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GROUNDHOP SPECIAL

WORTHING UNITED F.C

SALTDEAN UNITED F.C.

CUM ARTE ET STUDIO

SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2026

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PREMIER SPORTS
SOUTHERN COMBINATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE

26/27 ISSUE 10

CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

WELCOME TO LYONS WAY FOR AN UNUSUAL SUNDAY FIXTURE! WE ARE FORTUNATE TO BE PARTICIPATING WITH A HOME MATCH IN THIS YEAR'S GROUNDHOP SO WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO THOSE VISITORS FROM FAR AND WIDE. WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR VISIT AT ONE OF THE MOST SCENIC GROUNDS IN SUSSEX AND WE THANK GROUNDHOP UK FOR INCLUDING US IN THIS GREAT WEEKEND OF FOOTBALL.

HAVING LOST LAST SEASON AWAY TO GODALMING IN THE GROUNDHOP, WE ARE AIMING TO MAKE AMENDS WITH A STRONG SHOWING THIS YEAR AGAINST A COMPETITIVE SALTDEAN SIDE. EARLY SEASON RESULTS HAVE BEEN STRONG SO FAR AFTER LAST SEASON'S PLAYOFF DISAPPOINTMENT, WITH PROMOTION DEFINITELY A TARGET AND A DECENT CUP RUN ON THE CARDS.

ONCE AGAIN, THE CLUB EXTENDS ITS GRATEFUL THANKS TO OUR MAIN SPONSOR, SAYWELL INTERNATIONAL WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF WHOM NONE OF THIS WOULD BE POSSIBLE. NEEDLESS TO SAY, THE CLUB DOES NOT RUN ITSELF AND I AM VERY GRATEFUL TO MY TEAM OF ENTHUSIASTIC VOLUNTEERS WHO ALL ASSIST IN THE RUNNING OF THE FOOTBALL CLUB.

ENJOY TODAY'S GAME AND PLEASE MAKE USE OF THE BAR AND CATERING FACILITIES.

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MARK SANDERSON
CHAIRMAN
WORTHING UNITED FC

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2026 GROUND HOP

2ND–4TH OCTOBER 2026

2026 GROUND HOP

MULTIPLE GROUNDS.
ONE WEEKEND.
UNFORGETTABLE MEMORIES.

FRIDAY 2ND OCTOBER



1 GAME

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER



3 GAMES

SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER



2 GAMES

★ 6 GAMES ACROSS 3 DAYS ★



- 6 MATCHES 3 DAYS
- MULTIPLE GROUNDS
- PLAN YOUR JOURNEY
- SHARE THE EXPERIENCE
- MEMORIES THAT LAST A LIFETIME

FOLLOW THE ROUTE. FEEL THE PASSION.

★ THIS IS GROUND HOP. ★

MATT & JACOB

On the 22nd August 2015 the club was hit by tragedy when Matthew Grimstone and Jacob Schilt were lost in the Shoreham Air Disaster. The team did not play again until 6th September, when they faced East Preston in an FA Vase tie. The match was played in front of more than 1000 spectators and the Mavericks won the game 2-1 in dramatic fashion.

Every year the Sussex County FA holds memorial games in loving memory of Matt & Jacob. Matt & Jacob will always be remembered at the club. We have built the memorial stand to honour their name and we have the memorial garden which was constructed through donations of materials, and labour from local tradespersons, and businesses. Within the club house you will also see many other tributes dedicated to Matt & Jacob.

In 2025, to coincide with the 10th Anniversary of the Shoreham Air Crash, the Mavericks announced that the number 1 and 11 shirts would be permanently retired in Matt and Jacob's memory. The shirts were presented to the Grimstone and Schilt families at the annual memorial match so they are theirs forever.





#TogetherWeRemember

HALF TIME QUIZ

1. Judith Durham was the singer in which 1960s band?
   (The Seekers | The Hunters | The Searchers)
2. The mathematical name for the shape of a Pringles crisp is a hyperbolic paraboloid.
   True or false?
3. Before it changed in 1990, what was the old name for a Snickers bar?
4. What is the maximum check-out with three darts?
5. Oasis topped the UK charts in March 2005 with which song?
   (Layla | Lola | Lyla)
6. In 1981, Stair Park became the last senior football venue in Britain to install floodlights. Which Scottish club was it?
7. Which of the following is a type of shoe?
   (Musclepicker | Winklepicker | Cocklepicker)
8. What colour is the No. 10 on the door of 10 Downing Street?
9. Which cricketer has taken most catches for England in Test matches?
   (Ian Botham | Paul Collingwood | Joe Root)
10. "There Are Eight Million Cossack Melodies and This is One of Them" was the title of a 1963 instrumental by Group X. True or False?

