 1 FOSTER
- 3 SPALDING
- 4 TAYLOR
- 5 CORCORAN (C)
- 6 CASE
- 7 PRESLEY
- 8 PACKER
- 10 OULDRIDGE
- 12 CHILCOTT
- 19 TOOZE
- 22 HOBSON-MCVEIGH

SUBSTITUTES

- 11 GALLAGHER
- 14 ROBINSON
- 15 SHAMPTON
- 16 GRIFFIN
- 20 PEARCE/ROSE

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Olly Case and James Foster who both played a massive part in our 1-0 Play-Off semi final win away at Highworth Town.





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Date	Opponents	H/A	Result	Crowd	1	2	3	4	5	6
Sat 05-Aug	Mangotsfield Utd (FAC Ex. Prelim)	A	L 0 - 2	190	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	H. Walters	Bampton	Ouldrin
Sat 12-Aug	Slimbridge	H	W 2 - 1	105	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Ouldrin
Tue 15-Aug	Wantage Town	A	W 4 - 0	66	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Ouldrin
Tue 22-Aug	Mangotsfield United	H	W 1 - 0	146	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Sat 26-Aug	Hereford Pegasus	H	W 1 - 0	65	Pickering	Partridge	Wheeler	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Mon 28-Aug	Highworth Town	A	L 0 - 1	242	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Wheeler	K.Robinson
Tue 05-Sep	Corsham Town	A	L 1 - 7	250	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Wheeler	Bampton	Child
Sat 09-Sep	Tuffley Rovers	A	W 2 - 1	74	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Thur 14-Sep	Swindon Supermarine (FLC1)	H	W 3 - 0	143	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Tue 19-Sep	Fairford Town	A	W 4 - 2	105	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Packard
Sat 30-Sep	Pershore Town	A	L 2 - 3	161	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran (1)	Chilcott	K.Robinson
Tue 03-Oct	Thornbury Town	H	D 2 - 2	79	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Sat 07-Oct	Lydney Town	A	L 0 - 2		Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	K.Robinson
Tue 10-Oct	Thornbury Town	A	W 2 - 1	70	Pickering	Partridge	Spalding	Chilcott	Bampton	Presley
Sat 21-Oct	Elburton Villa (FAV1)	H	W 2 - 1	105	Brown	Partridge	Wrona	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Sat 28-Oct	Hereford Lads Club	H	W 2 - 1	101	Brown	Partridge	Spalding (1)	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Wed 01-Nov	Brimcombe & Thrupp	A	W 3 - 1	65	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Tue 07-Nov	Roman Glass St George	H	W 1 - 0	75	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Sat 11-Nov	Longlevens (FAV2)	H	W 2 - 1	129	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Sat 18-Nov	Worcester City	A	L 0 - 4	825	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	McBeam	Softley
Tue 21-Nov	Roman Glass St George (MCC)	H	L 1 - 3	68	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Sat 25-Nov	Westfields	A	W 2 - 1		Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	H.Walters	Presley
Tue 28-Nov	Highworth Town (WPS2)	A	W 2 - 2*		Brown	Partridge (1)	Softley	Corcoran	Bampton	H.Walters
Sat 02-Dec	Bridgewater Utd (FAV3)	H	L 2 - 2**	204	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran (1)	Bampton	Presley
Sat 05-Dec	Clanfield (FLC 2)	H	W 2 - 1	75	Brown	Partridge	Morris	Corcoran	Bampton	Presley
Sat 09-Dec	Pershore Town	H	D 1 - 1	85	Brown	Partridge	Griffin	Corcoran	Chilcott	Walton
Sat 16-Dec	Lydney Town	H	W 4 - 2	86	Brown	Partridge (1)	Spalding	Corcoran	Griffin	Presley
Sat 23-Dec	Longlevens	A	W 2 - 0	69	Jepson	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Griffin	Presley
Wed 27-Dec	Highworth Town	H	L 1 - 3	216	Jepson	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Griffin	Presley
Sat 30-Dec	Hereford Pegasus	A	W 3 - 2	109	Brown	Partridge (1)	Spalding	Corcoran	Softley	Presley
Mon 01-Jan	Hereford Lads Club	A	W 4 - 1	89	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Softley	McBeam
Sat 06-Jan	Cinderford Town	H	D 1 - 1	136	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Softley	Presley
Tue 09-Jan	Swindon Supermarine (WPS SF)	A	L 2 - 3	169	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Griffin	Presley
Sat 13-Jan	Worcester Raiders	A	W 2 - 1	163	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Softley	Presley
Tue 16-Jan	Tuffley Rovers	H	W 1 - 0	78	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Softley	Presley
Sat 27-Jan	Westfields	H	L 1 - 2	125	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Softley	Presley
Wed 31-Jan	Roman Glass St George (FLCQF)	A	L 0 - 1	31	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Griffin	Bampton	Child
Sat 03-Feb	Roman Glass St George	A	L 0 - 1	72	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Chilcott	Presley
Tue 13-Feb	Longlevens	H	W 3 - 0	91	Foster	Partridge (1)	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Sat 17-Feb	Wantage Town	H	W 3 - 0	101	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Sat 24-Feb	Mangotsfield United	A	D 0 - 0	190	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Tue 27-Feb	Worcester Raiders	H	L 0 - 4	71	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Sat 02-Mar	Corsham Town	H	L 1 - 2	256	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Tue 08-Mar	Fairford Town	H	W 1 - 0	230	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Sat 16-Mar	Brimcombe & Thrupp	H	W 4 - 0	108	Brown	Partridge	Spalding (1)	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Tue 26-Mar	Worcester City	H	L 1 - 2	238	Brown	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Sat 06-Apr	Cinderford Town	A	W 1 - 0	71	Foster	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Sat 13-Apr	Slimbridge	A	W 2 - 1	135	Foster	Partridge	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Wed 17-Apr	Highworth Town	A	W 1 - 0	280	Foster	Chilcott	Spalding	Corcoran	Taylor	Presley
Tue 30-Apr	Cinderford Town	H								

\* Won on penalties

\*\* Lost on pens

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# MEN'S FIRST TEAM SEASON 2023-24



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idge	Taylor	Wrona	Moore	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Griffin	Timbrell	F.Walters			
idge (1)	Taylor	Jones (1)	Moore	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	K.Robinson	Packer	Waldon			
idge	Taylor	Jones	Waldon (2)	Gallagher (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	K.Robinson	Packer	Moore (1)	Chilcott	Griffin	
inson	Taylor	Jones	Waldon	Gallagher (1)	Packer	Ouldridge	Timbrell	Hobson-McVeigh			
inson	Taylor	Jones	Waldon (1)	Gallagher	Packer	Moore	Thorp	Timbrell			
inson	Moore	Jones	Timbrell	Gallagher	Packer	Griffin	Thorp	Waldon			
cott	Taylor	Jones (1)	Waldon	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Griffin	Thorp	Timbrell	Ouldridge	Bowen	
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r (1)	Taylor	Ouldridge	Waldon	Pagliaroli (1)	Jones (2)	Stewart	Chilcott	Hobson-McVeigh			
inson	Packer	Ouldridge (1)	Waldon	Jones	Hobson-McVeigh	H.Walters	Wrona	Stewart	Griffin		
inson	Packer	Ouldridge	Waldon	Bennett	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Chilcott (1)	Stewart	F. Walters	Wrona		
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y (1)	Packer (1)	Ouldridge	Wrona	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Stewart	H. Walters	Timbrell	Sheppard-Cozens		
ley	Packer (1)	Chilcott	Waldon	Gallagher (1)	Hobson-McVeigh	Ouldridge	Z.Robinson	Timbrell			
ley	Packer	Ouldridge	Waldon (1)	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Chilcott	Taylor	Wrona			
y (2)	Packer (1)	Ouldridge	Waldon	Gallagher	Taylor	Chilcott	Z.Robinson	H. Walters	Griffin		
ley	Packer	Ouldridge	Chilcott (1)	Gallagher	K.Robinson	Bennett	Pagliaroli				
y (2)	Timbrell	Ouldridge	Chilcott	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Griffin	H. Walters				
ley	Packer	Ouldridge	Chilcott	Gallagher	Timbrell	H. Walters					
ley	Packer	Ouldridge (1)	Chilcott	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh						
ley	F.Walters	Ouldridge (1)	Griffin (1)	Taylor	Hobson-McVeigh	Timbrell					
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y (1)	Packer	Ouldridge	Taylor	H.Walters	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Dodd	Timbrell				
ley	Packer	Ouldridge	Taylor	Morris	Hobson-McVeigh (1)						
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y (2)	Packer	Ouldridge	Taylor	Gallagher	Morris	Chilcott	Bampton				
y (1)	Packer	Ouldridge (1)	Taylor	Gallagher	Chilcott	Dodd	Robinson				
ley	Packer	Ouldridge	Taylor	Gallagher (1)	Chilcott	Case	Robinson				
y (1)	Robinson	Ouldridge	Taylor	Gallagher	Chilcott	Case	Hobson-McVeigh	Griffin			
cott	Robinson	Case	Softley	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Ouldridge	Presley	Sheppard-Cozens			
ley	Robinson	Ouldridge	Case	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Packer	Softley				
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y (1)	Packer	Chilcott	Softley	Skitttrall	Hobson-McVeigh (1)	Griffin	Bampton	H.Walters			
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ley	Case	Ouldridge	Warre	Packer	Tooze (1)	Bennett					
ley	Case (1)	Ouldridge	Dugan	Packer	Tooze	Softley					
y (2)	Case	Ouldridge (1)	Chilcott	Packer	Tooze	Bennett	Griffin	H. Walters	Wrona	Bell	
y (1)	Case	Ouldridge	Chilcott	Packer	Tooze	Bampton	Hobson-McVeigh	Moore			
ley	Case	Ouldridge (1)	Moore	Gallagher	Hobson-McVeigh	Bampton	Griffin				
y (2)	Case	Ouldridge	Chilcott	Dugan	Hobson-McVeigh	Bampton	Griffin	Gallagher	H. Walters		
ley	Case (1)	Ouldridge	Tooze	Packer	Hobson-McVeigh	Pagliaroli	Robinson	Gallagher			

