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# WELCOME TO BINFIELD FG

# From Our Chairman, Andy Cotton



Binfield FC offer a very warm welcome to everyone for this evenings Isthmian South Central League fixture against Westfield FC.

Following on from our tremendous win away at Met Police FC the previous Saturday, the Moles welcomed high flying Southall to the ICONIC at the weekend. A really strong side with quality all over the park, no one really gave our young team much of a chance in a top versus bottom encounter. Except of course, for us diehard Mole followers who have witnessed a step change in mindset and personnel since our Gaffer came into the job a little over a month ago.

The game on Saturday was a proper "old fashioned" game of football, played at times at a frenetic pace with chances created at both ends. A full bloodied performance with many robust challenges on show, the two respective keepers each pulled off a number of magnificent saves. That being said, the new Moles backline put in a monumental performance which meant that we were always in the game. For those of us lucky enough to be standing near the clubhouse end on 94 minutes, we were able to join in with the team celebrations as our impressive Ethan Lindo smashed in the only goal of the game to give the Moles 3 valuable points.

Relief has turned into "Belief" as our young team are waking up to the realisation that work off the pitch has a direct correlation with what we can achieve on the pitch. The Manager and the Coaching Team have quickly brought in a new positive attitude into everything that we do. Whatever happens over the remaining 3 months of the season, the lads have put some pride back into wearing the shirt and I for one am hugely grateful to them for that.

Our opponents sit at the top of the form guide table having won 6 games on the bounce and are therefore coming into the game full of confidence. It's going to be other challenge for the Moles but one that we are going to relish. Should be another good game of football under the lights but whatever happens, we will continue to dream the impossible.

To all the Westfield Players, Managers & Officials, we welcome you all to the ICONIC Stadium here at Binfield FC.

"C'mon you Moles"

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# BINFIELD FC 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 2nd World War, we joined the Great Western Combination League, winning the championship in 1947.

In 1980, the club made an important decision to move from Forest Road, where facilities were shared with the cricket club, to our current site in Hill Farm Lane. Turning that field into the football ground we see today was a massive task. Thanks to an enormous amount of physical work by the members of the club the area was levelled and drained within three years. The members then set about building the club house. This progress off the field was matched on it when in 1987 and 1988 we won Division 2 and then Division 1 of the Reading and District League. In 1989, we joined the high-profile Charrington Chiltonian League, winning the Division 1 title at the first attempt.

In 2001 we merged with Binfield's junior club, Binfield Forest FC, and in doing so significantly increased the member-ship, with over 20 teams playing every weekend – this season we will field 36 teams each week.

We constantly strive to improve all elements of the facilities from changing rooms to a playing surface we are extremely proud of, to benefit everyone from our Under 6s up to our 1st Team. Binfield entered the FA Vase for the first time in season 2008-09 and enjoyed three rounds, before reaching the 4th round (last 32) in 2011/12 in an incredible season of cup success. The 2011/12 team is the most successful in our history, winning both the Berks & Bucks FA Senior Trophy and the AM Print & Copy Floodlit Cup in five glorious April 2012 days. We also reached the final of the Hellenic Challenge Cup.

In the two Covid disrupted seasons, the first team were sitting in second place in the Hellenic Premier. Positions when used to calculate points per game resulted in promotion to the Isthmian League South Centre, our 1st season ever at Step 4. However the 2020/21 season will, of course, be remembered for our amazing run in the Buildbase FA Vase when playing every game behind closed doors bar one and all away from home we reached the Final at Wembley where we came up against a very good Warrington Rylands side and narrowly lost 3-2.

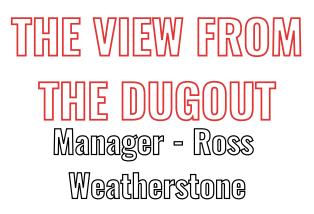




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Good evening everyone, I'd like to wish a very warm welcome to Sels, his management team, his players, officials and fans of Westfield Football Club. We hope you enjoy your stay with us and we all wish you a safe journey home after the game.

Thank you for all your support on Saturday against Southall FC, we needed every one of you to get our first home league win of the season.

I thought Southall were very good in patches of the game and had some very smart players on the pitch, it was easy for me to see why they are fighting for promotion. That being said, I'm not surprised by our defensive resilience, since the result at Chertsey, Bully, Bowes & Chaz have been working tirelessly in putting smiles on our players faces & making sure our set up is right.

The players must take full credit in getting the win, as they played with heart and soul, to a man, they all executed the instructions, even the game changers that came of the bench, they made their minutes count & gave everything to make sure we got 3 points. The celebrations when we scored, was the character I've been talking about developing, since my arrival. To see the Chairman run down to the players & join in with the celebrations was tremendous.

