

FA Veterans FC



2023 Tour Game 9



Sutton United

Thursday 1st June 2023

Kick - Off 7:30 pm



Welcome to Gander Green Lane

For our ninth and final Summer outing of 2023, and our 7th in the last 24 days!

Tonight also sees the culmination of our fund raising with the total amount of our efforts being donated to Clare, daughter of Paul Alan for her Project to provide defibrillators for public access, at half-time, well done to all our players.

Despite what some of the score lines suggest, each of these games have been closely contested affairs.

Let's hope today event is yet another enjoyable one for all our players, supporters and officials.

The U's and Gander Green Lane

Founded in 1898, this season marked the 125th anniversary of the club, celebrated at the home game against Crewe Alexandra in March.

The 'U's achieved their very first promotion to the Football League after winning the National League title in the 2020–21 season.

In 1988-1999 the club hit the National Headlines beating Coventry City, then in the top flight of the Football League, 2-1 at Gander Green Lane, a game shown on BBC Match of the Day.



Later, in 2016-2017, Sutton became the first non-league team to reach the 5th Round of the FA Cup after a notable 1-0 triumph over Championship Leeds United saw the eventually fall 0-2 to Arsenal.

Sutton United's first match at Gander Green Lane (then known as the Adult School Sports Ground) was in 1912 against Guards Depot F.C. in the FA Cup.

Following Sutton United's promotion to the EFL, a number of large scale changes had to take place to bring the ground up to EFL ground grading. The artificial pitch, installed in 2017, was torn up and replaced by grass, to meet the League requirement of no artificial surfaces.

FA Veterans Statistics

2021
2022

Players over a single appearance only

Full list of all time appearances can be found on our web site www.FA-Veterans-fc.co.uk

	2021	2022	2023	All-Time Appearances
3 Terry Rieckard				10
4 Jon Dixon				10
8 Daniel Cheng				17
10 Dave Heason				17
20 Mark Feehan				17
7 Rob Green				17
13 Andy Balmforth				16
77 Matt Fellows				15
87 Joe Feehan				14
24 Richard Marsh				14
11 Dean Twyman				12
45 Jason Guy				11
39 Kevin Robertson				10
36 Dean Thorpe				10
37 Colin Griffiths				9
67 Darren Winward				9
1 Matt O'Regan				8
14 Ben Middleton				8
5 Bob Thorpe				8
6 Rob Dixon				8
26 Roberto Donay				8
16 Tom Green				8
9 Jack Feehan				7
17 Nathan Moore				7
2 Adam Canning				6
Kevin Banks				6
18 Lee Waterfall				6
28 Terry Lapsley				6
32 Andrew Weaver				5
Gordon France				5
James Wilding				5
19 Key Wright				5
Ryan Foote				5
23 Adam Joyce				4
Asa McKenzie				4
Ben White				4
25 Chris Lake				4
Ellie Winnard				4
35 Gary Walker				4
Rich Duffy				4
Wayne Batsford				4
21 Andy Hartland				3
Gavin Cabbie				3
James Thorpe				3
Josh Birleson				3
Ma Winward				3
50 Nick Enright				3
88 Ryan Fitzpatrick				3
99 Steve Forman				3
Will Osborne				2
Andrew Bell				2
Ash Young				2
Daniel Carter				2
73 Daniel Thomas				2
Josh D'alley				2
Mark Beane				2
Matthew Thorpe				2
Rob Marsh				2
27 Sam Goddall				2
Tom Kirton				2
30 Will Binks				2

Team Mates Answers:

- Nathan Moore
 Daniel Cheng, 23) Adam Canning, 24)
 Terry Rieckard, 21) Matt O'Regan, 22)
 Kevin Robertson, 19) Jon Dixon, 18)
 Andy Hartland, 17) Andy Hartland, 16)
 Nick Enright, 17) Joe Feehan, 16)
 Dean Thorpe, 15) Rob Dixon, 14)
 Dean Thorpe, 14) Rob Green, 12)
 Lee Waterfall, 11) Rob Green, 12)
 Ben Middleton, 10) Ryan Foote, 9)
 Mark F, 9) Richard Marsh, 8)
 Andy Balmforth, 7) Richard Marsh, 7)
 Allan Todd, 5) Matt Fellows, 4)
 Jason Guy, 2) Dave Heason, 3) Dean

