



**Pitching In
Isthmian League
South Central**

BINFIELD

**Friday
20th December**

**at Cobham's
Reg Madgwick
Stadium**

**7.45pm
Kick-Off**



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MANAGER'S NOTES

Good evening everyone and a warm welcome to Binfield for this Pitching In Isthmian League South Central match at Cobham along with the referee Callum Parke and his assistants Promise Phillips and Matthew Childs.

Once again, we can only report another hard luck tale, following last Saturday's defeat at Hayes & Yeading, by our customary 2-1 scoreline.

Hayes & Yeading, by their own admission are not the force they were and we did more than enough to earn something from the game. However, a defensive lapse and penalty-kick for handball gifted our opponents two goals and whilst we threw everything at it after that, we were only able to pull one goal back.

Indeed it was a special shot, an absolute rocket from Alexander Paine. We fought to the end as we always do, a little too much for Rhys Paul who found himself the recipient of a d card when a full-blooded tackle took man and ball. It was too late though to make very much difference and Rhys will remain eligible to play this evening as his suspension as his suspension does not start until tomorrow.

Prior to the Hayes & Yeading match we played away to Horndean in the League on Saturday 30th November. Horndean were transferred from the Isthmian League South East Division and we had never played them before. They have been holding their own and much of the match was even enough but we did have a number of chances near the end to secure what would have been a valuable three points but in the end a draw was probably about right with no one from either side able to put the ball in the net.

We are now in the festive period of course and our programme over the holiday period reads:

Thursday 26th December, away to Westfield; Saturday 28th December, home to Harrow Borough; Wednesday 1st January, home to Hanworth Villa

The match away to Westfield kicks off at 12 midday while the other two are both at the customary time of 3pm.

The League has insisted that the 42- day rule in which to arrange and play any previously postponed match must be followed, so it has meant that we have had to ask Cobham and Met Police to postpone an Under-18s match in order for us to play Guernsey on Tuesday 21st January. We apologise to both clubs that we have found ourselves in this position. We also have to fit in a home County Cup match against South Park in the near future but we have not (yet) come under any pressure from Surrey County FA. It may be though that we can hire a further venue for that one which would be acceptable to the County. We certainly don't wish to disrupt our hosts again.

These notes are being written on Tuesday 17th December but on Thursday a site meeting was due to take place at Short Lane when we would receive an update from the contractors. We will be hoping for good news.

Happy Christmas to all



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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

Westfield - 26th Deember



**Woking Park
Kingfield Road,
Woking
GU22 9BA**

Directions: From Short Lane, aim for the M25 via London Road/A30 and heading towards A308/Bagshot/Egham/Windsor.

Take the M25 (S) slip road on the right and merge on to the M25. At Junction 11, exit towards Chertsey/A320/Woking. Take the slip road to St Peter's Way/A320. At Ottershaw Roundabout, take the first exit on to Guildford Road/A320. At Paragon Roundabout, take the 2nd exit on to Chertsey Road/A320. At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit on to Monument Road. Continue

on to Maybury Hill. At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit on to Oriental Road and go through one roundabout. Oriental Road turns left and becomes Heathside Crescent.

Heathside Crescent turns slightly left and becomes Station Approach/A320. Continue to follow A320. Turn left on to Claremont Avenue.

Turn left on to Elm Bridge/Wych Hill Lane/A247. Continue to follow A247 then turn left then right to reach destination.

HALF-TIME TEASER

1. Brighton and Hove Albion played at the Withdean Stadium between 1999 and 2011, What other two things has this stadium been used for?
2. Who was the Middlesbrough manager when they clinched their first major piece of silverware in 2004.
3. The first match at Wembley Stadium was the 1923 FA Cup final in front of an unofficial crowd of 300,000. Who were the two finalists?
4. Where did Milton Keynes Dons play their first games in the Football League?
5. Who is the head coach/manager pictured?



WHO IS THE HEAD COACH PICTURED?

Answers on Page 9



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THE PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

HORNDEAN have announced the departure of manager Michael Birmingham, who leaves the club to become joint manager of Pitching In Isthmian Premier side Bognor Regis Town.

