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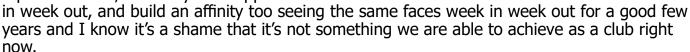
# **MANAGER'S NOTES**

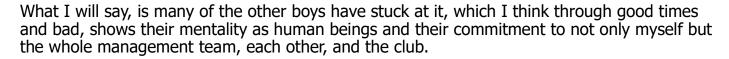
Good evening everyone and a warm welcome to Guernsey for this Pitching In Isthmian League South Central match at Cobham along with the referee David Rowland and his assistants Stephen Williams and Alan Budden.

I saw in the programme notes a few calls for a write up on our (rather many) new signings so thought I should put something on here.

We have said goodbye to Connor Cullen (Egham Town) Callum Hope (Raynes Park Vale) and Kyron Mckay (Hastings United) in addition to the departures of Sweeney, Mcleish and McAllister.

I know that one of the things supporters want more than anything is a team they feel represent them, that they can support week





That's not a dig at any that have left, these days many players at this level are able to use their football income to subsidise their rent/car payments/mortgage and more and it's just not viable for them to play for nothing when they are so used to that income stream over the years. They all gave it their all when wearing tangerine, will all be welcome back, should they wish to, in better times.

Coming in to our young group I have tried to add some experience to compliment our exciting group but also some more youngsters full of potential too.

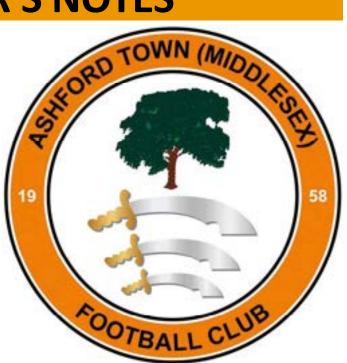
#### Please welcome to the club

**Tristan Vernel** - CB Tristan has come out of Academy football and has most recently been playing for Waltham Abbey, Harrow Borough and Egham Town. Solid and composed he had an excellent debut against Leatherhead.

**Elliot Poley** - CB Elliott returns to the club for his second stint! An experienced centre back, full of composure and adds quality and game understanding to the group. Most recently with Ben at Burnham where he nearly made play offs last year after an excellent season.

**Rhys Paul** - CB Rhys also in his second stint having played for me prior. I saw him sat on the bench in Step Five and thought that's insane, we can't have that! He's too good to not be with us! Strong, athletic, and a cage fighter to throw into the mix! His communication and leadership will be valuable.

A full list of new players will appear in the Binfield programme.



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sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression, will not be tolerated and will be reported to the relevant authorities.

The Isthmian League and our Member Clubs are committed to promoting equity and equality by treating all people fairly and with respect, by recognising that inequalities may exist, by taking steps to address them and providing access and opportunities for all members of our communities."

# AWAY TRAVEL Hayes & Yeading Utd - 14th Deember



# THE SKYEX COMMUNITY STADIUM, BEACONSFIELD ROAD HAYES, UB4 0SL

**Directions:** From Short Lane, aim for the A30. At Clockhouse Roundabout, take the 2nd exit on to Great South-West Road/A30.

After 2.5 miles approx, turn left on to The Parkway/A312. At Waggoners Roundabout, take the 2nd exit and stay on The Parkway/A312.

At Cranford Parkway Interchange, take the 3rd exit and stay on Ther Parkway/A312.

At the next roundabout, take the 2nd exit and stay on The Parkway/A312. After a mile approx, take the A4020 exit towards Uxbridge/Hayes/Ealing/Southall.

At the roundabout, take the 3rd exit on to Uxbfridge Road/A4020. After 0.3 miles approx turn right on to Springfield Road. At the roundabout, take 1st exit on to Beaconsfield Road. Turn left on to restricted usage road for destination on right.

# HALF-TIME TEASER

- 1. Which former England midfielder did Tamworth sign on 23rd February 2006?
- 2. Dagenham and Redbridge was formed as a merger of Dagenham and Redbridge Forest. But which clubs merged to form Redridge Forest?
- 3. Which former Wolverhampton Wanderers and Northern Ireland player negotiated the first football shirt sposnsorship deal for Kettering Town in 1975?
- 4. Which Brazil midfielder did Harborough Town sign in November 2024?
- 5. Who is the player pictured?



**Answers on Page 9** 





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# THE PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

**HARROW BOROUGH** gave a debut to defender Louis Udeh against Binfield on Saturday, and he played the entire 90 minutes.