Answers towards the back



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IF YOU ARE BUYING FOR YOURSELF OR AS A GIFT, FOR A WEDDING, BIRTHDAY OR OTHER SPECIAL OCCASION, I'M HERE TO HELP YOU. WE OFFER A RANGE OF SERVICES, INCLUDING REPAIRS, SERVICING AND ENGRAVING, AND I'M HAPPY TO ADVISE ON VALUATIONS.

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MARK CURRAM
MANAGER



GLENN SOUTER
MANAGER



CRAIG NAGLE
HEAD COACH



JACK WILLIS
ASST COACH



PAUL BAILEY
PHYSIO

MANAGEMENT TEAM AVAILABLE TO SPONSOR

MEET THE TEAM



S. MARSDEN
GOALKEEPER
13 APPEARANCES
0 GOALS
29 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
GS EXEC



B. ABBOTT
GOALKEEPER
12 APPEARANCES
0 GOALS
20 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
ABBOTT SURVEYORS



L. SA CASTRO
DEFENDER
124 APPEARANCES
4 GOALS
25 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
CIA CARPENTRY



T. BUTLER
DEFENDER
141 APPEARANCES
10 GOALS
27 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
DS PAVING



A. YOUNGER
DEFENDER
153 APPEARANCES
15 GOALS
23 YEARS OLD
AVAILABLE TO
SPONSOR



J. YOUNGER
DEFENDER
109 APPEARANCES
4 GOALS
25 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
CORE PHYSIO

MEET THE TEAM



E. DAVEY
DEFENDER
67 APPEARANCES
8 GOALS
21 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY CLAYTON STRATEGIC ADVISORS



A. TSOUNGUI
DEFENDER
7 APPEARANCES
0 GOALS
20 YEARS OLD
AVAILABLE TO SPONSOR



J. PITTAM
MIDFIELDER
7 APPEARANCES
0 GOALS
22 YEARS OLD
AVAILABLE TO SPONSOR



H. CURRAM
MIDFIELDER
0 APPEARANCES
0 GOALS
20 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY CUZZA'S WINDOW CLEANING



D. SHERWOOD
MIDFIELDER
244 APPEARANCES
33 GOALS
26 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY DUGOUT DIARIES



H. BUTLER
MIDFIELDER
57 APPEARANCES
0 GOALS
28 YEARS OLD
AVAILABLE TO SPONSOR

MEET THE TEAM



K. TANEV
MIDFIELDER
78 APPEARANCES
5 GOALS
22 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
THE EMPIRE LOUNGE



L. KINGSTON
MIDFIELDER
0 APPEARANCES
0 GOALS
16 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
DS PAVING



D. NOVIS
MIDFIELDER
4 APPEARANCES
0 GOALS
18 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
VANTAGE MARINE

Available to Sponsor

R. SINGERS
MIDFIELDER
6 APPEARANCES
1 GOAL
31 YEARS OLD
AVAILABLE TO SPONSOR



L. TURNER
FORWARD
11 APPEARANCES
2 GOALS
27 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
GS EXEC



D. NAGLE
FORWARD
82 APPEARANCES
16 GOALS
27 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
TRM

MEET THE TEAM



L. APPLETON
FORWARD
118 APPEARANCES
37 GOALS
20 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
CIA CARPENTRY



D. KINGSTON
FORWARD
123 APPEARANCES
52 GOALS
20 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
DUGOUT DIARIES



M. PUDDEPHATT
FORWARD
118 APPEARANCES
16 GOALS
23 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
THE SCHILT FAMILY



