

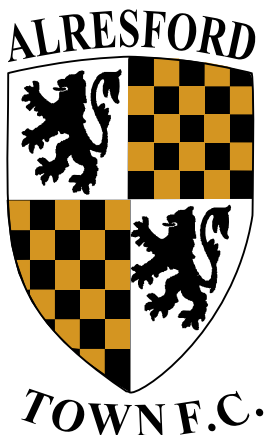
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ALRESFORD TOWN FC OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

ALRESFORD TOWN

V

NEWPORT IOW



WESSEX FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

SATURDAY 31ST AUGUST 2024

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MANAGERS MESSAGE

Today, we welcome Newport Isle of Wight FC to Arlebury Park. We go into today, on the back of two tough away fixtures since our last win here at home to Fawley. A tough trip to Sherborne, where we unfortunately didn't progress through on pens. It was tough to take, but we were proud of the lads who worked incredibly hard!

On Tuesday night, away to Amesbury, who I thought were a strong, physical outfit, we came away with a point. Disappointing in the fact we had opportunities to win, but pleasing as we went down to 10 men early into the 2nd half.

In both fixtures we had to show fight, resilience, and character. Today, will be no different. Newport are a good side. We had two very competitive fixtures last season, and we expect much more of the same today. We will have to be on our A game, work hard, be strong, be prepared to battle and stick to our principles of play.

We hope you enjoy the match, and see you in the bar after!

Morgs and Dos

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NEWPORT IOW

The modern Newport IOW Football Club, with its well appointed St George's Park facilities, (which the club officially vacated at the end of the 2018/19 season), presented a different picture from that conjured up by the club's origins on January 27th 1888.

The actual date of formation can be established from the original minute book, which is still in the club's possession. At that time, over 130 years ago, Newport played on a piece of land known as Well's Field, which later became known as Church Litten. Those early days meant a walk from the local public house, where the players changed, to a field, in order to clear the cows before play could commence. Newport became founder members of the Isle Of Wight League in 1898 and were League Champions of that competition on four occasions.

In 1927 the club became members of the Hampshire League, taking over the fixtures of the defunct Gosport Albion Club in mid season and within three seasons Newport had won the County League championship for the first time. The 1930's saw further wins in the Hampshire League and also the Hampshire Senior Cup being won in 1932. The 1935/36 season saw Newport reach the 2nd Round of the FA Cup for the first time, bowing out at Southall.

In the 1960's we had further Hampshire Senior Cup wins in 1961 and 1966 and in the 1970s a hat trick of Hampshire League titles in 1979, 1989 and 1981 and two Hampshire Senior Cup successes in 1980 and 1981.

In 1986, Newport became founder members of the Wessex League, finishing a creditable fourth place in that debut season. In the 1989/90 season Newport were promoted to the Southern League. The 2000/01 season saw us win the Dr Martens League Eastern Division Championship. However we found the top flight too much and returned the Eastern Division after just one season.

Soon after in the 2003/04 season the club was in administration and the fight to keep the club alive was taken up by the supporters, with The Save Newport (FC) Action Group saving the club. 2004-05 saw Newport make its debut in the Isthmian League.

The 2006/07 season saw a return to the more familiar Southern League, playing in the South and West division. On 1st August 2007 The Port played a friendly against a full strength Portsmouth team which drew 3112 supporters to St George's Park, the highest crowd ever to watch a match at the ground. The club was relegated back to the Wessex league at the end of the 2007-08 season after finishing bottom of Division One South and West of the Southern league. The club then remained in the Wessex League Premier Division but went on to win the Russell Cotes Cup in 2010-11.

Andy Sampson took over at the start of the 2015-16 season with the club finishing 7th in the Wessex Premier. At the end of the 2017/18 season the club was relegated to Wessex Division One. Mid-2020-21 season Andy moved on and Steve Brougham and Stewart Shepherd took over as Joint Managers.

The club finally moved from St. George's Park at the end of the 2018-19 season. For the past four seasons we have ground-shared at East Cowes Vics, and Smallbrook Stadium, home of Isle of Wight Speedway and Ryde Saints FC. This season we are back at Vics.

We failed last season to convert our second place for promotion in the play-offs and subsequently lost many first team players to other clubs. However, those who loyally stayed, buoyed with new signings, will see us on the promotion trail under Manager Steve Brougham, once more, for 2023/24

2024-25 promises to be an exciting season. Our new joint managers Joe Butcher and Martin McDonough have assembled an exciting squad of both young and experienced players as the club looks to build for the future on and off the pitch..