Louis made the move to Borough from Wembley, where he made 23 appearances in the Combined Counties League last season, if the FA website is correct, and another 18 this season.

He also played briefly for Harpenden Town in the Spartan South Midlands League last season, and has spent time with Horndean and Baffins Milton Rovers.

**HARTLEY WINTNEY** gave a debut to new arrival Seb Karczewski as they defeated

Uxbridge on Saturday - and he had the best of starts, as he added two second half goals in their 4-0 win.

Seb has also scored against his new club this season, as he was on target for Leatherhead as they lost to Hartley back in August. He made 17 Tanners appearances, and scored five goals.

Seb previously played very briefly in our League for Walton & Hersham, and he also spent a very brief spell with South Park Reigate during the 2022-23 season, but doesn't seem to have made an appearance.

Most recently he has been turning out for Hanwell Town in the Southern Premier, and he has also played for Knaphill.

# THE PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE LEAGUE FIXTURES

Р	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Farnham Town18	14	2	2	36	44
Kingstonian18	13	2	3	24	41
Hartley Wintney18	11	1	6	14	34
Hanworth Villa17	10	3	4	11	33
Ascot United18	10	3	5	6	33
Uxbridge18	10	3	5	6	33
Hayes & Yeading Utd17	8	6	3	14	30
Raynes Park Vale18	9	2	7	7	29
Harrow Borough18	9	2	7	6	29
Westfield18	8	3	7	-4	27
Southall18	7	5	6	2	26
Horndean17	7	4	6	-1	25
Leatherhead17	6	5	6	11	23
Rayners Lane17	6	5	6	-2	23
Moneyfields18	5	5	8	-8	20
Binfield18	6	3	9	-15	21
South Park18	4	5	9	-11	17
Sutton Common Rov 18	4	3	11	-13	15
Metropolitan Police 18	4	3	11	-14	15
Ashford Town (Mx)18	2	4	12	-20	10
Guernsey16	2	3	11	-17	9
Badshot Lea17	1	4	12	-32	7

#### Saturday 7th December

Ashford Town (Middx) v Guernsey
Hanworth Villa v Badshot Lea
Harrow Borough v Ascot United
Hartley Wintney v Binfield
Leatherhead v Horndean
Moneyfields v Uxbridge
Rayners Lane v Farnham Town
Raynes Park Vale v Metropolitan Police
South Park (Reigate) v Sutton Common Rovers
Southall v Kingstonian
Westfield v Hayes & Yeading United