Birmingham took over at the Deans in the summer of 2016, and his first home game brought in a crowd of 54 which contrasts with the 1,359 who packed the Stanley Chase Stadium as his Deans won the Wessex League title at the end of the 22-23 season, a campaign which also saw them win the Portsmouth Senior Cup at Fratton Park.

Last season saw a comfortable transition to Step Four, and this season he has guided them to another steady start as they moved over to the South Central Division.

He is a former Bognor player, and understandably couldn't resist the lure of a return to Nyewood Lane, where he will manage alongside Jamie Howells.

REVIEW: Pitching In Isthmian South Central bottom side Badshot Lea played host to Rayners Lane on Tuesday, and the Baggies came within eight minutes of picking up what would have been three priceless points, only for Lane skipper - and leading scorer- Frank Keita to decide otherwise.

The bottom place Baggies had only one win all season and found themselves twelve points from safety at kick off, but they had a perfect start, Joe Lewis making the breakthrough in the very first minute but they had to settle with a 1-1 draw.

THE PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

LEAGUE TABLE

LEAGUE FIXTURES

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Farnham Town.....	20	16	2	2	46	50
Kingstonian.....	19	14	2	3	25	44
Hartley Wintney	19	12	1	6	18	37
Ascot United	20	11	4	5	9	37
Uxbridge	19	11	3	5	14	36
Hanworth Villa	19	11	3	5	9	36
Hayes & Yeading Utd...	20	9	7	4	13	34
Harrow Borough	20	10	2	8	4	32
Raynes Park Vale	19	9	3	7	7	30
Southall.....	20	8	5	7	5	29
Westfield	20	8	5	7	-4	29
Rayners Lane	20	6	7	7	-7	25
Horndean.....	18	7	4	7	-9	25
Leatherhead	18	6	5	7	10	23
Binfield.....	18	6	3	9	-15	21
Moneyfields	18	5	5	9	-12	20
South Park.....	20	5	5	10	-15	20
Sutton Common Rov ...	21	5	4	12	-13	19
Metropolitan Police	18	4	3	11	-14	15
Guernsey	17	2	4	11	-17	10
Ashford Town (Mx)	19	2	4	13	-21	10
Badshot Lea	19	1	5	13	-33	8

As at 19th December

Friday 20th December

Ashford Town (Middx) v Binfield

Saturday 21st December

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

Monday 23rd December

Binfield v Leatherhead

Thursday 26th December

Westfield v Ashford Town (Middx)

