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**Matchday  
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**Season  
2022/23**



# THE YELLAMEN



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 Harry Tucker  
 Jay Welch  
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 Josh Masters  
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Last Match:	London Lions	H	Sat 26 Nov	2-1	COCO
Next Match:	Reading City	A	Tue 6 Dec		COCO





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**Chairman:** Simon Negus

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**1st Team Manager:** Jamie Tompkins

**Assistant Manager:** Dan Masters

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**Graham Jones**



# Jamie Tompkins



**Today marks the 200th in charge for Jamie Tompkins.**

**This is a huge achievement at this level of football and I personally want to thank Jamie for his commitment to Ascot United FC.**

**From day one Jamie has brought commitment, dedication, high standards and quality coaching to the club that has been fundamental to the success of not only our Men's team but also the club in general.**

**Here's to the next 200 games !!**

**Neil Richards  
Director of Football**

**Flashback!** Director of Football Neil Richards, who handed over the reins to Jamie at the end of the 2017/18 season, shares the moment when he got his hands on the League Cup Trophy at the end of his first campaign in charge. Ascot United beat Windsor FC 3-1 on 6th May 2019 courtesy of an own goal and strikes from Harry Laffin and Dan Price, before Windsor grabbed a consolation.

# Our Fans Say Thanks

**Ascot United's loyal supporters didn't think twice about sharing their own sentiments as Jamie reaches his milestone game in charge of our club.**

**Leader. Legend. Loved.** 



**Congratulations JT. Since you have been at the Club your positive attitude, a can-do approach and your very humble unassuming nature has made everyone instantly connect with you. On a personal note, thank you for all your help and guidance with my youth Team. You have taught me so much which you maybe don't even realise! Here is to the next 200. Well done. ~David Burton**

**Jamie, you've been an excellent addition to our club both professionally and personally. Your desire, dedication, commitment, hard work and passion for the club is outstanding. For the players to develop and thrive individually as well as collectively as a team. We are extremely fortunate to have you and have definitely benefited from the fruits of you labour! You are a great ambassador for the club  ~Lydia Baker**

**After stealing Jamie Ashdown from the Ascot United Vets Academy, I could only stay friends with you if you achieved some sort of milestone at the club. So congratulations on your 200th game mate. ~Dave Good**

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# Our Fans Say Thanks



**200 games is a massive achievement and is only testament to the great man Jamie is. Since being manager Jamie has done huge amounts of work not only on the training ground but off it too. The connection he has built between supporter and squad is not like anything you see anywhere else in non-league. You feel a part of things at Ascot United and a lot of praise has to go to Jamie and his team. Here's to many more successes in the coming months and years. ~Jace De Souza**

**What a great advisement Jamie, our first team manager is, for football. A gentleman who I believe will go from strength to strength, hopefully with Ascot. ~Chris Bailey**

**JT, congratulations on your 200th game at Ascot United . I have had the pleasure of getting to know you and being involved in 175 of those games and you are a top coach but most importantly a loyal, dedicated and top man. It's a pleasure to call you now a friend and look forward to watching you and the team grow for the next 200. Up the Yellas 🙌. ~Bjorn Dunkley**

# IN THE CHAIR



**Simon Negus**  
Chairman

**A warm welcome to Little Common for today's Isuzu FA Vase fixture.**



**A big welcome to you all to The Racecourse Ground this afternoon for this FA Vase game.**

**Having been on a fantastic run of form recently we hope to see that continue today in front of a good crowd. One of the things we have been really pleased with this season apart from the results is the number of our junior members and their families who are now coming to watch the men's and women's first team games– this continues to create a 'one-club' culture and it's something we hope grows further as the season progresses.**

**Today also sees a big milestone for our manager Jamie Tompkins – more on that further in this program but I do just want to pay tribute to everything Jamie does behind-the-scenes as well as directly with the first team. He is very supportive and engaged in the wider club developments and has been one of the reasons that the first team are now so engaged with the wider club. We feel very lucky to have Jamie at the helm and hopefully remains there for a long period of time so that we can realise our joint ambitions together.**

**Good luck to the boys today and I hope you all enjoy your day at Ascot.**

***Simon***

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**Pre-match fuel!** Not just Ascot United's main sponsor for this season, but also providing the fuel for the lads is Hedone, Ascot's luxury shopping experience with a deli, food hall and butchery. Here, Chris Ellis and Louis Bouwers drop in for some refreshments last weekend, and earlier this month the entire squad dropped in on before their FA Vase tie at Broadbridge Heath (below left). Why not drop in yourself and try one of the excellent cakes too (pictured below)?! Hedone are situated just off the bottom of Ascot High Street (Winkfield Rd, Ascot SL5 7EX). Search facebook - Hedone.