The icing on the cake, was seeing Tyler at the game support the club & players, I honestly believe, he gave everyone an extra 10% in driving the W. We all wish him a continued healthy recovery.

I respect the game enough, to know, our performances & results won't always feel like Saturday, but what I can guarantee everyone is, we will be working hard to make sure we replicate these levels & standards, week in, week out. We have a long way to go & together we all have a huge challenge in front of us, so we must tackle everything game by game, especially with every one outside of the club already writing us off with relegation. Let's stick together regardless & enjoy the process. Starting tonight, where I hope we continue to move in the right direction.









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# BINFIELD FC - A SHORT FILM

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Binfield FC are delighted to release our short film, highlighting our emphatic 4-0 victory over Tonbridge Angels in the 2022/23 FA Cup 2nd Qualifying round. In the film, we hear from club chairman Andy Cotton, before going behind the scenes in the changing room before the match on the 17th September 2022. During this time, you hear from then manager Carl Withers, who rallies his team ahead of the match. You also hear his half-time team talk with the scores level before you see all four goals from the historic win.



# THE BIG PREVIEW BINFIELD VS WESTFIELD

The Moles have the opportunity to make it three wins on the bounce in the league as they host Westfield this evening - something that no one would've predicted a couple of weeks ago. But the visitors are in terrific form themselves, looking to make it seven wins on the bounce after a 5-4 victory at South Park last weekend.



Jacob Breckon scored a brace in midweek which has contributed to nine league goals in Westfield colours this season making him their top scorer in the league. Manolis Gogonas and Billy Nutbeam have been ever-present in the Westfield campaign this season - featuring in all 22 games and providing the solidity at the back. Westfield could move into the playoff positions this week if they take the three points tonight and Corinthian-Casuals defeat Raynes Park Vale.

A 94th minute winner by Ethan Lindo gave the Moles their first victory at home this season and it was the first time they have kept a clean sheet at the Iconic in all competitions. The recent signing of Killian Barrett has been a great edition for the Moles and his performance gained a lot of plaudits at the weekend especially against a strong Southall side.

Both teams are on scoring streaks with neither team drawing many so expect many goals tonight and hopefully a competitive game as well.

### Head to Head:

Westfiled have the edge of the head to head record between the two sides, winning three of their previous five meetings. Binfield's last victory came in October 2021 with Callum Bunting scoring twice and Sean Moore adding the others.

*All Time:* Binfield: 1, Draw: 1, Southall: 3 *At the Iconic:* Binfield 1, Draw: 0, Southall: 1

### Earlier This Season:

The Moles' trip to Woking Park was a typical example of a game of two halves. Both teams converted penalties inside the first 20 minutes and the Moles pegged Westfield back again with Jimmy Bamgbose's first goal for the club. But the Moles struggled in the second half and clinical finishing from Westfield led to a heavy defeat.

### Last Time at the Iconic:

When Westfield visited the Iconic a year ago, but teams were struggling in form and it was reflected in the first 30 minutes. But Westfield took the lead against the run of play when Didi Ndombe broke through the Moles defence and slotted home. They doubled their lead just after half time when Ndombe intercepted a quick throw and was able to finish well over Harvey Rackley-Hayes.







This cued a 20-minute onslaught by Binfield who attempted to get back into the game. Firstly, Liam Gavin was unable to keep his header down from a Luke Brophy free kick. Then substitutes James Beauchamp and Taylor Morgan combined but the latter couldn't find the target when 1-on-1 with the keeper. A goal mouth scramble looked to give the Moles a lifeline but Kai Hobbs and Lewis Pegg's shots were both blocked. They eventually pulled a goal back through James Beauchamp but it is too little, too late as Westfield took home the points.

# PHOTOS FROM THE ICONIC 'ADIUM

### **By Daisy Spiers**













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# THE VIEW FROM THE STAND BINFIELD 1-0 SOUTHALL

Late drama at the Iconic Stadium sees Binfield FC win at home for the first time this season. An injury time winner from Ethan Lindo was enough for the moles to collect all three Isthmian League points on Saturday afternoon. The visitors, Southall FC, who are high flying at the top of the Isthmian League, visited the iconic stadium having lost only one of their last nine games.

A tense match with very limited clear-cut chances was goal-less at the break but Binfield managed to secure the win late on as Ethan Lindo broke free on a counter attack in injury time.

The goal sparked jubilant scenes at the Iconic Stadium as the ball passed Southall stopper Michael Edegbe and into the back of the net for his second goal for the club.

Despite a late onslaught from the visitors, the Binfield defence were able to stay strong and keep a clean sheet in what is a huge win for the moles.

Next up is another home match on Tuesday night, as the moles face Westfield FC at the Iconic Stadium.