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

2024-25 SEASON

FIX	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!
M3	Aug 17	Uxbridge	FAC	1-1	79	-	Fisher	Larkham	Hope	King^	Kandolo!
M4	Aug 20	Uxbridge	FAC	2-1	140	-	Fisher	Larkham*	Hope ¹ =	King	Kandolo!
M5	Aug 24	Ascot United	FAT	1-1	90	-	Fisher	Blakeborough^	Hope	Humphreys+	Kandolo*
M6	Aug 26	Hanworth Villa	IL	1-4	230	-	Chisolm	Larkham	Hope	King+	Kandolo
M7	Aug 31	Herne Bay	FAC	0-2	97	-	Chisolm	Blakeborough	Larkham	Hope	McKay*
M8	Sep 18	Southall	IL	1-1	109	-	Brzozowski	Blakeborough+	Larkham	King ¹	McKay
M9	Sep 21	Farnham Town	IL	1-2	473	-	Brzozowski	R-Solanki	Larkham	Cullen*	Hope
M10	Sep 24	Hartley Wintney	IL	1-0	185	-	Brzozowski	Larkham	Hope	King^	Kandolo
M11	Sep 28	Uxbridge	IL	1-2	135	-	Brzozowski	Larkham	Blakeborough^	King^	Kandolo
M12	Oct 04	Raynes Park Vale	IL	0-5	201		Brzozowski	Larkham	Hope	King	Kandolo
M13	Oct 08	Kingstonian	IL	7-4	146		Brzozowski	Barsa	Hope	King	McKay
M14	Oct 12	South Park	IL	0-3	163	20	Brzozowski	Barsa	Hope*	King	McKay
M15	Oct 20	Metropolitan Police	IL	1-2	101	20-	Brzozowski	Larkham	Blakeborough	King*	McKay
M16	Oct 22	Leatherhead	IL	0-4	359	20	Jupp	Larkham	Hope	King+	McKay
M17	Oct 26	Rayners Lane	IL	1-2	96	20	Jupp	Hope	Larkham^	King	Kandolo
M18	Oct 29	Farnham Town	IL	0-2	134	20	Jupp	Larkham	R-Solanki	Atkinson	Hope
M19	Nov 01	Sutton Common Rov	IL	1-1	77	20	Jupp	Larkham	Hope	King	Poley
M20	Nov 09	Leatherhead	IL	2-2	232	21	Brzozowski	R-Solanki	Larkham	King+	Vernal
M21	Nov 12	Balham	SSC	2-1	27	-	Brzozowski	Larkham*	Vernal	King	Paul
M22	Nov 16	Kingstonian	IL	0-1	217	21	Brzozowski	R-Solanki	Paine	Humphreys	Kandolo
M23	Nov 19	Hendon	MSC	1-3	52	-	Brzozowski	R-Solanki+	Kandolo	Day^	Poley
M24	Nov 23	Uxbridge	IL	1-2	96	21	Brzozowski	Larkham	Kandolo^	Moore=	Poley
M25	Nov 26	Hartley Wintney	ASC	0-0*		-	Brzozowski	Poley	Kandolo	Larkham	Vernal
M26	Nov 30	Horndean	IL	0-0	133	20	Brzozowski	Kandolo	Larkham	Moore^	Paul
M27	Dec 14	Hayes & Yeading Utd	IL	1-2	176	21	Brzozowski	Larkham	Day	Moore+	Poley
M	Dec 20	Binfield	IL	7.45							
M	Dec 26	Westfield	IL	12pm							
M	Dec 28	Harrow Borough	IL	3.00							
M	Jan 01	Hanworth Villa	IL	3.00							
M	Jan 04	Moneyfields	IL	3.00							
M	Jan 11	Ascot United	IL	3.00							
M	Jan 18	Badshot Lea	IL	3.00							
M	Jan 21	Guernsey	IL	7.45							
M	Jan 26	Horndean	IL	3.00							
M	Feb 01	Guernsey	IL	3.00							
M	Feb 08	Raynes Park Vale	IL	3.00							
M	Feb 15	South Park	IL	3.00							
M	Feb 22	Metropolitan Police	IL	3.00							
M	Mar 01	Rayners Lane	IL	3.00							
M	Mar 07	Sutton Common Rov	IL	7.45							
M	Mar 15	Hayes & Yeading Utd	IL	3.00							
M	Mar 21	Binfield	IL	7.45							
M	Mar 29	Badshot Lea	IL	3.00							
M	Apr 05	Ascot United	IL	3.00							
M	Apr 12	Moneyfields	IL	3.00							
M	Apr 19	Hartley Wintney	IL	3.00							
M	Apr 21	Westfield	IL	3.00							
M	Apr 26	Southall	IL	3.00							

FESTIVE FIXTURES

Ashford Town (Middx) face a key festive period as they battle to avoid relegation from the Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division.

The Tangerines travel to Westfield on Boxing Day and are at home to Harrow Borough on 28th December and Hanworth Villa on 1st January.

