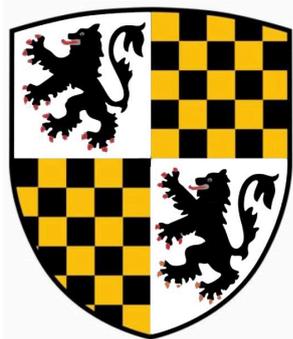


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WESSEX LEAGUE ONE

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Good afternoon! It’s always great to be play in front of our home support, and the lads are buzzing for todays game against Amesbury Town following the late win on Tuesday night. It’s always good to see you all here again supporting the team. As always, it’s great to see you all here supporting the lads — your backing plays a huge part in everything we do.

There was a real sense of relief and satisfaction after picking up three points in our last game against Blackfield & Langley. It was an important win for us, and one that we feel can kick-start our run towards the end of the season. The way it came about made it even more pleasing — scoring twice late on showed the character within the group and that real never-say-die attitude the players have. It was a big boost for morale and something we’re looking to build on, although I’d prefer not to leave it so late next time!

Today’s challenge is another tough one. We’ve had good battles against Amesbury when we’ve played them this season. Whilst they are a couple of places below us in the league, they do have games in hand, so will be a dangerous opponent. They’re a tough team and will test us in all areas, so we know we’ll need to be at our very best.

For us, it’s about carrying that momentum from the last game, maintaining our discipline, and continuing to show belief right until the final whistle. If we match our opponents for work rate and add quality in key moments, we can give ourselves every chance of another positive result.

Thank you again for your fantastic support!

Up the Mags!

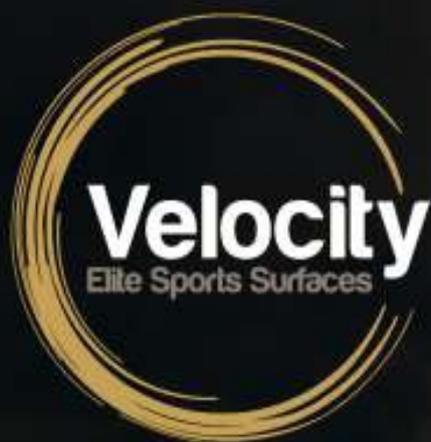
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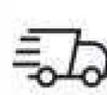
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The club was established in 1904 as Amesbury Football Club. They joined the Salisbury & District Junior League, before becoming members of the Salisbury & District League in 1906. After winning the league in 1955/56, they became members of Division One of the Wiltshire League. However, after finishing third in Division One in 1958/59, the club left the division. They returned to Division One in 1972/73; despite finishing bottom of the table, they were not relegated. The following season saw them finish second-from-bottom of the division, but in 1974/75 they were league champions. They were runners-up the following season, and were placed in Senior Division One in 1976 in what is now the Wiltshire Senior League after the league merged with the Wiltshire Combination to form the Wiltshire County League.

Amesbury were extremely successful in the early years of the Wiltshire County League, always finishing in the top five in the first eight seasons of a division that always had 16 teams or more. 1979/80 was a highlight in that period with Amesbury lifting the league title for the first time after finishing three points clear of nearest rivals, Swindon based side Sanford.

Amesbury began entering the FA Vase in 1978/79, and were Division One runners-up. The following season saw them win the league and reach the third round of the Vase. In 1983/84 they won the Wiltshire Senior Cup for the first time. The club were renamed Amesbury Town in 1984.

After a couple of seasons at the wrong end of the table, Amesbury were to have another successful run from 1987/88 to 1993/94, the seven seasons seeing them finish in the top four each year and lifting the league title on another two occasions, in 1990/91 and defending their title in 1991/92. During this run of success they also won the Wiltshire County League Senior Cup (what is now the Fountain Trophies Cup) in three successive seasons between 1988/89 and 1990/91.



THE OPPOSITION



They were league runners-up in 1993/94, also winning the Wiltshire Senior Cup that season, and were promoted to the Western League Division 1. Three tough seasons in the Western League ended after finishing bottom of Division One in 1996/97 and they left to rejoin the Salisbury & District League. After finishing as runners-up in the Salisbury & District League Premier Division in 1997/98, Amesbury were promoted to Division Three of the Hampshire League. A fourth-place finish in their first season in the league was enough to earn promotion to the Premier Division amidst league reorganisation, and they went on to win the Premier Division at the first attempt in 1999/2000.

