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WELCOME TO BINFIELD FC

From Our Chairman,
Andy Cotton

A very warm welcome to Hill Farm Lane for today's Pitchin In Isthmian Division One South Central tie vs Moneyfields FC.



It was only a week ago that we were all scratching our heads a bit as the performances we had seen from the team had not translated into results. For those of you that pay any attention to my ramblings, I'd stated that "Our style of play is a definite step up in terms of aesthetics this season and whilst we've not recorded a win in 3 outings, the law of averages will surely start to count in our favour very soon". Two straight wins last week over the Bank holiday weekend have seen us pick up six points against two very strong sides - we fully deserved the points and it's no more than we deserved. 6 points already on the board in August could easily have been 9 or possibly 10 but it is what it is and we are definitely moving in the right direction.

At the end of last season, the club and 1st Team Management Group agreed that we would make a number of player changes, as we were all a little frustrated that we weren't as competitive as we all liked and that our style of play was a little too defensive. With an unbelievable amount of hard work in the summer, Ross and the Management team have assembled a terrifically young and talented squad which will likely surprise a lot of teams in the division. With the club's ethos of "development" at the heart of everything we do, we know that the lads playing for our senior sides will likely all be able to enjoy their football at a higher level in the seasons to come. Our pathway from Under 16's through the Allied Counties side and U23's Development is the envy of many clubs both locally and across the footballing pyramid.

Long may this continue as this is what defines who we are and what the current crop of club gatekeepers see as the focus for our wonderful community football club.

With the arrival of some much needed rainfall this past couple of days, the pitch will hopefully start to look at its best for the start of the new month. Our Junior teams will start to play at Hill Farm from the 6th September and I'd like to personally thank our amazing Grounds Team of Lewis Pike, Luke Beard, Dave Harper, Mickey Baldrie and Matt Spender's ghost, for all their wonderful efforts in making sure the pitches all look fabulous for the start of the Junior season. We are so lucky to have such a fabulous group of committed volunteers who contribute so much to the club - well done gentleman!!!

As always, let's hope it's another cracking game of football and another great advert for the division.

We hope Moneyfields supporters enjoy visiting our lovely little ground and we hope you all have a great day here at the home of the Moles and have a safe journey home!!!!

Cmon you Moles

Andy Cotton

Binfield FC Chairman

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. 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 1st Division Champions. A huge crowd, reminiscent of the 1940's, packed Forest Road to witness our promotion. 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 - a feat we repeated in 1996 - and reaching the final of the League Cup. The following year we finished runners-up to Peppard, despite remaining unbeaten from November until the end of the campaign.

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. The junior part of the club is very important to Binfield with FA Charter status having been achieved in 2007 and in 2013 we were awarded the Berks & Bucks FA and South East Regional FA Charter Status Community Club of the Year awards, culminating in the club being invited to the FA Community Shield at Wembley in August 2013.

Since 2005, progress at the club has been swift, with the addition of floodlights and later a seated stand. The club is tirelessly working to improve our facilities with our "continuous improvement" plan making further change to the car park, to the club house and a new stand around our Tea Bar. 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. We won the FTL Hellenic League Division 1 East title in 2008-09 and gained promotion to the next level of English football, where we finished runners up in the 2010/11 UHlsport Hellenic Premier Division, 3rd in 2012/13 and 5th in 2014.

August 15th 2009 will long be remembered as Binfield's first game in the legendary FA Cup - and we have enjoyed some good runs reaching the 1st Qualifying round in each of the last two seasons with 400 supporters enjoying the visit of Margate in 2010 and a trip to Slough Town and narrow defeat in 2011. In 2013 the side reached the 2nd Qualifying round, losing to a 96th minute free kick as Leatherhead came from behind. 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.

In 2021/22 season in the Isthmian South Central, the team finished 8th after a good start. Disappointing FA Cup but a very good run in the Trophy. Winning at North Leigh, Herne Bay before a home win vs Chippenham and finally bowing out against Truro, missing a last minute penalty. In the 2022/23 season, the team finished 6th in the Isthmian South Central - our highest ever league position. In the FA Cup, we reached the 3q round, again our best ever performance, losing 5-3 away to Beckenham Town. In the FA Trophy, we lost in the 1st round proper away to Tavistock.

