

FA Veterans FC



2023 Tour Game 2



Bury

II (The Sequel)

Saturday 25th March 2023

Kick - Off 11:00 am



Welcome to Lancashire

For our re-arranged game at Gigg Lane after the club unfortunately fell into administration in November last year, causing the postponement of the original fixture. I have used most of the original programme for those who didn't get the opportunity to read Jon's great article on the squad kits.

2023 got off to a good start with our fixtures at Dorking Wanderers in January, and with the fixture scheduled already looks to be another exciting year of games.

Looking forward to renewing acquaintances and making new friends this year.

Once Again I hope all the players, officials and supporters enjoy the game as much as they have in all our previous events.

The Shakers and Gigg Lane

Bury were founded in 1885 and were elected into the Football League in 1894.

Gigg Lane is one of the oldest stadiums in Football with the club playing at the venue since 1885, 137 years ago, and currently holds 11,840 spectators.

Bury finished the 2018-19 season as runners-up in League Two, earning promotion to League One. However, the club was unable to begin the season because of financial difficulties, and was expelled from the Football League.

The first Football League match played there was on 8 September 1894 when Bury defeated Manchester City 4-2.

Amongst Bury's list of famous all time Players are Colin Bell, Luther Blissett, Colin Kazem-Richards and Neville Southall.

Bury have won the FA Cup on 2 occasions, 1899-1900 and 1902-03

In 1960 the FA Cup 3rd Round tie with Bolton Wanderers saw Gigg Lane's record attendance of 35,000, it also recorded the lowest of 461 in 1986 against Tranmere Rovers

Other Bury triumphs have included winning Division 2, Division 3, twice, and the 1904 Football World Championship (played between an English and Scottish Champions, beating Rangers 2-1 both away and home.)

FA Veterans FC Statistics 2023

	2021	2022	2023	Total FA Apps
3 Terry Rickard				13
13 Andy Balmforth				12
10 Dave Heason				12
7 Rob Green				11
4 Ian Dixon				11
20 Mark Feehan				11
8 Daniel Chenq				10
87 Joe Feehan				10
24 Richard Marsh				9
45 Jason Guy				9
77 Matt Fellows				8
67 Darren Winward				8
36 Dean Thorpe				7
11 Dean Twyman				7
5 Bob Thorpe				6
Kevin Banks				6
39 Kevin Robertson				6
1 Matt O'Regan				5
17 Nathan Moore				5
26 Roberto Donay				5
Ryan Foote				5
28 Terry Lapsley				5
2 Adam Canning				5
23 Adam Joyce				4
14 Ben Middleton				4
Ben Wallie				4
Ellie Winnard				4
Gordon France				4
9 Jack Feehan				4
James Wilding				4
19 Kev Wright				4
6 Rob Dixon				4
32 Andrew Weaver				4
21 Andy Harland				4
Asa McKenzie				4
37 Colin Griffiths				4
Gavin Cobble				4
18 Lee Waterfall				4
Mia Winnard				4
Rich Duffy				4
16 Tom Green				3
Will Osborne				3
Andrew Bell				3
James Thorpe				3
Josh Birksen				3
Josh Dalley				3
Mark Bears				3
Mattew Thorpe				3
Adam Clamp				3
29 Anthony Kirby				3
Ashlon Adams				3
Baylee Milburn				3
Ben Henderson				3
Brian Pape				3
Cam Waterhouse				3
Chris Gannon				3
25 Chris Lake				3
Clive Satchell				3
Daniel Flint				3
Daniel Harrison				3
73 Daniel Thomas				3
Darren Davison				3
David Brown				3
Dean Watts				3
Duncan Ho				3
Gaz Meyers				3
Harry Norton				3
33 Jez Craggs				3
Johnny Ratcliffe				3
Johnny Small				3
Jon Hague				3
Jordan McKay				3
Kieran Purcell				3
Malcom Mitchell				3
Marcus Harland				3
Mark Done				3
Martin Fairburn				3
Matt Joyce				3
Mitchell James				3
Neil Phillips				3
Phil Atroll				3
Phil Joyce				3
Rich Wharton				3
Rick Dumbarton				3
Rob Marsh				3
88 Ryan Fitzpatrick				3
Sam Edlin				3
Sam Norris				3
Sarah Donay				3
Scott Saunders				3
Simon Chesterman				3
Stephen Tranter				3
Steve Forman				3
Stuart Watkins				3
Taylor Ritchie				3
Tom Kirton				3
Tony O'Hara				3
Trevor Marples				3
30 Will Brinks				3
12 Aaron McGarry				3
31 Allan Todd				3
35 Gary Walker				3
15 Matt Walker				3
27 Sam Goddall				3
50 Nick Enright				3