2023

Sunday 8th January 2023

Meadowbank Stadium

Dorking Wanderers

3-2

Saturday 25th March 2023

Gigg Lane

Bury

3-2

Thursday 4th May 2023

Home Park

Plymouth Argyle

4-3

Friday 5th May 2023

Twerton Park

Bath City

3-4

Tuesday 9th May

Prenton Park

Tranmere Rovers

6-4

Thursday 18th May 2023

Sincil Bank

Lincoln City

3-2

Friday 19th May 2023

Bescot Stadium

Walsall

6-2

Tuesday 23rd May 2023

Molineux

Wolverhampton Wanderers

4-0



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The Paul Alan Project

Tonight's fixture here at Gander Green Lane, with the help of Sutton United Foundation, is supporting the Paul Alan Project with excess funds from our 2023 events, today's one-off programme sales and raffle for a match worn (Will Randall), squad signed Sutton United shirt, kindly donated by the club, a hamper, a Wolves shirt signed by Craig Dawson and a de-fib training package. This will be drawn at half-time.



Some of our players may well have heard the name Paul Alan, he was a genuine football supporter who attended a game early last year and very sadly didn't come home.

An act of celebration we have all made many times for our own clubs began the unfortunate series of events that followed. On 29th January 2022, Fulham Football Club's home match against Blackpool FC was paused in the 11th minute. The pause was due to Paul Alan Parish, suffering a cardiac arrest in the Hammersmith End shortly after celebrating a goal by Aleksandar Mitrovic.

His daughter Clare, in attendance this evening, was at his side on that unfortunate day and has since formed the project in his name aiming to purchase, install and provide defibrillators to community spaces where there is a need; in particular, within parks and open spaces and grass roots and amateur league football. The Project also provide training sessions to empower people with the knowledge of:

- how to spot the signs of a cardiac arrest
- how to help someone who is having a cardiac arrest
- how to perform CPR
- how to use a defibrillator
- the difference between a heart attack and a cardiac arrest

I'm sure all of our members/players can relate in some way to Paul's story, many of us attending games up and down the country regularly, involved in grass roots football, use parks and open spaces for games and know somebody (me included buy the way) that has suffered serious Heart issues and will support our game at Sutton if you are attending or not.

Full details of the project and a emotional personal account from Clare of the events unfolding at the game can be found at <https://www.thepaulalanproject.org/>

On This Day.....

Football Aid 2011
Reading
Madejski Stadium
Wednesday 1st June, Kick Off: 6.30 pm

Match Officials
Julian Hitchcock, Steven Gregory, Jos Poynter and Steve Worsley

Home	Names	Manager	Away	Names	Manager
1. GK	Edward Harrison	1. GK	Nick Bright	1. GK	Uwe Seeler
2. RB	Gordon Jelleyman	2. CB	Uwe Seeler	2. CB	Mark Faegan
3. LB	Alan Phillips	3. LB	Mark Faegan	3. LB	Jon Joslin
4. CM	Oliver Vincombe	4. CM	Jon Joslin	4. CM	Eric Seaton
5. CM	Mark Abbott	5. CM	Eric Seaton	5. CM	Andy Payne
6. CM	Kevin Mills	6. CM	Andy Payne	6. CM	Clive Jenner
7. CF	Marky Bennett	7. CF	Clive Jenner	7. CF	Phil Warner
8. CF	Paul Bailey	8. CF	Phil Warner	8. CF	Scott Glasgow
9. CF	Ryan Pror	9. CF	Scott Glasgow	9. CF	Nick Medcott
10. CF	Paul Joslin	10. CF	Nick Medcott	10. CF	
11. CF		11. CF		11. CF	

Subs:
14(B) CM Robert Fuller
15(B) CM Marky Bennett (B)
16(B) RB Joe Matthews
17(B) LB Mark Campbell

Mascot: Courtney Mills

Subs:
14(B) CM Mark Baobob
15(B) CM Peter Lane
16(B) RB Daniel Kirby
17(B) LB James Garton

Mascot: Brooke, Freya and Roanne Clatcher

Kitbag field of dreams SPORTING ID CONCEPT Cyber Soft drinks

1st June

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2023 In Pictures



Heading over the border again?

After two successful weekend trips North of the Border in the last two years, we are once again, planning our third trip taking in another two new Scottish League grounds to add to our collection of stadia played in. After Raith, East Fife, Airdieonians and Gretna, we look to be playing at ground around the Stirling area this season provisionally in the international weekend break in September. Details will be announced once again, via our official WhatsApp groups and our web site.



17) I once recorded demo music for U2's Bono.

18) I have passed the course for British Sign Language and scuba dived with sharks.

19) I used to be a nightclub DJ and am good friends with Keith Lemon.