The 2023/24 will always be remembered as the season of the Great Escape. At Christmas, the team had no wins in the league, only 4 points and were rooted to the bottom of the 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 at Northwood. There was poor performances in the FA Trophy and Velocity Cups with 7-1 and 6-0 defeats respectively. 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 8 wins and managed to finish 4 points and one position above the relegation zone.

2024/25 was the year of the cup run and giant killings. In the Velocity Cup, the Moles were on the road for every game and made it through to the semi-final beating Premier Division sides Dulwich Hamlet and Hasting United before losing to a strong Billericay Town. In the Berks and Bucks Senior Cup, they defeated National League side Maidenhead United before losing in the quarter finals to Flackwell Heath. In the league, the Moles improved slightly from last season finishing one position higher and with nine more points.

THE VIEW FROM THE DUGOUT



Good afternoon,

Today we host Moneyfields FC, everyone at the club wishes everyone here today a warm welcome to Binfield FC. I'd like to wish Moneyfields Management Team, their players, all their officials & fans a pleasant stay with us & a safe journey home after the game.

What a bank holiday that was! Two very tough fixtures, where I am delighted to say we picked up our first 2 league wins. A solid 2-1 win against Southall FC away and a characteristic 2-1 win versus Hartley Wintney FC at home.

As per my last notes, not printed in the programme but shown in the clubhouse on Saturday, I am not surprised we were able to pick up these results, although we have been on the wrong end of a few results this season, we haven't been performing badly. I believe we have been exciting going forward but need to secure our shape defensively, which was definitely in full show this bank holiday weekend. I still feel we are getting heavily punished by the football gods for self-inflicted mistakes during the game, these 2 games have proved this! Meaning we are having to work a lot harder to score our goals, which when you watch the highlights on our social media platforms, you'll see, we are scoring some great goals, that are areas we have been working on.

Southall FC saw us take the lead for the 4th time this season, through a great goal from Shadz, who was superbly picked out by Amari from a cross. The winner came from Monty, who has a habit of scoring at Hayes, where a great pass from Ethan saw Monty lob the keeper.

On Monday we went behind in a lethargic first half to Hartley Wintney FC. However, after a strong half time team talk that requested high energy from the second half whistle, which the team delivered, we were level within a couple of minutes from a great solo effort from Logan. The team performed well from that point, having an Ethan Lindo goal disallowed, but the character of the team didn't let up, a great run by Kyle saw him cut the ball back for Natty to score the winner! Capping off a great bank holiday weekend!

A win against my old club but most importantly, to see my old chairman Luke Mullen in better health, was far more important than the result. Luke is a proper Non League Football person, I only wish him continued good health in the future.

Today's fixture will present a tough test, last season we lost both games and didn't score against them! Through hard offensive work, we are hoping we can make amends for this today. Moneyfields will present a physical, hardworking test today, one we will be fully prepared for.

A special mention to Dan Lewis, who played his 100th game for the club against Hartley Wintney FC - a fantastic achievement for Dan. In today's football world, where players move up the road for an extra £10 a week, Dan has shown loyalty, commitment and dedication to the club and sometimes these attributes are lost in today's game. Where everyone gets lost in scoring goals, getting assists and posting them on their social media platforms, I personally wish we could bottle up the unseen work of players like Dan & post this for the next generation to learn from. Congratulations Dan, keep performing well, keep setting the standards in the dressing room and keep driving the players forward.

It's been a positive start to the season, where I hope we can continue this today, all of the players appreciate your continued support, I hope you all enjoy the game.

Rosco
First Team Manager



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BINFIELD VS MONEYFIELDS

We're back at Hill Farm Lane for the second time in a week as we play our final game in August. It's always a hectic month which starts off introducing new players and involves a mix of competitions - and this month has been no different! The Moles come back to Hill Farm Lane with their tails up but results against Moneyfields last year will be a reason to reset their focus.