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Assistant Manager
Martin Beck

Coach
Nic Reed

GK Coaches
Mike Weatherall & Dan Kempson

Match day Assistant
Darren Heskins

HONOURS & RECORDS

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

New Milton Town - Wessex League Division One

Saturday 7th September 3.00pm The DMW Stadium

Royal Navy FA - Hampshire Senior Cup

Tuesday 10th September 7.45pm Arlebury Park

Ash United - Wessex League Division One

Saturday 14th September 3.00pm Smurfit Kappa 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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Jon Webb
Age: 32

Position: GK

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the treble last season / Winning the Bournemouth Senior Cup with Brockenhurst
Footballing Hero: Peter Schmeichel / Iker Casillas



Aaron Dunne
Age: 31

Position: CB

Sponsor: Baker Building Services
Court Swan
Ross Penton
Footballing Highlight: Winning the Hampshire Premier League with Colden Common
Footballing Hero: Steve Gerrard



Kieran Connell
Age: 20
Position: GK

Sponsor: Cleeve Construction
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Footballing Highlight: Keeping a clean sheet on my senior debut for Alresford
Footballing Hero: Aaron Ramsdale



Cameron Ross
Age: 24

Position: Defender LC Plastering Services
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Footballing Highlight: Reaching the second-round proper of the FA Youth Cup with Sholing FC
Footballing Hero: Rio Ferdinand



Glen Freeman
Age: 24
Position: RB/CB

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the treble with Colden Common
Footballing Hero: Paolo Maldini



Harry Davies
Age: 32
Position: LB/LWB

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Footballing Highlight: Representing Malta U21's at international level
Footballing Hero: Ronaldinho



Joe Ryan
Age: 19
Position: Winger

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Court Swan
Footballing Highlight: Winning the treble with colden common in the 22/23 season
Footballing Hero: Cristiano Ronaldo



Aaron Blaxall (Captain)
Age: 32
Position: CM

Sponsor: Marquee Hire Guide
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Footballing Highlight: Winning Southampton Senior Cup at St Mary's with Alresford / Hampshire League treble with Colden Common
Footballing Hero: Paul Gascoigne / Zidane



Michael Douglas
Age: 27
Position: CB

Sponsor: Ben Bendall
Footballing Highlight:
Footballing Hero:



Ben White
Age: 33
Position: CM

Sponsor: Grant Young
Footballing Highlight: A Treble with this group last season.
Footballing Hero: Marian Pahars



Zach Hine
Age: 27
Position: CM

Sponsor: Nic Reed
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Footballing Highlight: Signing for alresford
Footballing Hero: Steven Gerrard



James Barnes
Age: 25
Position:

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Footballing Highlight: Winning the treble with Colden Common
Footballing Hero: Rickie Lambert



ATFC SQUAD LIST

2024/25



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Steve Hall
Age: 32
Position: **Attacking midfielder/attacker**

Footballing Highlight: Scoring a header at St Mary's to win the Southampton Senior Cup

Footballing Hero: Didier Drogba



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Krysty Sullivan-Rose
Age: 31
Position: **LB/LW**

Footballing Highlight: Scoring the winning goal against Paulsgrove

Footballing Hero: David Beckham



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John Cole
Age: 35
Position: **Midfield**

Footballing Highlight: Being oldest in the current squad

Footballing Hero: Matt Le Tiss



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Harry Higby
Age: 29
Position: **Right/Left wing**

Footballing Highlight: Playing at St Mary's in the Hampshire cup Final

Footballing Hero: Matt le Tissier



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Tom Baker
Age: 32
Position: **CM**

Footballing Highlight: Scoring in a cup final at the whitden (where Brighton used to play) and winning the cup was one of my favourite memories

Footballing Hero: Ronaldinho



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Leon Course
Age: 31
Position: **Striker**

Footballing Highlight: 22/23 Hampshire Cup Final

Footballing Hero: Sergio Aguerro



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Andy Turner
Age: 32
Position: **Midfield forward**

Footballing Highlight: Coming out of retirement

Footballing Hero: Roy Keane



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Sanchez McLean
Age: 34
Position: **ST**

Footballing Highlight:

Footballing Hero: Thierry Henry



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Sam Mould
Age: 18
Position: **LB**

Footballing Highlight:

Footballing Hero:



Sponsor:

Arshia Sheibatzaadeh
Age: 24
Position: **LW / RW**

Footballing Highlight:

Footballing Hero:



Sponsor:

Tom Henderson
Age: 19
Position: **CM**

Footballing Highlight:

Footballing Hero:



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Ollie Rushent
Age: 29
Position: **RB / RW**

Footballing Highlight:

Footballing Hero: Thierry Henry

Name: Aaron Blaxall

Age: 32

Position: Centre midfield

Nick name: Gaz / Gary /Blax

Alresford Town team mates

Best trainer: Steve Hall

Worst trainer: Webby - never there

Most positive: Chalky

Biggest moaner: Me

Best changing room DJ: Dozzy

Worst changing room DJ: Zac

First to the bar: Chalky

Best lookalike: moulder as chesney from corrie



Best footballing moment: Winning Southampton cup final at St Marys with alresford

Best player played with: Justin Bennett

Best player played against: Some random French kid that Pompey paid a £1 million for when I was 16 at Eastleigh. Pulled my pants down all game. Had to look myself in the mirror and decide if football was for me after that

Best ground played at: St Mary's

Pre- match food prep: Fry up

Pre-match ritual: Dog walk

Post match ritual: Pint of Amstel

Favourite place in the world: Mexico - Cancun

Favourite song: D.O.D - Set me free

Favourite sport outside of football: Twenty20

Worst fear/phobia: Minging feet

Biggest influence in your life & why: my Daughter - she's slowly making me a less miserable bastard !