#### **Monday 9th December**

Sutton Common Rovers v Rayners Lane

#### **Tuesday 10th December**

Hanworth Villa v Hayes & Yeading United Leatherhead v Guernsey



As at 5th December

# **FIRST TEAM FIXTURES**

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FIX	X DATE	OPPOSITION	COMP	KO/ RES	ATT	POS	1	2	3	4	5	
M1	Aug 03	Northwood	FAC	2-0	179		Fisher	R-Solanki	Larkham	King	Kandolo!	
M2	Aug 10	Harrow Borough	IL	0-1	154	-	Fisher	Larkham^	Hope	King*	Kandolo!	
М3	Aug 17 <b>U</b>	Uxbridge	FAC	1-1	79	-	Fisher	Larkham	Hope	King <sup>^</sup>	Kandolo!	
М4	•	Uxbridge	FAC	2-1	140	-	Fisher	Larkham*	Hope1=	King	Kandolo!	
М5	Aug 24	Ascot United	FAT	1-1	90	-	Fisher	Blakeborough^	Hope	Humphreys+	Kandolo*	
М6	Aug 26 I	Hanworth Villa	IL	1-4	230	_	Chisolm	Larkham	Hope	King+	Kandolo	
М7	•	Herne Bay	FAC	0-2	97	_	Chisolm	Blakeborough	Larkham	Hope	McKay*	
М8	Sep 18 \$	-	IL	1-1	109	-	Brzozowski	Blakeborough+	Larkham	King1	McKay	
М9	Sep 21	Farnham Town	IL	1-2	473	_	Brzozowski	R-Solanki	Larkham	Cullen*	Hope	
М1	•	Hartley Wintney	IL	1-0	185	_	Brzozowski	Larkham	Hope	King <sup>^</sup>	Kandolo	
	1 Sep 28		IL	1-2	135	_	Brzozowski	Larkham	Blakeborough	^ King^	Kandolo	
	•	Raynes Park Vale	IL	0-5	201		Brzozowski	Larkham	Hope	King	Kandolo	
		Kingstonian	IL	7-4	146		Brzozowski	Barsa	Hope	King	McKay	
		South Park	IL	0-3	163	20	Brzozowsk	i Barsa	Hope*	King	McKay	
		Metropolitan Police		1-2	101	20-	Brzozowsk	i Larkham	Blakeboroug	h King*	McKay	
		Leatherhead	IL	0-4	359	20	Jupp	Larkham	Hope	King+	McKay	
		Rayners Lane	IL	1-2	96	20	Jupp	Hope	Larkham^	King	Kandolo	
		Farnham Town	IL	0-2	134	20	Jupp	Larkham	R-Solanki	•	Hope	
		Sutton Common Ro		1-1	77	20	Jupp	Larkham	Hope	King	Poley	
		Leatherhead	IL	2-2	232	21	Brzozowksi		Larkham	King+	Vernal	
	1 Nov 12		SSC	2-1	27		Brzozowksi	Larkham*	Vernal	King	Paul	
		Kingstonian	IL	0-1	217	21	Brzozowksi	R-Solanki	Paine	Humphreys	Kandolo	
	<b>3</b> Nov 19	-	MSC	1-3	52	-	Brzozowksi	R-Solanki+	Kandolo	Day^	Poley	
M2	<b>4</b> Nov 23	Uxbridge	IL	1-2	96	21	Brzozowksi	Larkham	Kandolo^	Moore=	Poley	
M2	<b>25</b> Nov 26	Hartley Wintney	ASC	0-0*		-	Brzozowksi	Poley	Kandolo	Larkham	Vernal	
M26	6 Nov 30	Horndean	IL	0-0	133	20	Brzozowksi	Kandolo	Larkham	Moore <sup>^</sup>	Paul	
M	Dec 07	Guernsey	IL	1.00								
M	Dec 14	Hayes & Yeading Uto	l IL	3.00				FESTI'	VE FIX	<b>TURES</b>		
M	Dec 20	Binfield	IL	7.45					<b>-</b>	01120		
M	Dec 26	Westfield	IL	3.00			Ashfor	d Town (M	iddx) face	a key festi	ve	
M	Dec 28	Harrow Borough	IL	3.00						id relegation		
M	Jan 01	Hanworth Villa	IL	3.00					In Isthmia	an League S	South	
M	Jan 04	Moneyfields	IL	3.00			Centra	l Division.				
M	Jan 11 A	Ascot United	IL	3.00			The fire	al alama a ba	ofowo Clawia			
M	Jan 18 E	Badshot Lea	IL	3.00			The final game before Christmas is on Friday 20th December against Binfield at					
M	Jan 26	Horndean	IL	3.00			•	at 7.45pm.	mber ayan	iist Dilliiel0	ı al	
M	Feb 01	Guernsey	IL	3.00			1101116	at 7. Topill.				
M	Feb 08 I	Raynes Park Vale	IL	3.00			The Ta	ngerines tı	ravel to We	estfield on		
M	Feb 15	South Park	IL	3.00						e to Harrov	V	
M	Feb 22	Metropolitan Police	IL	3.00			•			r and Hanw		
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#### Key

IL: Isthmian South Central Division

FAC: Emirates FA Cup FAT: Isuzu FA Trophy

Villa on 1st January.

**MSC:** Middlesex Senior Cup **SSC:** Surrey Senior Cup ASC: Aldershot Senior Cup

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Mar 01 Rayners Lane

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Apr 05 Ascot United

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Apr 26 Southall

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# **BOLD FIXTURES - HOME GAMES** (1.2) - **GOALS SCORED**