# MEET THE SQUAD



ROSS WEATHERSTONE 1st Team Manager



KEITH PENNICOTT-BOWEN 1st Team Coach



ANDY BULLETT 1st Team Coach



CHARLIE STALLARD Goalkeeping Coach



SALIL DAS Physio





**RECHAN ESPRIT** 



TROY MURRAY

**TYRONE KNIGHT** 



**CHARLIE GEORGE** 



DAN ROTH



**JIMMY BAMGBOSE** 

**ISAIAH BLANKENDAL** 



### **BEN STALLARD**



JAKE FISHER



**DONTAYE WITTAKER** 



### **RAHZIR SMITH JONES**



**TYLER D'CRUZ** 



### THANE LATZIG



### **ARCHIE COULTER**



ETHAN LINDO

### The Moles' Season Breakdown

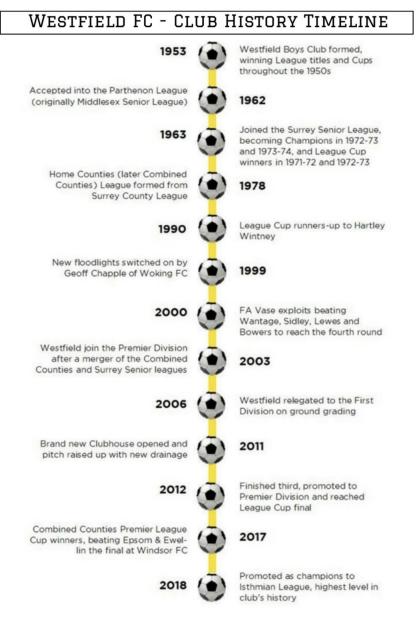
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Sat 12	Ashford Town	0-6	104	Rackley-Hayes	Drake	Winser	Bolton (35)	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
Fri 18	Wokingham & Em.*	2-0	604	Rackley-Hayes	Drake	Campbell	Winser	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
Tue 22	Badshot Lea**	0-6	104	Rackley-Hayes	Neligwa	Senussi	Harvey (62)	Jeanes	Robinson	
Sat 26	Chipstead	1-1	112	Rackley-Hayes	Drake (61)	Campbell	Robinson (60)	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
Mon 28	Northwood	1-4	224	Rackley-Hayes	Murray	Campbell	Winser	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
Septemb	er									
Sat 2	Northwood*	2-2	127	Rackley-Hayes	Murray	Campbell	Winser	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
Tue 5	Northwood*	0-1	212	Rackley-Hayes	Murray	Campbell	Winser	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
Sun 10	Ashford United***	1-7	90	Rackley-Hayes	Murray	Campbell	Esprit	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
Sat 23	Hanworth Villa	0-3	110	Rackley-Hayes (78)	Drake	Jeanes	Esprit (45)	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
Sat 30	Southall	0-8	86	Rackley-Hayes	Murray	Marquez (56)	Noel (82)	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
October										
Tue 3	Chertsey Town	1-1	119	Harvey	Drake (68)	Knight (35)	Noel	Lewis	Stanic-Stewa	
Sat 7	Met. Police	1-1	95	Harvey	Drake	Campbell	Noel	Lewis	Jeanes	
Tue 10	Westfield	2-7	85	Harvey	Drake	Marquez	Noel	Lewis	Campbell	
Sat 14	Hartley Wintney	2-5	119	Harvey	Drake	Knight	Noel (77)	Lewis	Jeanes	
Sat 21	Corinthian-Casuals	0-0	208	Harvey	Drake	Campbell	Noel	Lewis	Jeanes	
Tue 24	Ascot United	0-4	227	Harvey	Stanic-Stewart (86)	Campbell	Noel	Lewis	Jeanes	
Sat 28	Badshot Lea	0-3	119	Rackley-Hayes	Drake (65)	Campbell	Noel	Lewis	Jeanes	
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Sat 11	Thatcham Town	3-5	90	Rackley-Hayes	Drake (54)	Campbell	Noel (68)	Lewis	Jeanes	
Sat 18	S.C.R	1-4	77	Rackley-Hayes	Stallard (83)	Campbell	Roth	Lewis	Jeanes	
Sat 25	Leatherhead	0-2	98	Dillon	Noel (81)	Campbell	Roth	Lewis	Jeanes	
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Sat 2	Marlow Baumos Bark Valo	1-8	158			Campbell			Jeanes	
Sat 16	Raynes Park Vale	0-4	177	Azaze	Gatin (90)	Knight	Roth	Lewis	Jeanes	
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	Chertsey Town	0-9	D-8+e	Rackley-Hayes	Drake	Campbell (46)	Jeanes	Lewis	Stallaru	
January Sat 13	Ascot United	2-3	261	Barrett	Eaton (82)	Blankendal (63)	Jeanes	Matton	Lewis	
Sat 13	Met. Police	2-3	106	Barrett	Jones Jr	Tuttle	Wayburn	Matton	Lewis	
Sat 20	Southall	1-0	100	Barrett	Jones Jr	Tuttle	Wayburn	Matton	Lewis	
Sat 27 Tue 30	Westfield	1-0	105	Barrett	Jones a	Tutte	Wayoum	Watton	LEWIS	
February										
Sat 3	Hartley Wintney			1						
Tues 6	Hanworth Villa									
Sat 10	Corinthian-Casuals									
Tues 13	Uxbridge									
Sat 17	South Park									
Tues 20	Northwood									
Tues 27	Badshot Lea									
March										
Sat 2	S.C.R									
Tues 5	South Park									
Sat 9	Thatcham Town									
Sat 16	Marlow									
Sat 23	Leatherhead									
Sat 30	Chipstead									
April										
Sat 6	Ashford Town									
Sat 13	Guernsey									
Sat 20	Raynes Park Vale									
Sat 27	Uxbridge									

