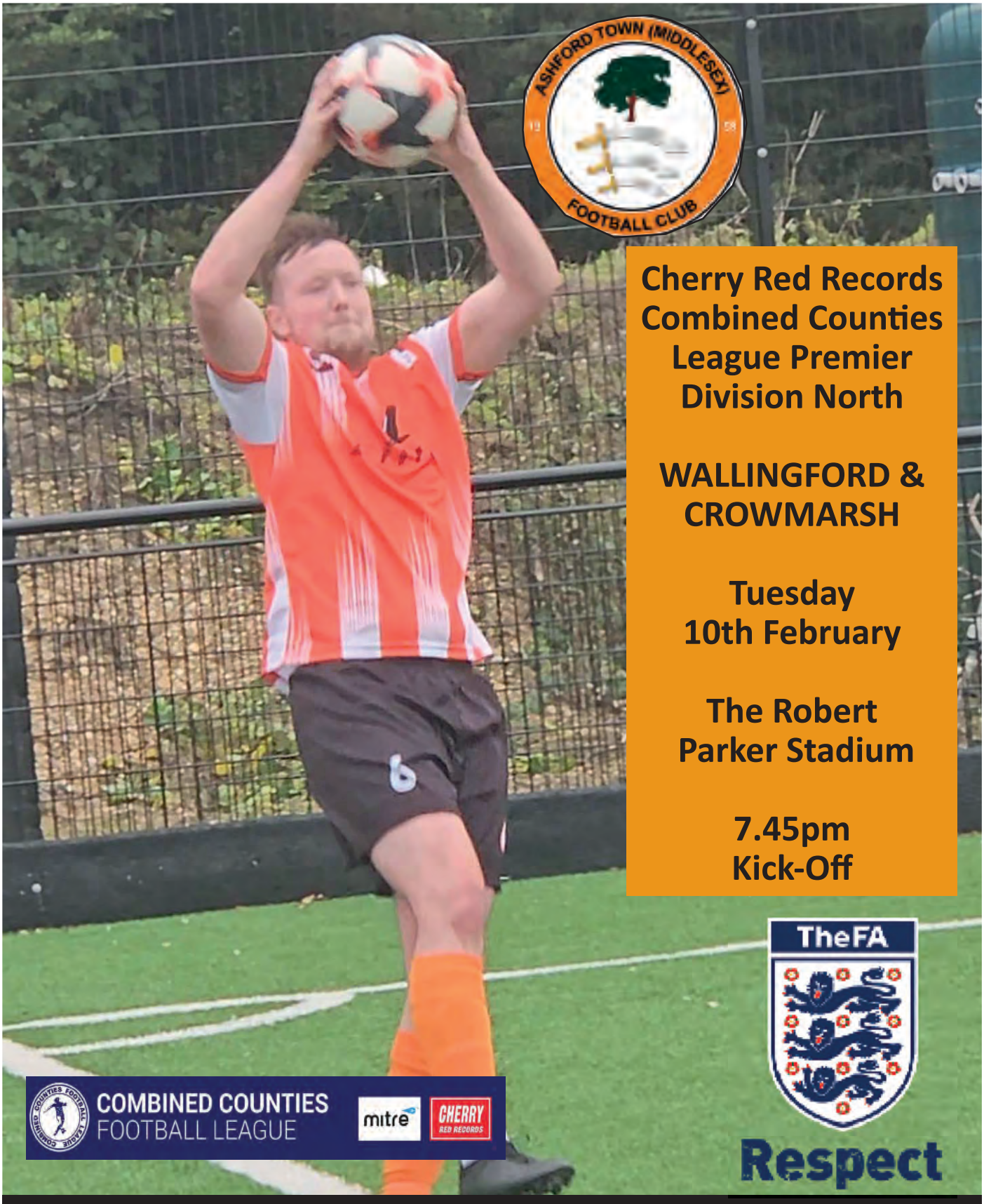

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WELCOME NOTES

A warm welcome to Wallingford & Crowmarsh for this Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier Division North match at The Robert Parker Stadium along with the referee Daniel Harvey his assistants Steven Williams and Nick Phipps.

This evening's game is going to be very interesting. We have the same number of points as our opponents but they have played three more games than us.

Therefore, Wallingford & Crowmarsh will be very keen to get a win to keep up their promotion hopes.

The wording is key here as both ourselves and Wallingford & Crowmarsh may not be in contention for the title despite what the CCL Premier Division North table may indicate.

At the moment, the favourites for the championship could be Windsor & Eton, noting the number of games they have in hand.

We still have to play The Royalists twice with the first encounter coming at The Robert Parker Stadium on Saturday 28th February.

The Windsor & Eton clash comes at the end of some key matches starting with tonight's match against 'The Wally' and is followed by a trip to Ardley United this Saturday and we also have Burnham at home on Tuesday 24th February.