In 2004 the league merged with the Wessex League and the club became members of Division Two, which was renamed Division One in 2006. In 2015/16 they were Division One runners-up, and were promoted to the Premier Division. After finishing third-from-bottom of the Premier Division in 2017/18, the club were relegated. They were Division One runners-up the following season, making an immediate return to the Premier Division. However, they finished bottom in 2021/22 and were relegated. A run of 18 years in the Wessex League ended a year later when a 19th placed finish in Division One meant relegation to the Premier Division of the Wiltshire League.

After 2 successive relegations, 2023/24 was a successful season with a new team and management. Their aim was an immediate return to the Wessex League and this was achieved as Amesbury won the Wiltshire Senior League, finishing 7 points clear of nearest rivals, Kintbury Rangers. They also reached the final of the Wiltshire Senior Cup, losing to Wessex League Downton on penalties.

In 2024/25 the team had a top half finish in their return to the Wessex League and the newly formed Under 18s team entered the Wiltshire League Floodlight Division, finishing the season well. In 2025/26, the club will run 3 teams with a new Development side competing in the Hampshire Combination & Development League 1st Division.



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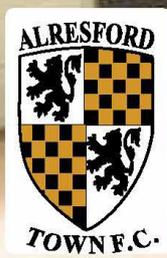
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Reverse Fixture	Which one! Amesbury Town 2 - 2 Alresford Town
Table	3 points separate Amesbury in 16th and Alresford in 14th
Goal Difference	In the goal difference table Amesbury sit 11th ahead of Alresford in 15th
Season	
Alresford Home form	Won 6 Drawn 7 Lost 4
Amesbury Away form	Won 3 Drawn 5 Lost 9
Recent Form	
Alresford	Played 6 - Won 3, Drawn 0, Lost 3 - scored 10 conceded 8
Amesbury	Played 6 - Won 2, Drawn 2, Lost 2, - Scored 11 conceded 8
Goals Scored Average	
Alresford	1.83 per game
Amesbury	1.75 per game
Goals Conceded Average	
Alresford	2.09 per game
Amesbury	1.75 per game
Top Goal Scorers	
Alresford	19 goals - Jack Welch, 8 goals Billy Grimes
Amesbury	10 goals - Arran Moore & Harrison Yeadon, 8 goals Robert Owen
Where the points have come from..	
Points Alresford	25 of Alresford's 40 points have been won at home
Points Amesbury	14 of Amesbury's 37 points were won away home



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ALRESFORD TOWN FC 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.

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, the club 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 Town 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.

ALRESFORD TOWN FC HISTORY CONT.



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.

The Men's team is led by Manager Ash Clarke, who joined the club in the pre-season of the 2025 season. Ash joined Alresford from Worthing Town F.C. where he was first team manager after having spent time at AFC Porchester, Moneyfields, and in the youth game with Portsmouth and Brighton and Hove Albion. With a young side, playing expansive football, the Club is excited for the future!



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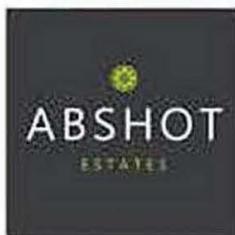
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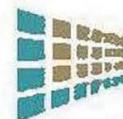
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Winners: 2012/13 & 2013/14