Well what a difference a week makes. This time last week, we were talking about the positives from the Moles without putting points on the board. Well a week later, after back-to-back victories, the Moles have a opportunity to make it three wins in August - bare in mind they haven't had a league victory in August since 2022 before last week. It started at Southall where Ejiro Abbey got on the end of Amari Fashanu's cross right on the stroke of half time. But the Moles were pegged back for the fourth time this season but with five minutes remaining Ethan Lindo's chipped through ball was finished off brilliantly by Monty Brady to get the Moles on the board in the Isthmian League.

And just three days later, the Moles did it again against a Hartley Wintney side yet to drop points this season. This time they came from behind with Logan Coles grabbing his long-awaited first goal for the Moles while Natty Boakye gave the Moles a dramatic victory to make it a perfect bank holiday weekend.

As for our visitors, they have had nearly everything in their opening month of the season. Victory at Southall on the opening day was followed by a defeat to Hartley Wintney before an incredible 4-4 draw against Hayes & Yeading. They had a tough result at Portchester last weekend who look like one of the teams fighting at the top this year so they will be looking for a response this afternoon.

BINFIELD 2-1 HARTLEY WINTNEY

Mon 25th August: Binfield 2-1 Hartley Wintney

The Moles arrived at Hill Farm Lane off the back of their first three points of the season. But they were up against a Hartley Wintney side who were yet to drop a point in the Isthmian League this season.

The affect of that victory at Southall was clear in the first half as Hartley Wintney took the lead when George Turner picked out Jack Rumblewho finished well. The goal shook the Moles into life as Ejiro Abbey, Natty Boakye and Ethan Lindo all had opportunities to equalise but Nick Jupp stook firm in the Hartley goal while CJ Fubler pulled off a brilliant save to keep the deficit to just one.



Into the second half though at the Moles did find an equaliser. After a great run, the ball fell back to Logan Coles who picked out the top left corner. The Moles had to ball in the back on the net again. A brilliant run from Abbey who's cross was turned in by Lindo only for the linesman to put up his flag for offside.

Hartley then had a brilliant opportunity to take the lead but Fubler was in the way again to turn the ball past the post. Then in the 94th minute, the Moles found a winner. Kyle Daniel-Spray broke to the byline and pulled the ball back to Boakye who swept the ball into the net to give the Moles all three points.



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MEET THE SQUAD



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ROSS WEATHERSTONE



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ANDY BULLETT



1st Team Coach
KEITH PENNICOTT-BOWEN



Goalkeeping Coach
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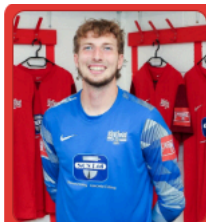
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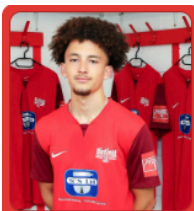
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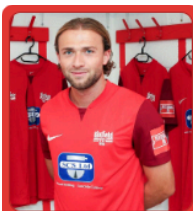
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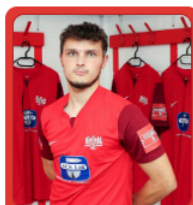
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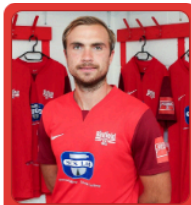
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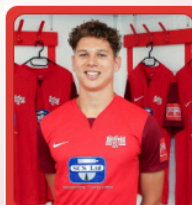
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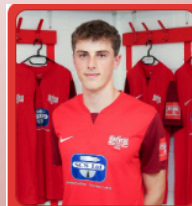
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INTRODUCING OUR VISITORS

MONEYFIELDS

The Club began its current guise back in 1987. Having reached the upper age group of the Portsmouth Junior Leagues, a group of players decided to continue playing as a collective by joining Portsmouth Civil Service and in turn forming their Reserve side.

Gradually most of the players moved up to the First Team, by 1991 the side had risen from the Portsmouth League into the Hampshire League Division One, coming off the back of three successive promotions. The Club's League success was also matched in Cup competitions with Portsmouth Senior Cup wins in 1991 and 1992, followed by Hampshire Intermediate Cup victories in 1992 and 1993.