on	Sent Off	Goal 8	*FA Cup	*FA Cup	**Velocity Cup	***FA Trophy Substitutes	****Berks and Bucks Cup	
rt	Stallard	Esprit	Chengun	Hannachi (61)	Campbell	Brady (35)	Mabukwa (61)	
rt	Stallard	Robinson (65)	Chengun	Whittaker (68)	Knight (51)	Hannachi (51)	Harvey (65)	Murray (68)
	Amiri	Esprit	Whittaker (45)	Mabukwa	Forrester (56)	Hannachi (45)	Brady (56)	Murray (62)
rt	Stallard	Esprit	Chengun	Whittaker (75)	Murray	Amiri (60)	Harvey (61)	Knight (75)
rt	Harvey	Robinson	Whittaker	Stallard	Knight (9)	Hannachi (9)		
rt	Harvey	Esprit	Chengun 2 (84)	Whittaker	Hannachi	Stallard (84)		
rt (93)	Harvey	Esprit	Chengun	Stallard	Hannachi	Jeanes (93)		
rt	Harvey (77)	Stallard	Chengun (72)	Whittaker	Hannachi (77)	Jeanes (72)	Worsfold (77)	Amiri (77)
rt	Harvey (85)	Stallard	Whittaker	Murray	Knight	Amiri (45)	Henry (78)	Brady (85)
rt	Harvey	Esprit	Bamgbose	Whittaker	Campbell	Knight (56)	Drake (82)	
rt	Murray	Esprit	Whittaker	Stallard	Bamgbose	Marguez (35)	Jeanes (68)	
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	Murray	Esprit	Whittaker (79)	Ekpenyong	Bamgbose (66)	Knight (66)	Amiri (79)	
	Murray	Roth	Whittaker	Ekpenyong	Esprit	Bamgbose (77)		
	Murray	Esprit	Whittaker (80)	Ekpenyong	Bamgbose (62)	Alanezi (62)	Stallard (80)	
	Murray	Esprit	Whittaker (57)	Ekpenyong	Bamgbose (73)	Knight (57)	Stallard (73)	Worsfold (86)
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	Bamgbose	Esprit	Oke-William	Both	Knight (59)	Stallard (54)	Whittaker (59)	Jouali (68)
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	Murray (60)	Stallard	Oke-William	Whittaker (69)	Bamgbose	Drake (60)	Jouali (69)	Alanezi (81)
	Murray	Stallard	Oke-William	Whittaker	Esprit	Bamgbose (77)	Alanezi (77)	
	Murray	Stallard	Oke-William (5)	Whittaker (53)	Esprit	Bamgbose (77)	Drake (53)	Haidary (90)
	Murray	Lewis	Lindo	Whittaker (53)	Bamgbose (75)	George (58)	Drake (53) Drake (75)	Haldary (90)
	Esprit (63)	Roth	Lindo	D'Cruz	Murray (67)	George (38) George (46)	Blankendal (63)	Bamgbose (67)
	Lindo	Fisher	D'Cruz	Whittaker	Drake	Coulter (63)	Murray (82)	
	Esprit (73)	Stallard	D'Cruz (84)	Whittaker	Smith-Jones (90)	George (73)	Lindo (84)	Murray (90)
	Esprit (79)	Stallard	Lindo	Bagdonavicius (97)	Smith-Jones (72)	George (72)	Fisher (79)	Murray (97)





# INTRODUCING OUR VISITORS





# WHEN MOLE MET ROSS SOUTHALL ((H) EDITION



Moley: Ross, congratulations on your first home win as Binfield first team manager, sum up your feelings for me after that one.

Weatherstone: "Yeah, it feels better than last week based on the events that happened after the game. It was nice to be able to celebrate the three points properly. It was great to get the chairman and everyone involved in the club in the dressing room after the game. The aim is to bring the club together, galvanise and celebrate the hard work that everyone is doing and it's really nice to see some smiles back on faces in and around the club." **Moley :** Two wins on the bounce, but it's not going to be job done until the final game of the season. Just talk us through the next few weeks and the rest of the season.

