

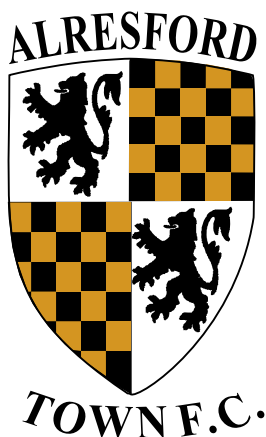
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ALRESFORD TOWN FC OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

ALRESFORD TOWN

V

VERWOOD TOWN



WESSEX FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2023

3.00PM KICK OFF

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MANAGERS MESSAGE

Today, we welcome Verwood to Arlebury Park.

We go into today on the back of a hard fought 2-1 win away to a new and improved New Milton. It was a really pleasing win, and for us to be able to hand debuts to Scott Hills & Joe Ryan was also very pleasing.

Today, we are expecting more of the same vs. Verwood. A side who has recently had a change of management and has picked up 3 good wins in a row in the league, So we are under no illusion on how tough today will be.

The boys trained really well on Tuesday and are raring to go.

To our fans - Thank you for the support cheering the lads on, braving the cold weather, I hope you enjoy the game and a beer after !

Let's go.

Morgs & Dos



Dan, Connor, Nathan, Jamie, Mike, Ryan

VERWOOD TOWN

Originally believing the club to be formed in the 1920's , we now have information to show that it was formed earlier than this in 1905 and affiliated to the Dorset County FA that same year. Despite the early on-field results, the club flourished and after an initial move to the recreation ground, continued to play home games there until 1986 when it moved to Potterne Park

According to long established club members and ex-players, traveling in and around Dorset by steam train and changing behind well layed hedge rows proved conducive to good team spirit and offered a different slant to country life. During the war years matches were organised against army teams.

De-mob saw ex-players reunited re-establishing it's winning ways bringing minor and junior trophies to the village. Returning also were local hostilities, particularly the annual battle against Cranborne. Memories recall one particular game when police were called from Wimborne to control the crowd and restrain the reverend Williams from striking the referee with his walking stick. Fortunately we don't get that sort of trouble anymore.

Moving from Dorset FA to Bournemouth FA gave us a chance to broaden our horizons. The early 1960's saw some of the club officials involved with the villages youth side Rossgarth YFC. These links continued with an increasing number of players (and management) coming through the ranks of local youth football. In 2017 the two clubs merged, cementing their close ties.

An ambitious move to Potterne Park in 1986 and a strong willing committee brought the club in 1989 to Hampshire League football. High league positions achieved and promotion to Hampshire League Division One in 1993. It was during this period that with the growth of the village into a town our new name Verwood Town Football Club was established.

In 2004/5 the Wessex League amalgamated with the Hampshire League and formed three new leagues. Verwood Town joined the new Sydenhams Wessex League Division Three. Two seasons and a great deal of effort off the pitch, erecting dugouts, hard standing and stands were rewarded with a third,place finish and promotion to the newly renamed Sydenhams League (Wessex) Division One.

Progress continued apace with erection of floodlights, spectator facilities and entries into the FA Vase and later the FA Cup. In 2011/12 promotion to the Sydenhams League Premier Division was achieved. Consolidation with a solid 14th position finish was followed in ensuing seasons largely safe from relegation.

Three management changes from 2014 resulted in the First Team entering a more unsettled period which culminated in relegation and a drop to Division 1 for the start of 2017/18 season.

The club remains committed to grow and in 2021/22 season new management joined the club bringing in new and fresh ideas and a youthful squad. 2023/24 season will be an interesting one!

CLUB OFFICIALS

Chairman
Craig Scriven

Secretary
Lauren Young

Commercial Director
Lauren Young

Committee Lead
Karly Cleeve

Managers
Nathan Morgan & Connor Doswell

Assistant Manager
Jamie Nash

Coach
Ryan Lambert

GK Coaches
Mike Weatherall & Dan Kempson

Match day Assistant
Darren Heskins

HONOURS & RECORDS

Wessex League Cup
Winners: 2012/13 & 2013/14

North Hants League
Champions: 1999/00

Hampshire Senior Cup
Winners: 2012/13

North Hants Senior Cup
Winners: 1991/92, 2011/12,
2012/13 & 2013/14, 2021/2022

Aldershot Senior Cup
Winners: 2013/14

Southampton Senior Cup
Winners: 2018/19

Best FA Cup Performance
Second Qualifying Round: 2016/17

Best FA Vase Performance
Fourth Round: 2013/14

Record Attendance
202 vs Basingstoke Town Sep 2023
Servio Men's Senior Cup &
211 vs Salisbury March 2016