We should enter this passage of matches with some confidence especially after Friday's excellent 3-0 victory at Hilltop. This completed the double over them following the nine-goal fest in October.

Tangerines manager Luke Tuffs was full of praise for his group of lads during his Facebook page after the encounter and also paid respect to the Hilltop side.

Luke described Hilltop as a team full of flair and very difficult to play against. He added that Ashford were missing their central defenders. Captain Luke Elliott and Elliott Poley were both injured while Tre Wooliscroft was unavailable.

Forward-cum-goalkeeper-Marcus Mealing filled in at the heart of the defence and was solid as a rock. "How can I remove him from this role after that performance," said Luke.

The Hilltop match saw the debut of Liam Allen, a highly-regarded goalkeeper we have signed from Kingstonian. Luke had to consider the stopper options following the injury to Marcin Brzozowski in the league game against Harefield United on 17th January.

Enjoy the game.

Graham White

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HALF-TIME TEASER

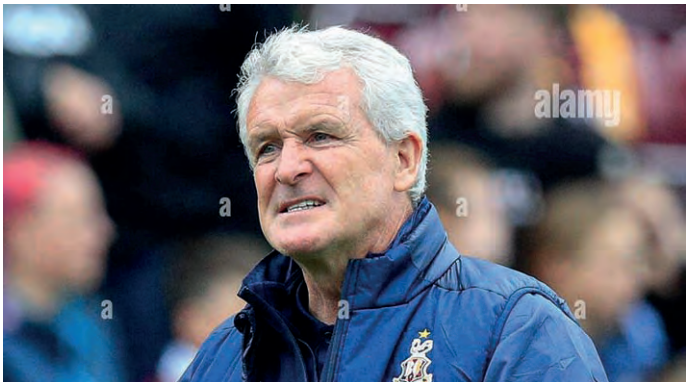
1. Which four managers have won the Football League Cup?

2. Who are the four English 2025-26 UEFA Europa League goalscorers with foreign clubs?

3. Which seven players won 20 or more England caps while with Leeds United?

4. Who were the last four non-English managers for Burnley?

Picture Question: Who is the manager?



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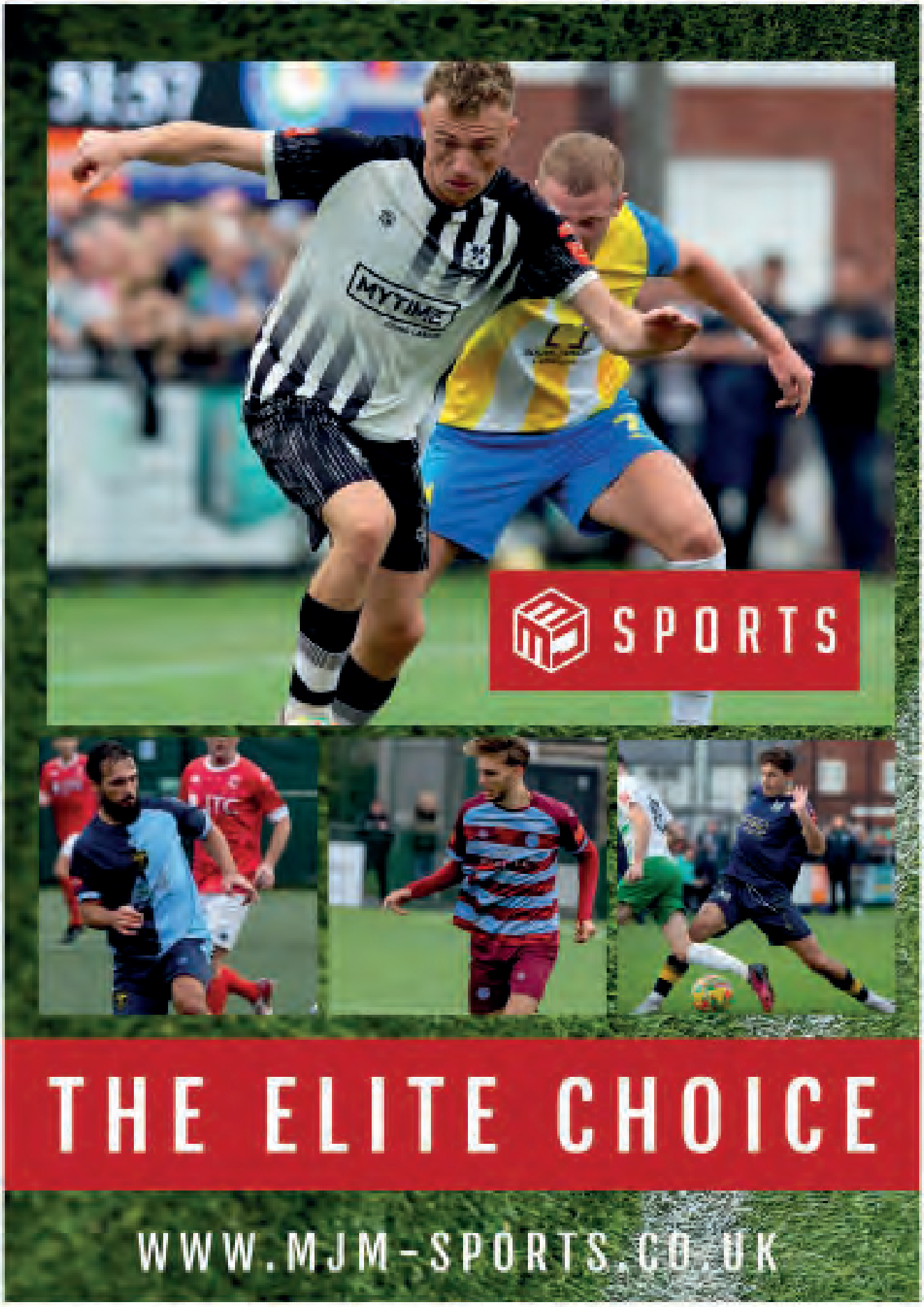
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THE CHERRY RED RECORDS COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE NEWS