# FROM THE DUGOUT



**Jamie Tompkins**  
First Team Manager

**Welcome to the players, officials  
and supporters of Little Common.  
Enjoy the game!**



**Good afternoon everyone and welcome back to the Racecourse Ground for our FA Vase game against Little Common.**

**We head into this game with an 11 game winning run, a new club record, and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate every member of the squad and management team for all their hard work and commitment to reach this achievement.**

**Our latest win showed the resilience as a group to overcome a huge amount of pressure against a strong London Lions team, and our defence demonstrated their quality with great defending in and around our box. Harry Tucker and Alfie Grant both had outstanding performances including a goal each to secure another three points.**

**The FA Vase presents a different focus from the league and today The Racecourse is our Wembley. We fully believe if we continue doing the basics well and show quality in both boxes that we will progress into the next round of the competition.**

**Today's game also marks our 200th game in charge as a management team and what a journey it has been. It's been a very positive and enjoyable experience at the club and great progress has happened on and off the pitch during our time. As always, we will be working hard to achieve our goals – starting off with a win today!**

**Again a huge thank you for your support of the team and thank you to our sponsors for your generosity, encouragement and gestures to support the team on and off the pitch. Enjoy the game!**  
*Jamie*

## ASCOT UNITED FC MANAGEMENT TEAM



**Dan Masters**  
Assistant Manager



**Jamie Ashdown**  
Goalkeeping Coach



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# ON COURSE!

With Programme Editor Neal Jeffs

**Welcome to the players, officials and supporters of Little Common for this Isuzu FA Vase match.**



**Happy reading, and enjoy the game! Neal**

Welcome everyone to The Racecourse for this afternoons' Isuzu FA Vase tie and thank you to England for winning their World Cup Group thus sparing us any clash of matches this afternoon! This afternoon sees us come up against a side who have been scoring for fun recently – bagging a whopping 39 goals in their last ten matches – so Mr Ashdown and his defence will need to be on form at the back! Little Common, from Bexhill in Sussex, have risen through the pyramid in the past decade or so having been a Sussex Country League Division 3 (Step 7) side as recently as 2009. The FA Vase is a special competition and today is a very special one for Jamie Tompkins. Jamie is an outstanding manager who is a top bloke both pitchside and away from it. As well as getting the performances on the pitch it is his culture that resonates through the squad and we see them getting taking time and getting involve with our junior teams – the picture of Ollie below could equally have been of Louis or Chris – it's brilliant to see.

