

ALRESFORD TOWN FC OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

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WESSEX FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

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MANAGERS MESSAGE

Dear Magpies supporters,

I'd like to offer you all a very warm welcome back to Arlebury Park this afternoon as we host Lymington Town FC. Your support, both home and away, means so much to the players and the staff, and we're determined to give you plenty to cheer about.

Looking back at our last four fixtures, results haven't gone our way, but there have been encouraging signs:

Against Romsey Town, we fell short, but it was a reminder of the levels we need to reach and maintain.

Versus Whitchurch United, we showed attacking intent, scoring twice, but we must be tighter at the back in key moments.

Away at Ash United, we fought hard and created chances, only to come away narrowly beaten.

Most recently against Ringwood Town, it was another close contest where one moment proved decisive.

While defeats are never easy to take, the common thread is that we're in every game. We're creating opportunities, we're working as a unit, and with a little more composure at both ends of the pitch, results will turn.

This afternoon is a chance for us to take that step forward. Lymington Town are always a strong and organised side, but we know that with your backing and the players' commitment, Arlebury Park can once again become a place where teams fear to come.

On behalf of everyone at the club, thank you for standing by us and for your continued passion in the stands. It makes a real difference to the players. Let's get behind the team today and push for the result we all want.

Enjoy the game.

Up the Magpies,

Ashley Clarke Manager, Alresford Town FC

Thank You, Lauren

Alresford Town Football Club would like to express its deepest gratitude to Lauren Young, who steps down as Club Secretary after five years of tireless dedication. Since joining us in 2020 as commercial manager and transitioning to secretary in 2022.

Lauren has been the driving force behind the scenes, ensuring the smooth running of the club through countless hours of organisation, administration, and unwavering commitment.

Her efforts have been nothing short of remarkable, keeping the club strong and united through both challenges and successes. Lauren's hard work has not only supported the players, coaches, and board, but has also made a lasting difference to the wider Alresford community.

She has truly been the heartbeat of the club, and her legacy will be remembered with immense appreciation.

On behalf of the board, the players, and every supporter of Alresford Town FC: thank you, Lauren, for everything.

Welcome, Martin

We are also delighted to welcome Martin Cooke as our new Club Secretary. Martin brings a wealth of experience to Alresford Town, having previously served as the General Secretary of the British Virgin Islands Football Association and as Director of National Programs for the Cayman Islands Football Association.

His background in football governance and development will be a tremendous asset to the club, and we look forward to the knowledge, energy, and passion he will bring to the role.

From everyone at Alresford Town Football Club – thank you, Lauren, and welcome, Martin!

LYMINGTON TOWN

The Club can trace its roots back to 1876 when it started with a tent, balls, poles and flags – the minimum requirement in those far off days – and played on the site of the present ground. Little is recorded of the early years though they were long time members of the Hampshire League.

In 1986, playing as Lymington FC, they became founder members of the Wessex League and two years later merged with Wellworthy Athletic, who were based in the town, and became AFC Lymington.

The Club enjoyed considerable success in the 1990's before moving to Fawcetts Field in New Milton in 1998 and amalgamating with the local Club to form Lymington and New Milton FC. However this merger was not to the liking of many of the local people and Lymington Town FC was re-formed with their base still at the Sports Ground.

After something of a battle with the Football Administration the Club were allowed into the Hampshire League Division Three with David Peach, a member of Southampton's 1976 FA Cup winning side, as manager. Progression through the Leagues followed until acceptance into the Wessex League at the end of the 2003/04 season.

Under Manager, John Pyatt they quickly reached the Premier Division and won the League Cup in 2007. John departed from the club citing personal complications for his decision. Several managers followed in the ensuing years including Stuart Hussey, Dave Morris, Andy Leader and former Portsmouth player, Stuart Doling.

When Doling stood down in 2014 the then, Chairman, George Shaw, asked John Pyatt to return which he did with some considerable improvement to the club's fortunes. Five seasons ago John brought in former Bashley and Newport IOW player Dave Lewis to become first team manager whilst he took on a "Director of Football" role.

After a few successful seasons, Dave agreed to share managerial commitments with former Saints player, Paul Masters and together with coaches, Bob Sullivan, Shaun Coles and Physio, Yo Fowler-Wright they led the team to promotion to the Southern League in 2021.

In 2019 Lymington Town FC merged with Lymington Town Sprites Youth FC and now caters for teams from 7 years old right through to veterans as well as 3 girls teams. The Chairman of the Sprites, Ian Loveless became overall Chairman of Lymington Town Football Club. In 2022 Ian stepped down as Chairman of the senior section and was replaced by Alan Farrar, a former player and 1st Team Manager at The Club.

Following ground grading issues at The Sports Ground the FA relegated Lymington Town from the Southern League. This resulted in Dave Lewis and his entire playing and coaching team leaving the club. In May of 2023 Adam Colmer, a former Brockenhurst Manager, was appointed, in a season which unfortunately ended in further relegation to Division One of the Wessex League.

CLUB I-IONOURS & OFFICIALS RECORDS

ChairmanCraig Scriven

Secretary Martin Cooke

Commercial Manager Ross Holt

Committee members Lauren Young, Karly Cleeve & Steve May

Managers Ashley Clarke

Assistant Manager Steve Bramwell

Coach Elliot Hunt

GK Coach Dan Kempsonl Wessex League Cup Winners: 2012/13 & 2013/14

> North Hants League Champions: 1999/00

Hampshire Senior Cup Winners: 2012/13

North Hants Senior Cup Winners: 1991/92, 2011/12, 2012/13 & 2013/14, 2021/2022

> Aldershot Senior Cup Winners: 2013/14

Southampton Senior Cup Winners: 2018/19

Best FA Cup Performance Second Qualifying Round: 2016/17

> Best FA Vase Performance Fourth Round: 2013/14

Record Attendance 202 vs Basingstoke Town Sep 2023 Servio Men's Senior Cup & 211 vs Salisbury March 2016

NEXT FIXTURES

Yateley United - Wessex League Division One Saturday 20th September 3.00pm Arlebury Park

Army FC - Hampshire Senior Cup Tuesday 23rd September 7.45pm Arlebury Park

Newport (IOW) - Wessex League Division One Saturday 27th September 3.00pm The Zilch Waste Stadium

ALRESFORD TOWN CLUB 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 and have been a top tier side since 2007.