Key

IL: Isthmian South Central Division

FAC: Emirates FA Cup

FAT: Isuzu FA Trophy

MSC: Middlesex Senior Cup

SSC: Surrey Senior Cup

ASC: Aldershot Senior Cup

* Decided on Kicks From The Penalty Spot

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	S	S	FIX
Hope	Sweeney ²	Holder*	Mcleish [^]	McAllister	Kelly+	Khallouqi*, Arnold+Day [^]			M1
McKay	Sweeney	Holder+	Mcleish	McAllister	Arnold	Humphreys*, Kelly+Khallouqi [^]			M2
McKay	Sweeney ¹	Holder+	Arnold	McAllister	Kelly*	R-Solanki*, Humphreys+Day [^]			M3
McKay	Sweeney	Humphreys+	Arnold!	McAllister	Kelly [^]	Blakebor*Mcleish+Holder [^] RSol!Day= ¹			M4
McKay	Sweeney ¹	Holder	Mcleish	Day	R-Solanki	Kelly*=McAllister+Larkham [^] Khallouqi!			M5
McKay	Day	Holder	Arnold ¹	McAllister	Khallouqi*	Mcleish*Blakeborough+			M6
Kandolo	Sweeney+	Holder	Mcleish	McAllister	Arnold	Day* R-Solanki+			M7
Hope	Basim*	Humphreys	Mcleish	McAllister	Cullen	Day* R-Solanki+			M8
McKay	Basim ¹	Day	Mcleish	Humphreys	King	Blakebrough*			M9
McKay	Basim ¹	Day*	Mcleish	Humphreys	Cullen+	McAllister*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
Day ¹ [^]	Sweeney	Humphreys ¹	Richards*	Cullen ⁴	Basim ¹ +	R-Solanki*Larkham+Nwokebuife [^]			M13
Day	Blakeborough+	Humphreys	Kandolo	Cullen	Basim ¹	Larkham*Nwokebuife+			M14
Kandolo	Basim ¹	Barsa	Day	Cullen	R-Solanki	Aryan*			M15
Kandolo	Basim	Dillon*	Day	Cullen	R-Solanki	Aryan* Blakebrough+			M16
McKay	Humphreys	R-Solanki	Cullen ¹	Day*	Basim+	Noyan*Nwokebuife+Blakebrough [^]			M17
Kandolo	Basim*	Day	N.Tajbakhsh	Humphreys	Blakeborough+	Arnold*Dillon+			M18
R-Solanki	Basim ¹	Humphreys	Cullen	Day*	Atkinson	Arnold*			M19
Poley	Basim [^]	Moore ¹	Arnold*	Humphreys!	Atkinson ¹	Vorster*Holder+N.Tajbak [^] Manning!			M20
Aryantaj	Basim	Humphrey+	Arnold ¹	Noyan	Atkinson	Manning*Day+ ¹			M21
Vernal	Arnold	Moore	Nyarko	King*	Atkinson+	Paul*Day+			M22
Paul	Arnold ¹	Moore	Nyarko*	Paine	Vorster!	Noyan*King+Vernal [^] Humphreys!			M23
Vernal ¹	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
Paul	Arnold*	Humphreys	Basim	Nyarko	Paine ¹	P-Atkinson*King+			M27

ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX) NEWS ROUND-UP

☐ Ashford Town (Middx) Ladies pulled off a commendable 1-1 draw at Chesham United on Sunday in the Women's National League Division One. The Tangerines had a 1-0 lead at half-time. However, the hosts fought back after the break and were rewarded with the equaliser.

Ashford Town Ladies: Vigolo, Duncan, Huse, Southgate, Wojtaszewska, Weaver, Middleton, Riley, Kantamaneni, Kargbo, Carnevale. Subs: Grossman, Miller, Morley

☐ Ashford Town (Middx) Under-16s ended 2024 with a fine 5-0 victory at Mitcham Park Under-16s Stripes.

Langers bagged two goals with the others coming from Callum, Frankie and Kye.

HALF TIME TEASER ANSWERS

1. Brighton & Hove Albion previous ground at Withdean Stadium was also an athletics stadium and previously a zoo.

2. Former Steve McLaren was manager of Middlesbrough in 2004 when they won the League, their first major piece of silverware.