LEAGUE: Ashford Town (Middx) moved back into second place following their 3-0 victory at Hilltop on Friday evening where striker Jack Arnold netted twice with the other effort coming from Cormac Harris.

However, this was short lived as the Tangerines moved back to third after the round of matches on Saturday.

It was a rain-affected programme but Broadfields United moved up to second following their 2-1 home win against Kidlington with both of their goals coming from Sharif Mohammed afte Kian Duggan had given the visitors the lead on the stroke of half-time.

There was an interesting encounter at the bottom of the table where basement team Edgware & Kingsbury picked up their third League win when they defeated fellow strugglers North Leigh 3-2. Hamza Miezou netted twice for the hosts with the other effort coming from Joel Ramos.

North Greenford United clinched a 3-2 victory at Abingdon United.

CHERRY RED RECORDS COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION NORTH

CCL PREMIER DIVISION NORTH 25-26 TABLE

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Burnham	30	17	6	5	27	57
Broadfields United	26	15	7	4	30	52
Ashford Town (Middx)	**25**	**15**	**5**	**5**	**28**	**50**
Wallingford & Crow	28	15	5	8	4	50
Windsor & Eton	20	12	7	1	25	43
Ardley United	22	13	3	6	19	42
Kidlington	25	11	8	6	7	41
Hilltop	33	12	4	17	1	40
North Greenford Utd	23	12	3	8	2	39
Milton United	24	11	4	9	3	37
Virginia Water	27	10	6	11	0	36
Reading City	19	10	4	5	16	34
Wokingham Town	24	9	6	9	5	33
Abingdon United	25	9	4	12	- 3	31
Harefield United	26	8	5	13	-7	29
British Airways	21	7	4	10	-6	22*
Amersham Town	24	5	5	14	-29	20
North Leigh	25	5	3	17	-24	18
Holyport	27	5	1	21	-50	16
Edgware & Kings	28	3	2	23	-48	11

As at 8th February ***Points Adjustment**

LEAGUE FIXTURES

Tuesday 10th February

Ardley United v Milton United
Ashford Town (Midd) v Wallingford & Crowmarsh
British Airways v Virginia Water
Edgware & Kingsbury v Windsor & Eton
Reading City v Wokingham Town

Wednesday 11th February

Kidlington v North Greenford United

Friday 13th February

Reading City v Abingdon United

Saturday 14th February

Ardley United v Ashford Town (Middx)
Burnham v Windsor & Eton
Edgware & Kingsbury v Amersham Town
Holyport v British Airways
North Greenford Utd v Wallingford & Crowmarsh
North Leigh v Harefield United
Wokingham Town v Kidlington

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FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