Name: Ben White

Age: 33

Position: CM

Nick name: Chalky

Alresford Town team mates

Best trainer: Joe Ryan

Worst trainer: Webby

Most positive: Dunney

Biggest moaner: Blaxall

Best changing room DJ: Dos

Worst changing room DJ: Leon

First to the bar: Morgs/Becko

Best lookalike: Coley and Vlad



Best footballing moment: playing in the Hong Kong Sevens tournament.

Best player played with: Zach Hine

Best player played against: Barry Bannan

Best ground played at: St Mary's

Pre- match food prep: Beans on toast

Pre-match ritual: stretching/painkillers!

Post match ritual: Pint in the bar

Favourite place in the world: Arlebury bar balcony

Favourite song: Stereophonics Mr Writer

Favourite sport outside of football: Don't play any but tennis to watch.

Worst fear/phobia: Wasps

Biggest influence in your life & why Jessie my girlfriend recovering from a brain injury.

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AFC Aldermaston		VS		Amesbury Town
Ash United		VS		Folland Sports
East Cowes Victoria		VS		Ringwood Town
Hamworthy United		VS		Cove
New Milton Town		VS		Frimley Green
Romsey Town		VS		Clanfield
Totton & Eling		VS		Fleetlands
Whitchurch United		VS		Verwood Town

Results 27th/28th August 2024

Newport (IoW)		2 - 2 (Pens 3-4)		East Cowes Victoria
Whitchurch United		0 - 5		Hamble Club
New Milton Town		8 - 0		AFC Netley
Amesbury Town		0 - 0		Alresford Town
Fleetlands		1 - 0		Clanfield
Frimley Green		4 - 2		Ash United
Romsey Town		1 - 2		Hamworthy United
Verwood Town		3 - 1		Lymington Town
AFC Portchester		7 - 0		Folland Sports
Laverstock & Ford		4 - 1		Ringwood Town

Division One Table									
POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Alresford Town	5	4	1	0	14	3	11	13
2	East Cowes Victoria	4	4	0	0	7	2	5	12
3	Frimley Green	5	3	2	0	13	7	6	11
4	New Milton Town	5	3	1	1	14	6	8	10
5	Cove	5	3	1	1	12	6	6	10
6	Hamworthy United	5	3	1	1	10	7	3	10
7	Newport (IoW)	4	2	1	1	8	5	3	7
8	Amesbury Town	5	2	1	2	5	6	-1	7
9	Fleetlands	5	2	1	2	9	11	-2	7
10	AFC Aldermaston	3	2	0	1	8	4	4	6
11	Ringwood Town	4	2	0	2	4	7	-3	6
12	Clanfield	5	1	2	2	6	8	-2	5
13	Verwood Town	5	1	2	2	6	9	-3	5
14	Totton & Eling	4	1	1	2	4	4	0	4
15	Romsey Town	4	1	0	3	7	9	-2	3
16	Fawley AFC	4	0	2	2	2	7	-5	2
17	Folland Sports	4	0	2	2	4	13	-9	2
18	Whitchurch United	2	0	0	2	3	5	-2	0
19	Ash United	4	0	0	4	5	11	-6	0
20	Lymington Town	4	0	0	4	3	14	-11	0



THE TEAMS



ALRESFORD TOWN

	Jon Webb
	Kieran Connell
	Glen Freeman
	Michael Douglas
	Aaron Dunne
	Cameron Ross
	Harry Davies
	Sam Mould
	Aaron Blaxall
	Ollie Rushent
	John Cole
	Toby Mitchell - Graham
	Ben White
	Tom Baker
	James Barnes
	Zachary Hine
	Steven Hall
	Tom Henderson
	Vladyslav Platonov
	Krysty Sullivan-Rose
	Harry Higby
	Arshia Sheibatzadeh
	Leon Course
	Sanchez McLean
	Joe Ryan

NEWPORT IOW

	Leon Pitman
	Keelan Walsh
	Michael Thompson
	Brad Young
	MaCaully Waterson
	George Holebrook
	Kai Grace
	Matt Oatley
	Joe Butcher
	Josh Younie
	Jai Nash
	Sonny Myram
	Henry West
	Jordan Browne
	Scott Barron

Alresford

Shirts - Black & White

Shorts - Black

Socks - Black

Keeper - Pink

Referee: Jack Hussey

Assistant Referee 1: Richard Diggle

Assistant Referee 2: Marcus Ward