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, they 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 they 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.

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.

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Our aim is to promote all local football but specifically the 40 teams of the Wessex Football League. So far, we have had managers, chairpersons, players, press officers and secretaries joining us as studio guests, and via zoom and phone guests from many Wessex Football League clubs, as well as guests from local teams both higher up and lower down the pyramid.

This is your show and is a platform for your club to promote its events and raise its profile. If your club produces post-match interviews, please either email us a copy of the audio or give permission for us to play them on air straight from your website or social media sites, as we will aim to play them on the show.

Please come and join us one Sunday, we do have access to the two studios so it is easy to accommodate guests in the studio, for more information please email <code>gregdickson94@gmail.com</code> or <code>cliffpledge@hotmail.com</code>

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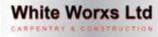


























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Todays Other Fixtures

| AFC Aldermaston | VS | Totton & Eling |
|-----------------------------------|----|-----------------------|
| Amesbury Town | VS | Colden Common |
| Clanfield | VS | Kintbury Rangers |
| Cove | VS | Romsey Town |
| Fleetlands | VS | Fawley AFC |
| Hamworthy United | VS | Ash United |
| Newport (IoW) | VS | Ringwood Town |
| United Services Portsmouth | VS | Yateley United |
| Whitchurch United | VS | Folland Sports |

Results 9th / 10th September 2025

| Havant & Waterlooville | 7 - 0 | Colden Common |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| Whitchurch United | 3 - 0 | Bournemouth |
| AFC Aldermaston | 2 - 1 | Langley |
| Ringwood Town | 1 - 3 | Hamworthy United |
| Blackfield & Langley | 2 - 3 | Cowes Sports |
| Romsey Town | 0 - 0 (Pens 7-6) | Portsmouth |
| Abingdon United | 8 - 0 | Kintbury Rangers |
| Clanfield | 1 - 4 | Meon Milton |
| Petersfield Town | 3 - 1 | Fleetlands |
| United Services Portsmouth | 4 - 3 | Mob Albion |

Division One

| POS | Team | Р | W | D | L | F | Α | GD | PTS |
|-----|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | Whitchurch United | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 5 | 19 | 18 |
| 2 | Romsey Town | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 5 | 10 | 16 |
| 3 | Ash United | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 7 | 7 | 16 |
| 4 | Frimley Green | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 7 | 9 | 13 |
| 5 | Fleetlands | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 6 | 5 | 13 |
| 6 | Folland Sports | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 18 | 7 | 11 | 12 |
| 7 | Amesbury Town | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 8 | 3 | 10 |
| 8 | Hamworthy United | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 15 | 14 | 1 | 10 |
| 9 | Kintbury Rangers | 7 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 14 | 16 | -2 | 9 |
| 10 | Ringwood Town | 7 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 12 | 17 | -5 | 9 |
| 11 | Cove | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 8 |
| 12 | Colden Common | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 16 | 15 | 1 | 7 |
| 13 | Alresford Town | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 1 | 7 |
| 14 | Blackfield & Langley | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 16 | -10 | 7 |
| 15 | Newport (IoW) | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 11 | -4 | 6 |
| 16 | United Services Portsmouth | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 15 | -7 | 6 |
| 17 | Clanfield | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 8 | -1 | 5 |
| 18 | AFC Aldermaston | 5 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 7 | -2 | 3 |
| 19 | Yateley United | 7 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 10 | 18 | -8 | 2 |
| 20 | Fawley AFC | 6 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 13 | -10 | 2 |
| 21 | Lymington Town | 5 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 14 | -8 | 1 |
| 22 | Totton & Eling | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 16 | -12 | 0 |
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THE TEAMS



ALRESFORD TOWN

| LRESFORD TOWN | LYMINGTON TOWN |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Kieron Connell | Scott Barron |
| Zidane Khan | George Bridi |
| Ben Barnard | Joshua Chappell |
| George Kirby | Aaron Christie |
| Harvey Richards | Jack Darnton |
| Nic Infante | John Defries |
| George Hilton | Freddie Franklin |
| Hayden Murrary | Charlie Fry |
| Charlie Ivey | Ben Gale |
| Noah Burgess | Marcus Gibson |
| Greg Plowman | Arthur Gill |
| Alfie Budd | Ben Gill |
| Pip Wilcox | Peter Hurford |
| Joe Monday | Matthew Hurst |
| Louis Hale | William Johnson |
| Fenton Locke | Gareth Keeping |
| Dylan Sadler | Jacob Keeping |
| Harry Magro | Connor Lopez |
| Nathan Howton | James Mercado |
| Loic Kayo | Alexander Morris |
| Sean Brennan | Benjamin Morris |
| Eric Barnes | Jake Mortimer |
| Tom Henderson | Joe Petty |
| Callum Grigg | Ethan Pithers |
| Joel Jackson | Christopher William Raven |
| Finley Gibbs | Bailey Revill |
| Joe Anertey-Quaye | Alfie Roberts |
| Jacob Elliott | Richard Sesay |
| Scott Faulkner | Harry Smith |
| Alfie Hilton | Callum Taylor |
| Max Allen | Max Walker |
| | Jake Willard |

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