2025-26 SEASON

FIX	DATE	OPPOSITION	COMP	KO/ RES	ATT	POS	1	2	3	4	5
M1	Jul 29	**Virginia Water**	CCL	0-0	184	--	Brzozowski	Larkham^	Church	Humphries	Elliott
M2	Aug 02	Eastbourne Town	FAC	2-2	279	-	Brzozowski	Larkham	Church	Humphries	Elliott
M3	Aug 05	**Eastbourne Town**	FAC	3-2	216	-	Brzozowski	Kazi	Church	King	Elliott
M4	Aug 09	Reading City	CCL	1-1	110	16	Brzozowski	Kazi	Poley	Elliott	Humphries1
M5	Aug 16	**Snodland Town**	FAC	3-2	113	-	Brzozowski	Larkham	Kazi	Humphries	Goulter
M6	Aug 23	Chalfont St Peter	FAV	2-1	83	-	Brzozowski	Slater*	Paine	Humphries^	Goulter
M7	Aug 25	Holyport	CCL	3-0	115	13	Brzozowski	Larkham	Church	B-Balogun	Elliott
M8	Aug 30	**AFC Whyteleafe**	FAC	3-2	188	-	Brzozowski	O'Neill	Church	Humphries	Elliott
M9	Sep 06	**Kidlington**	CCL	2-3	124	16	Brzozowski	O'Neill!	Church*	Humphries^	Elliott
M10	Sep 13	Ebbsfleet United	FAC	0-5	547	-	Brzozowski	O'Neill!	Church^	Humphries*	Elliott
M11	Sep 16	Epsom & Ewell	CRC	1-1*	64	-	Brzozowski	Kenlock*	Kazi	King	Poley
M12	Sep 20	**Kidlington**	FAV	1-3	108	=	Brzozowski	Church!	Kazi^	Ridgley	Elliott
M13	Sep 23	North Greenford Utd	MSC	0-3	N/A	-	McCarthy	O'Neill+	Church*	Elliott	Poley
M14	Sep 30	**British Airways**	CCL	1-1	96	18	Brzozowski	McDonald+	Church*	B-Balogun^	Paine
M15	Oct 04	Wokingham Town	CCL	0-0	118	16	Brzozowski	Humphries	Paine	B-Balogun	Kazi
M16	Oct 07	**Knaphill**	SSC	1-3	N/A	-	Brzozowski	Kazi*	Poley	Paine	Elliott
M17	Oct 11	**Ardley United**	CCL	1-2	102	18	Brzozowski	Rowan=	Paine	Ridgley*	Elliott
M18	Oct 18	**Hilltop**	CCL	5-4	96	16	Brzozowski	Larkham^	Wooliscroft*	B-Balogun+	Elliott
M19	Oct 22	Milton United	CCL	3-0	88	13	Brzozowski	Larkham*	Rowan	Humphries	Elliott
M20	Oct 29	Burnham	CCL	3-1	95	13	Brzozowski	Larkham	Wooliscroft	Humphries	Elliott
M21	Nov 01	**Harefield United**	CCL	2-1	122	11	Brzozowski	Larkham	Wooliscroft+	Humphries*	Elliott
M22	Nov 08	Broadfields United	CCL	1-0	108	10	Brzozowski	Larkham+	Rowan	Humphries*	Elliott
M23	Nov 11	Edgware & Kingsbury	CCL	2-0	52	8	Brzozowski	McDonald	Rowan	Balogun	Grant
M24	Nov 15	**North Leigh**	CCL	2-0	151	7	Brzozowski	Lalustani	Rowan	Ihid	Elliott
M25	Nov 22	Wallingford & Crow	CCL	1-2	87	9	Brzozowski	Grant*	Rowan	Ihid	Elliott
M26	Nov 29	**Holyport**	CCL	4-1	192	8	Brzozowski	Larkham	Rowan	Ihid2*	Elliott1+
M27	Dec 06	Abingdon United	CCL	3-1+	159	7	Brzozowski	Larkham	Rowan	Balogun	Elliott
M28	Dec 13	Kidlington	CCL	1-1	48	7	Brzozowski	Lock+	Larkham	Dua^	Grant
M29	Dec 20	**Amersham Town**	CCL	3-1	181	4	Brzozowski	Larkham	Rowan^	Dua	Elliott
M30	Dec 27	Virginia Water	CCL	0-1	102	5	Brzozowski	Larkham	Rowan	Dua	Elliott
M31	Jan 03	**Reading City**	CCL	1-0	182	5	Brzozowski	Larkham*	Rowan	Harris^	Elliott
M32	Jan 10	**North Greenford Utd**	CCL	5-1	201	3	Brzozowski	Rowan	Lock	Dua!	Elliott
M33	Jan 17	Harefield United	CCL	3-0	175	2	Brzozowski*	Rowan	Lock	Dua	Elliott
M34	Jan 20	**Abingdon United**	CCL	2-3	153	2	Ross	Rowan	Lock^	Dua	Elliott
M35	Feb 06	Hilltop	CCL	3-0	N/A	2	Allen	Larkham	Lock	Rowan	Dua
M	Feb 10	**Wallingford & Crow**	CCL	7.45							
M	Feb 14	Ardley United	CCL	3.00							
M	Feb 24	**Burnham**	CCL	7.45							
M	Feb 28	**Windsor & Eton**	CCL	3.00							
M	Mar 07	North Greenford Utd	CCL	3.00							
M	Mar 10	**Broadfields United**	CCL	7.45							
M	Mar 14	North Leigh	CCL	3.00							
M	Mar 17	Amersham Town	CCL	7.45							
M	Mar 21	**Milton United**	CCL	3.00							
M	Mar 28	Windsor & Eton	CCL	3.00							
M	Apr 04	**Edgware & Kings**	CCL	3.00							
M	Apr 07	British Airways	CCL	7.45							
M	Apr 11	**Wokingham Town**	CCL	3.00							
M	Apr 18	Play-offs	CCL	3.00							
M	Apr 25	Play-offs Final	CCL	3.00							