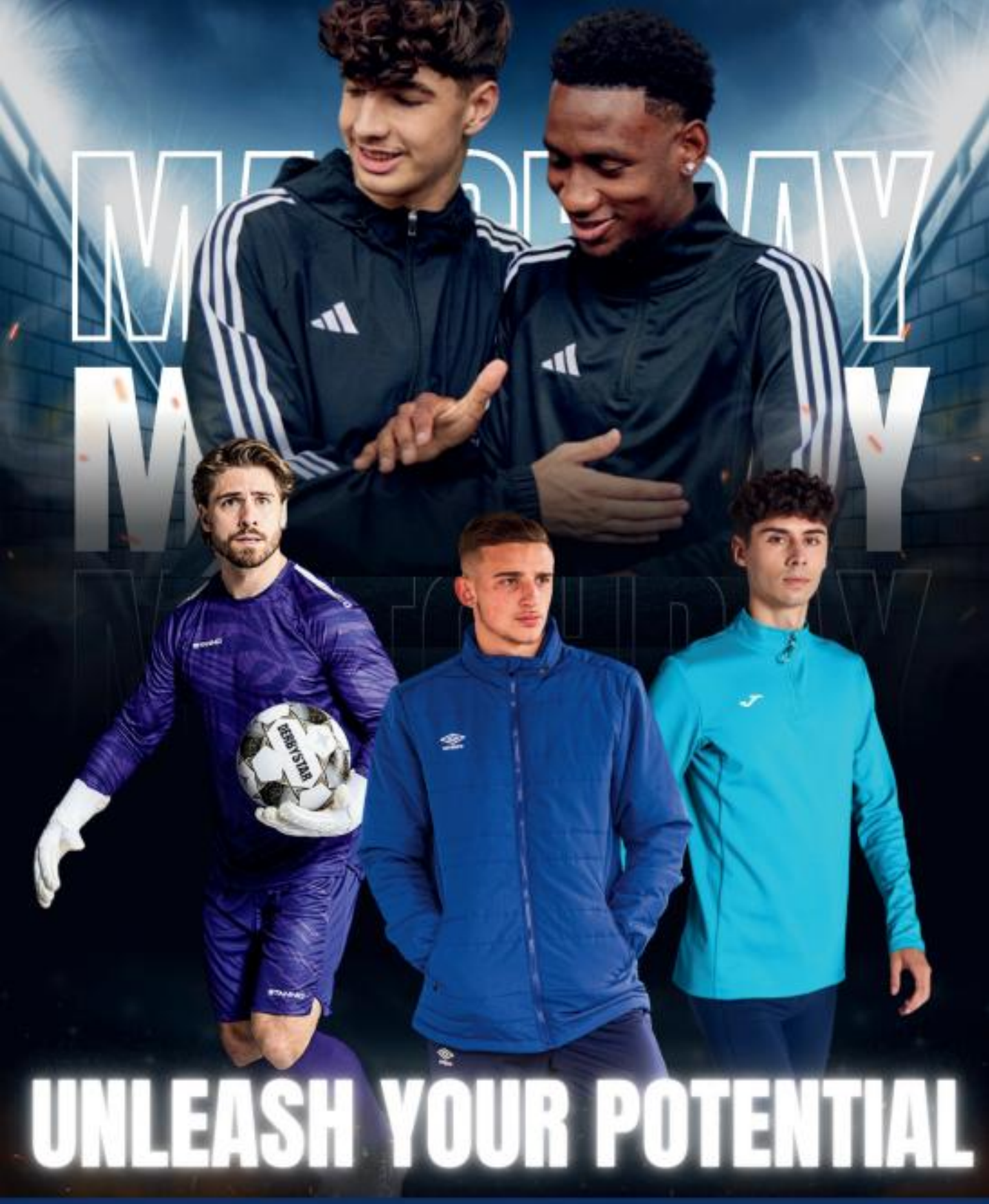
A. KAMIL
FORWARD
51 APPEARANCES
6 GOALS
24 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
CIA CARPENTRY



J. SADLER
FORWARD
10 APPEARANCES
7 GOALS
25 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
MADLAH MEP



D. HILLS
FORWARD
198 APPEARANCES
70 GOALS
25 YEARS OLD
SPONSORED BY
JOEL DAVISON



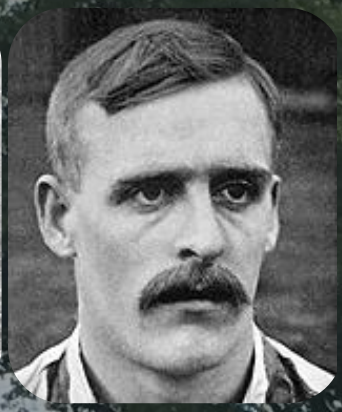
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ALF COMMON