NEXT FIXTURES

Clanfield - Wessex League Division One

Saturday 9th December 3.00pm Westleigh Park

Hamworthy Recreation - Wessex League Division One

Tuesday 12th December 7.45pm Arlebury Park

Folland Sports - Wessex League Division One

Saturday 16th December 3.00pm The Arrow Arena

ALRESFORD TOWN CLUB HISTORY

Football in Alresford has been found back to the late nineteenth century, but the formation year of the present ALRESFORD TOWN FC side is shown as 1989. Starting in the now defunct North Hants League, Town moved immediately into the Hampshire League before withdrawing in 1996. They returned, again from the North Hants League, in 2000 and then came the 2004 move; they've remained members of the Wessex League since and have been a top tier side since 2007.

The original Alresford Town was established in 1898 and were members of the Winchester & District League. The modern club was established in 1989 and joined the North Hants League. After finishing as runners-up in their first season, they moved up to Division Two of the Hampshire League. The club were Division Two runners-up in 1990/91, securing a second successive promotion to Division One. However, after finishing second-from-bottom of Division One in 1994/95, they were relegated back to Division Two. At the end of the following season the club left to re-join the North Hants League.

Alresford were North Hants League champions in 1999/00 and returned to Division Two of the Hampshire League. After finishing second in Division Two in 2001/02 they were promoted to Division One. In 2004 the Hampshire League merged into the Wessex League, with the club becoming members of the new Division Two. The division was renamed Division One in 2006 and Alresford were runners-up in 2006/07, earning promotion to the Premier Division. After five seasons in the lower-mid table, the club were Premier Division runners-up in 2012/13, a season that saw them win the Hampshire Senior Cup (beating AFC Bournemouth in the final), the League Cup and the North Hants Senior Cup. They were Premier Division runners-up again the following season, also retaining the League Cup and the North Hants Senior Cup, as well as winning the Aldershot Senior Cup.

In 2018/19 Alresford won the Southampton Senior Cup, beating AFC Stoneham 3–0 in the final. The 2019/20 season was abandoned due to the coronavirus pandemic with Alresford top of the Premier Division.

In 2021/22 Alresford won the North Hants Senior Cup beating Basingstoke Town 1-0.
League Cup wins - 2013, 2014

Local County FA Senior and other cup competitions winners in the Wessex era.

Aldershot Senior Invitation Challenge Cup 2013/14 Hampshire Senior Cup 2012/13

North Hants Senior Cup 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2021/22 Southampton Senior Cup 2018/19

These are wins only whilst the club were members of the Wessex League.

FA CUP

Furthest progress - 2016/17 2nd Qualifying - Cadbury Heath

Record victory 2009/10 Extra Preliminary Shaftesbury 8-0

FA VASE

Furthest progress 2013/14 4th Round - Hallen

Record victory 2013/14 3rd Round - Saltash United 7-2

The FA Cup and FA Vase records are the best achieved whilst in Wessex League membership.

Where this has been on more than one occasion, only the last time it was achieved is shown here.

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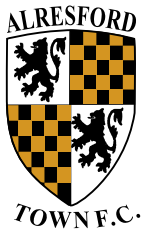
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Jon Webb
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Position: GK

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the treble last season / Winning the Bournemouth Senior Cup with Brockenhurst

Footballing Hero: Peter Schmeichel / Iker Casillas



Aaron Dunne
Age: 30
Position: CB

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the Hampshire Premier League with Colden Common

Footballing Hero: Steve Gerrard



Dan Sayers
Age: 24
Position: CB

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the Hampshire Cup, League Cup and league treble with Colden Common

Footballing Hero: Petr Cech



Cameron Ross
Age: 23
Position: Defender
-versatile across the back 4

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Footballing Highlight: Reaching the second-round proper of the FA Youth Cup with Sholing FC