BOLD FIXTURES - HOME GAMES
(1,2) - GOALS SCORED

*** First Sub; + Second Sub; ^ Third Sub ! Fourth Sub = Fifth Sub Bold Blue: Man of the Match**

6	7	8	9	10	11	S	S	S	FIX
Poley	Paine+	Goulter	Arnold	D'Cruz	Tesfu*	Kenlock*Bitmead+Kazi^			M1
Poley	Paine+	Beadle1	Arnold1^	D'Cruz	Bitmead*	Day*King+Harris^			M2
Poley	Paine	Goulter	Arnold1	D'Cruz1	Bitmead*	Beadle*1			M3
King	Paine	Goulter	Arnold	D'Cruz	Beadle				M4
Paine	Bitmead*	B-Balogun	Arnold1	D'Cruz2	Beadle	Day*			M5
Poley	George+	B-Balogun	Arnold1	Day1	Beadle	Doona*Harris+Elliott^			M6
Poley	Paine	Goulter	Arnold1	D'Cruz1	Beadle1				M7
Poley	Paine	B-Balogun*	Arnold2	D'Cruz1	Beadle+	Iqbal*Kenlock+			M8
Wooliscroft=	Paine	B-Balogun	Arnold2	D'Cruz	Beadle+	Kenlock*Stewart+Iqbal^Kazi!Harris=			M9
Poley	Paine	B-Balogun	Arnold=	D'Cruz+	Iqbal!	King*Bitmead+Kenlock^Kazi!Harris=			M10
Harris	Ridgley	Elliott^	Bitmead+	Day	Bomelanga	Church*1Iqbal+Paine^			M11
Poley	Paine	B-Balogun+	Arnold	D'Cruz	Iqbal*	Beadle*1Day+O'Neill^Bitmead!			M12
B-Balogun!	Humphries	Day^	Arnold=	D'Cruz	Beadle	McDonald*Paine+Bitmead^Iqbal!Harris=			M13
Poley	Beadle1	Ridgley	Pepple	Iqbal	Bitmead	Kazi*Day+Humphries^			M14
Poley	F-Jones+	Harris	Flatman	Church	Bitmead*	O'Neill*Day+			M15
B-Balogun!	McDonald+	Harris	Beadle	Flatman1	Pepple^	O'Neill*Day+Iqbal^Humphries!			M16
Poley	Beadle!	B-Balogun^	Arnold1	Flatman+	Lalustani	McDonald*Harris+Humphries^Iqbal!Larkham=			M17
Poley	Beadle2	Paine1	Arnold2	McDonald	Lalustani!	Rowan*Humphries+Harris^Day!Flatman=			M18
Poley	Beadle	Paine1+	Arnold2	McDonald	Lalustani^	Mason*B-Balogun+Harris^			M19
Poley	Beadle	Paine	Harris*	Mason1	Lalustani1	Jalaoui*Fried-Jones1			M20
Poley1	Beadle	Paine	Jalaoui1^	Mason!	Lalustani	Fried-Jones*Rowan+Arnold^Balogun!			M21
Poley	Beadle	Paine	Arnold1^	Mason	Jalaoui!	Balogun*McDonald+Harris^Grant!			M22
Poley	Beadle	Paine	Arnold2	Mason*	Jalaoui	Ihid*			M23
Poley	Beadle	Paine	Arnold2	Mason+	Harris*	Fried-Jones*Balogun+			M24
Kakembo1	Beadle	Paine	Arnold	Mason	Lalustani	Poley*			M25
Poley	Beadle	Paine^	Kakembo1	Mason	Lalustani!	Harris*Balogun+Grant^ F-Jones!			M26
Poley	Jalaoui	Mason	Kakembo1	Dua	Lalustani	Harris*1Grant+			M27
Poley	Jalaoui	Balogun*	Arnold	Mason1	Lalustani	Harris*Rowan+Mealing^			M28
Poley	Jalaoui*	Balogun	Arnold3	Beadle+	Lalustani	Paine*Harris+Lock^			M29
Poley	Jalaoui*	Paine	Arnold	Beadle+	Mason	McDonald*Lock+			M30
Poley	Paine=	Mason+	Arnold1	Dua!	Lalustani	Beadle*Mealing+Jalaoui^Wooliscoft!Grant=			M31
Wooliscroft	Harris^	Mason	Arnold4	Paine1+	Lalustani*	Beadle*Balogun+Mealing^Humphries!			M32
Wooliscroft	Beadle+	Paine1	Arnold1	Mason	Lalustani^	Mealing*Kakembo+Harris^			M33
Wooliscroft1	Beadle+	Paine*	Arnold1	Mason	Lalustani	Kakembo*!Ihid+Mealing^Harris!			M34
Mealing	Lalustani*	Paine	Arnold2+	Ihid	Harris1	Humphries*Jalaoui+			M35

TANGERINES NEWS

Ashford Town (Middx) Under-17s have produced battling performances in the Surrey Youth League and the League Cup.