3. The 1923 final was between Bolton Wanderers and West Ham United.

4. Milton Keynes Dons played their first games in the Football League at the National Hockey Stadium.

5. Brighton & Hove Albion head coach Fabian Hurzeler.

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

	League			Cup			Total		
	App	Sub	Goals	App	Sub	Goals	App	Sub	Goals
Toby Fisher	1			4			5		
Deven R-Solanki	8	5		3	3		11	8	
Archie Larkham	16	2		6	1		22	3	
James King	15	2	1	4	2		19	4	1
Prince Kandolo	13			7			20		
Callum Hope	12			5		1	17		1
Rhys Paul	3	1		2			5	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	6	3	1	5	2	2	11	5	3
Faris Khallouqi	1	1			2		1	3	
Scott Day	12	5	1	3	5	2	15	10	3
David Nyarko	4			1	1		5	1	
Sam Humphreys	15	1	1	3	3		18	4	1
Vishna Kelly		1		2	1		2	2	
Josh Blakebrough	5	4		2	1		7	5	
Mac Chisholm	1			1			2		
Marcin Brzozowski	13			3			16		
Basim Mirthamasebi	14	1	5	2			16	1	5
Alexander Paine	4		1	2			6		1
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	2	1	2			7	2	1
Elliott Poley	5			2			7		
Tristan Vernal	3		1	2	1		5	1	1
Liam Moore	5		1	2			7		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/atcmiddlesex>



BINFIELD HISTORY

Binfield FC first played in 1892, during the reign of Queen Victoria, making us one of the oldest Association Football clubs in the world.

The team comprised young men from the local brickworks and those who worked on the land around Binfield.

The club's early years were spent in the Ascot and District League, where we enjoyed many successful seasons winning the Fielden Cup for the first time in 1924 and on eleven further occasions since.

During the Second World War, we joined the Great Western Combination League, winning the championship in 1947. During that period we also won the Berks and Bucks Junior Cup and the Maidenhead Norfolkian Cup and it was not unusual to see crowds in excess of 1,000 at our Forest Road ground.

In 1950 we joined the Reading and District League, where we remained for the next forty years. In 1972 Binfield won promotion to the Premier Division for the first time and although relegated two years later we returned in 1976 as First Division Champions.

The 2023-24 season will always be remembered as the season of the Great Escape. At Christmas, the team had no wins in the league, only four points and were rooted to the bottom of the Pitching In



● **Binfield celebrate a goal during their 2-0 win at Harrow Borough in the Velocity Cup.**

Picture: Andrew Spiers, Binfield

Isthmian League South Central table. Their only win was a 2-0 victory over Wokingham in the FA Cup. They were knocked out of the FA Cup after a replay against Northwood.

A management change just before Christmas with Ross Weatherstone taking charge. In his time in charge, Ross managed to guide the team to their first win against Met Police FC. The team finished with eight wins and managed to finish four points and one position above the relegation zone.

FOCUS ON BINFIELD

It is widely believed that manager Ross Weatherstone performed the Great Escape last season to prevent Binfield being relegated from the Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division.

When Weatherstone took over, Binfield were adrift at the bottom of the table with only four points but the Moles scrambled to safety.

Weatherstone has managed to consolidate Binfield's position

in the League this season although their performances have been unspectacular but they appear to be clear of relegation trouble.

Their form in the League since early November, when they defeated Southall 2-0, has been mixed.

They have suffered defeats against Hanworth Villa and Westfield but managed a 4-3 success against Harrow Borough.

A 0-0 draw with high-flying Kingstonian followed before a two-week break because of postponed games.

On their return, Binfield pulled off an excellent 2-0 win at Harrow Borough in the Velocity Cup on Tuesday evening.

Daniel Lewis bagged the opening goal after 13 minutes while Tyler D'Cruz grabbed the second after 25 minutes.

MANAGER'S NOTES

Hi all, 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 in week out, and build an affinity too seeing the same faces week in week out for a good few years and I know it's a shame that it's not something we are able to achieve as a club right now.

What I will say, is many of the other boys have stuck at it, which I think through good times and bad, shows their mentality as human beings and their commitment to not only myself but the whole management team, each other, and the club.

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.

Alex Paine - CM: We have signed Alex from Virginia water. Energetic, gets around the pitch, and with quality to match. He also has bundles of experience having previously played for chertsey and Uxbridge in years gone by.

Jaden Atkinson - F: An exciting attacking player full of flair. Jaden spent his entire childhood at Reading's academy. Only just turned 18 years now now, after being released in the Summer he has been training with Hemel Hempstead who have sent him to us for experience. An exciting player - one to watch!

Noyan Tajbakash - F: Noyan has been with us for a month or so now. Noyan isn't always available but when he is he always does a top job for us and again his experience is really important. Technically good and moves the ball well, his debut start against Farnham I thought was a very good performance. Noyan has signed from FC Baresi a side in the Step Five Essex league.