V - FA Vase, WPS - Wiltshire Premier Shield (County Cup), MCC - Challenge Cup



# Season 2023-24

## Appearances & Goal Statistics

Season 2023-24					RWBTFC Career		
	Appearances	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	Jowan Partridge	47		47	3	79	3
2	Thomas Ouldridge	42	4	46	8	121	23
3	Adam Corcoran	45		45	3	351	18
4	Louis Spalding	44		44	4	91	14
5	Jack Hobson-McVeigh	32	4	36	6	72	11
6	Sam Packer	31	4	35	5	194	36
7	Chris Taylor	32	1	33		114	2
8	Bailey Gallagher	30	3	33	6	126	22
9	Alfie Presley	31	1	32	16	112	40
10	Scott Chilcott	24	8	32	2	89	5
11	Robert Brown	29		29		29	
12	David Bampton	22	7	29		114	4
13	Alan Griffin	7	19	26	2	96	24
14	Connor Waldon	15	3	18	6	18	6
15	Kai Robinson	12	6	18		150	2
16	Harry Walters	4	14	18	1	38	1
17	Joshua Timbrell	3	12	15	1	30	1
18	Harry Pickering	14		14		14	
19	Luke Softley	11	2	13		13	
20	Oliver Case	11	2	13	2	13	
21	Ben Dodd	2	7	9	1	9	1
22	Matthew Jones	8		8	4	38	22
23	Giorgio Wrona	4	4	8		213	24
24	Tom Moore	4	4	8	1	19	4
25	Flynn Walters	1	7	8		9	1
26	Kyle Tooze	6	1	7	2	12	3
27	Jordan Morris	5	1	6		6	
28	Akeem Stewart	2	4	6		6	
29	James Foster	4		4		4	
30	Brad Pagliaroli	2	2	4	3	69	32
31	Matt Bennett	1	3	4		234	69
32	Dan Warre	3		3		17	5
33	Owain Wheeler	3		3		3	
34	Spencer Bowen		3	3	1	9	1
35	Toby Thorp		3	3		3	
36	Jack Sheppard-Cozens		3	3		3	
37	Daniel McBeam	2		2	1	2	1
38	Samuel Jepson	2		2		2	
39	Elliott Dugan	2		2		2	
40	Zak Robinson		2	2		2	
41	Nathaniel Bell		2	2		2	
42	Kyle Gibbs	1		1		1	
43	Finlay Skittrall	1		1		1	
44	Sam Collier		1	1		160	71
45	Mark Soares		1	1		1	
46	Kevin Lartey		1	1		1	

# Season 2023-24

## Hellenic League Tables

### 2023-2024 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Premier Division

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Worcester City	38	32	5	1	120	31	101
2 Corsham Town	38	24	10	4	80	33	82
3 Highworth Town	38	22	7	9	73	40	73
4 <b>Royal W. Bassett Town</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>73</b>
5 <b>Cinderford Town</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>66</b>
6 Slimbridge	38	19	8	11	81	62	65
7 Roman Glass St George	38	20	2	16	73	62	62
8 Fairford Town	38	17	10	11	59	49	61
9 Hereford Pegasus	38	16	7	15	77	73	55
10 Worcester Raiders	38	15	8	15	58	61	53
11 Pershore Town	38	14	8	16	79	69	50
12 Westfields	38	14	7	17	68	68	49
13 Mangotsfield United	38	13	9	16	59	59	48
14 Tuffley Rovers	38	13	9	16	55	62	48
15 Brimscombe & Thrupp	38	10	8	20	56	92	38
16 Longlevens AFC	38	10	6	22	47	78	36
17 Hereford Lads Club	38	8	8	22	43	65	32
18 Thornbury Town	38	8	5	25	43	79	29
19 Lydney Town	38	8	5	25	63	103	29
20 Wantage Town	38	7	2	29	34	105	23

#### Play-Off Semi Finals

Corsham Town 0  
Cinderford Town 1

Highworth Town 0

Royal Wootton Bassett Town 1

#### Final (Tuesday 30th April)

R.W. Bassett Town v Cinderford Town  
At Sustain Stadium, GBSG, 7:45PM

### 2023-2024 Season UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division One

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Hartpury University	36	29	5	2	116	20	92
2 Malmesbury Victoria	36	26	5	5	87	32	83
3 Clanfield 85	36	26	3	7	87	38	81
4 Sporting Club Inkberrow	36	20	6	10	79	41	66
5 Devizes Town	36	19	6	11	87	54	63
6 FC Bristol	36	20	3	13	91	71	63
7 F C Stratford	36	17	7	12	70	48	58
8 Calne Town	36	18	4	14	74	61	58
9 Shortwood United	36	15	8	13	68	59	53
10 Abingdon United	36	17	1	18	64	62	52
11 Tytherington Rocks	36	15	2	19	58	69	47
12 Cheltenham Saracens	36	13	7	16	51	64	46
13 Stonehouse Town	36	12	8	16	63	73	44
14 Southam United	36	13	3	20	57	92	42
15 Newent Town	36	10	7	19	60	83	37
16 Kidlington Res	36	8	5	23	44	87	29
17 Long Crendon	36	7	3	26	44	93	24
18 Chipping Sodbury Town	36	5	6	25	28	103	21
19 Moreton Rangers	36	5	5	26	35	113	20

#### Play-Off Semi Finals

Malmesbury Vics 2  
Devizes Town 0

Clanfield 0

Sporting Club Inkberrow 3

#### Final

Malmesbury Vics 2  
Sporting Club Inkberrow 1

# RWBTFC HELLENIC LEAGUE STATS

## LEAGUE RECORD, MANAGERS, TOP SCORERS

### ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. 35 YEARS + IN THE HELLENIC LEAGUE

Season	Div	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Position	Manager	Top Scorer
1988/89	1	28	11	7	10	50	41	40	5 out of 15	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1989/90	1	30	13	8	9	52	35	47	7 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York 25
1990/91	1	30	11	8	11	32	36	41	8 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Damon York
1991/92	1	32	10	8	14	45	59	38	12 out of 17	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1992/93	1	30	8	6	16	40	53	30	12 out of 16	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1993/94	1	34	15	8	11	65	57	53	9 out of 18	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent
1994/95	1	38	18	5	15	67	68	59	9 out of 20	Mick Woolford	Scott Vincent/Darren Jell
1995/96	1	34	12	9	13	50	64	45	10 out of 18	Kevin Maloney	Scott Vincent
1996/97	1	32	9	8	15	37	50	35	11 out of 17	Kevin Maloney	Ian Curtis/Gary Ashford 8
1997/98	1	32	12	6	14	67	58	42	10 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart/Peter Dearlove 10
1998/99	1	32	17	7	8	64	43	58	5 out of 17	Dave Warren	Lee Stoddart 17
1999/00	1	28	15	7	6	54	32	52	3 out of 15	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart
2000/01	Prem	38	14	10	14	54	60	52	13 out of 20	Barry Giles	Lee Stoddart 25
2001/02	Prem	42	11	9	22	39	75	42	19 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Mark Vaughan 14
2002/03	Prem	40	10	10	20	36	70	40	15 out of 21	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 9
2003/04	Prem	42	11	5	26	38	73	38	16 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley	Geoff Swatton 16
2004/05	Prem	42	6	9	27	30	85	27	21 out of 22	Pete Yeardeley/Chris Jones	Matty Bennett 10
2005/06	1W	34	17	10	7	58	30	61	5 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett 12
2006/07	1W	34	14	5	15	64	62	47	11 out of 18	Paul Burke	Matty Bennett/Steve Yeardeley 11
2007/08	1W	34	11	3	20	43	66	36	15 out of 18	Paul Burke	Richie Saunders 12
2008/09	1W	32	17	9	6	61	31	60	4 out of 17	Dave Turner	Shaun Terry 26
2009/10	1W	30	20	7	3	74	34	67	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 22
2010/11	Prem	42	13	7	22	55	87	46	15 out of 22	Dave Turner	Sam Collier 26
2011/12	1W	32	15	7	10	69	47	52	5 out of 17	Dave Turner	Matt Bown 18
2012/13	1W	30	22	3	5	75	40	69	2 out of 16	Dave Turner	Mark Barnes 32
2013/14	Prem	38	11	12	15	60	60	45	14 out of 20	Jeff Roberts	Levi Cox 14
2014/15	Prem	38	14	9	15	66	80	51	11 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Dan Bailey 18
2015/16	Prem	38	12	5	21	50	86	41	15 out of 20	Paul Braithwaite	Steve Robertson 30
2016/17	Prem	34	15	3	16	61	64	45	11 out of 19	P.Braithwaite/R.Hunter	Steve Robertson 27
2017/18	Prem	38	11	6	21	44	85	39	15 out of 20	Richard Hunter/Sam Collier	Sam Collier 11
2018/19	Prem	36	14	7	15	66	71	49	10 out of 19	Sam Collier	TJ Bohane 20
2019/20	Prem	27	8	4	15	50	65	28	16* out of 19	Sam Collier	Callum Parsons 11
2020/21	Prem	8	1	4	3	8	12	7	15* out of 18	Sam Collier	TJ Bohane 11
2021/22	Prem	38	16	6	16	58	66	54	12 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alan Griffin & John Mills 16
2022/23	Prem	38	19	8	11	67	50	65	5 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 14
2023/24	Prem**	38	23	4	11	66	50	73	4 out of 20	Sam Collier	Alfie Presley 16