The Tangerines faced Croygas Falcons in the League on 1st February and managed a 2-2 draw with the Ashford goals coming from player of the match Roberto and Amrit.

It was a fine effort in the League Cup as Ashford clinched a comfortable 4-1 victory over Kew Park Rangers.

The scorers were Sarjo, Callum, Oliver and Nick. Sarjo was the player of the match.

The squad are also still in the County Cup.

ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)
COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION NORTH
2025-26 Appearances and Goalscorers

	League			Cup			Total		
	App	Sub	Goals	App	Sub	Goals	App	Sub	Goals
Marcin Brzozowski	24			8			32		
Archie Larkham	14	1		2			16	1	
George Lock	5	2					5	2	
Adam Humphries	8	5	1	6			14	5	1
Luke Elliott	20		1	8	1		28	1	1
Elliott Poley	19	1	1	9			28	1	1
Alexander Paine	23	1	4	8	3		31	4	4
Marcus Mealing	1	5					1	5	
Jack Arnold	19	1	26	8		6	27	1	32
Oliver Rowan	15	3					15	3	
Usman Lalustani	16		1				16		1
Benjamin Kakembo	3	2	3				3	2	3
Mark Bitmead	2	1		4	3	1	6	4	1
Mo Ihid	4	2	2				4	2	2
Jack Beadle	18	2	4	6	2	4	24	4	8
Scott Day		3		3	4	1	3	7	1
Gary Ross	1						1		
Cormac Harris	6	12	2	2	3		8	15	2
Sam Bello-Balogun	10	6		7			17	6	
Alfie Grant	3	4					3	4	
Abdellah EL Jalaoui	7	3	1				7	3	1
Germaine Dua	9						9		
Naison O'Neill	1	1		3	2		4	3	
Oliver Mason	14	1	2				14	1	2
Tre Wooliscroft	7	1	1	1			8	1	1
Dontai Stewart		1						1	
Wayne Ridgley	2			2			4		
Stephane Bomelanga					1			1	
Liam Allen	1						1		
Darnell McDonald	4	3		1	1		5	4	
Daniel Pepple	1			1			2		
Cass Fried-Jones	1	4	1				1	4	1
Lewis Flatman	2	1		1		1	3	1	1

Tyler D'Cruz 11 (0) **5**;, Samuel Tesfu 1; Danyaal Iqbal 3(5); Charlie George 1; Toby Slater 1; Samad Kazi 7(4); Nathan Kenlock 1(4);Connor Doona (1); Armani Church 11 (1) **1**; Chad Coulter 5; James King 3 (2); Paul McCarthy 1

WALLINGFORD & CROWMARSH

The club is a result of a merger between Crowmarsh Youth Football Club and Wallingford Town AFC, starting from the 2022-23 season.

The original Wallingford Town, a Hellenic League side at the time, founded in 1922 and neighbours Wallingford United, who had been founded in 1934.

The newly merged club was named AFC Wallingford. In 1997-98 the club became champions of the Chiltonian League and gained promotion into the Combined Counties League.

In 2001-02 Wallingford won the Combined Counties League comfortably and then were runners-up to Withdean 2000 and AFC Wimbledon in the two succeeding two years.

However, the facilities at their ground Hithercroft did not meet the standards of the Isthmian League and thus they were denied further promotion.

A Football Association grant of £100,000 was used to fund ground improvements which would make promotion possible if they were again to win the Combined Counties League.

The Club has continued from strength to strength and is now fielding sides from Under-sevens (small sided games) through to Under-16s.

The aim is still to provide football for local boys and girls at the lowest possible cost with



WALLINGFORD TOWN F.C. Reading and District League Champions 1935/36

training facilities, kit and footballs as well as the cost of playing being heavily subsidised. - less than half of the necessary money being collected in players' subscriptions.

Since 1997 the main source of fund raising has been the Annual six a side tournament held at Crowmarsh in early June each year with teams from the local leagues and much further afield taking part.

As well as regular success on the playing field, the Club has earned a reputation for good organisation and sportsmanship.

Several ex players have gone on to the professional game and at least two, - John Dreyer and Gary Elkins - have played in the dizzy heights of the Premiership, while others are currently with Nationwide League sides including local sides like Oxford and Reading.

Many current players have been selected for the youth academy squads at professional clubs.

FOCUS ON WALLINGFORD & CROWMARSH

Wallingford & Crowmarsh are eyeing up at least a play-off place in the Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier Division North.

The Wally currently have the same number of points as The Tangerines but have played three more games.

They arrive at The Robert Parker Stadium in reasonable form having won their last two matches following a respectable 1-1 away draw with current leaders Burnham.