After several seasons in the upper reaches of the Hampshire League, it became apparent that the Club would have to move away from their home in Copnor Road if they were to progress. After scouring the city, the Club agreed a lease on the old Moneyfields Sports Ground in Copnor.

In 1994 the Club moved to its current ground and became part of the Club whose name we now carry.

The Division One years were particularly successful and under the management of George Wain and Micky Gee, Moneys never finished lower than 6th and clinched the 1996-97 League Title by 15 points.

Success on the field was matched by extensive ground developments off it. This was in thanks to a National Lottery Sports Fund grant. New changing rooms, offices and a floodlit all-weather pitch were constructed as part of the scheme to bring the facilities up to Wessex League standard.

With the developments in place, the 1997-98 campaign saw a tense battle with Blackfield & Langley to see who would claim a spot in the Wessex league. Although Blackfield just pipped Moneys in the table, Moneyfields better facilities meant it was they who claimed promotion.

The first season in the Wessex League saw the club surprise many people by finishing 6th. The next couple of seasons saw the club post respectable top-ten finishes, but after finishing a disappointing 16th in 2000-01, George Wain and Micky Gee decided to step down after 13 seasons charge.

Under the managerial trio of Calvin Hore, Terry Arnold and Paul Gregory, and then the duo of Craig Stafford and Miles Rutherford, the Club has established itself in the middle third of the table as well as embarking on a series of runs in the FA Cup and FA Vase.

The management line up was boosted in 2004-05 by the arrival of Bobby De Ste Croix and Alan Smith from Havant and Waterlooville. Where the duo managed to lead Moneys to mid-table finish, for 2 seasons in a row and reached the Final of the Portsmouth Senior Cup in 2005-06 losing 4-3 to Gosport Borough at West Leigh Park. In the 2006-07 Moneys reached the 3rd Round of the FA Vase, losing to AFC Totton.

The 2007-08 season saw the sudden departure mid-season of Craig Stafford, with the team ending the season in 7th position. Moneys were defeated in the League Cup Final, losing 1-0 against Wimborne Town. They also reached the 2nd Qualifying Round of the FA Cup, being knocked out by Team Bath at Dover Road.

After 5 seasons in the Moneyfields Hot-Seat, Bobby De Ste Croix Retired as Manager. He was replaced by former Manager Micky Gee's son Graeme, who was also a very loyal player over the years at Moneyfields.

2010-11 season Moneys finished a respectable 7th place in the Wessex Premier League. Warren Hunt topped the goalscoring charts with a Club Record of 35 goals in a season. The Reserves finished 4th in the Wessex Combination League and finished Runners-Up in the Portsmouth Senior Cup Final losing 1-0 to Horndean. Moneys ended the following season [2011-12] in 4th position, with former AFC Bournemouth Forward Steve Hutchings finishing top goalscorer, with 34 goals. The Reserves again finished 4th but this time in the newly formed Wyvern Combination League, another Portsmouth Senior Cup Final defeat was on the cards for the Reserves, as they were beaten 4-3 at Fratton Park by US Portsmouth. The Club bounced back in the 2012-13 campaign with a Portsmouth Senior Cup victory, but then were Runner-Ups once again in the 2014-15 Portsmouth Senior Cup.

The 2015-16 saw Moneyfields manager Miles Rutherford resign after 12 years in charge and was replaced with Dave Carter, who joined from fellow Wessex Premier Division side Horndean in October. Carter led Moneys to an 8th placed finish and Moneys also reached the 4th Round of the FA Vase. The Reserves ended the season 2nd in the Wyvern Combination League.

In Carter's first full season at Dover Road [2016-17] Moneyfields finished top of the table in Wessex League Premier Division. But only three days after the season ended, the FA took 3-points away for Moneys fielding an ineligible player giving the title to Portland United. Moneys still gained promotion to the Southern Football League Division One South-East.

2018-19 Moneys won a place in the Play-Offs, after ending the season 4th in the League Table, on 71 points. Despite clinching a Play-Off place, it was made impossible for the Club to gain promotion due to technicalities. This was because of a League restructuring and there then being insufficient space in the Leagues above for all of the Play-Off winners to be promoted.