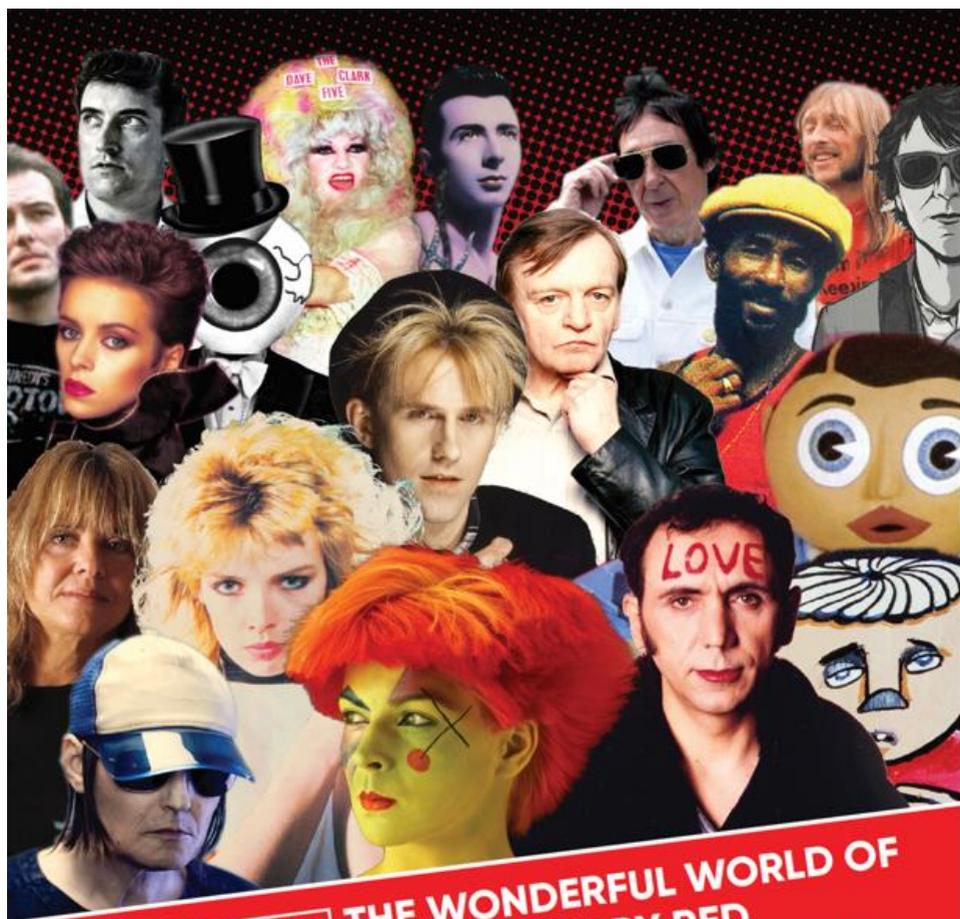


**Team player! Ollie Harris embodied the first team's club spirit by hosting a shooting and finishing session with AUFC U14's recently. Top man!**

Jamie always talks of his talented squad and gives them credit, but every orchestra needs a conductor and he is one of the very best at this level. Long may his reign continue and gain the success that COVID robbed us of a few seasons ago. Whilst we take it one day at a time we also know we've got a big league game on Tuesday as the top two go head to head at Rivermoor when we play Reading City. Fortunately (or unfortunately) for me I begin 2 weeks jury service on Monday in Reading so I get to spend the whole day and night in the city... And finally a word on our Women's team, last weekend they won against Wycombe Wanderers and it was a really great performance to watch; tomorrow they are home against Woodley in the league cup so hopefully they've all recovered from their Festive Race Night less than 48 hours earlier! The other encouraging sign from their 5-1 win was the fact they did it with a somewhat depleted side but we now have younger plays such as Chloe Connor coming through and making their mark at Senior level, and all this at a time when women's Football continues to bloom in the UK. Anyway, back to today - enjoy the game! Neal