THE FIRST £1,000 FOOTBALLER





On 1st September 2026, Manchester City splashed out an astonishing £125 million to acquire the services of the Argentine midfielder Enzo Fernandez from Chelsea.
It is all a far cry from the days when players moved clubs for £10 and a packet of crisps.
Alf Common, who played at centre-forward or inside-forward, was born in Sunderland in 1880.
After spells at Jarrow, Sunderland, Sheffield United and Sunderland (again), he made national news in 1905 for being the first player to be transferred for a fee of £1,000 when Middlesbrough paid for his services.
He scored 58 goals for Middlesbrough in 168 appearances in a five-year spell until 1910 before moving on to Woolwich Arsenal.
At Middlesbrough he was earning the princely sum of £4 a week !
Then, at 32 years of age, he moved to Preston North End where he helped them win the old Second Division title in the 1912-13 season. He also won three England caps, scoring two goals.
He retired in 1914 and became the licensee at the Cleaver Hotel in Darlington for eleven years, and then at the Alma Hotel for the next 18 years until 1943.
He died in 1946 aged 65. He is buried at West Cemetery in Darlington alongside his wife, Ann, who died a year before him.
With the passing years the name of Alf Common becomes lost in the mists of time, yet he lives on in the annals of football history for being that first £1,000 player.

MATCHDAY HELPERS NEEDED

WORTHING UNITED FC WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE ASSISTANCE ON MATCH-DAYS, TO HELP WITH THE SMOOTH RUNNING OF THE CLUB

DUTIES WOULD BE LIGHT, AND MAY INVOLVE JOBS SUCH AS:

- TIDYING THE ENTRANCE AND TEA-HUT AREAS
- MAKING THE PLAYERS' HALF-TIME DRINKS
- RUBBISH DISPOSAL
- ERRANDS TO SAINSBURY'S TO COLLECT FOOD
- RETRIEVAL OF FOOTBALLS
- POST-MATCH CLEARING UP

HELPERS REWARDED WITH A FREE BURGER AND DRINK!

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT A COMMITTEE MEMBER ON MATCH DAYS

STAT ZONE

2026/27 SEASON STATS (ALL COMPETITIONS)

