

ALRESFORD TOWN FC OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

ALRESFORD TOWN V WI-ITCI-IURCI-I UNITED





WESSEX FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

SATURDAY 30TH MARCH 2024 3.00 PM KICK OFF

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MANAGERS MESSAGE

Good afternoon to all.

Today, we welcome Whitchurch to Arlebury Park in no doubt what will be another really tough, competitive fixture.

Whitchurch are on a good run of form. They have a team that works very hard for each other and a team that's on the way up. We are under no illusions of what we need to do, and today, we will have to be bang at it.

Our results have been okay, our performances have been mixed, but one thing for sure is we have never not battled and worked until the end.

Looking forward to this one, I hope you all enjoy it.

We keep on fighting!

Up the Magpies

Morgs and Dos



Dan, Connor, Nathan, Jamie, Mike, Ryan

WI-IITCHURCH UNITED

In 1887, two football clubs, the Albion and Rovers were in existence in Whitchurch. At a meeting on July 14th, 1903, they amalgamated to form Whitchurch United.

The 'Jam Boys' as they came to be known, took time to achieve their first success and had to wait 10 years before recording their first successes by winning the Andover Tournaments in 1913 and 1914. and the Basingstoke Cup in 1914.

However, the 1920's brought a decade of successes with wins in the Basingstoke Junior League in 1925, the Basingstoke Cup in 1927, 1928 and 1929, and the North Hants Cup in 1927. In the mid-1950's the club bought its own ground at Longmeadow and added a pavilion and changing rooms in 1959. Also in 1959, they entered the Hampshire League Division 3 and won promotion to Division 2 in 1990.

In 1995 the entered the Wessex League and won the Basingstoke Senior Cup in 1994 and 1997.. The formation of the Wessex League in 1986 created a major shakeup in the Hampshire League and Whitchurch United was placed in division 2 from where they launched their successful climb to Wessex League status.

After finishing as division 2 champions in 1989/90, the club had two good seasons in Division 1, finishing fourth in 1990/91 and third in 1991/92. This allowed Whitchurch Utd to have a successful application to join the Jewson Wessex football League in 1992. After a tough inaugural seaso finishing 15th, the club had an even tougher season in 1993/94 when they finished in the dreaded drop spot and it was all the way back to the Hampshire League football.

A quick return to the Wessex League was planned and it was to prove a great success as United returned to the Wessex League. In 1996.97 United became Basingstoke Senior Cup Winners. The club continued to improve in the Wessex League and win the Hungerford Cup for two years running, 1998/99 and 1999/2000.

The youth section of Whitchurch United was formed in 1994 by Colin Dancer, Paul Driver and Peter Adams with the support of Steve Smith Initially, the youth section began with three teams (U12, U14, and U15) with the U12 and U14 teams playing in the Andover and District League (now Testway Youth League) on Saturdays and the U15 team playing in the Peter Houseman League on Sundays.

Youth football has gone from strength to strength over the years. In the 2022-23 season the club boasted 17 mixed youth teams from U7-U18 involving 265 players. Our teams play in the Testway Youth League, Peter Houseman Youth League and the North East Hampshire Youth Leagues. We expect to enter a team into the Junior Premier League for the 2023-24 season.

Up to 2016, the club had minimal representation from females in its youth teams. In June 2016 a small group of girls took part in pilot sessions in Testbourne Sports Hall led by Leigh Smith and Roger Walters. This marked the start of a huge growth in female football for the club under the direction of Alison Cooper. Starting with training only in the 2016-17 season, this was followed by entering two teams into the Winchester & District Girls League, now the Hampshire Girls Youth League (HGYFL) for the first time in the 2017-18 season. Over the years, this has grown to six teams in the HGYFL and a U6/U7 training group during the 2022-23 season. The club also now runs recreational football for women aged 16+. The growth in female football in Whitchurch is illustrative when you consider in 2016-7 there were two girls playing mixed teams in 2016 and by the end of the 2021-22 season 128 girls and women had trained/played with the club. By the endof the 2022-23 season this was 140 females (120 girls and 20 women).

