

THE YELLOW AND BLACK



Wincanton Town vs Lebeq United

Saturday 26th September 2020 – Kick Off 3.00 pm Toolstation Western League Division 1



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Wise Words

Good afternoon and welcome to Moor Lane for our latest home Toolstation Western League Division One match of the season. We would like to welcome the players, the officials and the supporters of Lebeq United Football Club who have made the trip down the A37 for today's game. It is Lebeq's first visit to Wincanton, as last years fixture was scheduled to be played after the season was curtailed. Lebeq have made a good start to the season and currently sit in second spot in the early season table. A 3-2 loss to Ashton and Backwell on Tuesday night saw Ashton over take Lebeq at the summit. Two impressive away wins at Longwell Green following a remarkable 5-1 success at Cheddar on the opening day means we know we are in for a very tough encounter today. Speaking from our own experiences of Cheddar away this season that is some result!!

We come into the game in confident mood ourselves, our performance was decent and we certainly deserved more from last Saturday's loss at Ashton & Backwell. We missed some good chances in the first half that really should have seen us go in at half time with a good lead. Some poor finishing coupled with good goal keeping kept us out, and then the old sucker punch on the stroke of half time - we didn't properly clear a corner and they bundle it home from close range undoing what had been a promising first half. Ashton then added a second early on in the second half, but we responded immediately with Jamie Thompson pulling one back. Try as we might we couldn't find the equaliser we deserved. Onto Tuesday night and we certainly got the result and score that our performance deserved. It was a very comprehensive display as we cruised to our first points of the season, winning 4-0 against Bishops Lydeard. Louis Irwin gave us the dream start, scoring our first goal inside the opening 10 minutes, and from there we didn't look back. Mike Taylor's header just before half time gave us a good cushion to take into the break. Toby scored early on in the second half which sealed the points and I can only remember Sam having to make one save of any note. Toby added his second before the post denied him a deserved hat trick late on. Hopefully this was the win we needed to kick start our season.

We are back here on Tuesday evening as we welcome Welton Rovers to Moor Lane. Kick off is at 7:30 pm. Our first two attendances have been good, but we would always like to see some more support from the town. Please spread the word and perhaps bring along a friend to help support us and cheer on some good local talent.

Thank you for your support and hope that you enjoy the game.

Chris Wise



Mike Taylor rises highest to head away an Ashton & Backwell corner - 19/09/20

On The Road

HENGROVE ATHLETIC VS WINCANTON TOWN

Saturday 3rd October 2020 Toolstation Western League Division 1

AVB Stadium, Norton Lane, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0BT / Tel - 07884 492217



From Wincanton follow the A371 to Shepton Mallet
Then continue on the A37 towards Bristol
In Whitchurch village follow signs for Whitehall Garden Centre into Norton Lane.
The ground is on the left immediately after Garden Centre



Club Information

Spectators will be charged an entrance fee of £5.00 per game (adults), £3.00 per game (concession) and £1.00 per child. The cost of a Wincanton Town Football Club programme is £1.00. The monies raised on the gate help to cover the officials, the linesmen and the referee expenses. Any spectators entering the pitch illegally will be asked to pay and potentially fined, alternatively will be asked to leave.

Wincanton Town Football Club tries to keep the entrance fees as competitive as possible, but please appreciate that every game W.T.F.C. plays costs money, which obviously has to be raised by some means in order to keep the club running. We thank you for your understanding.

WARNING - OBJECTIONABLE BEHAVIOUR

It has been stated many times that neither, FOUL, ABUSIVE nor RACIST LANGUAGE will be tolerated within the league.

The Football Association has issued further guidelines to match officials regarding the handling of any situation which may bring the league, club or indeed the whole game into disrepute.



It is a problem that everyone in our game must take responsibility for, in an effort to eradicate it.

Paying spectators are the lifeblood of every club and if they stay away from games because of objectionable behaviour of others, then everyone will suffer.

Team managers and players are encouraged to lead the way in ridding the game of an unnecessary evil, setting an example both on and off the field of play.

RACIST REMARKS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AND ALL REPORTED INCIDENTS WILL BE DEALT WITH IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE WAY.

