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WESSEX FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Saturday 21st December 2024 3.00PM KICK OFF

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MANAGERS MESSAGE

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to Arlebury Park for our game against Whitchurch, also known as Project 200!

Before we start on the football, Nathan, Becko, myself and all the players would like to say a massive thank you to the club, the supporters & volunteers, who have given this game a massive push behind the scenes. They have been fantastic at advertising the game via social media, through the rugby club, youth teams and general word of mouth. Another huge thank you to Steve from Steam Train BBQ for coming along to the game & to our match day sponsor Steve from Alresford Service Point!

Now the football...

Not a great day for us last week on the island, if I'm totally honest it was probably the worst 13 minutes of football Nathan and I have ever managed together... We did create three-four chances but frustratingly couldn't find the back of the net, then the home team managed to get a fourth before HT. There were some choice words at HT and some changes made which steadied the ship, but we gave ourselves such a mountain to climb it was difficult to see any way back. Leon Course (who played his first 90 minutes for 12 months, which was a massive positive for us) did score a consolation goal before we gave away a penalty on 70 minutes which Newport convert to make the score 5-1.

Today will be another tough game, Whitchurch still seem to be on the new management bounce back, scoring 7 goals in their last three games, winning two and drawing one.

As I say most weeks, if we want to get anything out of this game we will have to defend A LOT better than Saturday and make sure we take our chances in front of goal.

As always, we've really appreciated your support on and off the pitch in 2024. I hope you all have a great Christmas, let's continue to push on in 2025!

Up The Magpies

Dos & Morgs



WI-IITCHURCH UNITED

In 1887, two football clubs, the Albion and Rovers were in existence in Whitchurch. At a meeting on July 14th, 1903, they amalgamated to form Whitchurch United.

The 'Jam Boys' as they came to be known, took time to achieve their first success and had to wait 10 years before recording their first successes by winning the Andover Tournaments in 1913 and 1914. and the Basingstoke Cup in 1914.

However, the 1920's brought a decade of successes with wins in the Basingstoke Junior League in 1925, the Basingstoke Cup in 1927, 1928 and 1929, and the North Hants Cup in 1927. In the mid-1950's the club bought its own ground at Longmeadow and added a pavilion and changing rooms in 1959. Also in 1959, they entered the Hampshire League Division 3 and won promotion to Division 2 in 1990.

In 1995 the entered the Wessex League and won the Basingstoke Senior Cup in 1994 and 1997.. The formation of the Wessex League in 1986 created a major shakeup in the Hampshire League and Whitchurch United was placed in division 2 from where they launched their successful climb to Wessex League status.

After finishing as division 2 champions in 1989/90, the club had two good seasons in Division 1, finishing fourth in 1990/91 and third in 1991/92. This allowed Whitchurch Utd to have a successful application to join the Jewson Wessex football League in 1992. After a tough inaugural seaso finishing 15th, the club had an even tougher season in 1993/94 when they finished in the dreaded drop spot and it was all the way back to the Hampshire League football.

A quick return to the Wessex League was planned and it was to prove a great success as United returned to the Wessex League. In 1996.97 United became Basingstoke Senior Cup Winners. The club continued to improve in the Wessex League and win the Hungerford Cup for two years running, 1998/99 and 1999/2000.

The youth section of Whitchurch United was formed in 1994 by Colin Dancer, Paul Driver and Peter Adams with the support of Steve Smith Initially, the youth section began with three teams (U12, U14, and U15) with the U12 and U14 teams playing in the Andover and District League (now Testway Youth League) on Saturdays and the U15 team playing in the Peter Houseman League on Sundays.

Youth football has gone from strength to strength over the years. In the 2022-23 season the club boasted 17 mixed youth teams from U7-U18 involving 265 players. Our teams play in the Testway Youth League, Peter Houseman Youth League and the North East Hampshire Youth Leagues. We expect to enter a team into the Junior Premier League for the 2023-24 season.