TOP GOALSCORERS



D. KINGSTON



L APPLETON



J. SADLER

MOST APPEARANCES



D. SHERWOOD

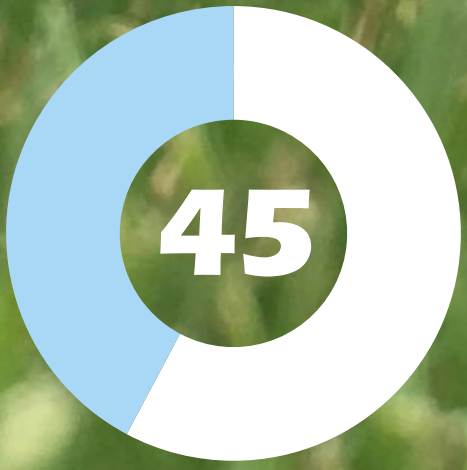


K. TANEV



L APPLETON

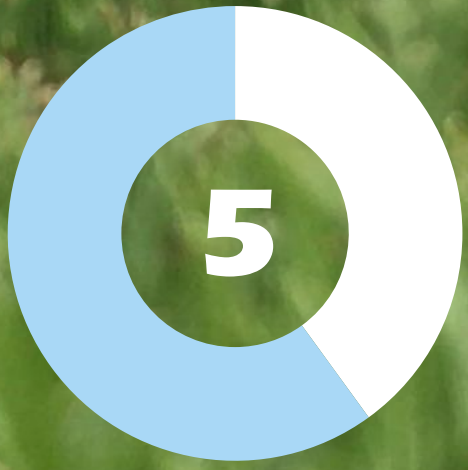
GOALS SCORED



FIRST HALF

SECOND HALF

GOALS CONCEDED



BEST ATTACK IN LEAGUE

BEST DEFENCE IN LEAGUE

DATA CORRECT AS OF 26/09/26

SCFL DIV ONE LEAGUE TABLE

AS OF 26/09/26

Pos	Team	P	GD	PTS
1	Infinity	9	13	24
2	AFC Walcountians	9	19	22
3	Worthing United	8	27	19
4	Reigate Priory	9	11	18
5	Dial Square	8	8	16
6	Jarvis Brook	8	7	16
7	Guildford City	9	10	14
8	Arundel	10	-4	14
9	East Preston	8	3	13
10	Westfield	9	5	12
11	Selsey	10	-8	12
12	Mile Oak	10	-8	11
13	Saltdean United	7	1	10
14	Hailsham Town	9	-3	10
15	Loxwood	9	-4	9
16	Oakwood	9	-14	9
17	Clanfield	7	-9	6
18	Ringmer AFC	9	-16	6
19	Shoreham	9	-19	5
20	Dorking Wanderers B	10	-19	2

RECENT RESULTS

22/09

Worthing United F.C. 4 – 1 Lancing F.C.

26/09

Worthing United F.C. 3 – 1 AFC Walcountians

NEXT UP

06/10

Mile Oak Football Club v Worthing United F.C.

7:30PM

10/10

Hythe Town Football Club v Worthing United F.C.

3PM

13/10

To Excel BRTFC v Worthing United F.C.

7:45PM

17/10

Worthing United F.C. v Infinity F.C.

3PM

HALF TIME QUIZ

ANSWERS



1. The Seekers
2. True (apparently)
3. Marathon
4. 170 (Triple 20, Triple 20, Bullseye)
5. Lyla
6. Stranraer
7. Winklepicker
8. White
9. Joe Root (by some distance)
10. True (Keith is probably the only person to still own this)



SO THIS BLOKE

So the French artist Toulouse Lautrec bought a new pair of trousers, but they didn't fit very well. His wife said "What's the matter, are they too tight Toulouse?

My dog Minton ate a shuttlecock.
I waved a finger at him and said, "Bad Minton"!

I bought some shampoo today. Head and Shoulders.
Cost me an arm and a leg.

I just found out I'm colour blind.
The diagnosis came completely out of the purple.

What do you call a Frenchman wearing sandals ?
Philippe Pholoppe.

I had a curry last night. Chicken tarka.
It's like a chicken tikka but it's a little 'otter.

Apparently, Danny Welbeck's grandfather was a bomb disposal expert. His name was Stan. Stan Welbeck.
Geddit?

Thieves have broken into New Scotland Yard and stolen all the toilets. Police say they've nothing to go on.

US actor William Shatner has closed down his ladies lingerie chain due to complaints about its name - Shatner Panties.

What do you call a herd of cows flying Spitfires ?
The Cattle of Britain.