Wincanton Town F.C. HOTLINE

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Match Report

Ashton & Backwell United 2 Wincanton Town 1 - Saturday 19th September 2020 Toolstation Western League Division 1 - Report by Chris Martin

On a sunny, warm but breezy afternoon Wincanton took on Ashton and Backwell United at the Lancer Scott Stadium looking to gain their first points of the season following three early defeats. Wincanton started the better of the two sides and very much on the front foot as the home side struggled to get out of their half as Wincanton passed the ball around slickly in midfield but lacked the final killer ball.

The first meaningful effort on goal from either side came from Jamie Thompson as Tom Richardson flick was picked up by Thompson who fired across the face of goal and just wide of the upright on 14 minutes. Excellent distribution from goal keeper Sam Stroud set up Wincanton's next opportunity as his long throw deceived the defender and Toby Cole found himself one on one with the keeper but could only poke the ball wide of the post as the keeper advanced on 20 minutes.

Wincanton had a let off on the half hour mark as following a shot from the edge of the box - which was parried by Stroud - only to see Saul Jarrett poke home the Rebound, but thankfully the linesman had his flag up and the 'goal' was chalked off for offside. The half became end to end as Ashton would have a go but failing to create a meaningful effort and then Wincanton would respond as both sides pressed for the opening goal. Captain Dan Wise fired into the side netting from the edge of the area following Cole's pull back on 32 minutes, before Cole found himself through one on one with the keeper again on 35 minutes and his shot was excellently saved by the keeper tipping it around the post only to see the officials award a goal kick.

For the third time in the half Cole found himself with only the keeper to beat from Richardson's through ball and another excellent save from the Ashton keeper to thwart Cole again. On 44 minutes a real sucker punch for Wincanton for all their dominance of the first half just found themselves 1-0 down as Town failed to clear a corner and the loose ball found that man Jarrett who fired home and there was no offside flag this time to saves the visitors.

Ashton and Backwell increased their lead on 55 minutes from a corner, Saul Jarrett made a nuisance of himself distracting keeper Sam Stroud as the corner came over. Jacob Spence met the ball with a powerful header and despite Stroud getting a hand to the ball made its way into the back of the net - 2-0. Wincanton dusted themselves down and responded immediately, reducing the deficit to 2-1 as Jamie Thompson fired home from the edge of the box after the Ashton keeper again thwarted Cole

with his low drive saved by the keeper's feet.

Wincanton pushed to try and get back into the game, but the second half became a scrappy affair with lots of fouls breaking up the play as Wincanton became more and more frustrated in their search for an equaliser.

Stroud was forced into a good save on 85 minutes as Ashton counter, but Wincanton could not get that equaliser their first half dominance deserved and so move onto Tuesday night against Bishop's Lydeard still looking for those illusive first points of the season.

Team - Sam Stroud, Jamie Irwin, Tom Frampton, Mike Taylor, Harry Turner, Jamie Thompson, Jack Atkins, Dan Wise, Tom Richardson, Louis Irwin, Toby Cole.

Subs - Max Hinds (for Jamie Thompson), Connor Williams (for Jack Atkins)

Attendance: 65



Wincanton push for an equaliser at Ashton & Backwell - 19/09/20

Western League Round-up

The Bulletin Issue #03 - Sat 19th Sept - FA Vase Qualifying Round 1

Keynsham Town produced a sterling fight back to claim a 3-2 win away at Bodmin Town in one of the pick of the ties. After trailing by two goals to nil, the K's gave themselves a little bit of hope in the final moments of the first half when Nathan Curnock LEAGUI grabbed a goal back. With 20 minutes left on the clock, Matt Brown pulled the Western League side level, and then in the closing stages they completed their comeback thanks to a late winner from Jack Dancey. There were plenty of other bright spots for Toolstation sides in Saturday's Vase fixtures, with Wells amongst them after they cruised to a 6-0 win over Godolphin Atlantic. After scoring a plethora of goals last year, Harry Foster was back in form for the Somerset side, somehow managing to score four of his sides' six goals despite missing from the penalty spot. Scott Hatcher played a starring role in Welton's 4-1 success at home to Cullompton Rangers, laying off four assists for his teammates during the big win. Joe Garland, Chris Pile, Kyle Box and Courtney Charles all profited from Hatcher's final pass to book Welton's spot in the next round.