Up to 2016, the club had minimal representation from females in its youth teams. In June 2016 a small group of girls took part in pilot sessions in Testbourne Sports Hall led by Leigh Smith and Roger Walters. This marked the start of a huge growth in female football for the club under the direction of Alison Cooper. Starting with training only in the 2016-17 season, this was followed by entering two teams into the Winchester & District Girls League, now the Hampshire Girls Youth League (HGYFL) for the first time in the 2017-18 season. Over the years, this has grown to six teams in the HGYFL and a U6/U7 training group during the 2022-23 season. The club also now runs recreational football for women aged 16+. The growth in female football in Whitchurch is illustrative when you consider in 2016-7 there were two girls playing mixed teams in 2016 and by the end of the 2021-22 season 128 girls and women had trained/played with the club. By the endof the 2022-23 season this was 140 females (120 girls and 20 women).

Recognising the size, operation and administration of the club, from the 2020-2021 season a 'Three Sections, One Club' model was adopted under the Chairmanship of Leigh Smith. This saw the development of three sections Adult Mens, Youth (mixed) and Women & Girls, These were initially led by Mark Freeborough, Julie Myall/Ben Rose and Alison Cooper, respectively.



CLUB I-IO OFFICIALS RE

I-IONOURS & RECORDS

ChairmanCraig Scriven

Secretary Lauren Young

Commercial Director Lauren Young

Committee members Karly Cleeve & Steve May

Managers Nathan Morgan & Connor Doswell

Assistant Manager Martin Beck

Coach Nic Reed

GK Coach Mike Weatherall 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

AFC Aldermaston- Wessex League Division One Saturday 28th December 3.00pm Waterside Park

Verwood Town - Wessex League Division One Saturday 4th January 3.00pm Arlebury Park

Lymington Town - Wessex League Division One Saturday 11th January 3.00pm Lymington Sports Ground

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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Bennett & Merritt Barbers Position: GK

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



Aaron Dunne Age: 31 Position: CB

Sponsor: **Baker Building Services** Court Swan Ross Penton

nt: Winning the Hampshire Premier League with Colden Common balling Hero: Steve Gerrard



Kieran Connell Age: 20 Position: GK

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t: Keeping a clean sheet on my senior debut for Alresford ling Hero: Aaron Ramsdale



Cameron Ross Sponsor: Those White Lines Age: 24 Position: Defender LC Plastering Services -versatile across the back 4

ighlight: Reaching the second-round proper of the FA Youth Cup with Sholing FC tballing Hero: Rio Ferdinand



Glen Freeman Age: 24 Position: RB/CB

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otballing Highlight: Winning the treble with Colden Common ootballing Hero: Paolo Maldini



Sponsor: **Harry Davies** Teaching Personnel Ltd

Age: 32 H Squared Electrical Position: LB/LWB

t: Representing Malta U21's at international level tballing Hero: Ronaldinho



Sponsor: Joe Ryan J Ryan Sports & Remedial Age: 19 massage therapy. **Position: Winger** Court Swan

t: Winning the treble with colden common in the 22/23 season ootballing Hero: Cristiano Ronaldo



Sponsor:

Aaron Blaxall (captain) Marquee Hire Guide Position: CM DW Landscaping & Tree Services

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

ootballing Highlight:



Sponsor: Ben White **Grant Young** Age: 33

Position: CM

otballing Highlight: A Treble with this group last season.

ootballing Hero: Marian Pahars



Zach Hine Age: 27 Position: CM

Sponsor: Nic Reed Spin Bar Andover

ootballing Highlight: Signing for alresford Footballing Hero: Steven Gerrard



James Barnes Age: 25 Position:

Sponsor: Winchester Bar Services

alling Highlight: Winning the treble with Colden Common ng Hero: Rickie Lambert



ATFC SQUAD LIST 2024/25





Sponsor: Steve Hall Teaching Personnel Ltd Age: 32 Penn Chiropractic Position: Attacking midfield/attacker tht: Scoring a header at St Mary's to

win the Southampton Senior Cup

ootballing Hero: Didier Drogba

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

Sponsor: L&L Scaffolding Ltd. Team Spirit All Stars, Soca Shack, Murdoch Roofing

light: Scoring the winning goal against Paulsgrove ing Hero: David Beckham



Sponsor: John Cole Wargent Scaffolding Ltd Age: 35 Position: Midfield

tballing Highlight: Being oldest in the current squad ling Hero: Matt Le Tiss



Sponsor: Harry Higby Mark M Roofing Age: 29 CMA Roofing Position: Right/Left wing

ight: Playing at St Mary's in the Hampshire cup Final tballing Hero: Matt le Tissier



Andy Turner Sponsor: Andrew J Turner Age: 32 Plumbing & Heating Position: Midfield forward balling Highlight: Coming out of retirement otballing Hero: Roy Keane



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

alling Highlight: 22/23 Hampshire Cup Final ootballing Hero: Sergio Aguero



Sponsor: Sam Mould H Squared Electrical Age:18 Position: LB



Sponsor: Sanchez McLean D Brickworks Age: 34 Harman Carpentry, Lincoln McLean Position: ST Caribbean Spice & Jerk

tballing Hero: Thierry Henry



Tom Henderson Sponsor: Age:19 Position: CM

ootballing Hero



Arshia Sheibatzadeh Age: 24 Position: LW / RW

ootballing Hero:

Sponsor:



Sponsor: Foremost Tree Surgeons Ollie Rushent CMA Roofing Position: RB / RW

otballing Highlight: ootballing Hero: Thierry Henry

Age:29



Alresford Town Profile



Name: Mike Weatherall

Age: 30

Position: part time GK coach/kitman

Nick name: Weathers & Tony



Alresford Town team mates

Best trainer: Webby

Worst trainer: JJ

Most positive: Blax

Biggest moaner: Blax

Best changing room DJ: Dos **Worst changing room DJ:** Zach

First to the bar: Becko

Best footballing moment: Denmead away

Best player played with: Jon Webb

Best player played against: Dos

Best ground played at: Oakwood Park **Pre- match food prep:** Egg on toast

Pre-match ritual: None

Post match ritual: Go home

Favourite place in the world: St Mary's **Favourite song:** Oh when the saints

Favourite sport outside of football: Boxing

Worst fear/phobia: Texting Morgs telling him I can't make training or Matchday

Biggest influence in your life & why: Mum. She took me all over the country for football



ATFC Player Profile



Name: Liam Magee

Age: 32

Position: Forward

Nick name: Maggers



Alresford Town team mates

Best trainer: Azzy

Worst trainer: Myself
Most positive: Coley
Biggest moaner: Zach

Best changing room DJ: Dos **Worst changing room DJ:** Coley

First to the bar: b

Best lookalike: JJ - Rodney (Only fools and horses)

Best footballing moment: Joining the Magpies

Best player played with: Danny Ings
Best player played against: Ben Clarke
Best ground played at: Aldershot Town

Pre- match food prep: Scrambled Egg on Toast Pre-match ritual: none

Post match ritual: none

Favourite place in the world: Dominican Republic **Favourite song:** Michael Jackson - Rock with You

Favourite sport outside of football: Fishing

Worst fear/phobia: Heights

Biggest influence in your life & why - My Dad - someone I've always looked up too.



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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.