Weatherstone : "Before I answer that, I would just like to say, Southall were outstanding today... There was moments and patches in that game where as I thought they they were excellent and demonstrate why they were second in the league. But to move on, the two wins that we've just had – I have to give full credit must go to players for listening. They've executed the game plans, we've been resilient in a defensive structure and then, we've had opportunities, we've been clinical. There's still a long, long way to go and as far as I'm concerned, the process has just started. I do want everyone to continue to BELIEVE. I want everyone to continue to support us because, as I think I've said a number of times, we're going to need everybody if we're going to replicate today's performance, and build a base for results in the coming weeks."

**Moley :** You spoke there about the defensive resilience, just sum up how well they played today.

Weatherstone: "I always talk about the whole team from a defensive structure and that starts from our frontline. They all have a duty to make sure defensively we set up correctly and I think obviously the forwards always get the success when they score goals. It's equally as important that the defenders and the goalkeeper get the reward when you keep a clean sheet. I think that's the fantastic and testament to the work that you know that they've put in today. You know, massive shout out to Reese (Jones-Junior) at right-back, Tutts (Charlie Tuttle) at left-back who is obviously come back to The Club and I thought Luke (Wayborn) and Jack (Matton) in the heart of the Defence.

They were fantastic as a new partnership, and then on top of that Killian (Barret) as the goalkeeper made a massive save against Met Police in the last minute last week and as equally kept us in it today. The more that they can continue to stay grounded and continue to work on making sure that their performance is that level, it's going to give us as a football club every opportunity to to achieve what we all want." **Moley :** And it took 94 minutes today to find the break through in a tight game. Just of speak to us about the goal and kind of your emotions when that ball hit the back of the net.

Weatherstone : "I look back at Ascot then we got we conceded one late on, it's never nice to be on the receiving end but it's equally as nice when you do get on the opposite end and we're celebrating a goal for ourselves. You know, I think in the way that we've defended today we've definitely earned that opportunity. I think the goal today summarises how the performance was... They didn't quit on any of the opportunities and



Ethan being the forward that he is, finished fantastically to get the win today. More importantly, the celebrations after the goal not just from the players, seeing the supporters celebrate with the players behind the goal.

It was just fantastic."

**Moley :** And the games don't get any easier, Westfield next at the Iconic Stadium, talk to us about that one...

**Weatherstone :** "Yeah, well, Westfield scored five goals today and I was here and I've had a good victory, so it's not going to be easy. As far as I'm concerned, I want to focus on our team and I want to try and make sure that any wounded soldiers that we might have picked up anything from today are okay. We need to make sure that they're managed over the next 24/48 hours, to make sure that we can go into Tuesday's game, ready to replicate what we've done today, which again was show fantastic heart and attitude to the club and to get the more points on the board..."

# U23'S : MID-SEASON REPORT



After a successful inaugural season last year in winning TVPL Division 3 and going unbeaten in the process, Binfield U23 were promoted to Div 1 for this season. With half of their league games played are sitting in 3rd place behind Reading YMCA Rapids and Maidenhead Town Reserves.

The league is looking very competitive with teams taking points off each other and at the halfway stage,

seven of the ten sides will consider themselves in with a shout of promotion and even division champions – so it's all to play for over the coming weeks / months. This season has seen the side now playing home games at The Iconic Stadium at Hill Farm Lane which has been great for the young Moles but also for visiting teams to play at what must be the divisions premier venue. The squad has been refined over the summer with a couple of lads from the Div 3 championship winning side departing and a few new faces

coming in, including Joe Jacobs who had played junior, youth and Allied's with Binfield and more recent addition Jake Cook who is still 17 and playing Allieds football – the club remains keen to offer a pathway for Binfield FC lads from the youth teams and specifically from the Allieds side; the new First team management have immediately shown an interest in the side and Jake Fisher played his part in Binfield's best performance of the season against



Ascot United. After defeat on the first day of the season against much fancied for promotion Newbury Town to a last kick of the game goal could have led to lingering disappointment but to the contrary – instilled belief that the squad is capable of competing and followed up with notable and fully deserved wins away at both Reading YMCA Rapids and Maidenhead Town Reserves. As it stands we have played 9 league games, winning 6 and losing 3 with a +26 goal difference; Sam Applegarth leads the way in the goalscoring chart with 8, Jake Fisher on 6, with Connor Gonzalez and Lewis Lancaster both on 5; also notable that the side can boast 5 out of 9 clean sheets with Zac Baker in goal making some outstanding contributions behind a strong defensive line-up..... Player of the

for September was Connor Gonzalez and for October Lewis Lancaster (November and December were heavily impacted by the weather so POTM not awarded).... Early Goal of the Season contender is Tom Harvey for his strike against Goring....