Moneyfields were placed in 18th when the 2019-20 season was abandoned and were also in the Portsmouth Senior Cup Quarter-Final and the Hampshire Senior Cup Semi-Final. Moneys played the remaining Portsmouth Senior Cup ties during the 2020-21 season and went onto win the Portsmouth Senior Cup against Baffins Milton Rovers at Fratton Park. In February 2021 Dave Carter stepped down to join AFC Portchester as Manager, so the two Louis' [Savage and Bell] took charge for our Portsmouth Senior Cup Semi-Final versus Fareham Town and for the Final.

The 2021-22 campaign was Moneys first season back in the Wessex League after voluntarily being relegated due to a loss over sponsorship and finance because of the COVID-19 Pandemic. The team was under new management in Glenn Turnbull, Fraser Quirke, and Paul Barton, who joined from US Portsmouth. Moneys finished 9th in the League and made the Final of the Portsmouth Senior Cup, losing to Gosport Borough 4-1. The following season, Moneys played their home games at The Draper Tools Community Stadium [Home of Havant & Waterlooville] due to the redevelopment of Dover Road into the John Jenkins Stadium. The Club attendances were at an all-time high in the 2022-23 season, with gates averaging 230 per game, including a Club record attendance of 1,012 against AFC Portchester in a thrilling 3-3 draw on 27 December 2022.

On 13 April 2024, we beat Laverstock & Ford 4-2 away from home to clinch the Wessex Premier Division title, being the first team from Portsmouth to do so.

DAN LEWIS X 100 CLUB

Saturday's victory against Hartley Wintney was also a special occasion for our captain Daniel Lewis who brought up 100 appearances in Moles colours. In three years, Dan navigated the ship during the Great Escape and has been a constant during multiple squad turnovers throughout the years.

Congratulations Dan 🌟



Dan Lewis: 100 Appearances

2023/24 Season

Ashford Town (A)
Wokingham Town (A)
Chipstead (H)
Northwood (A)
Northwood (H)
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Ashford United (A)
Hanworth Villa (H)
Southall (A)
Chertsey Town (H)
Met Police (H)
Westfield (A)
Hartley Wintney (H)
Corinthian-Casuals (A)
Ascot United (A)
Badshot Lea (H)
Thatcham Town (H)
Sutton Common Rovers (A)
Leatherhead (H)
Marlow (A)
Raynes Park Vale (A)
Guernsey (H)
Chertsey Town (A)
Ascot United (H)
Met Police (A)
Southall (H)
Westfield (H)
Hartley Wintney (A)
Hanworth Villa (A)
Uxbridge (A)
South Park (A)
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Thatcham Town (A)
Chipstead (A)
Ashford Town (H)
Sutton Common Rovers (H)
Badshot Lea (A)
Guernsey (A)
Corinthian-Casuals (H)
Northwood (H)
Raynes Park Vale (H)
Uxbridge (H)

2024/25 Season

Horndean (H)
Longlevens (A)
Ascot United (H)
Lordswood (A)
Badshot Lea (A)
Horndean (A)
Uxbridge (H)
Southall (A)
Hanworth Villa (H)
Farnham Town (A)
Kingstonian (A)
Sutton Common Rovers (H)
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Uxbridge (A)
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Maidenhead United (H)
Hanworth Villa (A)
Westfield (H)
Harrow Borough (H)
Kingstonian (H)
Harrow Borough (A)
Ashford Town (A)
Leatherhead (H)
Horndean (A)
Ascot United (A)
Moneyfields (A)
Met Police (H)
Hastings United (A)
Harrow Borough (A)
Hayes & Yeading (H)
Sutton Common Rovers (A)
Badshot Lea (H)
Hartley Wintney (A)
Flackwell Heath (H)
Raynes Park Vale (H)
Billericay Town (A)
South Park (A)
Hartley Wintney (H)

Rayners Lane (A)
Ashford Town (H)
Westfield (A)
Met Police (A)
Rayners Lane (H)
Moneyfields (H)
Hayes & Yeading (A)
Leatherhead (A)
Guernsey (H)
Farnham Town (H)

2025/26 Season

Winslow United (H)
Horndean (H)
Ascot United (A)
Marlow (A)
Southall (A)
Hartley Wintney (H)

By Matt Badcock

IT'S easy to forget quite how big the National League System is and the broad church it represents. From huge ex-Football League clubs with seven-figure playing budgets for their season to very small community clubs run by a handful of volunteers. But that's what makes Non-League - and football in this country, generally - so unique and special.