20) I am obsessed with 90's Dutch dance duo '2 Unlimited', there are no limits to my Love of Ray and Anita.

21) I played for the same team in South Africa that signed Man Utd's Gary Bailey, and who were managed by Eddie Lewis, an original 'Busby Babe'.

22) I have 8 pets, all named after cars: Lexus, Opal, Beamer, Tesla, Ford, Kia, Clio and Panda.

23) I have run 37 Full marathons, 162 half marathons, 5 x 50km runs and a 50 mile.

24) I am now chairman of the club I'm involved with, after being player, Manager, Under 18's assistant Manager and youth goalkeeper!

Answers in our next programme!!!!!!



Not really, I'm not that cruel, they're on the foot of our stats page!

Team Mates?

A number of our FA Veterans squad have known each other for a long, long time now, but how well do you and our supporters think you know about each other? Just for fun, try to match up some intriguing and sometimes fascinating facts with the regulars pics opposite that you think it may be....

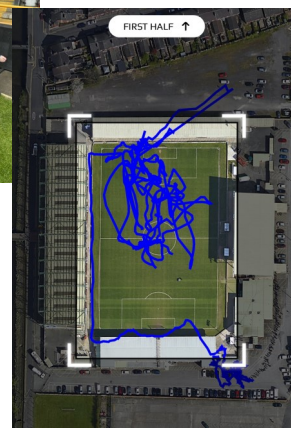
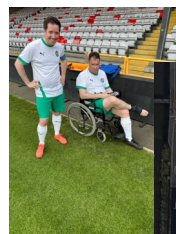
Some, may be obvious, some may be worked out by location, some you may relate to hobbies, work or interests, some very obscure and some will lead to a lot more further elaboration sometime!

- 1) I have attended a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace and met Prince Phillip.
- 2) I have a European ranking for table football.
- 3) I have a pointless trophy and won Tipping Point as well.
- 4) I was involved in a bank robbery, not as the villain though, as an employee.
- 5) I had a trial for Coventry City, aged 18.
- 6) I have donated blood on over 75 occasions since I was 18.
- 7) I was presented by a Princes Trust award by the now King Charles, accompanied by Vernon Kay and Tess Daly.
- 8) I was born on TV.
- 9) I sold a pair of trainers for £8K.
- 10) I have a metal plate in my foot.
- 11) I once almost accidentally auditioned for the X-factor.
- 12) I have completed the London Marathon the same amount of times as the number of Children I have.
- 13) I have gig sled across the Canadian wilderness and been submerged into a Norwegian lake with an air temperature of -26.
- 14) I helped recruit, train and launch a group of financial planners for the National Bank of Kuwait in 2012 and 2013.
- 15) I sat at the card table on the Leyton Orient Team bus enroute to Millmoor for a game against Rotherham United aged just 9.
- 16) I appeared on BBC's Bargain Hunt, and lost!

Head 2 Hospital

replacing our usual Head to Head article!

As you know this is usually where we report our latest 'Head 2 Head' stats between two regulars, unfortunately at Lincoln City, Poor old Dave Heason was fitted with one of the trackers and ended up injured in hospital. However, the tracker continued to record throughout, so these are Dave's results!



Total Distance (Miles)



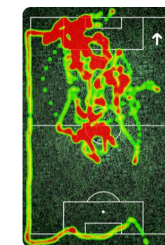
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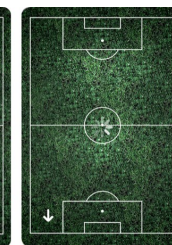
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* 7.02

Wheelchair Speed



1ST HALF



2ND HALF

In all seriousness, Both Dave and Dean Twyman have both recently unfortunately picked up serious injuries in games, two of our most respected regulars, so can we take this moment to wish both a comfortable and speedy recovery, hope to see you both back on the pitch later in the year



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Sutton United FA Veterans FC

Match



Tonight's Match Official:

Fabian Robertson

50	Nick Enright (GK)
4	Jon Dixon
3	Terry Rickeard (C)
77	Matt Fellows
7	Rob Green
2	Adam Canning
16	Tom Green
6	Rob Dixon
	Ben Dixon
88	Ryan Fitzpatrick
39	Kevin Robertson
	Simon Coote
20	Mark Feehan

Adam Joyce (GK)	23
Sam Kelly	
Jez Creggs	33
Roberto Donay (C)	26
Nathan Moore	17
Ryan Foote	
Duncan Ho	
Brett Davids	38
James Parish	
Wayne Batsford	69
Malcolm Mitchell	
Gary Knowelden	



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