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# RESULTS AND FIXTURES

Date	Opposition	H/A	Comp	Result	Att	Scorers
05-Aug	Cribbs	H	FAC XP	2-1	209	Lalustani, Matthew
13-Aug	Windsor	A	COCO	5-1	110	Matthew 3, Lalustani, Welch
16-Aug	North Greenford United	H	COCO	2-1	106	Laffin, August
20-Aug	Holyport	A	FAC P	1-2	195	Matthew
23-Aug	Egham Town	A	COCO	1-0	145	Harris
27-Aug	Long Crendon	A	FAV 10	5-1	26	Harris 3, OG, Mealing
03-Sep	Harefield United	A	COCO	3-2	90	Mealing 2, OG
06-Sep	Langley	A	BB 10	3-2	141	August, Tucker, Grant
17-Sep	Wembley	A	COCO	2-1		Matthew, Tucker
24-Sep	AEK Boco	H	FAV 20	10-1	122	Matthew 3, Grant 3, Walters 2, Harris, Lalustani
27-Sep	Flackwell Heath	H	BB 20	0-2	90	
04-Oct	Flackwell Heath	H	COCO	1-2	105	Mealing
08-Oct	Wokingham/Emmbrook	A	COCO	3-1		Grant, Harris, August
18-Oct	Sneltorne Sports	H	COCO	2-1	75	McCormack, Bailey
22-Oct	Newnort IOW	A	FAV 1	1-0		Matthew
25-Oct	Broadfields United	H	COCO	3-1	78	Matthew 2, Walters,
29-Oct	Holyport	H	COCO	2-0	267	Matthew, Harris
01-Nov	FC Deportivo Galicia	A	LC 10	5-1		August, Lalustani, Price, Mealing, Harris
05-Nov	Burnham	A	COCO	2-1	159	Matthew, Harris
12-Nov	Broadbridge Heath	A	FAV 2	3-0		August, Harris, Mathew
19-Nov	Virginia Water	A	COCO	2-1		OG, Matthew
22-Nov	Hilton	H	COCO	7-1		Matthew 4, Harris 2, McCormack
26-Nov	London Lions	H	COCO	2-1		Tucker, A. Grant
03-Dec	Little Common	H	FAV 3			
06-Dec	Reading City	A	COCO			
10-Dec	Egham Town	H	COCO			
13-Dec	Chalfont St Peter	A	COCO			
17-Dec	Windsor	H	COCO			
20-Dec	Horlev Town	A	LC 20			
14-Jan	London Lions	A	COCO			
17-Jan	Reading City	H	COCO			
21-Jan	Hilltop	A	COCO			
28-Jan	Virginia Water	H	COCO			
04-Feb	Oxhey Jets	H	COCO			
11-Feb	North Greenford United	A	COCO			
14-Feb	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	H	COCO			
18-Feb	Flackwell Heath	A	COCO			
25-Feb	Wokingham/Emmbrook	H	COCO			
04-Mar	Edgware & Kingsbury	H	COCO			
11-Mar	Oxhey Jets	A	COCO			
18-Mar	Sneltorne Sports	A	COCO			
25-Mar	Wembley	H	COCO			
01-Apr	Holnort	A	COCO			
08-Apr	Harefield United	H	COCO			
10-Apr	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	A	COCO			
15-Apr	Chalfont St Peter	H	COCO			
22-Apr	Burnham	A	COCO			
TBA	Edgware & Kingsbury	A	COCO			
TBA	Broadfields United	A	COCO			

\* *Langley v Ascot United - match played at Ascot United FC*

*COCO - Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier Division North, FAV - Isuzu FA Vase, FAC - The Emirates FA Cup, BB - Berks&Bucks Cup, LC - Cherry Red Records Premier Challenge Cup.*

# MATCH REPORT ROUNDUP

## ASCOT TAME LIONS TO EXTEND RUN

Yellamen roar loudest in 2-1 victory

Saturday 26th November 2022 - Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League  
Premier Division North - Ascot United 2 - 1 London Lions



Ascot United survived a second-half onslaught to record an eleventh-consecutive victory against a hugely impressive London Lions side on Saturday. Ascot led two-nil at the break before the lively visitors swarmed around Ascot like wasps in the second half and cut the deficit, but ultimately failed to find an equaliser in the face of home 'keeper Jamie Ashdown.

Despite their mid-table position, the visitors boasted the league's 2nd and 4th highest scorers in the league – Austin Lipman and Max Kyte – although they were still up against hot-shot Ascot striker Brendan Matthew, fresh from his four-goal midweek haul that had taken him to 20 goals for the season.

However, the early 2-0 lead which Ascot carved out owed as much to the visitors' inability to defend set-pieces into their six-yard box, and they were duly punished. Harry Tucker ghosted in at the far post to squeeze home Harry Grant's corner after just five minutes to put the home side one up, and they repeated the trick ten minutes later when another Grant corner was planted home by his brother Alfie after Matthew's earlier effort was cleared off the line. Ollie Harris's shot was then blocked by an increasingly busy Tiernan Parker in Lions' goal, although he was rooted to his spot when Jordan Ajanlekoko flashed a header wide from another Grant corner. But the visitors came into the game and only a wonder-save from Ashdown denied them a lifeline with an instinctive save to tip Jack Matley's first-time thunderbolt onto the crossbar from Lee Goldberg's delivery; 32 minutes played. A decent spell for the visitors saw Ashdown save easily from Joe Leslie, but it was Ascot who laid siege before half time as Parker made another decent save to deny Harry Grant, who had initially set Matthew clear down the wing before racing into the box for the return. And, after Parker's double save to thwart both Matthew and Sean McCormack, he got something on a trio of late corners to ensure his side only trailed 2-0 at the break.