Things are looking up for Bridport who beat St Austell 4-3 to finally get their first win of the season at the fifth attempt. Goals from Kris Hastings, Matt Searle and Will Gape helped give the home side a 3-2 lead, only for their visitors from Cornwall to level things just after the hour mark. With quarter of an hour left on the clock, new signing Liam Sayers teed up Ben Haines who slammed the ball home to give Bridport the win. In one of the most wild encounters of the afternoon, Cheddar come out on top of a nine-goal epic away at Sidmouth. Goals from Callum Laird, Kris Bell and Callum Ham gave the Cheesemen a 3-1 advantage early in the second half, before Sidmouth hit back to level things soon after thanks mainly to Scott Hughes who claimed a treble. Adam Wright was set up by Reece Ferguson to restore Cheddar's lead, and had the opportunity to add another but were thwarted from the penalty spot. The Vikings took advantage of that miss to draw level once again, but Cheddar weren't to be denied, and shortly after they were awarded another penalty, Ham stepped up and this time beat the keeper to give Cheddar the 5-4 victory.

Street were also successful on their visit to Cornwall, with Kyle Strange's hat-trick helping lead them to a 6-3 win over Newquay. After their hosts had raced into an early two-goal lead, Street scored four times in a stunning 12 minute spell at the end of the first half to turn the game on its head, with Ollie Pearson, Strange, Alessandro Costanza and Oscar Latas all finding the back of the net. The Cobblers didn't let up at the beginning of the second half, with Strange scoring twice more before the hour

mark to claim the huge win. There were also a number of tight contests which had to be settled by spot kicks, with Exmouth Town among those to progress from 12 yards following their goalless draw with Mousehole. Luke Crewe made a vital save to rubber stamp Hengrove's 5-4 penalty shootout victory over Wellington after the tie had finished 2-2 at the end of 90 minutes. In another all-Western League affair, Longwell Green Sports scored all five of the penalties to knock out Radstock, while Brislington enjoyed shootout success at Odd Down with keeper George Dorrington pulling off a crucial stop. Unfortunately for Portishead and Corsham, their Vase runs were brought to an end following penalty defeats to Ilfracombe and Brockenhurst.

There was mixed success for Wiltshire sides on the Isle of Wight on with Westbury United progressing to the next round, but Devizes Town fell at the first hurdle. In an astonishing game at East Cowes Victoria Athletic, Westbury scored just one of the three penalties they were awarded during a 2-1 triumph. After Joe Stradling missed from 12 yards early on for the visitors, East Cowes capitalised to lead by a goal at the interval. Another effort from the spot cannoned back off the post for Westbury, but they got the equaliser they deserved soon after thanks to Sam Jordan. The Vics failed to learn from their earlier mistakes, and conceded a third penalty in the closing stages, with Westbury finally making their dominance count when Jordan Pinder slammed the ball home. On the other side of the River Medina, penalties also played a deciding factor in Devizes defeat against Cowes Sports. In a tight contest, the game eventually boiled down to a penalty shootout, with the Yachtsmen prevailing 5-4.

Two early goals from Luke Boyle weren't enough for Bishops Lydeard who suffered a 4-2 loss away at St Blazey, while Almondsbury conceded four times in the second half on their way to a 5-1 defeat on the road at Camelford. A goal just before half-time from Tyrone Tucker-Dixon saw Chipping Sodbury Town defeated 1-0 by Bishops Cleeve, while Shepton Mallet struck twice in the final 20 minutes to see off Bishop Sutton. Having gone in front thanks to a header from Asa White, Shepton saw their lead cancelled out when Oaklan Buck levelled for the First Division side. Mallet's advantage was restored 20 minutes from time when Matty Morris struck from the penalty spot, with a screamer from Nathan Legge completing the victory.

On Sunday, Calne went the way of many of the other Western League sides, losing a penalty shootout away at Newport Isle of Wight. Having gone ahead in either half of normal time through Lewis McCarron and Jamie Walters, the Lilywhites squandered their winning position on both occasions before suffering a 5-3 defeat on spot kicks.

Premier Division

Tavistock booked their spot in the semi finals of the delayed Les Phillips Cup thanks to a 4-0 victory over Warminster. The First Division outfit have had an excellent start

to the season, but that came undone in Devon from the moment they were reduced to ten men midway through the first half. The Lambs took advantage, and after goals either side of the break from Liam Prynn had put them two goals to the good, substitute Jack Crago and then Josh Grant wrapped up the comfortable win.