#### \* First Sub; + Second Sub; ^ Third Sub! Fourth Sub = Fifth Sub Bold Blue: Man of the Match

6	7	8	9	10	11	S	FIX
Hope	Sweeney2	Holder*	Mcleish <sup>^</sup>	McAllister	Kelly+	Khallouqi*, Arnold+Day^	М1
McKay	Sweeney	Holder+	Mcleish	McAllister	Arnold	Humphreys*, Kelly+Khallouqi^	M2
McKay	Sweeney1	Holder+	Arnold	McAllister	Kelly*	R-Solanki*, Humphreys+Dayi^	М3
McKay	Sweeney	Humphreys+	Arnold!	McAllister	Kelly <sup>^</sup>	Blakebor*Mcleish+Holder^RSol!Day=1	M4
McKay	Sweeney1	Holder	Mcleish	Day	R-Solanki	Kelly*=McAllister+Larkham^Khallouqi!	M5
McKay	Day	Holder	Arnold1	McAllister	Khallouqi*	Mcleish*Blakeborough+	М6
Kandolo	Sweeney+	Holder	Mcleish	McAllister	Arnold	Day* R-Solanki+	M7
Hope	Basim*	Humphreys	Mcleish	McAllister	Cullen	Day* R-Solanki+	M8
McKay	Basim1	Day	Mcleish	Humphreys	King	Blakebrough*	М9
McKay	Basim1	Day*	Mcleish	Humphreys	Cullen+	McAllisiter*Barsa+R-Solanki^	M10
McKay+	Basim!	Humphreys	Mcleish	McAllister*	Cullen	Barsa*R-Solanki+Day^SSweeney!1	M11
Day*	Sweeney	Humphreys	Richards	Cullen	Basim+	Nwokebuife*R-Solanki+	M12
Day1^	Sweeney	Humphreys1	Richards*	Cullen4	Basim1+	R-Solanki*Larkham+Nwokebuife^	M13
Day	Blakeborough-	+ Humphreys	Kandolo	Cullen	Basim1	Larkham*Nwokebuife+	M14
Kandolo	Basim1	Barsa	Day	Cullen	R-Solank	ki Aryan*	M15
Kandolo	Basim	Dillon*	Day	Cullen	R-Solank	ri Aryan* Blakebrough+	M16
McKay	Humphreys	R-Solanki	Cullen1	Day*	Basim+	Noyan*Nwokebuife+Blakebrough^	M17
Kandolo	Basim*	Day	N.Tajbakhs	h Humphreys	Blakeborough	n+ Arnold*Dillon+	M18
R-Solanki	Basim1	Humphreys	Cullen	Day*	Atkinson	Arnold*	M19
Poley	Basim^	Moore1	Arnold*	Humphreys!	Atkinson1	Vorster*Holder+N.Tajbak^Manning!	M20
Aryantaj	Basim	Humphrey+	Arnold1	Noyan	Atkinson	Manning*Day+1	M21
Vernal	Arnold	Moore	Nyarko	King*	Atkinson+	Paul*Day+	M22
Paul	Arnold1	Moore	Nyarko*	Paine	Vorster!	Noyan*King+Vernal^Humphreys!	M23
Vernal1	Arnold*	Paine	Nyarko	Humphreys!	Vorster+	Atkinson*Noyan+Paul^King!Day=	M24
Moore	Paine	Day	Atkinson	Noyan	Basim	Arnold, Vorster, Humphreys,King,Nyarko	M25
Poley	Vorster+	Paine	Nyarko	Humphreys	Atkinson*	Arnold*Basim+Day^	M26

# ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX) NEWS ROUND-UP

☐ Ashford Town (Middx)Under-16s exited the County Cup when they went down 4-1 against Cre8tive.

Although there were some excellent individual performances, the Tangerines struggled for long periods of the game.

As a result, Ashford Town (Middx) were trailing 2-0 at the break and shortly after the break it was a 4-0 deficit.

The youngsters refused to give up and were rewarded with a consolation goal, which was scored by Callum. The Tangerines man of the match was Danny.

It is now back to the League this weekend and will be welcoming Chipstead.

### **HALF TIME TEASER ANSWERS**

- 1. Paul Merson signed for Tamworth on 23rd February 2006. He made one appearance, a 2-1 home defeat against Halifax Town before being dropped to the bench. He then retired.
- 2. Redbridge Forest was created as a merger of llford, Leytonstone and Walthamstow Avenue.
- 3. Derek Dougan negotiated the first football shirt sponsorship deal. This was when Kettering Town clinched sponsorship from Kettering Tyres. The FA were not happy and Dougan abbreviated the logo to Kettering T clziming the 'T' was for Town.
- 4. Former Tottenham Hotspur, West Bromwich Albion, Queen's Park Rangers and Brazil midfielder Sandro signed for Harborough Town so he could play in the Emirates FA Cup tie against Reading.
- 5. Ronnie Radford scored the winner for Hereford United against Newcastle United in the FA Cup in 1972

# ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX) ISTHMIAN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE SOUTH CENTRAL 2024-25 Appearances and Goalscorers

	League				Cup		Total		
	Арр	Sub	Goals	App	Sub	Goals	App	Sub	Goals
Toby Fisher	1			4			5		
Deven R-Solanki	8	5		3	3		11	8	
Archie Larkham	15	2		6	1		21	3	
James King	15	1	1	4	2		19	3	1
Prince Kandolo	13			7			20		
Callum Hope	12			5		1	17		1
Rhys Paul	2	1		2			4	1	
Ben Holder	2	1		4	1		6	2	
Aaron Mcleish	5	1		3	1		8	2	
Bradley Manning		1			1			2	
Chris Kelly				1			1		
Jack Arnold	5	3	1	5	2	2	10	5	3
Faris Khallouqi	1	1			2		1	3	
Scott Day	11	5	1	3	5	2	14	10	3
David Nyarko	3			1	1		4	1	
Sam Humphreys	14	1	1	3	3		17	4	1
Vishna Kelly		1		2	1		2	2	
Josh Blakebrough	5	4		2	1		7	5	
Mac Chisholm	1			1			2		
Marcin Brzozowski	12			3			15		
Basim Mirthamasebi	13	1	5	2			15	1	5
Alexander Paine	3			2			5		
Barsa Mirthamasebi	3	2					3	2	
Adam Richards	2						2		
Emmanuel Nwoke		3						3	
Aryantaj Tajbakhsh		2		1			1	2	
Nick Jupp	4						4		
Gordon Dillon	1	1					1	1	
Noyan Tajbakhsh	1	3		2	1		3	4	
Jayden P-Atkinson	5	1	1	2			7	1	1
Elliott Poley	4			2			6		
Tristan Vernal	3		1	2	1		5	1	1
Liam Moore	4		1	2			6		1
George Vorster	2	1		1	1		3	2	

Callum McAllister 8 (2); Brad Sweeney 8 (1) 5; Connor Cullen 11,5; Kyron H-McKay 15;

# ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX) CROWD FUNDING PITCH PROJECT



The last few years beyond the horrible COVID period has been highly challenging and has affected our lives in a whole host of ways.

Our amazing volunteers, supporters and players have all played their part to get Ashford Town (Middx) to where we are today. The club has just announced we've successfully secured grants worth over £1.2m for us start the transition to new beginnings as a community football club after years of effort.

We've spent a small fortune on legal and planning fees to ensure the project could get going but this has left the club in a highly challenging situation where we're unable to pay for junior winter training facilities, relying on generosity of supporters for paying for a ground-sharing arrangement to allow first team games to continue and to pay our critical utility bill debts we've acquired while prioritising getting the 3G project going.

While the long-term future looks bright for this club, in the short term the club needs a significant cash injection to maintain its role in the local community and cover the costs of keeping the lights on at our club.

We know that everyone has been hit financially, but any donation would go a long

way to helping us secure the future of the club. With over 300 junior players across our youth section, plus our senior men's and women's teams, it's imperative the club can continue to operate and set the club up for the future. All donations raised will go directly into the club for the direct benefit of everyone involved.

Thank you so much in advance for your generosity and kindness. If we can successfully navigate through this tough period, this club will re-assert itself as the top local community club in Spelthorne and remain so for generations to come.

### To donate go to:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/atfcmiddlesex



# **GUERNSEY HISTORY**

# The initial idea to establish Guernsey FC was developed during the 2009-10 season.

This was when Guernsey's Senior County Division One representative side enjoyed a successful run in the FA National League System Cup (for league representative sides at Step Seven on the non-league pyramid system and below, since renamed the FA Inter-League Cup), culminating in Guernsey beating the Liverpool County Premier League 5-2 in the final in May 2010.

Along the way, Guernsey defeated representative sides from the Kent County Premier League, the Northampton Premier League, the Southern Amateur League, the Hertfordshire Premier League and the Dorset Premier League.

The final was held in Guernsey in front of a crowd of over 2,500 and was the first time ever that the FA had allowed one of its competition finals to be held outside of the UK mainland.

Following a 1-0 victory over Jersey to reclaim the Muratti Vase in May 2010, the prize for winning the FA National League System Cup for this same squad of players was to represent England in the UEFA Regions Cup preliminary round in Croatia in September 2010. This was a fantastic experience for the

players and coaching and medical staff.