In the second half, Ashdown made a great save early-on as Lions signalled their early intent, but Harris should have made it three-nil moments later only to find the side-netting. Ashdown then used his body well to block from Kyte in the 49th minute but when another chance came his way in the 65th minute he duly converted with a low shot across Ashdown and into the bottom left-hand corner to reduce the arrears. In their brightly-coloured shirts, Lions were like a pink swarm in the final quarter of the game – Jamie Tompkins used all five substitutes in an attempt to mix and break it up – but they were indebted to the imperious Tucker and a late, late save from Ashdown to preserved their winning streak. Lions will surely climb the table, whereas Ascot will now look forward to a midweek off before their FA Vase quest continues next weekend.

Ascot United: Ashdown, Lock (Lalustani 73'), Ellis (Bouwers 73'), Ajanlekoko, A. Grant, Tucker, McCormack, H. Grant, Walters (Thompson 87'), Matthew (Mealing 73'), Harris (Gallimore 54').

# PHOTOZONE



Photos from our win over London Lions last weekend. **Clockwise from top left:** Brendan Matthew heads for goal, Alfie Grant tucks home the follow up, Ollie Harris's shot is saved, Marcus Mealing gets his hands on the World Cup (!), Sean McCormack takes a shot, Kai Walters on the wing.



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# TODAY'S FIXTURES AND RECENT RESULTS

## Today's fixtures:

03/12/22 12:30	Broadfields United		VS		Flackwell Heath	TITHE FARM SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB	Premier Division North
03/12/22 15:00	Burnham		VS		Harefield United	THE 1878 STADIUM (BURNHAM FOOTBALL CLUB)	Premier Division North
03/12/22 15:00	Edgware & Kingsbury		VS		Wembley	SILVER JUBILEE PARK	Premier Division North
03/12/22 15:00	Oxhey Jets		VS		Windsor	OXHEY JETS FOOTBALL CLUB	Premier Division North
03/12/22 15:00	Reading City		VS		Chalfont St Peter	READING CITY FC	Premier Division North
03/12/22 15:00	Spelthorne Sports		VS		Hilltop	SPELTHORNE SPORTS CLUB	Premier Division North
03/12/22 15:00	Virginia Water		VS		Wallingford & Crowmarsh	STAG MEADOW (WINDSOR)	Premier Division North
03/12/22 15:00	Ascot United		VS		Little Common	ASCOT UNITED FC (THE RACECOURSE GROUND)	ISUZU FA Vase
03/12/22 15:00	Eastbourne Town		VS		Egham Town	Eastbourne Town	ISUZU FA Vase
03/12/22 15:00	Harefield United		VS		North Greenford United	PRESTON PARK	ISUZU FA Vase
03/12/22 15:00	Holyport		VS		Peacehaven & Telscombe	SUMMERLEAZE PARK	ISUZU FA Vase

## Looking ahead:

06/12/22 19:45	Flackwell Heath		VS		Edgware & Kingsbury	WILKS PARK FOOTBALL GROUND	Premier Division North
06/12/22 19:45	Holyport		VS		Virginia Water	SUMMERLEAZE PARK	Premier Division North
06/12/22 19:45	Reading City		VS		Ascot United	READING CITY FC	Premier Division North
06/12/22 19:45	North Greenford United		VS		Berk's County	BERKELEY FIELDS	Cherry Red Records Premier Challenge Cup 2022 - 2023



**200 games as our leader! Jamie took over at the start of the 2018/19 season and led us to league cup victory in the same campaign.**

# LEAGUE TABLES

## Combined Counties League Premier Division North

		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Ascot United	14	13	0	1	23	39
2	Reading City	14	12	2	0	33	38
3	Egham Town	17	10	5	2	23	35
4	Flackwell Heath	16	10	2	4	7	32
5	Burnham	16	8	4	4	13	28
6	Wembley	15	8	0	7	0	24
7	London Lions	16	7	5	4	12	23*
8	Edware & Kingsbury	12	7	1	4	8	22
9	Harefield United	14	6	2	6	-1	20
10	Hilltop	16	6	2	8	-4	20
11	Virginia Water	13	5	2	6	1	17
12	Broadfields United	15	5	1	9	-8	16
13	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	15	4	3	8	-12	15
14	Chalfont St Peter	15	4	3	8	-14	15
15	Windsor	16	4	2	10	-16	14
16	Wokingham & Emmbrook	20	3	5	12	-27	14
17	North Greenford United	11	3	3	5	1	12
18	Spelthorne Sports	13	3	3	7	-7	12
19	Holyport	13	2	5	6	-6	11
20	Oxhey Jets	13	1	2	10	-26	5