### SEASON 2023/24

		HO	HOME				AWAY				OVERALL									
POS		Р	w	D	L	F	A	w	D	L	F	А	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PPG	PTS
1	Reading YMCA Rapids	9	4	0	1	18	10	3	0	1	11	8	7	0	2	29	18	11	2.33	21
2	Maidenhead Town Reserves	11	3	1	1	8	5	3	1	2	12	13	6	2	3	20	18	2	1.82	20
3	Westwood Wanderers Reserves	12	3	0	2	14	9	3	1	3	17	11	6	1	5	31	20	11	1.58	19
4	Binfield Development u23	9	3	0	1	20	5	3	0	2	17	6	6	0	3	37	11	26	2.00	18
5	Newbury	9	6	0	0	22	8	0	0	3	4	12	6	0	3	26	20	6	2.00	18
6	Burghfield Reserves	10	3	1	0	15	3	2	0	4	18	13	5	1	4	33	16	17	1.60	16
7	Tadley Calleva Reserves	5	1	0	1	7	3	2	1	0	8	3	3	1	1	15	6	9	2.00	10
8	Goring United	8	3	1	2	14	16	0	0	2	4	11	3	1	4	18	27	-9	1.25	10
9	Hambleden	12	1	0	4	5	19	1	0	6	9	25	2	0	10	14	44	-30	0.50	6
10	Woodley United Development	11	0	0	6	4	26	1	0	4	4	25	1	0	10	8	51	-43	0.27	3



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LEAGUE TABLE South Central Division 2023-24

				Ρ	W	D	L.	F	Α	+/-	Pts
4	1	Chertsey Town (-1)		23	18	4	1	66	18	+48	57
۲	2	Southall	i	25	17	3	5	54	26	+28	54
	3	Leatherhead	:	24	16	4	4	39	17	+22	52
O	4	Marlow	:	23	16	2	5	65	30	+35	50
R	5	Raynes Park Vale		24	14	4	6	43	32	+11	46
*	6	Westfield	i	22	13	4	5	48	33	+15	43
<u>.</u>	7	Hartley Wintney		25	13	4	8	48	38	+10	43
۲	8	Badshot Lea		22	11	5	6	41	34	+7	38
۲	9	South Park (Reigate)	ì	23	10	6	7	44	32	+12	36
8	10	Thatcham Town	÷	24	10	4	10	41	38	+3	34
۲	11	Hanworth Villa	i	22	9	6	7	45	37	+8	33
<b>W</b>	12	Uxbridge	'	25	9	3	13	41	48	-7	30
<b>(</b>	13	Metropolitan Police	ì	26	7	6	13	30	46	-16	27
	14	Ascot United	١	26	8	2	16	33	42	-9	26
۲	15	Sutton Common Rovers	ì	25	7	5	13	34	46	-12	26
۲	16	Northwood	'	21	7	1	13	31	35	-4	22
6	17	Chipstead	'	23	6	3	14	32	50	-18	21
	18	Ashford Town (Middx)	ł	23	5	5	13	26	39	-13	20
5	19	Guernsey	I	24	5	5	14	33	49	-16	20
۲	20	Corinthian-Casuals	I	24	3	4	17	17	59	-42	13
Binfield	21	Binfield	ŀ	22	2	4	16	19	81	-62	10



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# Chertsey are three points clear, Westfield win a nine goal thriller, Woods get three, Baggies beat Vale- again- and we've victory for Met, Tanners and Rovers

Leaders Chertsey Town were given a boost without even playing when closest rivals Southall lost in midweek, but the Curfews didn't really seem to need any help with their promotion push. Eighteen games unbeaten, and having won their previous four whilst scoring a rather incredible twenty two goals, the leaders welcomed Ashford Town, and went ahead just after the half hour mark, Conor Lee with the opening goal from the spot. A red card for the Tangerines just after the start of the second half made things more comfortable for the Curfews, Ahkeem Belford dismissed, and it got more comfortable still when Sam Omperon made it two. That comfort evaporated when the ten men hit back eight minutes from time, Jack Smith reducing the arrears, but the Curfews held on and opened up a three point lead at the top.

Marlow v Guernsey was postponed due to a fault on the Green Lions plane. Leatherhead, in fourth place and five points behind the leaders at kick off, were on the road to Thatcham Town. The Tanners had lost only one of their last nine matches, but were held at Hartley Wintney in midweek; whilst the Kingfishers had lost only two in ten but would have been disappointed by their defeat in Guernsey last weekend, particularly after they equalised with ten minutes to go. Leatherhead had won each of their South Central encounters against Town, including a five-nil win at the end of September, and went ahead in this one just before the break, Tyler Cox giving the a half time advantage. The Tanners made it two-nil with sixteen minutes left, Trevan Robinson with that one, and that was that- they climb to third.