<b>Total</b>	<b>1,223</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>1,915</b>	<b>2,045</b>	<b>1,674</b>
<b>Won:Drew:Lost Ratio</b>	<b>38.9%</b>	<b>20.4%</b>	<b>40.7%</b>				

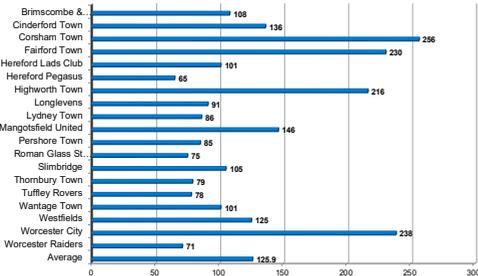
\* At time season 2019-20 was suspended due to Covid-19

	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts	Won:Drew:Lost Ratio
Premier Division	617	209	118	290	848	1,139	742	33.9% 19.1% 47.0%
Division 1 West	226	116	44	66	444	310	392	51.3% 19.5% 29.2%
Division 1	380	151	87	142	623	596	540	39.7% 22.9% 37.4%

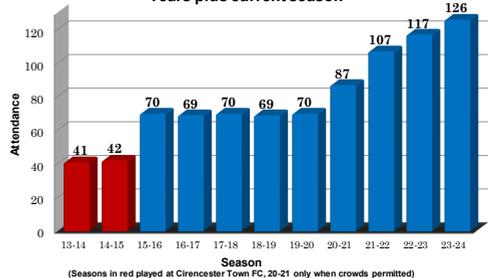
<b>Nickname</b>	<b>Bassett</b>
<b>Record Gate</b>	<b>2,103 v Swindon Town (1991)</b>
<b>Best Gate - 2022/23</b>	<b>220 v Malvern Town</b>
<b>Average Hellenic Attendance 2022/23</b>	<b>117 (up from 107 in 22/23)</b>
<b>Record Known Win</b>	<b>16 - 0 v Clyffe Pypard (1933/34)</b>
<b>Record Known Defeat</b>	<b>1 - 16 v Warminster T (3/11/1945)</b>

## CROWDS

RWBTFC League Attendances - Season 2023-24



RWBTFC Average Home League Attendances - Last 10 Years plus current season



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# League Cups Season 2023-24

## Marsh Challenge Cup



### Challenge Cup - Winners

1998-99	Burnham
1999-00	Swindon Supermarine
2000-01	Carterton Town
2001-02	Gloucester United
2002-03	Yate Town
2003-04	Didcot Town
2004-05	Didcot Town
2005-06	Didcot Town
2006-07	Hungerford Town
2007-08	Hungerford Town
2008-09	Almondsbury Town
2009-10	Ardley United
2010-11	Holyport
2011-12	Highworth Town
2012-13	Oxford City Nomads
2013-14	Ascot United
2014-15	Ardley United
2015-16	Flackwell Heath
2016-17	Bracknell Town
2017-18	Bracknell Town
2018-19	Ascot United
2019-20	<i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i>
2020-21	Kidlington Reserves
2021-22	Cribbs
2022-23	Pershore Town

#### HELLENIC LEAGUE MARSH CHALLENGE CUP SEASON 2023-24

##### Extra Preliminary Round

Abingdon United	2 - 1	FC Stratford
Bourton Rovers Res	0 - 2	<b>Kidlington Res</b>
Britwell	1 - 3	<b>Chipping Sodbury Town</b>
Calne Town	2 - 5	<b>Stonehouse Town</b>
Chalfont Wasps	3 - 0	Holmer Green Dev
Chalvey (WMC) Sports	1 - 13	<b>Aston Clinton Res</b>
Chinnor	1 - 2	<b>Mortimer</b>
Didcot Town Dev	10 - 0	Evesham United Dev
Easington Sports Dev	2 - 1	Thame United A
FC Beaconsfield	4 - 0	Ardley United Dev
FC Bristol	4 - 1	Clanfield 85
Gloucester City Dev	1 - 6	<b>Long Crendon</b>
Hartpury University	5 - 2	Headington Amateurs
Hazelmere Sports Crusaders	0 - 2	<b>Tytherington Rocks</b>
Letcombe (Won 4-2 pens)	1 - 1	Oxford City Dev
Malmesbury Victoria	4 - 2	Cheltenham Saracens
Newent Town	3 - 1	Devizes Town
Prestwood	3 - 3	<b>Moreton Rangers</b> (Won 4-3 pens)
Shortwood United	5 - 0	Shipston Excelsior
Swindon Supermarine Dev	3 - 0	University of Bristol F'mular
Taplow United	3 - 1	Bishops Cleeve Dev
Watlington Town	4 - 2	Southam United

##### Preliminary Round

Aston Clinton Res	4 - 1	Watlington Town
Chalfont Wasps	1 - 4	<b>Abingdon United</b>
Didcot Town Dev	0 - 1	<b>Letcombe</b>
Easington Sport Dev	1 - 2	<b>Stonehouse Town</b>
FC Beaconsfield	4 - 3	Malmesbury Victoria
FC Bristol	4 - 1	Chipping Sodbury Town
Hartpury University	1 - 0	Long Crendon
Newent Town	1 - 4	<b>Shortwood United</b>
Sporting Club Inkberrow	1 - 2	<b>North Leigh Res</b>
Swindon Supermarine Dev	2 - 1	Kidlington Res
Taplow Utd	5 - 3	Mortimer
Tytherington Rocks	4 - 0	Moreton Rangers

##### First Round

Abingdon United	3 - 1	Wantage Town
Brimcombe & Thrupp	4 - 1	Worcester Raiders
Corsham Town	3 - 0	Thornbury Town
Fairford Town	4 - 2	FC Beaconsfield
FC Bristol	1 - 1	<b>Westfields</b> (3-5 on pens)
Hereford Lads Club	0 - 1	<b>Tuffley Rovers</b>
Highworth Town	4 - 0	Swindon Supermarine Dev
Letcombe	4 - 2	North Leigh Res
Longlevens	0 - 3	<b>Shortwood United</b>
Mangotsfield United	5 - 1	Stonehouse Town
Pershore Town	4 - 2	Lydney Town
Royal W. Bassett Town	1 - 3	<b>Roman Glass St George</b>
Slimbridge	4 - 2	Hereford Pegasus
Taplow United	1 - 2	<b>Aston Clinton Res</b>
Tytherington Rocks	2 - 0	Hartpury University
Worcester City	4 - 3	Cinderford Town

##### Second Round

Aston Clinton Res	1 - 4	<b>Letcombe</b>
Corsham Town	5 - 1	Tytherington Rocks
Fairford Town	3 - 0	Slimbridge
Shortwood Utd	1 - 4	<b>Westfields</b>
Pershore Town	2 - 5	<b>Worcester City</b>
Roman Glass St George	1 - 3	<b>Mangotsfield United</b>
Highworth T (Won 5-4 on pens)	4 - 4	Abingdon United
Tuffley Rovers	1 - 2	<b>Brimcombe &amp; Thrupp</b>

##### Quarter Finals

Fairford Town	3 - 3	<b>Letcombe</b> (4-5 on pens)
Mangotsfield United	3 - 2	Brimcombe & Thrupp
Highworth Town	0 - 1	<b>Corsham Town</b>
Westfields	0 - 1	<b>Worcester City</b>

##### Semi Finals

Letcombe	0 - 1	<b>Worcester City</b>
Corsham T (Won 7-6 on pens)	1 - 1	Mangotsfield Utd

Final (At Slimbridge, Thornhill Park, GL2 7AF, Monday 6th May)

Worcester City v Corsham Town

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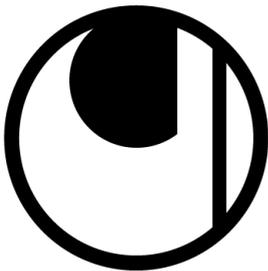
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THERE'S nothing quite like the FA Cup to spark debate among football fans.