Footballing Hero: Rio Ferdinand



Kieran Connell
Age: 19
Position: GK

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Footballing Highlight: Keeping a clean sheet on my senior debut for Alresford

Footballing Hero: Aaron Ramsdale



Harry Davies
Age: 31
Position: LB/LWB

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Footballing Highlight: Representing Malta U21's at international level

Footballing Hero: Ronaldinho



Glen Freeman
Age: 23
Position: RB/CB

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the treble with Colden Common

Footballing Hero: Paolo Maldini



Laurie Dwyer
Age: 31
Position: Defender – Left Back

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the Hampshire Premier League on the final game of the 2021/22 season

Footballing Hero: David Beckham



Carl Steadman
Age: 30
Position: Right Back

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the treble with Colden Common, season 2022/23

Footballing Hero: Xabi Alonso



Aaron Blaxall (Captain)
Age: 31
Position: CM

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Footballing Highlight: Winning Southampton Senior Cup at St Mary's with Alresford / Hampshire League treble with Colden Common

Footballing Hero: Paul Gascoigne / Zidane



Michael Douglas
Age:
Position:

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Footballing Highlight:

Footballing Hero:



Ben White
Age: 32
Position: CM

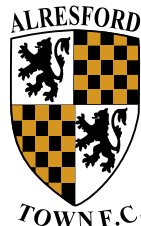
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Footballing Highlight: A Treble with this group last season.

Footballing Hero: Marian Pahars



ATFC SQUAD LIST 2023/24



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Steve Hall
Age: 31
Position: Attacking midfield/attacker

Footballing Highlight: Scoring a header at St Mary's to win the Southampton Senior Cup

Footballing Hero: Didier Drogba



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Liam Hiscock
Age: 23
Position: Winger Attacker

Footballing Highlight: Winning the Double with Colden Common reserves to go on and win the treble with the firsts the next year!

Footballing Hero: Marcus Rashford



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Liam Hunt
Age: 23
Position: CM/CAM

Footballing Highlight: Scoring a free kick with the last kick of the game to win a cup final when I was 14

Footballing Hero: Luka Modric



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Krysty Sullivan-Rose
Age: 30
Position: LB/LW

Footballing Highlight: Scoring the winning goal against Paulsgrove

Footballing Hero: David Beckham



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John Cole
Age: 34
Position: Midfield

Footballing Highlight: Being oldest in the current squad

Footballing Hero: Matt Le Tiss



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Harry Higby
Age: 28
Position: Right/Left wing

Footballing Highlight: Playing at St Mary's in the Hampshire cup Final

Footballing Hero: Matt Le Tissier



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Tom Baker
Age: 31
Position: CM

Footballing Highlight: Scoring in a cup final at the Withdean (where Brighton used to play) and winning the cup was one of my favourite memories

Footballing Hero: Ronaldinho



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John Webb

Leon Course
Age: 30
Position: Striker

Footballing Highlight: 22/23 Hampshire Cup Final

Footballing Hero: Sergio Aguero

Sanchez McLean



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James Barnes
Age: 25
Position:

Footballing Highlight: Winning the treble with Colden Common

Footballing Hero: Rickie Lambert



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Sanchez McLean
Age: 33
Position: ST

Footballing Highlight:

Footballing Hero: Thierry Henry



Sponsor:

Scott Hills
Age: 28
Position: Centre Forward

Footballing Highlight: Finishing top goal scorer in the league during the covid hit season in my first season in the Wessex premier league

Footballing Hero: Original Ronaldo (R9)



Sponsor:

Zach Hine
Age: 26
Position: CM

Footballing Highlight: Signing for alresford

Footballing Hero: Steven Gerrard



Alresford Town Player Profile



Name: Scott Hills (Hillsy)

Age: 28

Position: striker

Previous clubs: AFC Stoneham,
Alresford Town

Favourite team: Southampton

Favourite player: Ronaldo R9

All time 5-a-side team:

Players I've played with, Callum Lee
Stuart Mott, Warren Bentley
Alex Welch, Mat Bainbridge



ATFC team mates

ATFC best trainer: The Vicar Higby

Quickest: Higby

Slowest: Webby

Best dressed: Carl Steadman

Worst dressed: Mikey

Most likely to be late: Turner

First one at the bar: Blax

Last one at the bar: Me

Best look alike:

Carl Steadman/Roger Federer





Aldersford Town Player Profile



Name: Joe Ryan
Age: 18
Position: Winger

Previous clubs: Millbrook, Colden Common and Fareham

Favourite team: Saints

Favourite player: Vinicius junior

5 a side team: Ronaldo, Vinicius junior, Neymar, Ronaldinho and Neuer



ATFC team mates

ATFC best trainer: Azzy

Quickest player: If I can't say myself then I'll say Leon

Slowest player: Sorry chalks but Chalky

Best dressed: Leon

Worst dressed: Dos

Most likely to be late: Webby

First at the bar: Nath

Last at the bar: Chalky

Best look a like: Blax and Sid the sloth



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Ash United		VS		Folland Sports
East Cowes Victoria		VS		Andover Town
Fleetlands		VS		Whitchurch United
Millbrook		VS		Clanfield
New Milton Town		VS		AFC Aldermaston
Ringwood Town		VS		Fawley AFC
Romsey Town		VS		Newport (IoW)
Totton & Eling		VS		Cove
Brixham		VS		Downton
Hamworthy Recreation		VS		Wells City

Results 28/29TH November 2023

AFC Totton		3 - 1		Downton
Millbrook		3 - 0		East Cowes Victoria
Romsey Town		0 - 1		Ringwood Town
Gillingham Town		p - p		Hamworthy Recreation
Fleet Town		5 - 0		Frimley Green
Andover Town		2 - 2 (Pens 1-4)		Stockbridge
Fleetlands		p - p		United Services Portsmouth Res

Division One Table

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Hamworthy Recreation	15	13	2	0	63	15	48	41
2	Downton	14	12	1	1	45	15	30	37
3	Cove	16	11	2	3	52	36	16	35
4	Alresford Town	15	11	1	3	40	20	20	34
5	Millbrook	16	11	0	5	62	21	41	33
6	Totton & Eling	16	9	2	5	32	23	9	29
7	Romsey Town	18	8	4	6	46	28	18	28
8	Fleetlands	16	9	1	6	33	22	11	28
9	Verwood Town	17	8	2	7	39	30	9	26
10	Ringwood Town	20	7	3	10	47	54	-7	24
11	East Cowes Victoria	14	7	2	5	28	20	8	23
12	Fawley AFC	14	7	2	5	18	25	-7	23
13	Clanfield	18	6	3	9	38	35	3	21
14	Whitchurch United	18	6	2	10	33	64	-31	20
15	Ash United	17	6	1	10	33	41	-8	19
16	Folland Sports	16	5	3	8	31	42	-11	18
17	Newport (IoW)	13	4	2	7	23	26	-3	14
18	Frimley Green	17	4	2	11	30	49	-19	14
19	AFC Aldermaston	18	3	0	15	21	56	-35	9
20	Andover Town	15	3	0	12	21	62	-41	9
21	New Milton Town	13	0	1	12	11	62	-51	1



THE TEAMS



ALRESFORD TOWN

	Jon Webb
	Daniel Sayers
	Kieran Connell
	Glen Freeman
	Carl Steadman
	Michael Douglas
	Aaron Dunne
	Cameron Ross
	Harry Davies
	Laurie Dwyer
	Aaron Blaxall
	Ben White
	John Cole
	Tom Baker
	James Barnes
	Zachary Hine
	Steven Hall
	Liam Hunt
	Krysty Sullivan-Rose
	Harry Higby
	Leon Course
	Sanchez McLean
	Samuel Adams
	Scott Hills
	Andrew Turner
	Daniel Phillips

Alresford

Shirts - Black & White

Shorts - Black

Socks - Black

Keeper - Pink

VERWOOD TOWN

	Ed Phillips
	Sam Danvers
	Sam Hockey
	Jake Carswell
	Jack Knott
	George Richardson
	Matthew Davis
	Lee Tabor
	Reece Mitchell
	Dillon King
	Louis Mc Williams
	Ollie Lowes
	Dave Kerr
	Harrison Whitelaw
	Cameron Smith
	Jack Broad
	Matthew Pope
	Callum McHale

Verwood Town

Shirts - Red & Black

Shorts - red

Socks - Red

Keeper - Green

Referee – Ethan Grainger

Assistant Referee 1 – Joe Crockett

Assistant Referee 2 – Adam Jackson