Raynes Park Vale plucked victory from the jaws of defeat at Guernsey in midweek, and were on the road once more- only this time not quite so far, they journey ending at Badshot Lea. That victory ended a run of three defeats, but having opened up a four point gap between themselves and sixth place Hartley Wintney they wanted to at least maintain that advantage- but these weren't their favourite opponents. The Baggies defeated Vale four-one in South West London in September, and also defeated them twice in Combined Counties Premier South last season, and were ahead in this one after a quarter of an hour, Joshua Keeya scoring for the second time this week. The Baggies added a second goal with a quarter of an hour left, Nick Medcraft with that one, and the Baggies held on for **277** three points- and probably wish they could play Vale every week! Badshot Lea are up to eighth.

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THIS week, we had the pleasure of talking to Warrington Town goalkeeper Dan Atherton, who has discovered a rather handy penchant for scoring goals.

Golden boy Dan, the former New Saints and Hyde United stopper, netted the first goal of his career back in October to earn Mark Beesley's side a last-gasp 1-1 home draw with Farsley Celtic in National League North.

And he was at it again a fortnight ago, popping up to dramatically head home another lastminute leveller for the Wire in a 2-2 draw with Alfreton Town.

Somewhat humbly, Dan put his goalscoring prowess down to being in the right place at the right time, but whether you wear the number one jersey or 100, having that natural predatory instinct is an art in itself.

"I have no idea where it's come from, it's certainly not planned," Atherton told us. "I'm just glad to be able to contribute to the team. Even when I go up for a corner, I'm not really intending to score; I'm just looking to take a runner or two away and cause a bit of chaos. Fortunately, I've managed to get my head on a couple and they've gone in!"

A Liverpool trainee from the age of 11, Atherton learned his trade from the very top and put his ball skills down to working at the Melwood Training Ground with Pepijn Lijnders, the Reds' former Under 16 coach who is now Jurgen Klopp's first-team assistant.

There, he trained alongside Brazilian first choice keeper Allison, who famously scored a 95th-minute winner for Liverpool at West Bromwich Albion in May 2021 to earn Klopp's men a Champions League place.

Just having that extra strapping body in the box for a last-gasp corner or free-kick is enough to throw opposition defences, even more so these days with goalkeepers coached to be as comfortable with the ball at their feet than their outfield counterparts.

Who can remember enigmatic <u>Paraguayan José Luis Chilavert</u>? He was a free-kick expert for club and country and scored 67 times during his career, including eight for Paraguay. He is also the only goalkeeper ever to score a <u>hat-trick</u>.

The record for most goals scored by goalkeeper is held by the Brazilian <u>Rogério Ceni</u>, with 129. He scored his 100th goal in a 3–0 win for <u>São Paulo</u> on in 2011.

Two goalkeeper records, however, have been set in English football. On November 2 2013, <u>Stoke City</u> goalkeeper <u>Asmir Begović</u> recorded the fastest goalkeeper goal in football

history (13 seconds), while Newport County's <u>Tom King</u> scored from the longest distance – 96.01 metres, in a match against Cheltenham Town in January 2021.

So, the next time your team are a goal down and in need of a saviour, don't be surprised to see your big number one surging up the field to provide some divine intervention. Like Dan Atherton, he could be your unlikely hero.