Whether it's kick-off time on FA Cup final day – incidentally this year's is 3pm – or clamours for a return to semi-finals away from Wembley, the world's oldest competition always stirs debate.

You will have no doubt seen the furore around the news replays will be scrapped from the first round proper onwards next season.

A big trigger, apparently, is the expanding UEFA schedule going forward and there are promises of more funding for the grass-roots game.

A post on BBC Sport's X account suggested it would divide opinion – the reality was a large part of it fell on one side.

There probably isn't enough space in this programme column to go through all the 'he says, she says', and much more. But it has ignited passionate views from all corners of the game, to say the least.

What's your view? Are replays outdated or the very fabric of the great FA Cup?

For many in the lower leagues and Non-League, replays not only represent a chance to make extra money on top of a current cup run through gates and potential broadcast fees, they are also an opportunity to create memories.

Many clubs have come out and said exactly that over this past week.

Steve McKimm's Cray Valley PM held Charlton Athletic to a draw earlier this season and earned the right to welcome the League One club to their intimate Artic Stadium home in front of the live TV cameras.

"The money they're saying will be passed down is great – but money doesn't make memories," McKimm told us.

"We've had memories this season that will never be taken away from our staff, players and fans. And I only speak for our club – Horsham did the same.

"We both had away games to start with so we had the experience of playing at their grounds. Then we had the opportunity to bring good players, good teams, back to our home ground on live TV. That's gone now.

"But it's the memories that matter more than the money. For clubs that make money off it, such as us, it's great. It helps a club be sustainable and it helps it move on. But it also gives the club memories.

"Cray Valley have never had a League One side come and play a competitive game at our stadium. We've done that now."

As the Millers boss says, Horsham did the same in this year's competition – earning a replay after a thrilling 3-3 draw with Barnsley before a memorable home tie with the Tykes.

There are many other examples. Think back down the years to Burton Albion, then in the Conference, taking the mighty Manchester United to a second game. The tangible legacy is seen at the club today, but for fans and players the memories burn bright too.

Football, as a whole, should be sure it's happy giving moments like those up.

Sam Emery

The Non-League Paper

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# RWBTFC U18 Floodlit Team

## Season 2023–24

### Royal Wootton Bassett Town U18

#### Season 2023-24 - Under 18 Floodlit League - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Thur 07-Sep-23	Tuffley Rovers	H	FA YC	L 1 - 2	Smith
Mon 11-Sep-23	Bristol Manor Farm	A	League	L 0 - 5	
Thur 21-Sep-23	Bradford Town*	A	League	W 7 - 1	Beavis 3, Smith, Westlake, Cranswick-Coates, Painter
Thur 28-Sep-23	Wims 11	H	League	W 5 - 2	Beavis 2, Hicks 2, Smith
Thur 05-Oct-23	Kintbury Rangers Yth	H	League	L 0 - 2	
Thur 12-Oct-23	Melksham Town	H	League	W 3 - 1	Beavis, Simpkins, Westlake
Thur 09-Nov-23	Kingsdown	H	League	L 0 - 1	
Fri 17-Nov-23	FC Chippenham	A	League	W 3 - 1	Wright 2, Westlake
Thur 23-Nov-23	Calne Town	A	League	W 3 - 1	Beavis, Case, Wright
Thur 30-Nov-23	Bristol Manor Farm	H	League	D 1 - 1	Beavis
Fri 12-Jan-24	Kingsdown	A	L Cup	L 1 - 3	Case
Thur 18-Jan-24	Radstock Town	H	League	W 3 - 1	Beavis, Wright, Zumaro
Thur 25-Jan-24	Melksham Town	A	League	W 5 - 0	Westlake 3, Bagley, Dorsett
Mon 29-Jan-24	Kintbury Rangers Yth	A	League	L 1 - 3	Case
Fri 09-Feb-24	Kingsdown	A	League	D 2 - 2	Skitttrall, Hicks
Thur 22-Feb-24	FC Chippenham	H	League	W 4 - 1	Westlake 2, Hicks, Case
Thur 29-Feb-24	Calne Town	H	League	L 1 - 4	Westlake
Thur 07-Mar-24	Radstock Town	A	League	W 3 - 1	Wright 2, Westlake
Fri 22-Mar-24	Wims 11	A	League	W 3 - 2	Beavis, Skitttrall, Zumaro



### Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Under 18 Floodlight Division Season 2023-24

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Kintbury Rangers Youth	13	11	1	1	47	9	34
2 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	16	9	2	5	37	28	29
3 Radstock Town	14	8	2	4	23	21	26
4 Calne Town	14	8	1	5	27	18	25
5 Bristol Manor Farm	10	6	1	3	21	14	19
6 Kingsdown	16	4	3	9	17	21	15
7 FC Chippenham	14	4	3	7	36	47	15
8 Wims 11	15	4	1	10	35	53	13
9 Melksham Town	12	1	0	11	6	38	3
10 Bradford Town	Record Expunged Due to Withdrawal						

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# League Cups Season 2023-4

## Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup

### HELLENIC LEAGUE FLOODLIT CUP SPONSORED BY WISEMAN LIGHTING SEASON 2023-24

#### Preliminary Round

<b>Brimscombe &amp; Th</b> (Won 4-2 pens)	1 - 1	Moreton Rangers
<b>Cheltenham Saracens</b>	4 - 0	Gloucester City Dev
Chipping Sodbury Town	0 - 9	<b>Roman Glass St George</b>
<b>Corsham Town</b> (Won 7-6 pens)	1 - 1	Devizes Town
Evesham United Dev	0 - 10	<b>Southam United</b>
FC Bristol	0 - 4	<b>Mangotsfield United</b>
Hartpury University	4 - 5	<b>Cinderford Town</b>
<b>Hereford Lads Club</b>	W - L	FC Stratford
<b>Longlevens</b> (Won 6-5 pens)	3 - 3	Malmesbury Victoria
Newent Town	3 - 5	<b>Lydney Town</b>
<b>Pershore Town</b>	5 - 1	Hereford Pegasus
Shortwood United	1 - 1	<b>Calne Town</b> (Won 4-3 pens)
<b>Sporting Club Inkberrow</b>	7 - 1	Bishops Cleeve Dev
Stonehouse Town	1 - 5	<b>Tuffley Rovers</b>
<b>Thornbury Town</b>	5 - 2	Tytherington Rocks
Westfields	3 - 5	<b>Worcester City</b>

#### First Round

Calne Town	0 - 4	<b>Worcester City</b>
<b>Cheltenham Saracens</b>	4 - 3	Cinderford Town
<b>Chinnor</b>	3 - 1	Thame United A
Didcot Town Dev	0 - 3	<b>Kidlington Res</b>
Fairford Town	0 - 1	<b>Clanfield 85</b>
Hereford Lads Club	0 - 7	<b>Brimscombe &amp; Thrupp</b>
Highworth Town	1 - 4	<b>North Leigh Res</b>
Long Crendon	0 - 6	<b>Oxford City Dev</b>
Lydney Town	0 - 2	<b>Worcester Raiders</b>
<b>Pershore Town</b>	4 - 2	Longlevens
<b>Roman Glass St G</b> (5-4 pens)	1 - 1	Corsham Town
<b>Royal Wootton Bassett Town</b>	3 - 0	Swindon Supermarine Dev
<b>Slimbridge</b>	2 - 0	Sporting Club Inkberrow
Southam United	1 - 3	<b>Mangotsfield United</b>
<b>Tuffley Rovers</b> (5-4 pens)	2 - 2	Thornbury Town
Wantage Town	0 - 2	<b>Abingdon United</b>

#### Second Round

<b>Abingdon United</b> (Won 4-2 on pens)	2 - 2	Chinnor
Kidlington Res	1 - 2	<b>Oxford City Dev</b>
Mangotsfield United	1 - 2	<b>Roman Glass St George</b>
North Leigh Res	3 - 4	<b>Brimscombe &amp; Thrupp</b>
<b>Royal Wootton Bassett Town</b>	2 - 1	<b>Clanfield 85</b>
Tuffley Rovers	1 - 2	<b>Slimbridge</b>
<b>Worcester City</b>	4 - 2	Cheltenham Saracens
Worcester Raiders	0 - 4	Pershore Town

#### Quarter Finals

<b>Brimscombe &amp; Thrupp</b>	4 - 1	Pershore Town
Oxford City Dev	0 - 0	<b>Abingdon United</b> (Won 4-3 on pens)
<b>Roman Glass St George</b>	1 - 0	<b>Royal Wootton Bassett Town</b>
Slimbridge	0 - 2	<b>Worcester City</b>