Premier Division

A five-goal second half blitz from Plymouth Parkway saw them extend their winning start to the campaign against Cribbs. After drawing a blank before the break, Rob Farkins set the home side on their way with a powerful header in the early stages of the second stanza. Ryan Richards then took over the contest, scoring a hat-trick in just 17 minutes, before Levi Landricombe added Parkway's fifth in added time. Two goals from Ben Bament helped Roman Glass St George beat Clevedon Town 3-0. The prolific Bament struck twice in the first half to put Glass in command, before skipper Lewis Wentland met Ryan Dunn's corner to complete the scoring.

The only other side to win on their travels in the division on Saturday were Cadbury Heath, with Sam Crumb's debut goal in the 83rd minute leading them to a 1-0 victory over Buckland. Bridgwater Town produced an excellent second-half comeback to hand Hallen a 2-1 defeat. Sacha Tong's scrambled finish was cancelled out five minutes into the second half by Jack Taylor, with the influential Taylor then playing in Sam Towler who lobbed the visiting keeper 13 minutes from time to complete Town's come from behind victory. Bitton also overturned a deficit on their way to three points, with Ibrahima Diallo notching a brace in their 3-2 defeat of Bradford. Morgan Marsh's header gave the Bobcats an early lead, only for Diallo to level things from the penalty spot. Bitton's Matt Tanner continued his strong start, edging the home side in front prior to half-time, with Diallo then extending the lead to 3-1 with his second of the afternoon. Lewis Powell followed up his goal during the midweek with another 25 minutes from time, but Bradford weren't able to find an equaliser and suffered another away loss.

Division One

There were just three games in the first division and all of the home sides prevailed on Saturday afternoon. Sherborne snatched victory at the death against Oldland to end their losing start. The away side went in front after 17 minutes with Taylor Fox driving the ball past the Sherborne keeper from just inside the area. The Zebras got back on level terms just prior to half-time through Alex Murphy, and then with time running out, Haydn Hodges pounced to hand Sherborne the three points. Ashton & Backwell registered their third win as efforts from Saul Jarret and Jacob Spence proved to be enough for them to squeak past Wincanton 2-1. The early pacesetters are Lebeq United after they toppled Bristol Telephones 3-2 at Oaklands Park, with Shah Bhakerd and Rick Davis among the scorers once more for the home side.

TWL Division 1 Table

		Р	W	D	L	F	Α	PTS
1	Ashton & Backwell Utd	5	4	0	1	14	9	12
2	Lebeq United	5	3	1	1	14	7	10
3	Warminster Town	3	3	0	0	9	3	9
4	Portishead Town	4	3	0	1	9	4	9
5	Calne Town	2	2	0	0	5	2	6
6	Welton Rovers	2	2	0	0	5	2	6
7	Radstock Town	3	2	0	1	5	4	6
8	Almondsbury	4	2	0	2	5	8	6
9	Corsham Town	1	1	0	0	3	0	3
10	Wells City	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
11	Bishop Sutton	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
12	Cheddar	4	1	0	3	9	11	3
13	Bristol Telephones	4	1	0	3	6	8	3
14	Oldland Abbotonians	4	1	0	3	5	7	3
15	Wincanton Town	5	1	0	4	8	13	3
16	Sherborne Town	4	1	0	3	3	8	3
17	Hengrove Athletic	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
18	Devizes Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Longwell Green Sports	3	0	0	3	4	9	0
20	Bishops Lydeard	4	0	0	4	2	13	0