Liam Moore - CM: Technically superb with a great range of passing, Liam is currently on loan from Sutton United until the end of January where he is a scholar. Aged just 17-years-old, he is showing game understanding well beyond his years and we are very happy to have him!

George Vorster - LW/RW/10: George is another youngster on loan from Sutton and made his debut against Leatherhead where he came on after an hour. Another technically excellent player with a great future, he is an exciting watch.

David Nyarko - Striker: David had barely landed from returning home from Sweden when I forced a registration form in front of him! David is also a young player from Reading's academy where he even featured in Premier League Two for them and has bundles of ability that will lift the group. Most recently in Uk, he played for Thatcham Town.

Luke Tuffs



Respect



The Isthmian Football League strongly supports the Football Association's statement that there should be a zero-tolerance approach against all forms of discrimination.

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Here at The Non-League Paper we're more used to muddy non-league car parks than the shiny floors of swanky London hotels.

But, earlier this month, we dusted off our ill-fitting suits for the annual Football Supporters Association awards in Portman Square.

Every year The FSA put on a top event to celebrate everything positive about football in this country – with the fans at the heart of the evening.

It was with a lot of pride – and surprise – that this year The NLP was bestowed with the Non-League Award.

Pride because we love working for the paper and covering non-league football in all four corners of the country.

Surprise because of the calibre of nominees in the same category and what they do for the non-league game.

We've had the pleasure of reporting on George Dowell and the remarkable rise of Worthing under his ownership.

Likewise, the impact Torquay United Supporters' Trust have had in the survival of their football club, while Dunstable Town's incredible community work has made waves, including winning one of our own National Game Awards.

All three would have been – and are – hugely deserving.

For our part, picking up the award was done so on behalf of hundreds of people, without whom the paper wouldn't hit deadline.

Saturdays are something of an operation. With news and features all signed off, we

await the final whistles at all levels and brace for the bombardment of copy and pictures to drop into our inboxes.

Reporters send across their allocated word counts, snappers fire in their best shots of the afternoon, our results guys hurriedly crash in the results and tables, while the sub-editors make the words fit the boxes and add the headlines. Then it's a race against the clock.

Somehow we eventually get there, breathe a sigh of relief and get ready to do it all again the following week.

So it's a big thank you from us for all the people who contribute, no matter how big or small, to the paper every week.

It's a huge thank you to our loyal readers who have picked up their copy in the shop – or now online – each week for so many years.

And it's a doff of the cap to all the people in non-league football who give us so many amazing stories to write about each season.

The players, managers and chairs who pick up the phone or put the kettle on to allow us to do so.

From FA Cup glory runs to amazing community work, we're never short of brilliant articles to write.

To have those efforts recognised is a real honour.

We can't wait for another year of wonderful tales – and muddy car parks. And we do not care if it is a National League or a special story arising from real grassroots football down in Step Six or even Step Seven.

Sam Emery

THE TEAMS

Friday 20th December



**ASHFORD
TOWN (MIDDX)**

Tangerine

MARCIN BRZOZOWSKI	1
ARCHIE LARKHAM	2
SCOTT DAY	3
LIAM MOORE	4
ELLIOTT POLEY	5
RHYS PAUL	6
JACK ARNOLD	7
SAM HUMPHREYS	8
BASIM MIRTAHMASEBI	9
DAVID NYARKO	10
ALEXANDER PAINE	11

SUBS

JAYDEN P-ATKINSON	12
GEORGE VORSTER	14
PRINCE KANDOLO	15
JAMES KING	16
TRISTAN VERNAL	17

Manager

Luke Tuffs

Referee: Callum Parke

Assistants: Promise Phillips, Matthew Childs

OUR NEXT HOME GAME

ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)
v
Harrow Borough
Saturday 28th December



BINFIELD

Sky Blue

COLERIDGE FUBLER JR
RICHARD JONES JR
JACK BREWER
LUKE WAYBORN
JOSH McMENEMY
CONNOR JEANES
JAMIE HILTON
DANIEL LEWIS
TYLER D'CRUZ
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