The hosts took the lead after 33 minutes with a Jordan Brown penalty but Wallingford & Crowmarsh equalised through James Williams.

Former Tangerines forward Tyler D'Cruz netted twice as Wallingford & Crowmarsh clinched a 5-2 win over Abingdon United.

Aiden Higgs also scored twice with the other goal coming from Bradley Walton.

Harry Bonner and D'Cruz were on target as Wallingford & Crowmarsh bagged a comfortable 2-0 victory over Hilltop.

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TANGERINES NEWS

Ashford Town (Middx) Ladies were knocked out of the London and South East League Cup when they suffered a 3-0 home defeat against a talented Bromley outfit.

It was a keenly-fought contest during the first half but Bromley were able to go in at the break with a one-goal advantage.

It was a different story after the break as Bromley took control of the game. The Kent side were rewarded with two further goals to progress into the next round.

Ashford Town Ladies (Middx): Rose Mylam, Alice Frise, Hannah Duncan, Mary Southgate, Katie Allenby, Dilara Sucuoglu, Chanel Morris, Ella Cottrell, Mhairi Crooks, Phoebe Head, Charlotte Close.

Substitutes: Ruby Maiden, Alice Hitchcock, Ellie Nitsche, Sarah McDermott, Zu Wojtaszewska.

The Ladies' next League game is on 8th March when they entertain Brentford.

HALF TIME TEASER ANSWERS

1. Alex Ferguson, Brian Clough, José Mourinho and Pep Guardiola

2. Jonathan Rowe (2 Bologna), Ainsley Maitland-Niles (Olympique Lyonnais), Alejandro Gomes Rodríguez (Olympique Lyonnais) and James Tavernier (Rangers)

3. Jack Charlton (35), Norman Hunter (28), Trevor Cherry (27), Paul Madeley (24), Kalvin Phillips (23), Terry Cooper (20) and Nigel Martyn (20)

4. Vincent Kompany (Belgium 2022-24), Owen Coyle (Republic of Ireland 2007-10), Martin Buchan (Scotland 1985) and John Benson (Scotland 1984-85)

Picture Answer: Mark Hughes

ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX) PLAYER PROFILES

Marcin Brzozowski - Goalkeeper: Marcin came in last season from Farnham as we are very excited that he has decided to stay. Without doubt, a top, top keeper.

Jay Mears - Goalkeeper: A youth team product, Jay has impressed this pre season and has really come on over the last year or so. Fantastic shot stopper.

Archie Larkham - Right Back / RWB:. Archie has been promoted to vice captain despite being just 19. Versatile, consistent, and tenacious.

Oliver Rowan - Full Back: Oliver Rowan is a recent signing and has previously been at Tadley Calleva. Is a product of the Aldershot Town Academy.

George Lock - Defender: George has signed from Ascot United where he helped them win the Isuzu FA Vase.

Elliott Poley - Centre Back: Elliott returns again this year and is looking sharper and sharper. Always calm, always relaxed, and so collected on the ball.

Tremayne Wooliscroft - Centre Back: We worked hard to sign him from Abbey Rangers! Quick, clever and good understanding of the game, a top signing beating many rival clubs to his signature. Currently on loan at Guildford City.

Luke Elliott - Centre Back: Captain. A real coup to sign Luke who was Westfields captain last season. Well known around the circuit, he is solid and reads the game like it's a book.

Alex Paine - Midfield: The engine in the engine room. Calms everything down with his quality and gets around the pitch efforts

Scott Day - Midfield: Scott returns for his third season at the club. A match winner with his tenacity and commitment when the going gets tough, he is the joker amongst the pack and we are very happy to see him return.

Germaine Dua - Midfield: Has previously played for a number of clubs including Beaconsfield Town and Rayners Lane. Can also play in defence.

Samuel Bello-Balogun - Midfielder: Returns to Ashford Town (Middx) having signed from Westfield. Sam has also played for Ascot United, Potters Bar Town and Daventry Town.

Adam Humphries - Midfielder: Leader in the middle that is good in the air and glues our shape together. Returns to the club after a long stint at Egham Town.

Darnell McDonald - Midfielder: Looking to establish himself in the side at Ashford Town (Middx) having previously played for Lewisham Borough.

Cass Fried-Jones - Midfielder: Is on dual registration terms with The Tangerines along with his parent club Farnborough Town.

Jack Beadle - Winger: Jack returns to the club from Westfield after signing stints at various clubs including Uxbridge and Bedfont Sports. Dynamic with quality, intelligent, and has a set piece or two in him.

Jack Arnold - Forward: Another fans favourite, quick, and lethal in behind, we are delighted that Jack has returned to terrorise defenses this season.

Usman Lalustani - Forward: A promising front runner who has been at Ascot United.

Oliver Mason - Forward: Another arrival from Ascot United and has Step Four experience.

Marcus Mealing - Forward: Marcus has joined from Ascot United as an assistant coach and as cover for the forward line.