Table after games on Wednesday 23rd September 2020

Wincanton Town - Fixtures and

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Sat 5 Sep	Almondsbury	(A)	TWL1	1-2	95	Stroud	Davis	Frampton	Taylor	Bi
Tue 8 Sep	Warminster Town	(H)	TWL1	1-2	102	Stroud	Davis	Frampton	Richardson	Tur
Fri 11 Sep	Cheddar	(A)	TWL1	1-7	82	Stroud	Taylor	Frampton	Richardson	Tur
Sat 19 Sep	Ashton & Backwell	(A)	TWL1	1-2	65	Stroud	J. Irwin	Frampton	Taylor	Tur
Tue 22 Sep	Bishops Lydeard	(H)	TWL1	4-0	62	Stroud	J. Irwin	Chapman	Taylor (1)	Tur
Sat 26 Sep	Lebeq United	(H)	TWL1							
Tue 29 Sep	Welton Rovers	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 3 Oct	Hengrove Athletic	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 10 Oct	Bishop Sutton	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 17 Oct	Devizes Town	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 24 Oct	Longwell Green	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 31 Oct	Corsham Town	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 7 Nov	Portishead Town	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 14 Nov	Wells City	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 21 Nov	Bishop Sutton	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 28 Nov	Radstock Town	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 12 Dec	Calne Town	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 19 Dec	Bristol Telephones	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 26 Dec	Sherborne Town	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 2 Jan	Wells City	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 9 Jan	Devizes Town	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 16 Jan	Calne Town	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 23 Jan	Ashton & Backwell	(H)	TWL1							
Fri 29 Jan	Cheddar	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 6 Feb	Warminster Town	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 13 Feb	Oldland Abboton.	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 20 Feb	Lebeq United	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 13 Mar	Bristol Telephones	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 20 Mar	Bishops Lydeard	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 27 Mar	Radstock Town	(H)	TWL1							
Fri 2 Apr	Sherborne Town	(A)	TWL1							
Mon 5 Apr	Almondsbury	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 10 Apr	Corsham Town	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 17 Apr	Hengrove Athletic	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 24 Apr	Welton Rovers	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 1 May	Oldland Abboton.	(A)	TWL1							
Sat 8 May	Portishead Town	(H)	TWL1							
Sat 15 May	Longwell Green	(A)	TWL1							
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Wincanton Welcomes Lebeq United

Formed in 2009, Lebeq widely known throughout local Bristol football as a Sunday league side decided that a new venture was needed and Saturday football offered the club this opportunity. Lebeq United F.C. entered the Bristol and Suburban Association Football League, Division Three, for the start of the 2009 / 10 season under the management of Clifford Goulbourne and George Philipou (secretary).



The campaign began well and it was not long before Lebeq's talented squad asserted themselves on the league winning promotion as they finished as runners-up in their first season. The following season the club once again progressed and were promoted to Division One.

In 2013/14 Derry Nathasingh came in and immediately imposed himself and brought to the club the much needed stability, securing many new quality players, essential to be able to compete in the higher divisions of the league. Success followed and Lebeq United were promoted to the Premier Division One for 2014/15 season. After a disappointing campaign, a fresh new strategy was now needed and Derry became the second casualty for Lebeq's massive ambitions and the club introduced a new joint management team for the beginning of the 2015/16 campaign of Rayan Wilson and Benjamin McLeod.

A hard and difficult season followed but all the hard work was eventually rewarded when the club lifted the Suburban Premier Division 1 league Title and came very close to becoming double winners that season when they were beaten finalists in the Hillard Bosely cup.

After Rayan Wilson's brief spell away from the club he returned in the late 2017/18 season and narrowly missed out on promotion. He set his own target of changing this disappointment, and trying to make it a reality for the up and coming 2018/19 season. With some outstanding performances and only losing 3 games in a chase for the title the team and management achieved their goal by winning the Marcliff Gloucestershire County Football League and getting promoted for the first time in the clubs history into the Toolstation Western League Division 1.

Our first season in the Western League was hampered by the Global Pandemic, but after our first taste of the great standard of football at this level we have hopefully learned a lot in our short stay and can hopefully compete and give a few teams a problem to maintain our quest of moving up through the leagues.

Rolling back the years

We've Met Before:

Lebeq were promoted into the Toolstation Western League as the Gloucestershire County League Champions of 2017/18. Today's will see just the second meeting between the two sides and it will be the first one to be played here at Moor Lane.

Lebeq had far the better of that game at Oaklands Park, running out 5-1 winners a year ago in September 2019. It was also the first time that Wincanton suffered defeat in the league with the Wasps having previously enjoyed an unbeaten start to the season taking 14 points from the first six matches.

Cameron Brown gave hosts Lebeq the lead after 20 minutes, and the game remained relatively even for the open hour. However that was when Christian Dacosta took charge of the game with an 18 minute hat-trick. Rick Davis added a fifth in the final few minutes. Louis Irwin grabbing a consolation on a bad day for the Wasps.