You may have heard The FA last year introduced a new board to oversee this level of the game along with the women's pyramid.

We sat down with Head of National League System James Earl and National League System manager Matt Edkins to discuss all things Non-League for a three-part series in The NLP.

Don't miss this week's chat which covers club allocations, the pyramid's structure before we move into club licensing and technology the week after.

Last week we touched on the new National Leagues Pyramid Board, including the appointment of its first ever independent chair, Chris Brown.

"The important bit to say is it's still a fundamental moment where this level of the game in both the men's and the women's pyramid have a strong collective voice with a senior seat at the table at the FA," Earl told us.

"Historically, certainly the National League System has been positioned between the professional and the grassroots game and has sat in a governance structure that's been in and around the grassroots game.

"But there's been a recognition of the importance of the National League System - and the women's football pyramid - and that it is unique in how we should be servicing it at The FA. So its introduction last year for the first time was a really key moment.



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“That has had challenges and opportunities. Challenges is bringing two pyramids together that have been governed separately.

“One of the pieces of work we've been doing is around the brand and identity for the board, but also the level of the game.

“So there has been some work done around a new brand and hopefully that will be launched soon, which will bring a collective identity for not just the board, but leagues and clubs and other stakeholders to stand behind.

“It has been important to not make the board a repeat of committees that still exist. The intent is to make this a strategic board that looks at the broader direction of travel for clubs and leagues and players at this level of the game.

“We've still got a journey to go on to really understand what it is we want the board to do to be able to drive standards up, not just in the competitions, but the club landscape as well.

“I think after a year there's been some great success. We've had some good debates and good conversations, but actually the proof will be in delivery and I think that's going to come over the next couple of years.”

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PLAYER STATS

		2025/26 Season										Moles' Career																			
Player	Moles Debut	Isthmian League					Cup					Total					League					Cups					Total				
		Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Assists	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Assists	Apps	Goals	Assists	Apps	Goals	Assists	Apps	Goals	Assists	Apps	Goals	Assists	Apps	Goals	Assists					
	Aug 25 Winslow United	4	0	4	2	0	0	2	2	0	1	6	2	1	4	2	2	0	6	2											
Eljro Abbey	Aug 25 Winslow United	4	0	4	1	0	2	0	2	0	1	6	1	1	4	1	2	0	6	1											
Natty Boakye	Aug 23 Ashford Town	1	2	3	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	5	1	0	19	2	4	0	23	2											
Monty Brady	Aug 25 Hordean	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0											
Ryley Campbell	Apr 25 Rayners Lane	4	0	4	1	1	2	0	2	0	1	6	1	2	10	1	2	0	12	1											
Logan Coles	Aug 25 Winslow United	1	3	4	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	4	0	2	0	6	0											
Owen Cummins	Aug 25 Winslow United	4	0	4	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	6	0	1	4	0	2	0	6	0											
Kyle Daniel-Spray	Aug 25 Winslow United	3	0	3	0	1	2	0	2	1	2	5	1	3	3	0	2	1	5	1											
Amari Fashanu	Sep 24 Hanworth Villa	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	39	0	8	0	47	0											
Coleridge Fubler Jr	Aug 25 Winslow United	2	2	4	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	4	0	2	0	6	0											
Ajani Giscombe	Dec 21 Ashford Town	2	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	4	0	0	36	0	12	0	48	0											
Harvey Griffiths	Aug 23 Ashford Town	4	0	4	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	83	2	17	2	100	4											
Daniel Lewis	Dec 23 Guernsey	4	0	4	1	1	2	0	2	4	0	6	5	1	42	16	4	4	46	20											
Ethan Lindo	Aug 25 Hordean	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0											
Shae Lindo-Lee	Aug 24 Ascot	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	8	0	1	0	9	0											
Brighton Morrison	Theo Pennicott-Bowen	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	29	0	5	0	34	0											
Josh Sandy	Aug 25 Winslow United	3	0	3	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	5	0	0	3	0	2	0	5	0											
Hugh Scott	Aug 25 Winslow United	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	1	0	3	0											
Toby Thompson	Aug 25 Winslow United	3	1	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	5	0	0	4	0	1	0	5	0											
Aunde Todd	Aug 25 Winslow United	1	3	4	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	6	0	1	4	0	2	0	6	0											
Matt Tweed	Dec 24 Harrow Borough	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	10	0	3	0	13	0											
Lucas Wynn	Aug 24 Wokingham Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	5	0	8	0											