## Combined Counties League Premier Division South

		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Raynes Park Vale	17	14	1	2	29	43
2	Badshot Lea	14	12	1	1	34	37
3	Abbey Rangers	17	12	0	5	21	36
4	Knaphill	16	11	3	2	9	36
5	Colliers Wood United	18	10	1	7	12	31
6	Redhill	15	10	1	4	10	31
7	Jersey Bulls	13	9	2	2	28	29
8	Tadley Calvea	15	9	1	5	4	28
9	Farnham Town	17	7	3	7	10	24
10	AFC Croydon Athletic	14	6	2	6	-8	20
11	Cobham	17	6	2	9	-9	20
12	Balham	17	5	4	8	-6	19
13	Camberley Town	15	6	0	9	-7	18
14	Alton	16	5	3	8	-8	18
15	Guildford City	15	5	0	10	-9	15
16	Horley Town	14	4	0	10	-5	12
17	Fleet Town	14	2	3	9	-14	9
18	Frimley Green	17	2	3	12	-27	9
19	Banstead Athletic	17	2	2	13	-27	8
20	Sheerwater	14	2	2	10	-37	8



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# APPEARANCES AND GOALS

	Season 2022/23		All-time		
	App	Goals	App	Goals	
S Gray	-	-	133	-	
J Ashdown	22	-	22	-	
A Everiss	-	-	26	1	
B Matthew	22	20	22	20	
D Bailey	14	1	86	11	
D Price	7	1	53	11	
E Carey	-	-	55	4	
G Lock	18	-	184	10	
H Grant	21	4	21	4	
H Laffin	4	1	143	82	*
H Tucker	21	3	21	3	
J Welch	10	1	10	1	
J Ajanlekoko	22	-	24	1	
J Masters	15	-	52	-	
K Walters	16	3	52	6	
K August	17	4	61	13	
L Bouwers	12	-	186	11	
M Mealing	18	5	18	5	
O Harris	20	11	20	11	
R Merrick	4	-	46	-	*
S McCormack	19	2	62	12	
T Thompson	7	-	10	-	
U Lalustani	14	4	52	15	
A Sykes	-	-	3	-	
C Gray	5	-	5	-	
A Grant	6	1	6	1	
C Gallimore	7	-	7	-	
A Hall	-	-	2	-	
L Edgecombe	1	-	1	-	
M Mercadel	1	-	1	-	
R Gerrard	3	-	3	-	
C Ellis	4	-	92	1	
	<b>330</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>1,479</b>	<b>223</b>	

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# ASCOT UNITED WOMEN



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## Manager:

Darrel Evans

Next: Woodley United (H),  
League Cup, 4th Dec 2pm

**FIVE-STAR ASCOT SINK WANDERERS**     **Wycombe Wanderers**     **1**

**Yellawomen impressive in 5-1**     **Ascot United**     **5**  
**Wycombe Win**     **Sunday 27th November, SRWFL**

Nicole Brown and Izzy Woods starred as Ascot United Women cruised to a comfortable 5-1 win over Wycombe Wanderers on Sunday. Brown bagged two and an assist and Woods bossed the midfield, although it was an all-round stellar display from Darrel Evans's side.

Ascot were ahead as early as the tenth minute when Dom Carrington fired over home 'keeper Emily Strange after advancing down the right wing and trying her luck from distance. The Yellawomen were, however, once again indebted to evergreen 'keeper Lisa Phillips who produced a trio of saves inside a five minute spell to keep her side in front.

But it was Ascot who were more inventive and Brown's quick feet fashioned herself a 20th minute chance, which Strange saved. And, Brown's industry was rewarded in the 37th minute when she charged down a clearance and nodded the loose ball over the advancing Strange to make it 2-0; covering defender Shauna Smith unable to hack the ball off the line. Brown then turned provider for Sarah Davern who cracked a brilliant dipping 25-yard effort over Strange to make it 3-0 five minutes before the break, and only a covering defender denied Brown her second and Ascot a fourth when she neatly clipped Carrington's cross towards the near post in first half stoppage time.