September 26th - in Wincanton Town history

2009 - Wincanton Town 4 Bridport Reserves 0 (Dorset Premier League)

2015 - Wincanton Town 0 Portishead Town 5 (Western League Division 1)

2017 - Wincanton Town 1 Bishops Lydeard 3 (Western League Division 1)

Wincanton Town in the Western League (stats include 19/20 season)

Overall - P: 274 W: 117 D: 53 L: 104 F: 567 A: 520 PTS: 404

Home - P: 138 W: 69 D: 26 L: 43 F: 330 A: 246 PTS: 233

Overall - P: 136 W: 48 D: 27 L: 61 F: 237 A: 274 PTS: 171

Best finish - 4th in both seasons 2013 / 14 and 2014 / 15

Biggest win - Wincanton Town 10 Bristol Telephones 0 - April 27th 2019

Biggest loss - Cheddar 7 Wincanton Town 1 - September 11th 2020



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This week's column is by Sam Emery

Football hangs in the balance following the latest tightening of restrictions by the government which could last for the next six months in an attempt to limit the rise of coronavirus cases. No sooner had the 20-21 season kicked off at Steps 3 and 4 last weekend in front of limited crowds, did it look like it may be nearing its suspension.

The National League campaign had been scheduled to start on October 3 with the intention of fans being allowed back in grounds at Steps 1 and 2 but Prime Minister Boris Johnson confirmed on Tuesday (22nd) this would not be allowed to happen. It is believed the division will not start without fans. Four test events were scheduled to take place involving National League clubs in front of 1,000 fans and three of the friendly fixtures went ahead on Tuesday. Notts County against York City, scheduled for Saturday (26th), suspended ticket sales following the new restrictions pending further updates from the government and football authorities.

This is an ever-changing scenario and at the time of writing it is impossible to say what will happen next. Local lockdowns in north England shows crowds in football grounds are on a knife edge. At midnight last Thursday (17th), restrictions were introduced in the north-east aimed at halting the rise in coronavirus cases. clubs at Step 6 and above can play on for now although there is a possibility the 30 per cent capacities could be reduced back to 15 per cent. As part of the measures, people are "advised not to attend amateur or semi professional sporting events as a spectator", which has only added to a confusing picture.

Where the latest restrictions leaves football remains to be seen but never has it been more important for clubs and particularly fans from Step 3 and below to follow the rules and protocols in order to keep stadiums open.

Fans must cooperate with social distancing at games – clubs do not have the finance to deploy an army of stewards to make sure they are doing so at all times during games.

In Reserve

Wincanton Town Reserves - Dorset Senior League

Sat 12 Sept	Merley Cobham Sports Reserves	(A)	Lost	0-4
Sat 19 Sept	Mere Town	(H)	Won	2-0
Sat 26 Sept	Beaminster	(A)		
Sat 3 Oct	Hamworthy Recreation Reserves	(H)		
Sat 10 Oct	Mere Town	(A)		
Sat 17 Oct	Westland Sports Reserves	(H)		
Sat 24 Oct	Poole Borough	(A)		
Sat 31 Oct	Hamworthy Recreation Reserves	(A)		

Current League Table (19/09/20)

		P	W	D	L	F	Α	PTS
1	Chickerell United	2	2	0	0	9	3	6
2	Tisbury United	2	2	0	0	8	2	6
3	Sturminster Marshall	2	2	0	0	4	0	6
4	Cranborne	2	2	0	0	4	1	6
5	Merley Cobham Reserves	2	1	1	0	7	3	4
6	Stalbridge	2	1	1	0	6	3	4
7	Broadstone FC Seniors	2	1	0	1	4	5	3
8	Mere Town	2	1	0	1	2	3	3
9	Wincanton Town Reserves	2	1	0	1	2	4	3
10	Poole Borough	2	0	0	2	0	2	0
11	Dorchester Sports Reserves	2	0	0	2	3	6	0
11	Hamworthy Rec Reserves	2	0	0	2	2	6	0
13	Beaminster	2	0	0	2	2	8	0
14	Westland Sports Reserves	2	0	0	2	2	9	0

Fixtures and Results

Tuesday 22nd September - F.A. Cup Qualifying Round 1

Chichester City 3-1 Cribbs

Swindon Supermarine 3-0 Shepton Mallet Winchester City 3-2 Clevedon Town

Toolstation Western League Premier Division

Bridport	2-0	Bridgwater Town	Att: 100
Hallen	2-2	Keynsham Town	Att: 123
Chipping Sodbury Town	0-2	Roman Glass St George	Att: 59
Plymouth Parkway	0-0	Buckland Athletic	Att: 300