Recognising the size, operation and administration of the club, from the 2020-2021 season a 'Three Sections, One Club' model was adopted under the Chairmanship of Leigh Smith. This saw the development of three sections Adult Mens, Youth (mixed) and Women & Girls, These were initially led by Mark Freeborough, Julie Myall/Ben Rose and Alison Cooper, respectively.



CLUB HONOURS & OFFICIALS RECORDS

ChairmanCraig 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 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

Downton - Wessex League Division One Thursday 4th April 7.45pm Arlebury Park

Folland Sports - Wessex League Division One Saturday 6th April 3.00pm Arlebury Park

Totton & Eling - Wessex League Division One Thursday 11th April 7.45pm Miller Park

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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Jon Webb Age: 31 Position: GK

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the treble last season / Winning the Bournemouth Senior Cup with Brockenhurst ing Hero: Peter Schmeichel / Iker Casillas



Aaron Dunne Age: 30 Position: CB

Sponsor: **Baker Building Services** Ross Panton Coach

Sponsor:

ght: Winning the Hampshire Premier League with Colden Common ro: Steve Gerrard



Kieran Connell Age: 19 Position: GK

Sponsor: Cleeve Construction

ght: Keeping a clean sheet on my senior debut for Alresford Hero: Aaron Ramsdale



Cameron Ross Age: 23 Position: Defender

Those White Lines

versatile across the back 4 t: Reaching the second-round proper of the FA Youth Cup with Sholing FC

alling Hero: Rio Ferdinand



Glen Freeman Age: 23 Position: RB/CB

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ghlight: Winning the treble with Colden Common

ootballing Hero: Paolo Maldini



Harry Davies Age: 31 Position: LB/LWB

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nlight: Representing Malta U21's at international level

ling Hero: Ronaldinho



Joe Rvan Age: 18 Position: Winger

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ing Highlight: Winning the treble with colden common in the

ling Hero: Cristiano Ronaldo



Laurie Dwver Age: 31

Sponsor: Holy Moly Dips

Position: Defender - Left Back

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

ng Hero: David Beckham

Age: 31

Position: CM



Michael Douglas Age: Position:

Sponsor:

ootballing Highlight:



Sponsor: Aaron Blaxall (Captain) Marquee Hire Guide.com Ask Plastics

ghlight: Winning Southampton Senior Cup at St Mary's with Alresford / Hampshire League treble with Colden Common ng Hero: Paul Gascoigne / Zidane



Zach Hine Age: 26 Position: CM Sponsor:

Ben White Age: 32 Position: CM

Sponsor: **Grant Young**

light: A Treble with this group last season.

g Hero: Marian Pahars



Highlight: Signing for alresford

ng Hero: Steven Gerrard



ATFC SQUAD LIST 2023/24





Sponsor: Steve Hall Teaching Personnel Ltd Penn Chiropractic Age: 31 Position: Attacking midfield/attacker

ight: Scoring a header at St Mary's to win the Southampton Senior Cup ing Hero: Didier Drogba



Liam Hiscock Age: 23 Position: Winger Attacker

Sponsor: PM Hiscock Painter & Decorator

nt: Winning the Double with Colden Common reserves to go on and win the treble with the firsts the next year! ling Hero: Marcus Rashford



John Cole Age: 34 Position: Midfield

Sponsor: Dan Kempson

ghlight: Being oldest in the current squad

balling Hero: Matt Le Tiss



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

Sponsor: Team Spirit All Stars Kovan & Ramos

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ight: Scoring the winning goal against Paulsgrove

Hero: David Beckham



Tom Baker Age: 31 Position: CM Sponsor:

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



Harry Higby Age: 28

Williams Roofing

Position: Right/Left wing

ng Highlight: Playing at St Mary's in the Hampshire cup Final tballing Hero: Matt le Tissier

James Barnes Age: 25 Position:

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lighlight: Winning the treble with Colden Common

alling Hero: Rickie Lambert



Leon Course Age: 30 Position: Striker

Sponsor: Frameset John Webb

ing Highlight: 22/23 Hampshire Cup Final

alling Hero: Sergio Aguero



Scott Hills Age: 28

Footballing Hero: Original Ronaldo (R9)

Position: Centre Forward g Highlight: Finishing top goal scorer in the league during the covid hit season in my first season in the Wessex premier league



Sanchez McLean Age: 33 Position: ST

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ling Hero: Thierry Henry



Sponsor: Andy Turner Andrew J Turner Age: 31 Plumbing & Heating Position: Midfield forward

ng Highlight: Coming out of retirement

alling Hero: Roy Keane



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Our aim is to promote all local football but specifically the 40 teams of the Wessex Football League. So far, we have had managers, chairpersons, players, press officers and secretaries joining us as studio guests, and via zoom and phone guests from many Wessex Football League clubs, as well as guests from local teams both higher up and lower down the pyramid.

This is your show and is a platform for your club to promote its events and raise its profile. If your club produces post-match interviews, please either email us a copy of the audio or give permission for us to play them on air straight from your website or social media sites, as we will aim to play them on the show.

Please come and join us one Sunday, we do have access to the two studios so it is easy to accommodate guests in the studio, for more information please email <code>gregdickson94@gmail.com</code> or <code>cliffpledge@hotmail.com</code>

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New Milton Town

VS

Fawley AFC

Ringwood Town

VS

Downton

Results 26th / 27th / 28th March 2024

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Fawley AFC





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Alresford Town

New Milton Town





Hamworthy Recreation

Fareham Town





Folland Sports

Division One Table

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Team

1	Hamworthy Recreation	29	26	3	0	119	28	91	81
2	Millbrook	33	25	1	7	123	45	78	76
3	Downton	31	24	4	3	106	38	68	76
4	Alresford Town	31	19	7	5	78	42	36	64
5	East Cowes Victoria	32	18	6	8	69	44	25	60
6	Cove	30	16	4	10	75	73	2	52
7	Fleetlands	29	15	6	8	62	38	24	51
8	Clanfield	34	13	7	14	80	63	17	46
9	Romsey Town	32	13	6	13	80	60	20	45
10	Whitchurch United	33	13	6	14	69	93	-24	45
11	Newport (IoW)	30	12	6	12	49	49	0	42
12	Folland Sports	30	12	6	12	56	63	-7	42
13	Fawley AFC	31	13	3	15	41	59	-18	42
14	Verwood Town	32	12	5	15	58	67	-9	41
15	Totton & Eling	26	12	4	10	43	55	-12	40
16	Ringwood Town	36	11	7	18	70	85	-15	40
17	Ash United	32	9	4	19	64	77	-13	31
18	Frimley Green	34	8	2	24	52	97	-45	26
19	New Milton Town	30	5	4	21	36	98	-62	19
20	Andover Town	32	4	1	27	37	126	-89	13
21	AFC Aldermaston	33	4	0	29	35	102	-67	12



THE TEAMS



ALRESFORD TOWN

Jon Webb **Kieran Connell Glen Freeman** Michael Douglas **Aaron Dunne Cameron Ross Harry Davies Laurie Dwyer Aaron Blaxall Ben White** John Cole Tom Baker **James Barnes Zachary Hine** Steven Hall **Krysty Sullivan-Rose** Harry Higby **Leon Course** Sanchez McLean **Samuel Adams** Scott Hills **Andrew Turner Theo Widger** Joe Ryan

WHITCHURCH UNITED

Harry Nash
Ant Croucher
Craig Rutledge
Chris Morris
Kieran Maylen
James Burgess
Charlie Mumford
Alfie Jones
Brett Denham
Dave Parry
Ash Neal
Jake Impiazzi
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Leyton Basterfield
Sam Freeman
Callum Cleary
Joe Redmond
Ethan Abrehart
Harry O'Connor
Sam Cavey

Airesford

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Assistant Referee 1: Kevin Batten
Assistant Referee 2: Michael Ridge

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