#### Semi Finals

<b>Roman Glass St George</b>	5 - 2	Abingdon United
<b>Worcester City</b>	3 - 0	Brimscombe & Thrupp

#### Final - Winners Worcester City (7-2 on aggregate)

Worcester City	2 - 1	Roman Glass St George (1st Leg)
Roman Glass St George	1 - 5	<b>Worcester City</b> (Second Leg)



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2002-03	Tuffley Rovers
2003-04	Slimbridge
2004-05	Almondsbury Town
2005-06	Slimbridge
2006-07	Wantage Town
2007-08	Kidlington
2008-09	Marlow United
2009-10	Shortwood United
2010-11	Holyport
2011-12	Binfield
2012-13	Ardley United
2013-14	Brimscombe & Thrupp
2014-15	North Leigh
2015-16	Ascot United
2016-17	Lydney United
2017-18	Binfield
2018-19	Ardley United
2019-20	<i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i>
2020-21	<i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i>
2021-22	<i>Not awarded due to Covid-19</i>
2022-23	Mangotsfield United
2023-24	Worcester City



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# RWBTFC MEN'S Dev Team

## Season 2023-24

### ROYAL W. BASSETT TOWN FC DEV - SEASON 2023-24 FIXTURES & RESULTS CORSHAM PRINT WILTSHIRE SENIOR LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sat 12-Aug-23	Shrewton United	H	League	W 6 - 2	Lartey 2, Bell 2, B.Spackman, F.Walters
Tue 15-Aug-23	Wroughton	A	League	L 2 - 4	E. Spackman, H.Walters
Sat 19-Aug-23	Frome Collegians	A	League	W 5 - 0	Lartey, B.Spackman, Mesas, Pettifer, Head
Sat 26-Aug-23	Larkhall Athletic Dev	H	League	L 1 - 2	Bell
Tue 29-Aug-23	Melksham Town Res	A	League	L 2 - 3	M.Spackman, Lartey
Sat 02-Sep-23	Ludgershall Sports	A	League	W 4 - 1	Bell, Smith, M.Spackman, Stewart
Tue 05-Sep-23	Kingsdown	H	League	W 1 - 0	Bell
Sat 09-Sep-23	Amesbury Town	H	League	L 3 - 4	Lartey, Pope, F. Walters
Tue 12-Sep-23	Blunsdon	H	WSC	L 1 - 2	Lartey
Sat 16-Sep-23	Salisbury Dev	A	League	W 4 - 0	Stewart 3, Bell
Tue 19-Sep-23	Blunsdon	H	League	W 2 - 0	Bell 2
Tue 26-Sep-23	Shrivenham	H	League	W 4 - 1	Spalding 2, Chilcott, H. Walters
Sat 30-Sep-23	Pewsey Vale	A	League	L 2 - 4	Lartey, Mason
Sat 07-Oct-23	Devizes Town Res	A	FT Cup	W 4 - 0	Bell 3, House
Sat 14-Oct-23	Odd Down (Bath)	A	League	W 8 - 0	Stewart 4, Ceko 2, H. Walters 2
Sat 21-Oct-23	Malmesbury Vics Dev	H	League	W 4 - 1	Bell 2, H.Walters, B. Spackman
Sat 28-Oct-23	Trowbridge Town	H	League	W 3 - 2	B.Spackman, H.Walters, Ferriera
Sat 11-Nov-23	Shrewton United	A	League	L 2 - 4	Capel, Mesas
Sat 18-Nov-23	Wroughton	H	League	L 0 - 3	
Sat 25-Nov-23	Ludgershall Sports	A	FT Cup	L 4 - 4	(5-6 on pens) Mesas 2, Bell, Ferriera
Sat 09-Dec-23	Pewsey Vale	H	League	L 2 - 4	Lartey, F. Walters
Sat 16-Dec-23	Salisbury Dev	H	League	W 3 - 2	Bell 2, Capel
Sat 23-Dec-23	Kintbury Rangers	H	League	D 4 - 4	Lartey 2, F. Walters, M.Spackman
Sat 13-Jan-24	Ludgershall Sports	H	League	W 8 - 0	Bell 2, F.Walters 2, H.Walters, Mesas, Stephenson, Ferriera
Sat 27-Jan-24	Blunsdon	A	League	L 0 - 1	
Sat 03-Feb-24	Amesbury Town	A	League	L 0 - 6	
Sat 17-Feb-24	Shrivenham	A	League	L 0 - 2	
Sat 24-Feb-24	Larkhall Athletic Dev	A	League	L 0 - 1	
Sat 02-Mar-24	Calne Town Res	H	League	W 2 - 0	Mesas 2
Sat 23-Mar-24	Calne Town Res	A	League	W 2 - 0	Mesas, F.Walters
Sat 06-Apr-24	Kintbury Rangers	A	League	L 0 - 1	
Tue 09-Apr-24	Kingsdown	A	League	W 3 - 1	Bell 2, OG
Sat 13-Apr-24	Trowbridge Town	A	League	W 2 - 1	Walters, Bowen
Tue 23-Apr-24	Melksham Town Res	H	League	L 0 - 1	
Wed 01-May-24	Malmesbury Vics Dev	A	League		

Goalscorers	League	WSC	FT Cup	Frome/ Odd Down	Total
Nathaniel Bell	16		4		20
Kevin Lartey	8	1		1	10
Manuel Mesas	5		2	1	8
Ackee Stewart	4			4	8
Flynn Walters	8				8
Harry Walters	5			2	7
Ben Spackman	3			1	4
Max Spackman	3				3
Alfonso Ferriera	2		1		3
Louis Spalding	2				2
Matthew Capel	2				2
Bongumenzi Ceko				2	2
Ben Pope	1				1
Euan Spackman	1				1
Finley Smith	1				1
Nick Mason	1				1
Scott Chilcott	1				1
Alex Stephenson	1				1
Spencer Bowen	1				1
Adam House			1		1
Chris Head				1	1
Zach Pettifer				1	1
Own Goals	1				1
	66	1	8	13	88

# RWBFC MEN'S Dev Team

## Season 2023-24

### Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Premier Division Season 2023-24

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Amesbury Town	29	24	1	4	108	39	73
2 Kintbury Rangers	27	21	2	4	96	29	65
3 Pewsey Vale	28	19	1	8	52	26	58
4 Larkhall Athletic Dev	27	15	3	9	50	38	48
5 Royal W. Bassett Town Dev	29	14	1	14	66	55	43
6 Melksham Town Res	28	12	7	9	62	55	43
7 Blunsdon	29	13	4	12	51	55	43
8 Shrivenham	28	12	4	12	50	50	40
9 Calne Town Res	30	10	7	13	51	61	37
10 Trowbridge Town	25	10	6	9	55	39	36
11 Wroughton	26	10	6	10	49	50	36
12 Kingsdown	24	10	5	9	49	37	35
13 Shrewton United	30	9	2	19	61	89	29
14 Malmesbury Victoria Dev	28	7	5	16	46	80	26
15 Salisbury Dev	29	4	4	21	32	91	16
16 Ludgershall Sports	27	3	0	24	30	114	9
17 Odd Down (Bath) Dev	Record Expunged due to withdrawal						
18 Frome Collegians	Record Expunged due to withdrawal						



# RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM

## Season 2023-24

### Royal Wootton Bassett Town Women's Team

#### Season 2023-24 - South West Regional Women's League Eastern Division

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sun 03-Sep-23	Purton	A	SWRL	W 3 - 0	Sykes 2, Davies
Sun 10-Sep-23	Longwell Green (FAC Q1)	A	FAC	W 14 - 0	Elliott 3, Davies 2, H. Gulliver 2, Jefferies 2, Morse 2, Goodright, Sykes, Topping
Sun 17-Sep-23	Frome Town	H	SWRL	W 5 - 1	Elliott 2, Baker, Gulliver, Green
Sun 24-Sep-23	Ridgeway	A	SWRL	W 7 - 0	Gulliver 3, Baker 2, Morse, Egerton
Sun 01-Oct-23	Stockwood Wanderers	A	FAC	W 7 - 2	Gulliver 3, Elliott 2, Goodright, Green
Sun 08-Oct-23	Bath City	A	SWRL	L 1 - 2	Jefferies
Sun 22-Oct-23	AFC Stoneham	H	FAC	L 0 - 1	
Sun 29-Oct-23	Poole Town	H	SWRL	L 1 - 5	Morse
Sun 05-Nov-23	Poole Town	A	SWRL	W 2 - 1	Jefferies, Goodright
Sun 12-Nov-23	Purton	H	SWRL	W 3 - 1	Burridge 2, N. Goodright
Sun 03-Dec-23	Ridgeway	H	SWRL	W 6 - 0	Jefferies, Sykes, Kennedy, Gulliver, Morse, Elliott
Sun 17-Dec-23	Westbury Youth	H	WCC 2	W 8 - 0	Davies 4, Morse 2, L. Goodright, Topping
Sun 07-Jan-24	Frome Town	A	SWRL	W 5 - 1	Davies, Elliott, Gulliver, Kennedy, K. Nightingale
Sun 14-Jan-24	Shaftesbury	A	SWRL	W 2 - 1	Elliott, Sykes
Sun 21-Jan-24	Swindon Town	A	WCC QF	L 0 - 6	
Sun 04-Feb-24	Stockwood Wanderers	A	SWRL	W 6 - 1	Davies 2, Morse, Gulliver, Elliott, Baker
Sun 11-Feb-24	Weymouth	H	SWRL	D 1 - 1	Davies
Sun 18-Feb-24	Stockwood Wanderers	H	SWRL	W 4 - 2	Davies 3, Elliott
Sun 25-Feb-24	Bath City	H	SWRL	D 1 - 1	N. Goodright
Sun 03-Mar-24	Bath City	H	L Cup	W 1 - 1	(4 - 2 on pens) Davies
Sun 10-Mar-24	Weymouth	A	SWRL	W 1 - 0	Morse
Sun 07-Apr-24	Ilminster Town	H	L Cup	L 3 - 4	Davies 2, Gulliver
Sun 28-Apr-24	Shaftesbury	H	SWRL	W 4 - 1	Elliott 2, Gulliver, Sykes