Division One

Wincanton Town	4-0	Bishops Lydeard	Att: 62
Welton Rovers	3-1	Sherborne Town	Att: 91
Portishead Town	3-2	Longwell Green Sports	Att: 68
Bristol Telephones	2-1	Cheddar	Att: 42
Almondsbury	2-1	Oldland Abbotonians	Att: 61

Wednesday 23rd September - F.A. Cup Qualifying Round 1

Larkhall Athletic 3-2 Bitton

Tavistock 2-2 Gosport Borough Att: 223 (Penalties 4-5)

Toolstation Western League Premier Division

Cadbury Heath	2-4	Bradford Town	Att: 147
Street	1-2	Exmouth Town	Att: 77

Division One

Lebeq United 2-3 Ashton & Backwell Utd Att: 63

Saturday 26th September - Toolstation Western League Premier Division

Bradford Town	VS	Clevedon Town
Bridgwater Town	VS	Exmouth Town
Brislington	VS	Plymouth Parkway
Buckland Athletic	VS	Chipping Sodbury Town
Odd Down	VS	Bridport

Roman Glass St George \	vs Cadbur	y Heath
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Shepton Mallet vs Bit	tton
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Street vs Wellington
Tavistock vs Hallen
Westbury United vs Cribbs

Division One

Almondsbury	VS	Bristol Telephones
Bishops Lydeard	VS	Welton Rovers

Calne Town vs Longwell Green Sports

Devizes Town vs Cheddar

Radstock Town vs Corsham Town

Sherborne Town vs Ashton & Backwell United

Warminster Town vs Bishop Sutton
Wells City vs Hengrove Athletic
Wincanton Town vs Lebeq United

Tuesday 29th September - Toolstation Western League Premier Division

Bitton vs Cribbs

Bridgwater Town vs Buckland Athletic

Chipping Sodbury Town vs Hallen

Keynsham Town vs Bradford Town Odd Down vs Brislington

Division One

Bishop Sutton vs Calne Town
Wincanton Town vs Welton Rovers

Wednesday 30th September - Toolstation Western League Premier Division

Cadbury Heath vs Street

Clevedon Town vs Shepton Mallet

Exmouth Town vs Bridport

Roman Glass St George vs Westbury United Wellington vs Plymouth Parkway

Division One

Bishops Lydeard vs Portishead Town Radstock Town vs Oldland Abbotonians

Sherborne Town vs Wells City

Who Are We???

Wincanton Town Football Club - Recent Club History

Wincanton Town Football Club was founded in 1890 and played most of its football in the Yeovil and District Football League at Dancing Lane on West Hill. In the early to mid 1990's the West Hill ground was sold to fund Wincanton's new Sports ground development on Moor Lane to the south west of the town. The club continues to play here still today.



During the club's recent history, they progressed significantly in the late 1980's by winning the Yeovil and District League Division 2 in 1988/89, winning Division 1 the following season before completing a notable hat-trick in 1990/91 as they became the Yeovil and District Premier Division Champions. Wincanton remained within the Yeovil league set up for the next few years and in 2002/03 with Mike Hatcher as the first team manager the side finished as runners up in the Premier Division. This then allowed the club to apply for promotion into the Somerset County League to which they were accepted. The club adapted well to the new 'Senior' level of football as they finished their first season as runners up in Division 3 thus securing back to back promotions. Town scored over 100 goals along the way. In 2006 and following two seasons of mid table finishes in Somerset Senior League Division 2, the club made the decision to move over the border to play in the Dorset County League. Wincanton were allocated a space in the Dorset Senior League for season 2006/07. The side managed by Wayne Jerome stormed to the title winning a 20 game league season by a 10 point margin and as a result were promoted into the Dorset Premier League.