Sunday 8th January 2023



Meadowbank Stadium
Dorking Wanderers
3-2

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Gigg Lane
Bury

Thursday 4th May 2023

Home Park

Plymouth Argyle

Friday 5th May 2023

Twerton Park

Bath City

Friday 19th May 2023

Bescot Stadium

Walsall

Thursday 1st June 2023

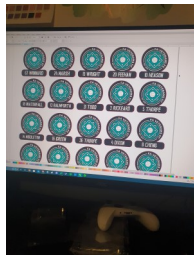
Gander Green Lane

Sutton United



Our New Kit Story Continues

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I contacted several shirt printers mainly to be told either that lead times were 7-8 weeks, or they would only print on shirts that were purchased from them. As I wanted to get everything finished for today's original game, I couldn't risk a 2 month lead time, but one of the printers based near to me recommended a guy who used to work for them who had set up his own company – Wayne at



Pryor Prints. I made contact with him via Facebook and within hours he had responded with costs and mock ups of both kits printed up. The master spreadsheet was sent to Wayne detailing each name and number and the relevant size of shirt. One thing that I had noticed on his Facebook page was that he also printed stickers, so I had the idea to have everyone's name and squad number, together with the team badge, printed on a sticker that was placed on a bag containing each player's kit – I hope you like that little touch.



Puma delivered the 192 pieces of kit within 2 weeks of placing the order. The kits were with Pryor Prints a week later, and Wayne turned the printing around in 7 days, meaning the whole process took under a month.

It was then a case of sorting out each player's 2 shirts, shorts and socks (3 for Rich and Adam) and packaging everything up ready for tonight's game.

I hope you enjoy the kit (wash it inside out and at no more than 40 degrees to prolong the life of the printing!) and I'm sure it'll make for some great photos in the future.



Question is – do we want personalised jackets for arriving to games in??

JD Sports (Jon Dixon that is!)

Today sees the second outing of our fantastic new set of kits, arranged, personalised and being delivered with 'forever' squad numbers by our own Jon Dixon, who has done a fantastic job with the whole project—that'll teach him to volunteer after a few drinks in the hotel bar in Scotland! Well Done Jon, absolutely brilliant project and we can't wait to see the outcome tonight. Here is the story of how this developed and was completed by Jon, in his own words:



The Story of the Kit

It all started on the second Scotland Tour in the bar. Between us we had countless shirts from clubs up and down the land but when talking about it, it kind of made sense that we should have a Football Aid Veterans kit. I mentioned that I had a mate who worked for Puma that might be able to get us a deal, and so



when we got back from Scotland, the question was put to the group Whatsapp and responses were positive. In the end, we had 32 players that wanted a kit. They were asked for their sizes and 3 choices of squad number (more of that later). When all the sizes came back, it was a case of creating a master spreadsheet and then

matching our overall requirement to what was available on the Puma website. There were some lovely kits that unfortunately didn't have the sizes we needed so we had to pass on those, but in the end we managed to get 2 great full kits for just £46 per player.

On to the squad numbers...I thought that by asking for 3 preferred numbers per player, everyone would stand a fighting chance of getting a number they wanted, and thankfully it turned out that way. It was first come, first served, but most people got their first or second choice numbers, so everyone should be happy.



The final thing was to get the shirts printed with names and numbers and of course the FA Veterans badge, which was slightly adapted from the original creation.

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AFC Bury FA Veterans FC Match

Today's Teams From



Tonight's Match Official:

Cameron MacKenzie

1	Matt O'Regan
3	Terry Rickeard
4	Jon Dixon
6	Rob Dixon
8	Daniel Cheng
9	Jack Feehan
10	Dave Heason
11	Dean Twyman
13	Andy Balmforth
14	Ben Middleton
18	Lee Waterfall
24	Richard Marsh
25	Chris Lake

Terry Lapsley	28
Gary Walker	35
Kevin Robertson	39
Jason Guy	45
Matt Fellows	77
Joe Feehan	87
Ryan Fitzpatrick	88
Rob Marsh	
Daniel Carter	
Thomas Kirton	
Danny Percival	
Oliver Eaton	
Josh Brielson	



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