ABOUT THE OPPOSITION

SALTDEAN UNITED FORMED IN 1966 BY SEVEN FOUNDING MEMBERS WHO WERE INSPIRED BY THE VICTORIOUS ENGLAND WORLD CUP CAMPAIGN. THE CLUB STARTED LIFE IN THE LOCAL BRIGHTON SATURDAY LEAGUE AND GRADUALLY MOVED UP THEIR DIVISIONAL STRUCTURE OVER THE YEARS. FOLLOWING THE ACQUISITION OF THEIR PICTURESQUE GROUND AT HILL PARK IN THE SUBURBS OF BRIGHTON, THE CLUB JOINED DIVISION 3 OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE IN 1984/85. PROMOTION TO DIVISION 2 AND SENIOR FOOTBALL CAME IN 1988/89 WHEN SALTDEAN FINISHED AS CHAMPIONS. THE "TIGERS" COMFORTABLY WON DIVISION 2 IN 1995/96 WITH GAMES TO SPARE. THE TIGERS QUICKLY ESTABLISHED THEMSELVES AS A FORCE IN THE TOP DIVISION, FINISHING 4TH IN THEIR INAUGURAL SEASON AND REACHING THE FINAL OF THE SUSSEX SENIOR CUP. IN 1998/99 THE CLUB FINISHED 2ND, AND 3RD IN 1999/2000 SEASON WHEN THEY ALSO LIFTED THE JOHN O'HARA CUP. IN 2002 THE CLUB SUFFERED ITS FIRST EVER RELEGATION TO DIVISION 2 AND IN 2007 WERE RELEGATED AGAIN BACK TO DIVISION 3. A POSITIVE RUN IN 2011/12 SEASON SAW THE TIGERS SHOW THEIR TRUE SPIRIT AS THEY BEGAN THE STEADY CLIMB BACK UP. AS RUNNERS UP IN THE LEAGUE, THEY WERE PROMOTED BACK TO DIVISION 2 AND LIFTED THE VERNON WENTWORTH CUP. SALTDEAN UTD CAME TOP OF THE LEAGUE IN 2017 GAINING PROMOTION BACK TO THE TOP FLIGHT OF SUSSEX FOOTBALL. IN 2018/19 THE TIGERS WERE THE PROUD WINNERS OF THE PETER BENTLEY CUP. 2021/22 SEASON SAW ANOTHER STRONG FINISH FOR THE TEAM AS RUNNERS UP IN THE LEAGUE AND THE SUSSEX RUR CUP. DESPITE FINISHING SECOND IN THE LEAGUE, SALTDEAN MISSED OUT ON PROMOTION TO STEP 4 DUE TO NOT MEETING THE FA GROUND GRADING REQUIREMENTS. THE 2022/23 SEASON SAW A NEW YOUNG SIDE PUT TOGETHER, FINISHING SIX POINTS CLEAR FROM RELEGATION. THE 2024/25 SEASON WAS NOT A GOOD ONE. ALTHOUGH PUTTING UP A BRAVE FIGHT ALL SEASON, THEY WERE FINALLY RELEGATED TO DIVISION ONE. THE 2025/26 SEASON AGAIN DID NOT START WELL FOR THE MEN'S FIRST TEAM AND AFTER 9 GAMES WITHOUT A WIN, KIERAN RIDLEY STOOD DOWN AS MANAGER. WHILE THE SEARCH WAS ON FOR HIS REPLACEMENT 2 PLAYERS TOOK ON THE ROLE AND MANAGED TO GET THE CLUBS FIRST WIN OF THE SEASON. SHORTLY AFTER THIS AN EX SALTDEAN PLAYER AND PROVEN PREMIER DIVISION MANAGER, LAWRENCE EDWARDS WAS APPOINTED FIRST TEAM MANAGER WHO WENT ON THE SECURE THE CLUB'S POSITION IN DIVISION ONE. 2026/27 WILL BE AN EXCITING NEW ERA FOR THE CLUB. THE SALTDEAN UNITED LEGACY PROJECT WHICH STARTED MANY YEARS AGO IS FINALLY REACHING COMPLETION. THE 3G PITCH AND NEW STAND WAS COMPLETED AND COMMISSIONED IN NOVEMBER 2025. THE FINAL PART OF THE PROJECT, THE NEW CLUBHOUSE, WILL BE COMPLETED AND HANDED OVER IN JULY 2026 JUST IN TIME FOR THE NEW SEASON.

13/12/25

LAST GAME VS TODAY'S OPPOSITION

WORTHING UNITED F.C

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THE WAY WE WERE

One Year Ago.....October 2025

Grimsby Town of League Division 2, who had already knocked out both Manchester United and Sheffield Wednesday from the League Cup, were drawn at home to Premier League side Brentford in the last 16 of the competition. It proved to be a game too far for Grimsby. Brentford won 5-0.

5 Years Ago.....October 2021

Chelsea topped the Premier League nearing the end of October with Liverpool, Manchester City and Brighton in close attendance, On Saturday 23rd October Chelsea demolished bottom club Norwich City 7-0 at Stamford Bridge with Mason Mount scoring a hat-trick.

10 Years Ago.....October 2016

Gary Sprake, former Leeds United and Wales goalkeeper, died aged 71. He made 504 appearances for Leeds between 1962 and 1973 and kept over 200 clean sheets. An excellent goalkeeper, he was also noted for some notorious errors. In 1967, in a match against Liverpool at Anfield, Sprake somehow contrived to throw the ball into his own net, prompting the tannoy announcer at half-time to play a popular song of the day, Des O'Connor's "Careless Hands".

20 Years Ago.....October 2006

Chelsea beat Barcelona 1-0 at Stamford Bridge in a Champions League group match with Didier Drogba scoring the only goal just after the interval. Chelsea's third choice goalkeeper, Hilario, kept the Spaniards at bay and was cheered every time he made a save. He made his first team debut because of head injuries to both Petr Cech and Carlo Cudicini, sustained in the previous Saturday's bruising league match at Reading.