The club finished in a creditable 5th position in its first season in the DPL, and then followed this up with three mid table finishes of 8th, 9th and 7th. Paul Down was appointed as first team manager in the summer of 2010, and in his second season (2011/12) the club finished in 4th position losing just 3 league matches all season. The following season (2012/13) saw the club do even better as Wincanton finished as runners up to Portland United. This allowed the club to apply for promotion to the Toolstation Western Football League. During the season Wincanton won 25 of their 34 league matches and scored over 100 goals in the process. Wincanton worked their way through to the final of the Somerset Senior Cup and a 1-0 win against Brislington Reserves in a match played at Street Football Club saw Town add a trophy to the cabinet in the final game of a memorable season. Things got even better as early on in the summer of 2013 Wincanton received confirmation that they had been accepted into the Toolstation Western League for the following season. A busy summer then lay ahead as big changes at the club had to be made both on and

off the pitch. The committee worked hard to ensure floodlights, hard standing and fencing was installed on time to achieve the league's ground grading rules. Gary Johnson then manager of Yeovil Town Football Club officially switched on the club's new floodlights in October 2013. His then Championship first team squad played a match to celebrate the switching on of the lights. Yeovil won 8-0 but a crowd of more than 450 watched the fixture. In the league the team finished its first season in the Western League in a very creditable 4th spot scoring 116 league goals.

Season 2014/15 saw the club enter the F.A. Vase for the first time, however Wessex League Bemerton Heath Harlequins proved too strong and won the tie at Moor Lane 5-0. The team repeated their 4th position finish in the league and were one of only two sides to defeat runaway champions Barnstaple Town. A run to the quarter finals of the Les Phillips Cup was ended by the eventual Cup winners Willand Rovers. At the end of the season manager Paul Down announced he would be standing down after five successful seasons in charge.

Season 2015/16 saw Andy Mitchell and Chris Wise take charge of the club as joint managers. A tough first half to the season with a completely new look team saw the team struggling in the bottom three, however the New Year saw the side enjoy better fortunes and a strong second half to the campaign saw the Wasps climb to a respectable 16th position. This season also saw the club enter the F.A. Cup for the first time and Wincanton beat Wessex League Premier division side (1 step higher) Whitchurch United 3-1 in a replay at Moor Lane following a 1-1 draw in Hampshire. That victory earned the club an away tie at Southern league side Winchester City, a tie we would eventually lose 5-1 but a good experience for all concerned.

The 2016/2017 season was the 2nd under the Wise and Mitchell reign and with a settled squad the club looked destined for a solid top half finish until injuries to some key players disrupted things around Christmas time and meant the Wasps finished in 13th place overall. Season 2017/2018 season saw a management shuffle with Chris Wise being the sole manager and having Andy Mitchell and Gary Chapman as his playing assistants. A 10th placed finish was secured as well as a first win in the F.A. Vase, 2-1 at Bridport from the league above.

For the 2018/19 season Mitch stood down from his role as assistant manager so he could concentrate solely on playing. To fill the role the club welcomed back former player Matt Peters to work alongside Chris and Chappo. Too many drawn games hampered the team - 14 from their 38 matches which meant the team had to settle for a 14th placed finish. Season 2019/20 saw an improvement with the club in 8th position when the season was cancelled owing to the global pandemic. With most of the squad retained for the new season alongside a few additions, hopes are high of a finish closer to the top of the table.

Today's Squads

WINCANTON TOWN F.C.

Manager - Chris Wise





LEBEQ UNITED F.C.

Manager - Aaron Wilson

Sam Stroud	1	
Aron Wallis	3	
Tom Richardson	4	
Harry Turner	5	
Gary Chapman	6	
Jamie Irwin	7	
Dan Wise ©	8	
Connor Williams	9	
Louis Irwin	10	
Toby Cole	11	
Max Hinds	12	
Tom Frampton	13	
Jack Atkins	16	
Mike Taylor	17	
Jamie Thompson	19	
Matt Garner	21	
Brett Cotterill		
Luke Davis		
Ryan Biss		

Tyler Edmund (GK)
Omarii Sims
Kelvin Williams
Dominic Stewart
Sheldon Sawyers ©

Sheldon Sawyers
Nathan Hall
Rick Davis
James Hall
Shamari Sengor
Shah Bhakerd
Iboo Sarr
Gareth Gallop
Raphael Waugh

Connor Hartley
Fabian McCarthy
Tristan Plummer
Abdi Hussein
Nathan Whatley





Today's Match Officials

Referee: Said Ouchene

Assistants: Ray Cody and Stuart Gravenell



NEXT HOME MATCH

Tuesday 29th September 2020 (TWL Division 1)
Wincanton Town vs Welton Rovers - Kick off 7:30 pm





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