Cormac Harris - Forward: Beginning to establish himself in the Ashford Town (Middx) side.

Abdellah El Jalaoui - Forward: Made his debut for Ashford Town (Middx) when he came on as a substitute against Burnham. Has also been at Flackwell Heath and Chalfont St Peter.

Billy Murphy - Versatile: Billy signs from Camberley Town where he ended last season. Billy has lots of Step Four experience having also played for Uxbridge. A great touch and excellent link play.

Benjamin Kakembo - Forward: Joined The Tangerines in November having previously been at Aylesbury United and King's Langley.

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RESPECT THE REFEREE. RESPECT THE GAME.

R eferees, just like our players and coaches, are part of the game.

E veryone is doing their best, mistakes will be made.

S upport our game, make it a safe positive environment for all participants.

P lease respect the decisions of the referee.

E njoying the game is the goal for everyone, this includes the referee.

C lubs are responsible for the conduct of their managers, players, coaches and supporters.

T hank you for playing your part, remember

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Non-league football is the pillar of our communities and the true heartbeat of the game – there really is so much to be proud of.

But, whether we like it or not, it is also a giant mirror of our society and one that acts with anger and little fear of consequence.

Football brings out the best of us and we shouldn't forget that. The hours and hours of dedication people put in, more of than the not unpaid, simply for their love of their club or just the game itself.

But, here we are in 2026 and the same old problems continues to plague us. Racism, sadly, is still very much alive and kicking.

Over the years, The NLP have reported on countless stories of discriminatory abuse levelled at players, officials and fellow supporters.

And once again last week, we followed up a statement issued by a club in support of one of their own.

It came after Jermaine Francis posted a screenshot on X of the racist abuse he was sent on Snapchat after joining Sutton United.

The 23-year-old winger, who made the switch from Hartlepool United, said it was the second message he'd had received.

"We regret to report that we have been made aware of racist abuse directed towards Jermaine Francis on social media," Sutton said.

"Following the completion of his transfer from Hartlepool United to Sutton United yesterday afternoon, Jermaine received a message on his Snapchat account that included racial abuse.

"As a club we condemn racism and discrimination in all forms, in the strongest possible manner. This behaviour has no place in football, or in society, and we are angered that Jermaine has been subjected to such disgusting abuse.

"We can't wait to welcome Jermaine to the VBS Community Stadium and we know our superb supporters will be fully behind him, as well as the whole team, as they have been throughout the season. We stand with Jermaine and all victims of online discriminatory abuse."

Kick It Out campaigns to make sure football is always welcoming – to everyone – and are here to put an end to every form of discrimination; something which we reiterate. There is no place for racism in football – or anywhere."

At the same time, we were also contacted by a Hereford supporter who was left shaken by a chant from his fellow supporters when they took on Merthyr Town in National League North recently.

Karan Rai has supported the Bulls for 21 years, chairs the London Bulls Supporters' Club and, after agonising over whether to do so, penned a must-read open letter on Substack of how he felt that December afternoon and the impact it had.

"As an Asian Hereford fan, and as a proud Punjabi Sikh, I could not believe that after 21 years of following the club I love," he said. "I witnessed a group of Hereford supporters singing "I'd rather be a P*ki than a Taff" loudly and repeatedly before kick-off at the Merthyr game, behind the goal," he wrote. "A game I was really looking forward to with my friends was totally ruined in seconds."

Matt Badcock

THE TEAMS

Tuesday 10th February

ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)		WALLINGFORD & CROWMARSH
Tangerine		Green + Black
LIAM ALLEN	1	ALEX PRATT
ARCHIE LARKHAM	2	KYLE BESTLEY
GEORGE LOCK	3	CALLUM YOUNG
OLIVER ROWAN	4	DAVID LYNN
GERMAINE DUA	5	HARRY BONNER
MARCUS MEALING	6	BRADLEY WALTON
USMAN LALUSTANI	7	EUAN AITCHINSON
ALEXANDER PAINE	8	MCKENZIE HEDGES
JACK ARNOLD	9	ELLIS HERCULES
MO IHID	10	ANTON MUNDY
CORMAC HARRIS	11	TYLER D'CRUZ
	SUBS	
ABS EL JALAOUI	12	BEN TAYLOR
BEN KAKEMBO	14	DANIEL SEFTON
ADAM HUMPHRIES	15	ALEXANDER MERCER
LUQMAN KASSIM	16	RYAN SHEPPARD
LUKE ELLIOTT	17	JAMES LIGHTFOOT
Manager		**Manager**
Luke Tuffs		Lee Matthews

Referee: D aniel Harvey
Assistants: Steven Williams, Nick Phipps

OUR NEXT HOME GAME

ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)
v
Burnham
Tuesday 24th February

COMBINED COUNTIES FOOTBALL LEAGUE
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CHERRY RED RECORDS