30 Years Ago.....October 1996

Manchester United appeared to be a club in crisis. They were beaten 5-0 away at Newcastle United, and the following Saturday they lost 6-3 at Southampton, the sending off of Roy Keane adding to their misery. The poor run continued with another defeat, 1-0 at Old Trafford against Fenerbahce in the Champions League.

CLUB HISTORY

WORTHING UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB TRACES ITS ROOTS BACK TO WIGMORE ATHLETIC, WHO WERE FOUNDER MEMBERS OF DIVISION TWO OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE IN 1952. SUCCESS CAME IMMEDIATELY AS THE CLUB WON THE DIVISION TWO TITLE IN ITS FIRST SEASON AND GAINED PROMOTION TO DIVISION ONE. OVER THE FOLLOWING DECADES, WIGMORE ESTABLISHED ITSELF WITHIN SUSSEX FOOTBALL, WINNING THE LEAGUE CUP IN 1959–60 AND MAKING ITS DEBUT IN THE FA CUP, WHILE ENJOYING SEVERAL PROMOTIONS AND RELEGATIONS BETWEEN THE COUNTY LEAGUE'S TOP TWO DIVISIONS.

THE CLUB'S STORY HAS ALWAYS BEEN SHAPED BY THE DEDICATION OF LOCAL PEOPLE AND FAMILIES. FEW HAVE HAD A GREATER INFLUENCE THAN THE ALBON FAMILY, WHOSE ASSOCIATION WITH THE CLUB SPANS GENERATIONS. ROBERT ALBON REPRESENTED THE CLUB AS A PLAYER AND TRAGICALLY LOST HIS LIFE WHILST PLAYING. IN RECOGNITION OF HIS MEMORY AND THE FAMILY'S OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO WORTHING UNITED, THE CLUB'S HOME AT LYONS FARM BECAME THE ROBERT ALBON MEMORIAL GROUND. ROBERT'S FATHER, BOB ALBON, WAS AMONG THE FOUNDERS OF WORTHING UNITED FOLLOWING THE MERGER OF WIGMORE ATHLETIC AND SOUTHDOWN FC AND LATER SERVED WITH DISTINCTION AS CLUB PRESIDENT FOR MANY YEARS.

IN 1988, FOLLOWING RELEGATION FROM THE SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE, WIGMORE ATHLETIC MERGED WITH LOCAL SIDE SOUTHDOWN FC TO FORM WORTHING UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB. THE NEWLY FORMED CLUB QUICKLY REBUILT, WINNING PROMOTION FROM DIVISION THREE AND LATER RETURNING TO THE TOP TIER OF SUSSEX FOOTBALL. NOTABLE SUCCESSES INCLUDED PROMOTION UNDER DOMINIC DI PAOLA IN 2010–11 AND NIGEL GEARY'S LEAGUE AND CUP DOUBLE-WINNING SIDE OF 2014–15. THE FORMATION OF THE CLUB WAS DRIVEN BY DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS, INCLUDING BOB ALBON AND LEN KILLPARTRICK, WHOSE VISION AND COMMITMENT HELPED ESTABLISH THE FOUNDATIONS UPON WHICH WORTHING UNITED CONTINUES TO BUILD TODAY.

WORTHING UNITED HAS ALSO ENDURED MOMENTS OF PROFOUND SADNESS. IN 2015, THE CLUB WAS DEEPLY AFFECTED BY THE LOSS OF PLAYERS MATTHEW GRIMSTONE AND JACOB SCHILT IN THE SHOREHAM AIR CRASH. THE RESPONSE FROM THE FOOTBALL COMMUNITY AND THE CLUB'S SUPPORTERS DEMONSTRATED THE STRENGTH, RESILIENCE AND TOGETHERNESS THAT HAVE ALWAYS BEEN AT THE HEART OF WORTHING UNITED. IN THE IMMEDIATE AFTERMATH OF THE TRAGEDY, THE CLUB RETIRED MATTHEW'S NUMBER 1 SHIRT AND JACOB'S NUMBER 11 SHIRT. TO MARK THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SHOREHAM AIR CRASH IN 2025, WORTHING UNITED PERMANENTLY RETIRED BOTH NUMBERS, ENSURING THAT THE MEMORY OF MATTHEW AND JACOB WILL FOREVER REMAIN PART OF THE CLUB'S HISTORY.