#### Goalscorers

Libby Davies (pictured)	8	9	17
Hannah Gulliver	8	6	14
Maddy Elliott	9	5	14
Caily Morse	4	4	8
Emma Sykes	5	1	6
Laura Jefferies	3	2	5
Natalie Goodright	3	2	5
Holly Baker	4		4
Jasmine Kennedy	2		2
Rosie Burridge	2		2
Lucia Green	1	1	2
Aly Topping		2	2
Amber Egerton	1		1
Kelly Nightingale	1		1
Lucy Goodright		1	1

League	Cup	Total
51	33	84



# RWBTFC WOMEN'S TEAM

## Season 2023-24

### South West Regional Women's Football League Eastern Division Season 2023-24

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Poole Town	16	13	1	2	68	17	40
2 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	16	12	2	2	52	18	38
3 Purton*	16	9	3	4	36	25	29
4 Bath City	16	7	6	3	34	21	27
5 Stockwood Wanderers	16	7	4	5	44	39	25
6 Weymouth*	16	5	5	6	39	26	19
7 Shaftesbury Ladies *	16	4	1	11	22	46	12
8 Frome Town *	16	3	0	13	19	47	8
9 Ridgeway	16	1	0	15	5	80	3

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# RWBTFC Vets' (Over 35) Team

## Season 2023-24

### Royal Wootton Bassett Town Vets

#### Season 2023-24 - Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League - Vets North Wilts Division

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Wed 16-Aug-23	Nomads	H	League	W 4 - 1	Newton 2, Howse, Shaw
Tue 29-Aug-23	Chiseldon	A	League	L 2 - 3	Newton, Lye-Owens
Wed 06-Sep-23	Stratton Juniors	H	League	W 3 - 1	Newton 2, Shaw
Tue 12-Sep-23	Swindon Rovers	A	League	W 3 - 2	Yearley 2, Collier
Tue 19-Sep-23	Coate	A	League	L 0 - 1	
Wed 27-Sep-23	Blunsdon	H	League	W 2 - 1	Newton, Simpkins
Wed 11-Oct-23	Stratton Juniors	H	WSC	W 6 - 1	Shaw, Newton, Richardson, Simpkins, Gould, King
Tue 18-Oct-23	Blunsdon	A	L Cup	W 6 - 1	Shaw 3, Newton, Yearley, King
Fri 03-Nov-23	AFC Swindon	H	League	L 0 - 1	
Wed 08-Nov-23	Redlynch & Woodfalls	H	WSC	L 0 - 1	
Tue 14-Nov-23	Cricklade Town	A	League	L 1 - 2	Wilson
Wed 22-Nov-23	Corsham Town	H	L Cup	L 0 - 2	
Wed 29-Nov-23	Redhouse	H	League	D 1 - 1	Shaw
Fri 05-Jan-24	Redhouse	A	League	L 0 - 3	
Wed 17-Jan-24	Stratton Juniors	A	League	W 7 - 3	Newton 3, Yearley, Bundy, King, Erikosima
Wed 31-Jan-24	Swindon Rovers	H	League	L 2 - 3	Yearley, Shaw
Tue 06-Feb-24	Penhill United	A	League	W 3 - 2	Head 2, Yearley
Wed 28-Feb-24	Coate	H	League	L 1 - 4	King
Wed 20-Mar-24	AFC Swindon	A	League	W 4 - 1	Bundy, Ramshaw, Simpkins, King
Wed 27-Mar-24	Chiseldon	H	League	W 4 - 0	Newton, Simpkins, King, Connolly
Wed 03-Apr-24	Swindon Old Boys	H	League	P - P	
Wed 10-Apr-24	Penhill United	H	League	L 1 - 5	Newton
Wed 17-Apr-24	Swindon Old Boys	A	League	Won	Game awarded to RWBT
Wed 08-May-24	Cricklade Town	H	League		

### Corsham Print Wiltshire Senior League Vets North Wiltshire Division Season 2023-24

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Redhouse	17	14	2	1	45	13	44
2 Cricklade Town	17	13	3	1	38	7	42
3 Coate	16	13	1	2	49	9	40
4 Penhill United	17	9	2	6	30	21	29
5 Royal W. Bassett Town	17	8	1	8	32	32	25
6 Chiseldon	17	7	2	8	27	39	23
7 Swindon Rovers	17	5	3	9	22	30	18
8 AFC Swindon	18	3	3	12	18	58	12
9 Swindon Old Boys	18	3	0	15	27	37	9
10 Stratton Juniors	18	1	3	14	15	57	6
11 Blunsdon	Record Expunged Due to Withdrawal						
12 Nomads	Record Expunged Due to Withdrawal						

# RWBTFC Vets' Over 50's

## Season 2023-24

### Royal Wootton Bassett Town Vets Over 50s

#### Season 2023-24 - Oxfordshire League - Vets Premier League Division 2

Date	Opponents	H/A	Comp	Result	Scorers
Sun 03-Sep-23	Headington Butchers	A	League	L 3 - 6	Huggins, Watson, Wood
Sun 17-Sep-23	Hazlemere Sports Olympic	A	League	L 2 - 4	Huggins, Rendell
Sun 01-Oct-23	Chisley Blacks	H	League	L 0 - 6	
Sun 15-Oct-23	Marlow Dukes	A	League	L 2 - 6	Howse, Huggins
Sun 29-Oct-23	Goring United	H	Cup	L 0 - 3	
Sun 12-Nov-23	Easington Sports	H	League	D 3 - 3	Rendell 2, Huggins
Sun 03-Dec-23	Goring GB2022	H	League	L 2 - 3	Huggins, Watson, Wood
Sun 10-Dec-23	Exiles	H	League	W 11 - 0	Huggins 7, Camden, Howse, Rouse, Webb
Sun 07-Jan-24	Headington Butchers	H	League	W 2 - 0	Lynch, Rendell
Sun 14-Jan-24	Marlow Dukes	H	M Cup	L 1 - 4	Huggins
Sun 21-Jan-24	Hazlemere Sports Olympic	H	League	D 3 - 3	Creswell 3
Sun 11-Feb-24	Chisley Blacks	A	League	D 3 - 3	Howse, Huggins, OG
Sat 18-Feb-24	Marlow Dukes	H	League	L 0 - 2	
Sun 18-Mar-24	Goring GB2022	A	League	L 3 - 5	Huggins 2, Creswell
Sun 07-Apr-24	Exiles	A	League	W 9 - 0	Creswell 3, Huggins 2, Stephenson, Watson, Webb, Whitehead
Sun 14-Apr-24	Easington Sports	A	League	L 1 - 3	Huggins

### Oxfordshire Over 50s League Division 2 Season 2023/2024

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Marlow Dukes	14	12	1	1	68	16	37
2 Headington Butchers	14	10	2	2	61	21	32
3 Goring GB2022	14	8	0	6	50	31	24
4 Chisley Blacks	13	6	2	5	40	39	20
5 Easington Sports	14	6	1	7	40	41	19
6 Hazlemere Sports Olympic	13	5	1	7	23	34	16
7 Royal Wootton Bassett Town	14	3	3	8	44	44	12
8 Exiles	14	0	0	14	10	110	0

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# Wiltshire Premier Shield

## Season 2023-24

### WILTSHIRE FA PREMIER SHIELD SEASON 2023-24

#### First Round

Bemerton Heath Harlequins	1 - 1	<b>Highworth Town</b> (4-5 on pens)
Corsham Town	1 - 1	<b>Westbury United</b> (3-4 on pens)
<b>Melksham Town</b>	8 - 3	Laverstock & Ford
<b>Chippenham Town</b>	bye	
<b>Royal Wootton Bassett Town</b>	bye	
<b>Salisbury FC</b>	bye	
<b>Swindon Supermarine</b>	bye	
<b>Swindon Town</b>	bye	