North Hants League

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Hampshire Senior Cup

Winners 2012/2013

North Hants Senior Cup

Winners: 1991/1992, 2011/2012, 2012/2013, 2013/2014,
2021/2022

Aldershot Senior Cup

Winners 2013/2014

Southampton Senior Cup

Winners 2018/2019

Best FA Cup Performance

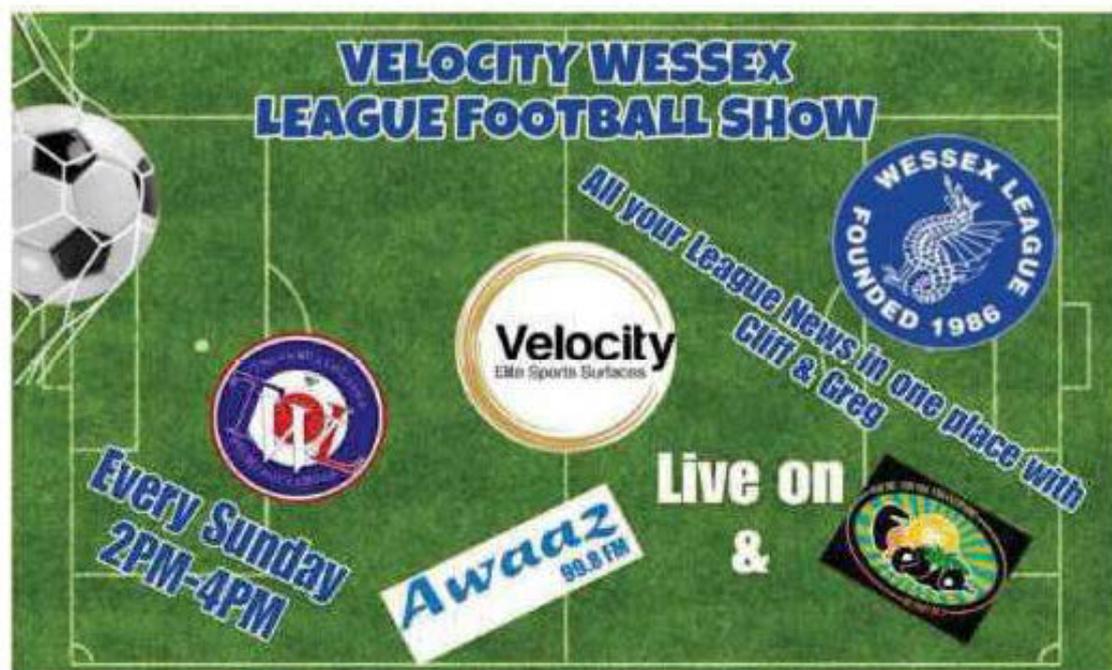
2nd Qualifying Round 2016/2017

Best FA Vase Performance

Fourth Round 2013/2014

Record Attendance

339 v Colden Common 6th December 2025



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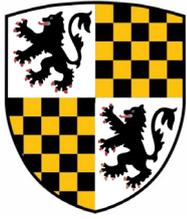
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LEAGUE TABLE & UPCOMING FIXTURES



POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Whitchurch United	34	22	4	8	87	55	32	70
2	Colden Common	35	21	6	8	94	56	38	69
3	Fleetlands	29	20	4	5	59	36	23	64
4	Folland Sports	30	20	3	7	78	45	33	63
5	Cove	31	18	7	6	54	33	21	61
6	Yateley United	32	18	3	11	78	47	31	57
7	Newport (IoW)	30	17	5	8	61	44	17	56
8	Hamworthy United	35	15	8	12	80	58	22	53
9	Romsey Town	31	15	6	10	61	46	15	51
10	Frimley Green	31	12	9	10	78	63	15	45
11	Clanfield	33	14	2	17	53	56	-3	44
12	Ringwood Town	32	14	1	17	65	67	-2	43
13	Kintbury Rangers	33	11	8	14	61	69	-8	41
14	Alresford Town	35	10	10	15	64	73	-9	40
15	AFC Aldermaston	35	11	6	18	54	67	-13	39
16	Amesbury Town	32	10	7	15	56	56	0	37
17	Lymington Town	34	11	4	19	46	77	-31	37
18	Ash United	32	10	6	16	36	62	-26	36
19	Blackfield & Langley	34	8	5	21	42	85	-43	26*
20	United Services Portsmouth	31	7	4	20	41	80	-39	25
21	Fawley AFC	32	5	9	18	34	73	-39	24
22	Totton & Eling	29	6	3	20	29	63	-34	21

Date / Time	Home Team	Away Team	Venue
17/03/26 19:45	Alresford Town	VS Blackfield & Langley	ARLEBURY PARK
21/03/26 15:00	Alresford Town	VS Amesbury Town	ARLEBURY PARK
24/03/26 19:45	Yateley United	VS Alresford Town	SEAN DEVEREUX PARK
28/03/26 15:00	Alresford Town	VS Newport (IoW)	ARLEBURY PARK
04/04/26 15:00	Colden Common	VS Alresford Town	CHARTERS COMMUNITY STADIUM
11/04/26 15:00	Alresford Town	VS Frimley Green	ARLEBURY PARK
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