Although Guernsey enjoyed mixed fortunes by beating Wales 3-0, drawing with hosts Croatia 1-1 and losing to group winners Turkey 3-0, it provided football at a higher standard, was very motivational and gave our players a great desire to improve further and to play more regularly at higher levels.

Over the course of the following few months, the club's founding directors, Steve Dewsnip and Mark Le Tissier, received encouragement from the Football Association, the Guernsey FA, the Combined Counties League (which we were introduced to by the FA), our former official main club sponsor Sportingbet, the island's government (the States of Guernsey) and the island's local football community to develop our plans for the new club further.

The club was delighted when the member clubs of the Combined Counties League voted by a significant majority on 20 June 2011 to allow Guernsey FC to join Division One of their league.

The 2022-23 season, t was a landmark season for one ofGuernsey's former players, young midfielder Alex Scott, who stood out in midfield for Bristol City in the Championship, winning the EFL Championship Young Player of the Season.



Owen Wallbridge celebrates his goal in the 5-4 defeat against Moneyfields last weekend.

# **UXBRIDGE PEN PIX**

Josh Addison (Goalkeeper): Goalkeeper who made his debut against Chatham Town at Footes Lane in September 2016. In Guernsey's recent game against Horndean, Addison made his 100th appearance for the club,

**Thomas Dodds (Defender):** Renowned for his ability to break up play Made his debut aged 17 in the 2016-17 campaign. His debut came in an FA Cup replay at Thamesmead Town where he played the entire match, including extra-time, and was hugely impressive.

Charlton Gauvain (Midfielder): The creative midfielder started training with the club on his 16th birthday and signed ahead of a match at Footes Lane soon after. Spent time at Bristol City's youth academy between the ages of eight and 15.

**Sam Murray (Forward):** Having loyally plied his trade for Northerners in the Priaulx League for several years, Murray began training with the Green Lions for the 2022-23 campaign. Netted 11 times in his debut campaign becoming the first player in a decade to hit double figures in his debut season.

Ross Allen (Forward): Guernsey's record goalscorer by a huge margin has an incredible goals-to-games record. His exploits with the Green Lions have earned him non-league recognition worldwide.

Owen Wallbridge (Forward): Young forward tipped to be an exciting player. Made his debut as a substitute at home to Badshot Lea in September 2023.

**Simon Arnold (Midfielder):** Youngster who has been scoring goals in the Priaulx League for Sylvans. Most comfortable playing off the flank.

#### **David Merris (Defender/Midfielder):**

Experienced midfielder Merris played and coached at Priaulx League side Belgrave Wanderers after moving to the island in the 2021-22 season. Began his career in the youth ranks of Rotherham United,

**Alex Ward (Forward):** Teenage forward who has played in the Priaulx League for St Martin's. Made his GFC debut as a substitute away at Marlow in February 2024.

**Jacques Cauvin (Defender):** The young marauding full back who broke into the team in the latter part of the 2024-25 season.

**Jacob Fallaize (Defender):** Jacob first travelled with the squad in September 2015 but made his debut as a late substitute against Carshalton Athletic on 26th October 2015.

**Finley Du Port (Midfielder):** Fin signed on for the 2024-25 season after taking part in pre-season. Made his debut at Hartley Wintney in August 2024.

**Brandon Wallaqe (Midfielder):** Technically gifted young winger who had a breakout season in 2022-23. Despite not finding the back of the net in his debut campaign, Brandon frequently got fans on their feet with his exciting style of play and willingness to take on and beat defenders.

Finlay Patterson (Forward): Teenager became one of our youngest ever players when he made his debut against Harrow Borough in August 2024.

**Frazer Maginnis (Midfielder):** Youngster who has played for St Martin's in the Priualx League and represented the island at youth level. First called up to the GFC squad in November 2024.

### **FOCUS ON GUERNSEY**

Guernsey will be at Cobham this afternoon without their manager Tony Vance.

Tony has suffered an unfortunate accident earlier this week and was due to have an operation on a complicated break. Despite the pain he must be enduring, Tony will still be involved in the mamangement of the team

but from a distance.

Members of his managerial team Steve Sharman and Kevin Gilligan will be looking after the team during Tony's absence.

There must have been a different type of pain for Tony last weekend as Guernsey went down 5-4 at home to

fellow strugglers Moneyfields.