#### Quarter Final

<b>Chippenham Town</b>	W - L	Swindon Town
<b>Highworth Town</b>	2 - 2	<b>Royal W. Bassett Town</b> (3-4 on pens)
Melksham Town	3 - 4	<b>Swindon Supermarine</b>
Salisbury FC	L - W	<b>Westbury United</b>

#### Semi Finals

<b>Chippenham T</b> (Won 5-4 on pens)	3 - 3	Westbury United
<b>Swindon Supermarine</b>	3 - 2	Royal W. Bassett Town

#### Final

<b>Chippenham Town</b>	4 - 3	Swindon Supermarine
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Action from semi-final against Swindon Supermarine

# RWBTFC & The Isuzu FA Vase - Season 2023-24

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### THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN F.C. FA VASE 2023-24

Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
					Winner	Loser
26-Aug-23	First Round Qualifying	Bye			£550	£160
23-Sep-23	Second Round Qualifying	Bye			£725	£225
21-Oct-23	First Round Proper	Elburton Villa	H	W 2 - 1	£825	£250
11-Nov-23	Second Round Proper	Longlevens	H	W 2 - 1	£900	£275
2-Dec-23	Third Round Proper	Bridgwater Town	H	L 2 - 2 (5-6 pens)	£1,125	£350
13-Jan-24	Fourth Round Proper	Farnham	A		£1,875	£600
10-Feb-24	Fifth Round Proper	Deal Town	H		£2,250	£725
9-Mar-24	Sixth Round Proper	Lincoln United	A		£4,125	£1,350
30-Mar-24	Semi-final	Romford*	H/A		£5,500	£1,725
11-May-24	Final (at Wembley)	Great Waking Rovers	N		£30,000	£15,000
<b>Total Prize Money Won</b>					<b>£2,075</b>	

\* Still in competition



### RWBTFC F.A. Vase Record

2001-02	QR2	Calne Town	H	W 3 - 2
	R1	St Blazey	H	L 0 - 2
2002-03	QR2	Shortwood United	A	L 1 - 5
	QR2	Bemerton Heath Harl's	A	L 1 - 4
2004-05	QR1	Wellington	A	L 0 - 4
2005-06	QR1	Christchurch	H	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Christchurch	A	L 0 - 1
2006-07	QR1	Shrewton United	A	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Shrewton United	H	L 2 - 3
2007-08	QR2	Bournemouth	A	L 0 - 12
2008-09	QR1	Buckingham Athletic	A	W 5 - 3
	QR2	Henley Town	A	W 6 - 0
	R1	Kidlington	H	W 3 - 2
	R2	Wimbourne Town	A	L 0 - 4
2009-10	QR1	Hamble ASSC	H	L 2 - 3
2010-11	QR2	Devizes Town	A	W 4 - 0
	R1	Cadbury Heath	A	L 1 - 2
2011-12	QR1	Shortwood United	A	L 0 - 4
2012-13	QR1	GE Hamble	A	L 0 - 6
2013-14	QR2	Odd Down	A	L 0 - 7
2014-15	QR1	Cove	A	W 3 - 2
	QR2	Abingdon United	H	L 2 - 3
2015-16	QR1	Binfield	H	D 1 - 1
	QR1	Binfield	A	W 4 - 3
	QR2	Windsor FC	A	L 1 - 2
2016-17	QR2	Thame Utd	H	L 2 - 4
2017-18	QR1	Fairford Town	H	W 3 - 1
	QR2	Codicote	H	W 5 - 0
	R1	Amphill Town	H	W 2 - 1
	R2	Horndean	A	L 2 - 3
2018-19	QR2	Bashley	H	L 0 - 4
2019-20	QR1	New College Swindon	A	W 7 - 0
	QR2	Tadley Calvea	A	L 0 - 1
2020-21	QR2	Stonehouse	A	W 1 - 0
	R1	Camelford	H	W 4 - 0
	R2	Bridgwater Town	A	L 1 - 2
2021-22	QR1	Knaphill	H	W 1 - 0
	QR2	Portishead Town	A	W 3 - 1
	R1	Downton	H	W 4 - 0
	R2	Torpoint Athletic	H	W 2 - 0
	R3	Hamworthy United	H	L 1 - 3
2022-23	R1	Bridport	A	W 5 - 3
	R2	Wellington (W 5 - 4 pens)	A	D 2 - 2
	R3	Corsham T (L 3 - 4 pens)	H	D 0 - 0
2023-24	R1	Elburton Villa	H	W 2 - 1
	R2	Longlevens	H	W 2 - 1
	R3	Bridgwater T (5-6 pens)	H	L 2 - 2

# RWBTFC & Emirates FA Cup - Season 2023-24

## Our Road To Wembley

EMIRATES FA CUP ROAD TO WEMBLEY FOR ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT TOWN 2023-24						
Date	Round	Opponents	H/A	Result	Prize Money	
					Winner	Loser
5-Aug-23	Extra Preliminary Round	v Mangotsfield United	A		£1,125	£375
19-Aug-23	Preliminary Round	v Ascot United	A		£1,444	£481
2-Sep-23	First Qualifying Round	v Westfield	H		£2,250	£750
16-Sep-23	Second Qualifying Round	v Lewes	H		£3,375	£1,125
30-Sep-23	Third Qualifying Round	v Hampton & Richmond B	H		£5,625	£1,875
14-Oct-23	Fourth Qualifying Round	v Aldershot Town	A		£9,375	£3,125
4-Nov-23	First Round	v Swindon Town	A		£41,000	
2-Dec-23	Second Round	v Stockport County	H		£67,000	
6-Jan-24	Third Round	v WBA	A		£105,000	
27-Jan-24	Fourth Round	v Wolves	H		£120,000	
28-Feb-24	Fifth Round	v Brighton Hove Albion	H		£225,000	
16-Mar-24	Sixth Round	v Coventry City	H		£450,000	
20-Apr-24	Semi-Final	v Manchester United*	Wembley		£1,000,000	£500,000
25-May-24	Final	v Manchester City*	Wembley		£2,000,000	£1,000,000
<b>Total Prize Money Won</b>						<b>£375</b>

\* Still in competition



## Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC - Emirates FA Cup Record

Season	Rnd	Opponents	Result	Season	Rnd	Opponents	Result
1938-39	Pr	Wiltshire Mental Hospital	A L 0 - 6	2012-13	EPr	Calne Town	H W 4 - 2
1939-40	Pr	Frome Town (War)	A P - P		Pr	Hamworthy United	H W 1 - 0
1946-47	EPr	Dilton Rovers	H W 5 - 1		QR1	Highworth Town	H W 3 - 1
	Pr	Swindon GWR Corinthians	A L 1 - 5		QR2	Dorchester Town	A L 0 - 4
1947-48	EPr	Pewsey Vale	H L 0 - 2	2013-14	EPr	Totton & Eling	H L 0 - 2
1948-49	EPr	Swindon BR Corinthians	A L 3 - 6	2014-15	EPr	Brockenhurst	A W 3 - 0
1949-50	EPr	Warminster Town	H L 4 - 5		Pr	Bradford Town	A L 1 - 2
1950-51	EPr	Spencer Moulton	H W 2 - 1	2015-16	EPr	Bracknell Town	H L 0 - 2
	Pr	Devizes Town	A L 0 - 4	2016-17	EPr	Andover Town	A L 2 - 5
2004-05	Pr	Exmouth	A L 2 - 3	2017-18	EPr	Crawley Green	H L 1 - 2
2007-08	EPr	Highworth Town	A D 0 - 0	2018-19	EPr	Leighton Town	A W 1 - 0
	EPr	Highworth Town	H W 2 - 1		Pr	Lydney Town	H D 0 - 0
	Pr	Bracknell Town	H W 2 - 1		Pr	Lydney Town	A L 3 - 5
	QR1	Brockenhurst	A D 1 - 1	2019-20	EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	H D 1 - 1
	QR1	Brockenhurst	H L 1 - 5		EPr	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos	A L 0 - 1
2008-09	EPr	Flackwell Heath	A D 1 - 1	2020-21	EPr	Chipping Sodbury T (W4-1 pens)	H D 2 - 2
	EPr	Flackwell Heath	H L 1 - 6		Pr	Didcot Town	A W 2 - 1
2009-10	EPr	Westbury United	H D 2 - 2		QR1	Cinderford T (Won 6-5 pens)	A D 2 - 2
	EPr	Westbury United	A W 3 - 2		QR2	Oxford City	H L 1 - 2
	Pr	Brockenhurst	H L 0 - 1	2021-22	EPr	Thornbury Town	A W 4 - 0
2010-11	EPr	Bradford Town	A D 1 - 1		Pr	Ardley United	H D 2 - 2
	EPr	Bradford Town (W4-3 pens)	H D 3 - 3		PrR	Ardley United	A L 1 - 3
	Pr	Almondsbury UWE	A W 1 - 0	2022-23	EPr	Windsor	H D 1 - 1
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	A D 1 - 1		EPPr	Windsor	A W 2 - 0
	QR1	Hamble ASSC	H L 0 - 2		Pr	Reading City	H W 3 - 1
2011-12	EPr	Radstock Town	A L 1 - 2		QR1	Paulton Rovers	H L 2 - 4
				2023-24	EPr	Mangotsfield United	A L 0 - 2