However, when the pair combined again on the hour mark it was Brown whose sublime first touch from Carrington's cross which took both the covering defender and goalkeeper out of the equation, leaving her the easiest of tap-ins to make it 4-0. But although the hosts only scored one, it was the goal of the game shortly afterwards when Sophie Attfield rode Woods's challenge, regained her balance and lashed an unstoppable long range effort into the top left. A tactical masterclass saw Laura Spark introduced and then score with her first touch barely sixty second after coming on – nodding Davern's corner home to make it 5-1 in the 67th minute. Although the scoring was complete there were still plenty of chances; Strange bravely blocking substitute Tiff Skinner's thunderbolt after Skinner had neatly spun her marker and Strange would later clatter a combination of post and defender Kara Howes when bravely denying Ascot in the wake of Spark's deep free kick.

Between those chances Skinner fired agonisingly wide after neat interchange with Brown as Wanderers clung on, although they had a late chance for a consolation when Freya Harris fired wide following a counter-attack. But it was a fine day at the office for The Yellawomen, and even player-coach Alix-Todd could afford to substitute herself midway through the second half to admire the fruits of her own work. Ascot United: Phillips, Luckhurst-McCord, Connor (Spark 66'), Cruickshanks, Killick-Bird, Woods, Carrington, Todd (Vince 68'), Kimble (Skinner 53'), Brown, Davern

# PHOTOZONE



Action from Ascot United Ladies home win over Eastleigh just under two weeks ago *(Neil Graham Wedding Photography)*: **From top left:** Dom Carrington in possession, Nicole Brown leads the team out, Lisa Phillips makes a save, Izzy Woods, Sarah Killick-Bird wins a header, post match huddle.



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# PEN PICS AND SPONSORS - ASCOT UNITED

## Jamie Ashdown – goalkeeper

Needs little introduction. Ex-Premier League goalkeeper who has come out of retirement for the 22/23 season after several seasons as Ascot United goalkeeping coach. Made over 100 appearances for Portsmouth between 2004-12 **Sponsors:** Wayne McNight and Ascot Vets



## Alex Sykes – goalkeeper

Goalkeeping coach and reliable backup. Has international experience having played for the England Futsal team

## Josh Masters – defence

Established left-back having broken into the team in 20/21 following a move from local rivals Holyport. Likes to get forward and has proved a strong competitor for the left-back position. **Sponsor:** Whitfield Electrical



## Dan Bailey – defence

Experienced centre back and vice-captain. Previously played at a higher level with Marlow and has a FA level 2 coaching qualification. A great communicator who shows incredible commitment and leadership on the pitch. **Sponsor:** JSB Creative Gardeners

## Louis Bonwers – defence

A physical and dominant centre half who signed from Faringdon Town in 16/17 and now well-established as club captain. Recovered from injury during the 21/22 season to take his tally of appearances to 174 heading into the current campaign. **Sponsor:** Everymessage



## George Lock – defence

A fearless right back previously with Binfield and Bracknell. Technically strong and a consistently high performer who likes to get forward and has weighed in with important goals. Previously voted supporters POY. **Sponsor:** @NGWeddingPhoto

## Adam Everiss – defence

Strong left-back who likes to get forward. Arrived in 21/22 following a spell with Basingstoke Town. Starts 22/23 recovering from a long term injury



## Harry Tucker – defence

Strong, commanding defender who oozes confidence on the ball and has excellent distribution. Previously with Kings Langley and Thame United. **Sponsor:** Total-Market-Solutions.com

## Toby Thompson – defence

A product of the Under 18 Youth Team in 21/22 when Toby also stepped up to senior football. Was loaned out to Chalvey Sports towards the end of 21/22 to gain first team experience at Step 6 and will continue to improve. **Sponsor:** Westminster Security



## Rob Gerrard – defence

Powerful full back and technically strong. Signed from Thatcham Town in November 2022.

## Cameron Gray – defence

A quick, powerful and versatile defender who is also a Cayman Islands International



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## Ailie Grant – defence

Commanding and no nonsense defender. Signed from Reading City in October 2022.



# PEN PICS AND SPONSORS - ASCOT UNITED

## Ollie Harris - midfield

An exciting addition having signed from near neighbours Binfield. Was a huge part of The Moles' run to the FA Vase final in 20/21 and adds more depth with step 4 experience.

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## Jay Welch - midfield

New addition for 22/23, a versatile player who can play in defence or midfield. Bundles of energy and tenacity alongside great technical ability. Previously with Marlow.