ANOTHER FIGURE WHOSE CONTRIBUTION HAS BEEN INSTRUMENTAL TO THE CLUB'S SUCCESS IS MARK SANDERSON. SINCE FIRST BECOMING INVOLVED AS A VOLUNTEER IN 1995, MARK HAS SERVED WORTHING UNITED IN NUMEROUS CAPACITIES AND DEDICATED COUNTLESS HOURS TO ITS DEVELOPMENT BOTH ON AND OFF THE PITCH. TODAY, HE CONTINUES TO PLAY A CENTRAL ROLE AS CHAIRMAN, SECRETARY AND GROUNDSMAN.

FROM ITS BEGINNINGS AS WIGMORE ATHLETIC TO THE PRESENT DAY, WORTHING UNITED HAS REMAINED A COMMUNITY CLUB BUILT ON HARD WORK, LOYALTY AND LOCAL PRIDE. THE FOUNDATIONS LAID BY THE CLUB'S FOUNDERS, THE DEDICATION OF VOLUNTEERS, AND THE COMMITMENT OF GENERATIONS OF PLAYERS, OFFICIALS AND SUPPORTERS HAVE CREATED A CLUB THAT CONTINUES TO THRIVE WHILE HONOURING THE LEGACY OF THOSE WHO HELPED MAKE IT WHAT IT IS TODAY. LEN CONTINUES TO SERVE THE CLUB AS PRESIDENT, PROVIDING AN ENDURING LINK BETWEEN WORTHING UNITED'S FORMATION AND ITS FUTURE.

CLUB OFFICIALS

- LEN KILPATRICK - PRESIDENT
- PETER SAYWELL – VICE PRESIDENT, COMMITTEE MEMBER
- MARGARET SAYWELL – VICE PRESIDENT, COMMITTEE MEMBER
- PHIL GRIMSTONE – VICE PRESIDENT
- SUE GRIMSTONE – VICE PRESIDENT
- PAULINE GRIMSTONE – VICE PRESIDENT
- BOB SCHILT – VICE PRESIDENT
- CAROLINE SCHILT – VICE PRESIDENT

- MARK SANDERSON – CHAIRMAN, SECRETARY, GROUNDSMAN, COMMITTEE MEMBER
- JAMIE SANDERSON – ASSISTANT SECRETARY, SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER, COMMITTEE MEMBER
- ELLIE SANDERSON – CLUB WELFARE OFFICER, TREASURER, COMMITTEE MEMBER
- GRAHAM HILL – COMMITTEE MEMBER
- IAN HALL-SMITH – COMMITTEE MEMBER
- BRIAN HUNDLEY – COMMITTEE MEMBER
- KIERAN LE MANQUAIS – COMMITTEE MEMBER, PROGRAMME EDITOR
- MATT BURGESS – COMMITTEE MEMBER
- KEITH PERRYMAN – COMMITTEE MEMBER

DAVE MACKAY AND LENNY THE LION

Dave Mackay was as hard as nails. He was a left-half who took no prisoners. If he was a recipient of a bad tackle, he'd take a mental note of the offender, and at some stage in the game Mackay would get his revenge !



Born in Edinburgh in 1934, he had six successful years at Heart of Midlothian before being snapped up by Tottenham Hotspur in 1959 for a fee of £32,000. He was a cornerstone of Spurs' double-winning side of 1960-61, and won five major trophies whilst at White Hart Lane.

When Mackay and his wife first moved down to London they immediately began to search for accommodation. They fell in love with a sizable flat and decided to move in. Unbeknown to them, the flat's previous occupant had been a famous ventriloquist named Terry Hall. Together with his soppy puppet Lenny the Lion, Hall had his own TV show in the early 1960s. It drew huge audiences. One week The Beatles were the special guests. Lenny the Lion had a high-pitched voice with a lisp, and frequently spoke his catchphrase "Aw, don't embawass me" !

Whilst exploring their new abode, Mackay found a crumpled up Lenny the Lion puppet in the bottom of a cupboard.

"We better tell Terry Hall", he said, "he'll be looking for him" !

His wife assured him there was no panic, and that Hall would have at least half a dozen Lenny the Lions at any given time. The whole episode is a true story.

Dave Mackay left Spurs in 1968 and after spells at Derby County and Swindon Town, he retired in 1972. He died in 2015 aged 80.



Terry Hall continued to perform, with Lenny advertising Trebor Mints for three years.

Hall died in 2007, also aged 80.

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