The Islanders were leading 4-3 after 87minutes but the Hampshire side grabbed two very late goals from Tom Cain and James Franklyn.

The Guernsey scorers were Owen Wallbridge, Matt Loaring, Charlton Gauvain and Ross Allen.





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And then there were two. A total of 653 clubs from the National League System entered the 2024-25 Emirates FA Cup, at various stages, from the extra preliminary round back in early August.

Now it's just Dagenham & Redbridge and Tamworth flying the flag in the third round proper from outside the 92 – and they've both got tasty ties to look forward to!

Tamworth, in particular, got the best possible reward for knocking out League One neighbours Burton Albion by landing a plum home tie with Premier League giants, and eight-time winners, Tottenham Hotspur.

Yes, Big Ange and his men will be gracing The Lamb on the weekend of 11th January for what promises to be a humdinger of a clash, evoking memories of when Spurs, with Jose Mourinho, Gareth Bale et al, famously visited Marine during the Covid-hit 2020-21 campaign.

Tamworth were the headline act of Sunday's second round ties after holding rivals Burton to a 1-1 draw at the Pirelli Stadium after extra time before popular goalkeeper Jas Singh made two crucial saves in the penalty shootout to see his side through.

That came under 24 hours after Dagenham & Redbridge had become the first non-league side to take their place in the hat for the third round tie after knocking out London rivals AFC Wimbledon 2-1 on Saturday – their second successive away victory over League Two opposition.

Next up for Ben Strevens' men is a crunch London derby with Championship side Millwall – a tie which is bound to whet the appetite of a partisan area east of the capital.

There were a few near misses too, as far as

non-league progression went.

Kettering Town led Doncaster Rovers for long spells of their Sunday lunchtime kick-off, only for two late goals from former Sheffield United striker Billy Sharp to turn the tables and break Poppies hearts.

Then, a couple of hours later, fellow Step Three side Harborough Town raced into a 2-0 lead at Reading, only to be pegged back to 3-3 at the end of the 90 minutes.

But despite being down to ten men, the Royals found a way through thanks to two extra-time goals from Chem Campbell.

Harborough's defeat naturally re-opened the 'FA Cup replay' debate with the new ruling denying the Bees the chance of taking Reading back to Bowden Park for a lucrative second crack of the whip, undoubtedly in front of the TV cameras.

Solihull Moors' 2-1 defeat by last season's play-off final conquerors Bromley rounded off a memorable second-round weekend for non-league clubs with the likes of Gainsborough Trinity, Oldham Athletic, Brackley Town and Wealdstone all coming mighty close to securing a place in round three and a potential Premier League big gun.

That prize this year belongs to Tamworth – and I'm sure the non-league family will be behind them every step of the way.

• Elsewhere, something pretty cool happened to us at Non-League Paper towers this week.

We are very proud and delighted to have won the Football Supporters' Association award, in the Non-League Category, for the first time.

Jon Couch

# THE TEAMS

# **Saturday 7th December**



# ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)

### **GUERNSEY**



# **Tangerine**

### Green

MARCIN BRZOZOWSKI	1	<b>JOSH ADDISON</b>
PRINCE KANDOLO	2	<b>NIALL HAINSWORTH</b>
ARCHIE LARKHAM	3	DAVID MERRIS
LIAM MOORE	4	THOMAS DODDS
RHYS PAUL	5	SIMON ARNOLD
ELLIOTT POLEY	6	JACOB FALLAIZE
GEORGE VORSTER	7	<b>CHARLTON GAUVAIN</b>
<b>ALEXANDER PAINE</b>	8	MATT LEARING
DAVID NYARKO	9	SAMUEL MURRAY
SAM HUMPHREYS	10	ROSS ALLEN
JAYDEN P-ATKINSON	11	OWEN WALLBRIDGE
	SUBS	
BASIM MIRTAHMASEBI	12	FINLEY DU PORT
TRISTAN VERNAL	14	<b>BRANDON WALLACE</b>
JACK ARNOLD	15	<b>ALEXANDER WARD</b>
JAMES KING	16	<b>JACQUES GAUVIN</b>
SCOTT DAY	17	FINLAY PATTERSON
Manager		Managers

Referee: David Rowland

Assistants: Stephen Williams, Alan Budden

# **OUR NEXT HOME GAME**

Luke Tuffs

ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)
v
Binfield
Saturday 20th December



Tony Vance, Steve Sharman, Kevin Gilligan