# THE MOLES ROLL GALL

	2023/24 Season										Moles' Career						
		Isthmian League			Cup			Total		League		Cups		Overall			
Player	Moles Debut	Starts		<u> </u>	Goals	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
Valentino Alanezi	Oct 23 Corinthian Casuals	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	0
Ismail Amiri	Aug 23 Badshot Lea	0	2	2	0	1	1	2	0	4	0						
Aymen Azaze	Dec 23 Raynes Park Vale	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Elijas Bagdonavicius	Jan 24 Southall	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0						
Jimmy Bamgbose	Sep 23 Southall	9	6	15	0	0	0	0	0	15	0						
Killian Barrett	Jan 24 Ascot United	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0						
Isaiah Blankendal	Dec 23 Chertsey Town	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Flynn Bolton	Aug 23 Ashford Town	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0						
Monty Brady	Aug 23 Ashford Town	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Liam Campbell	Aug 23 Ashford Town	15	0	15	0	4	0	4	0	19	0						
Noah Chengun	Aug 23 Ashford Town	2	2	4	0	4	0	4	3	8	3						
Archie Coulter	Jan 24 Ascot United	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0						
Tyler D'Cruz	Dec 23 Chertsey Town	3	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	3	2						
Harry Dillon	Nov 23 Hungerford Town	2	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	3	0						
Max Drake	Aug 23 Ashford Town	12	5	17	0	1	0	1	0	18	0						
Shimron Eaton	Dec 23 Guernsey	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0						
Blesk Ekpenyong	Oct 23 Met. Police	5	2	7	1	0	0	0	0	7	1						
Rechan Esprit	Aug 23 Ashford Town	18	0	18	0	4	1	5	0	23	0						
Jake Fisher	Oct 22 Basingstoke Town	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Janaid Forrester	Aug 23 Badshot Lea	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0						
Shimron Gatin	Dec 23 Raynes Park Vale	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0						
Charlie George	Dec 23 Guernsey	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0						
Ahmed Haidary	Dec 23 Raynes Park Vale	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Zeid Hannachi	Aug 23 Ashford Town	1	1	2	0	3	2	5	0	7	0						
Finn Harvey	Aug 23 Wokingham & Em.	3	1	4	0	4	1	5	0	9	0						
Nicholas Harvey	Oct 23 Chetsey Town	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	0						
Thomas Henry	Sep 23 Hanworth Villa	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0						
Connor Jeanes	Aug 23 Badshot Lea	14	1	15	1	1	2	3	0	18	1						
Reece Jones Jr	Jan 24 Met. Police	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Tarik Jouali	Nov 23 Thatcham Town	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0						
Johnathan Kamara	Oct 23 Met. Police	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Tyrone Knight	Aug 23 Wokingham & Em.	7	5	12	0	1	1	2	0	14	0	12				14	
Dan Lewis	Aug 23 Ashford Town	22	0	22	0	4	0	4	1	26	1						
Ethan Lindo	Dec 23 Guernsey	4	1	5	2	0	0	0	0	5	2						
William Mabukwa	Oct 22 Basingstoke Town	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	0						
Harrison Marquez	Sep 23 Southall	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0						
Jack Matton	Jan 24 Ascot United	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	1						
Troy Murray	Aug 23 Wokingham & Em.	17	3	20	0	3	2	5	0	25	0						
David Neligwa	Aug 23 Badshot Lea	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0						
Tristan Noel	Sep 23 Southall	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0						
Manuchim Oke-William	Nov 23 Thatcham Town	5	0	5	1	1	0	1	2	6	3						
Harvey Rackley-Hayes	Aug 21 Harefield United	9	0	9	0	5	0	5	0	14	0						
Kieran Robinson	Aug 23 Wokingham & Em.	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	4	0						
Daniel Roth	Oct 23 Hartley Wintney	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	0						
Khalid Senussi	Aug 23 Badshot Lea	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0						
Rahzir Smith-Jones	Jan 24 Met. Police	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Ben Stallard	Aug 23 Ashford Town	14	5	19	1	3	1	4	1	23	2						
Michak Stanic-Stewart	Aug 23 Ashford Town	8	0	8	0	4	0	4	0	12	0					12	
Charlie Tuttle	Jan 24 Met. Police	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Luke Wayburn	Jan 24 Met. Police	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						
Dontaye Whittaker	Aug 23 Wokingham & Em.	18	1	19	6	4	0	4	0	23	6					23	
Bradley Worsfold	Aug 23 Ashford United	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	2	0



February 3, 2024	Binfield	Hartley Wintney FC vs	3:00 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	The Memorial Fields
February 6, 2024	∰ <u>Binfield</u>	Hanworth Villa vs	7:45 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Rectory Meadow
February 10, 2024	England Casuals	Binfield vs Corinthian-	3:00 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Hill Farm Lane
February 13, 2024	<u>Binjeld</u>	Binfield vs Uxbridge	7:45 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Hill Farm Lane
February 17, 2024	Bingeld	South Park vs Binfield	3:00 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	King Georges Field
February 20, 2024		Binfield vs Northwood	7:45 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Hill Farm Lane
February 27, 2024	Bingetd	Badshot Lea vs Binfield	7:45 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Westfield Lane
March 2, 2024	Bingent 🔘	Binfield vs Sutton overs	3:00 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Hill Farm Lane
March 5, 2024	Binfield 💮	Binfield vs South Park	7:45 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Hill Farm Lane
March 9, 2024	∭ <u>Binfield</u>	Thatcham Town vs	3:00 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Waterside Park
March 16, 2024	Binfetd 📀	Binfield vs Marlow	3:00 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Hill Farm Lane
March 23, 2024	Einfeld	Leatherhead vs Binfield	3:00 pm	Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division One	Fetcham Grove





MIDWEEK FIXTURES South Central Division 2023-24

### Tuesday (19:45 KO)

Ascot United vs Ashford Town Badshot Lea vs Hartley Wintney Chertsey Town vs Leatherhead Marlow vs Northwood Raynes Park Vale vs Corinthian-Casuals Uxbridge vs Metropolitan Police **Wednesday (19:45 KO)** Guernsey vs Chipstead Southall vs Hanworth Villa Sutton Common Rovers vs South Park





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