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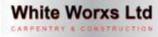


























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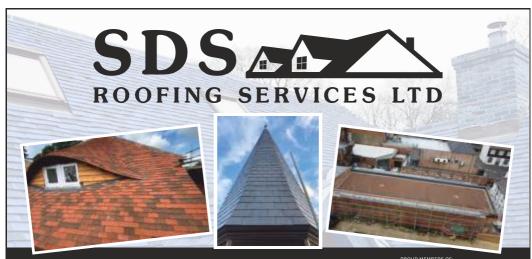
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Amesbury Town Ringwood Town VS Ash United Cove VS Clanfield Fleetlands **Folland Sports** VS **East Cowes Victoria** Frimley Green VS **AFC Aldermaston** Hamworthy United VS **Fawley AFC** Newport (IoW) **Lymington Town** VS

VS

New Milton Town

Verwood Town

Results 14th December 2024

AFC Aldermaston Romsey Town Amesbury Town Clanfield 2 - 1 Fleetlands **East Cowes Victoria Folland Sports** 2 - 3 **Whitchurch United Hamworthy United Frimley Green Fawley AFC** Lymington Town **New Milton Town Ash United** Newport (IoW) **Alresford Town Ringwood Town** Verwood Town **Totton & Eling**

Division One Table

| POS | Team | Р | w | D | L | F | Α | GD | PTS |
|-----|---------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | New Milton Town | 19 | 13 | 4 | 2 | 54 | 21 | 33 | 43 |
| 2 | Frimley Green | 21 | 12 | 5 | 4 | 61 | 35 | 26 | 41 |
| 3 | Alresford Town | 20 | 12 | 5 | 3 | 37 | 24 | 13 | 41 |
| 4 | Hamworthy United | 19 | 12 | 1 | 6 | 46 | 29 | 17 | 37 |
| 5 | Newport (IoW) | 18 | 9 | 7 | 2 | 45 | 21 | 24 | 34 |
| 6 | East Cowes Victoria | 16 | 10 | 2 | 4 | 31 | 18 | 13 | 32 |
| 7 | Fleetlands | 18 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 28 | 30 | -2 | 32 |
| 8 | Ringwood Town | 19 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 35 | 30 | 5 | 31 |
| 9 | Clanfield | 23 | 8 | 4 | 11 | 37 | 45 | -8 | 28 |
| 10 | Lymington Town | 20 | 8 | 3 | 9 | 38 | 43 | -5 | 27 |
| 11 | Cove | 20 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 42 | 40 | 2 | 25 |
| 12 | Romsey Town | 20 | 7 | 4 | 9 | 33 | 39 | -6 | 25 |
| 13 | Amesbury Town | 17 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 30 | 34 | -4 | 24 |
| 14 | Totton & Eling | 19 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 21 | 27 | -6 | 22 |
| 15 | AFC Aldermaston | 18 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 33 | 40 | -7 | 21 |
| 16 | Whitchurch United | 17 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 22 | 32 | -10 | 16 |
| 17 | Folland Sports | 20 | 3 | 5 | 12 | 21 | 51 | -30 | 14 |
| 18 | Fawley AFC | 19 | 3 | 4 | 12 | 17 | 36 | -19 | 13 |
| 19 | Verwood Town | 18 | 2 | 6 | 10 | 22 | 38 | -16 | 12 |
| 20 | Ash United | 19 | 2 | 3 | 14 | 24 | 44 | -20 | 9 |
| | | | | | | | | | |



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 |
| Joshua Jeffery |
| Liam Magee |
| Joshua Ball |
| Harry Osman |

WI-IITCHURCH UNITED

| Aaron Bufon |
|---------------------------|
| Ant Croucher |
| Craig Rutledge |
| Chris Morris |
| Kieran Maylen |
| Alfie Jones |
| Ethan Abrehart |
| Calum Reid |
| Brett Denham |
| Dave Parry |
| Mikey Ash |
| Sam Cavey |
| Charlie Prall |
| Zach Rugman |
| Ryan Clayton |
| Kieran Girdler |
| Mckenzie Rae |
| Shaun Dallimore |
| Harry O'Connor |
| Leyton Basterfield |
| Jayden Wheeler |
| Alfie Clark |

Whitchurch United

Shirts - Red & White Stripes Shorts - Black Socks - Red

<u>Airesford</u>

Shirts - Black & White

Shorts - Black Socks - Black Keeper - Pink

> Referee: Nyasha Mukachana Assistant Referee 1: Thomas Arlett Assistant Referee 2: Richard Diggle