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE TABLE

		P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
	1 Leatherhead	4	4	0	0	11	1	+10	12
	2 Raynes Park Vale	4	3	0	1	10	5	+5	9
	3 Harrow Borough	4	3	0	1	7	7	0	9
	4 Bedfont Sports	3	2	1	0	6	3	+3	7
	5 Hartley Wintney	3	2	0	1	8	3	+5	6
	6 AFC Portchester	4	2	0	2	11	9	+2	6
	7 Fareham Town	4	2	0	2	7	5	+2	6
	8 Ascot United	4	2	0	2	5	3	+2	6
	9 South Park (Reigate)	4	2	0	2	6	6	0	6
	10 Westfield	4	2	0	2	6	7	-1	6
	11 Binfield	4	2	0	2	6	9	-3	6
	12 Littlehampton Town	4	2	0	2	3	7	-4	6
	13 Hanworth Villa	2	1	1	0	4	0	+4	4
	14 Kingstonian	4	1	1	2	8	8	0	4
	15 Horndean	4	1	1	2	7	8	-1	4
	16 Bognor Regis Town	4	1	1	2	7	9	-2	4
	17 Hayes & Yeading United	4	1	1	2	7	9	-2	4
	18 Metropolitan Police	3	1	1	1	4	7	-3	4
	19 Moneyfields	4	1	1	2	7	12	-5	4
	20 Hendon	4	0	2	2	3	7	-4	2
	21 Egham Town	2	0	0	2	1	4	-3	0
	22 Southall	3	0	0	3	1	6	-5	0



ISTHMIAN SOUTH CENTRAL

Today: (3PM)

*Bognor Regis Town vs Leatherhead
Metropolitan Police vs Horndean*

Sunday: (13:30PM)

Kingstonian vs Hanworth Villa



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Today: (3PM)

*Gloucester City vs AFC Portchester
Soul Tower Hamlets vs Ascot United
Bedfont Sports vs Littlehampton Town
Beckenham Town vs Egham Town
Winchester City vs Fareham Town
Harrow Borough vs Eastbourne Town
Hayes & Yeading vs Whitehawk
Raynes Park Vale vs Ashford United
Westfield vs Sheppey United*



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August 2025

- 09 Hordean
- 12 Ascot United
- 23 Southall
- 25 Hartley Wintney
- 30 Moneyfields

September 2025

- 13 South Park
- 16 Met Police
- 20 Leatherhead
- 27 Hendon

October 2025

- 04 Westfield
- 11 Hayes & Yeading Utd
- 14 Met Police
- 18 Fareham Town
- 25 Hanworth Villa

HOME AWAY

November 2025

- 01 Egham Town
- 08 Raynes Park Vale
- 11 Ascot United
- 15 Kingstonian
- 22 Bognor Regis Town
- 29 Horndean

December 2025

- 06 Littlehampton Town
- 13 AFC Portchester
- 20 Moneyfields
- 27 Bedfont Sports

January 2026

- 03 Hartley Wintney
- 10 Harrow Borough
- 17 Leatherhead
- 24 Hayes & Yeading Utd
- 31 Westfield

February 2026

- 07 Hendon
- 14 Fareham Town
- 21 Hanworth Villa
- 28 Egham Town

March 2026

- 07 Raynes Park Vale
- 14 AFC Portchester
- 21 Littlehampton Town
- 28 Harrow Borough

April 2026

- 04 Southall
- 06 Bedfont Sports
- 11 South Park
- 18 Kingstonian
- 25 Bognor Regis Town



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