## Under 18

### North Wilts League Under 18 Division Two 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 FC Abbey Meads Grey	14	14	0	0	42
2 Lydiard Millicent Juniors FC	14	9	3	2	30
3 Croft Junior Blue	14	6	2	6	20
4 <b>RWBT FC Yellow</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>18</b>
5 Ferndale Rodbourne FC	14	4	5	5	17
6 Ramsbury Youth	13	5	1	7	16
7 Fairford Youth	13	3	4	6	13
8 Calne Town Youth Lions	14	0	0	14	0

## Under 16

### North Wilts League Under 16 Division Two 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Calne Town Youth Cobras	14	11	2	1	35
2 Lydiard Millicent Juniors	14	11	2	1	35
3 Marlborough Youth	13	7	1	5	22
4 Wroughton Youth FC White	13	7	0	6	21
5 <b>RWBT FC Blue</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>19</b>
6 Highworth Town Junior C	14	5	1	7	16
7 South Cerney Youth	14	3	2	9	11
8 Kingsdown Lions	14	0	1	13	1

## Under 15

### North Wilts League Under 15 Division One 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Penhill United Youth	15	12	2	1	38
2 Cirencester Town Youth	16	11	2	3	35
3 FC Wasps	17	10	2	5	32
4 Calne Town Youth	15	9	5	1	32
5 Melksham Town Youth FC Hurricane	16	8	2	6	26
6 Robins	16	7	3	6	24
7 AFC Newbury Boys and Girls Red	18	5	3	10	18
8 Park Youth FC	16	4	3	9	15
9 Swindon Supermarine Youth White	18	4	1	13	13
10 <b>RWBT FC Blue</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>

## Under 14

### North Wilts League Under 14 Division One 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Hungerford Town Juniors Crusaders	13	12	0	1	36
2 Ferndale Rodbourne FC Red	13	9	2	2	29
3 FC Abbey Meads Blue	15	9	2	4	29
4 Trowbridge Wanderers Youth Tigers	15	9	1	5	28
5 Swindon Supermarine Youth White	15	8	2	5	26
6 Croft Junior Blue	15	8	1	6	25
7 Northside Athletic	14	3	1	10	10
8 Croft Junior Red	16	2	1	13	7
9 <b>RWBT FC Blue</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>

### North Wilts League Under 14 Division Four 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Hungerford Town Juniors Knights	18	13	3	2	42
2 Ramsbury Youth	18	13	2	3	41
3 South Cerney Youth	18	13	1	4	40
4 Kingsdown Lions Red	18	12	1	5	37
5 Fairford Youth Falcons	18	9	3	6	30
6 Purton Youth Lions	20	9	0	11	27
7 FC Abbey Meads Purple	19	8	1	10	25
8 <b>RWBT FC Yellow</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>
9 Ashton Keynes Youth White	19	5	2	12	17
10 Kingsdown Lions Blue	20	4	1	15	13
11 Liden Community Titans	18	1	0	17	3

## Under 12

### North Wilts League Under 12 Division One 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Draycott FC Blaze	18	12	5	1	41
2 FOF FC Titans	17	11	4	2	37
3 FC Chippenham Youth Bulls	18	10	4	4	34
4 AFC Corsham Jaguars	18	8	3	7	27
5 Cirencester Town Youth	18	7	4	7	25
6 Draycott FC Dynamite	18	6	2	10	20
7 Draycott FC Sparks	18	5	4	9	19
8 Swindon Supermarine Youth	17	4	5	8	17
9 Stratton Youth	18	4	4	10	16
10 <b>RWBT FC Blue</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>

# Youth Section League Tables

### North Wilts League Under 16 Division Three 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Durrington FC	15	12	2	1	38
2 Croft Junior Blue	16	10	2	4	32
3 Ferndale Rodbourne	15	10	1	4	31
4 Cirencester Town Youth Centurions	16	6	3	7	21
5 Blunsdon Youth FC	16	5	3	8	18
6 <b>RWBT FC Yellow</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>18</b>
7 Draycott FC Inferno	16	4	4	8	16
8 Malmesbury Youth FC	16	3	5	8	14
9 FC Abbey Meads Blue	16	3	3	10	12

### North Wilts League Under 15 Division Three 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Shrivenham	14	9	2	3	29
2 Blunsdon Youth FC	14	9	0	5	27
3 Kingsdown Lions Tigers	14	7	3	4	24
4 Croft Junior Red	14	7	2	5	23
5 Malmesbury Youth FC	13	6	1	6	19
6 <b>RWBT FC Yellow</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>19</b>
7 AFC Haydon Vale Eagles	13	5	0	8	15
8 Wroughton Youth FC Clydesdale	14	1	0	13	3

### North Wilts League Under 14 Division Two 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Stratton Youth	18	14	1	3	43
2 FC Chippenham Youth Falcons	18	12	2	4	38
3 Wanborough Junior FC	18	12	0	6	26
4 Highworth Town Junior FC J	16	11	0	5	33
5 Ashton Keynes Youth Black	15	9	1	5	28
6 Lydiard Millicent Juniors FC Green	17	9	1	7	28
7 Blunsdon Youth FC	18	9	0	9	27
8 <b>RWBT FC Blue U13</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>
9 Calne Town Youth FC Black	16	3	0	13	9
10 Wroughton Youth FC Broncos	18	0	0	18	0

## Under 13

### North Wilts League Under 13 Division Four 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Kingsdown Lions Black	22	17	3	2	54
2 Kingsdown Lions Blue	22	15	4	3	49
3 Croft Junior Blue	22	13	2	7	41
4 Draycott FC Flash	22	13	2	7	40
5 Hungerford Town Juniors White	20	13	0	7	39
6 Ferndale Rodbourne FC	20	10	5	5	35
7 Wroughton Youth FC Rangers	21	7	4	10	25
8 FC Abbey Meads Orange	22	7	3	12	24
9 Stratton Juniors FC Lions	21	5	3	13	18
10 <b>RWBT FC Yellow</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>
11 Marlborough Youth FC Falcons	21	4	2	15	14
12 Wanborough Junior FC	21	4	1	16	13

### North Wilts League Under 12 Division Three 2023-24

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Wroughton Youth FC Hurricanes	20	17	1	2	52
2 Wanborough Junior FC Yellow	20	16	2	2	50
3 Liden Community Raptors	18	13	1	4	40
4 Fairford Youth Hurricanes	19	11	1	7	34
5 Malmesbury Youth FC	19	10	3	6	33
6 Marlborough Youth FC Jaguars	20	9	3	8	30
7 Stratton Juniors FC Lions	18	8	4	6	28
8 Hungerford Town Juniors Knights	20	6	1	13	19
9 <b>RWBT FC Yellow</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>
10 Wims 11 Cavalry	20	2	1	17	7
11 Draycott FC Fusion	20	0	3	17	3

# Royal Wootton Bassett Town First Team Season 2023-24



# Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC



James Foster	1
Scott Chilcott	2
Louis Spalding	3
Chris Taylor	4
Adam Corcoran	5
Oliver Case	6
Tommy Ouldrige	7
Sam Packer	8
Kyle Tooze	9
Alfie Presley	10
Jack Hobson-McVeigh	11
Bradley Pagliaroli	12
Bailey Gallagher	14
Dave Bampton	15
Luke Softley	16
Rob Brown	17
Kai Robinson	18
Alan Griffin	19
Harry Walters	20
Matt Bennett	21
Thomas Moore	22
Gio Wrona	23
	24

**Dugout Team**  
**Manager:** Sam Collier  
**Assistant:** Alan Griffin  
**Coach:** Lee Beavis  
**GK Coach:** Jon Himple  
**Therapist:** Kara Gregory

# Cinderford Town FC



Lewis Adams	
Ethan Hayes	
Drew Heffernan	
Ben Vine	
Dan Barnard	
Dale Evans	
Lewis Binns	
Ben Watkins	
Mike Symons	
Craig Norman	
Blaine Waugh	
Ryan Hillier	
Adam Davies	
Kerry Morgan	
Josh Jones	
Charlie Davies	
James Smallcombe	
Andy Lewis	
Dan Brain	
Ismail Yakubu	
Lewis Powell	
Kian Skidmore	
Will Morford	

**Dugout Team**  
**Manager:** Matt Driscoll  
**Assistant:** Lewis Powell  
**Coach:** Kerry Morgan  
**Coach/Therapist:** Will Morford

## Match Officials

**Referee:**  Paul Herbert  
**Assistant 1:**  Andrew Bower  
**Assistant 2:**  Albert Warr  
**Fourth Official:** Harry Organ



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