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## Elliot Carey - midfield

Fearless, combative midfielder who rejoined early in 2022. Likes to dominate in the centre of the park and will leave nothing out on the pitch. Recovering from a knee injury heading into 22/23



## Harry Grant - midfield

A Rolls Royce of a player and an excellent addition to the club. Ex-professional at Gillingham, winning EFL League 2 and the FA Vase with Thatcham Town in 2017/18.

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## Kai Walters - midfield

Rejoined early in 2022 having previously made 30 appearances in 2 previous spells with the club. Talented player who gives another attacking option. **Sponsor:** JSB Creative Gardeners



## Calam Gallimore - defence/midfield

Versatile and tenacious player who joined in October 2022.

## Marcus Hoaling - forward

Previous clubs include Marlow, for whom he scored a glut of goals at step 4. A proven and prolific striker with great strength and vision to hold and lay off the ball



## Jordan Ajaniokoko - midfield

Cultured midfielder who signed for 22/23 after step 3 experience with Beaconsfield. Previously featured for the Yellamen on loan with 2 appearances in 17/18 and is a fantastic permanent addition for 22/23. **Sponsor:** KCP Network

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## Brendan Matthew - forward

Exceptionally quick and a proven goalscorer. Signed for the 22/23 season after helping Egham Town to a 3rd place finish with a near goal-a-game scoring record in the 2nd half of their campaign. **Sponsor:** JSB Creative Gardeners



## Keaton August - forward

Signed from Windsor FC in 21/22. Can play anywhere across the front three and has an abundance of pace. Has a keen eye for goal backed up by providing plenty of assists. A personal trainer, he works hard and is physically strong. **Sponsor:** Intuity Communications

## Usman Lalustani - forward

Rejoined The Yellamen for 22/23 after featuring in 18/19 and 19/20 when he netted 11 goals from 38 appearances. Maintains high fitness levels and on his day will cause problems for any defence. Returns after most recently featuring for Holyport. **Sponsor:**

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## Sean McCormack - forward

Skilful forward signed from Walton and Hershaw in 21/22 and previously Maidenhead United and Bracknell Town. Players and supporters POY in his first campaign after dazzling on the right wing. Incredible workrate and vision and tracks back to cover the defence. **Sponsor:** Arema limited

# PEN PICS AND SPONSORS - ASCOT UNITED

## **Jamie Tompkins – manager**

Highly respected throughout the club and guided the team to league cup glory in 18/19 before taking the team to the brink of the title in 19/20 when the campaign was curtailed by COVID. Senior Manager of Football Development at Brentford FC



## **Dan Masters – asst. manager**

Joined in 2018/19, Dan has a wealth of experience and knowledge in local football. A key member of the management team. Previously part Maidenhead United and Berks & Bucks U18 rep teams



## **Stuart Britton - S&C coach**

Joining in the summer of 2021, 'Stu' joined to focus on the fitness, recovery and injury prevention and rehabilitation of the squad



## **Steve Quolch - coach**

Many years of experience in the local game with Chalvey Sports and UEFA B coach, joined the club from the 2019/20 season



## **Chad Smith - physio**

Joining in the summer of 2021, Chad is an excellent and experienced physiotherapist. A great character around the club



## **Dean Greenwood - coach**

Joined the coaching team in November 2022.

# CLUB HISTORY - ASCOT UNITED

Ascot United as we know it, was founded in 1965 by a men's team who played their games at Sunninghill with "after match meetings" in The Wells in Cheapside village (now Mikado's). Teams played as long ago as 1928 under the name "Ascot United" but nothing to link them directly to the current club. In 1965, the club had gained permission from the Ascot Racecourse Trustees to convert the land east of coach park 10 into a football pitch. A wooden clubhouse was built, and this team went on to win many prestigious trophies in the years that followed.

Various youth teams represented Ascot United over the years up to 1988, and in 1992 the East Berks 7-a-side Association was formed by our then Chairman Keith Wicks, introducing small-sided junior games and having disbanded in 1980 the men's team also reformed. The men's senior team enjoyed early success through the East Berks League gaining continued promotions to the Senior division and winning various Cups including the Fielden Charity Cup in 1996/7. In 2001, the First Team join the Reading Senior League, were awarded FA Charter Standard status in 2004, and won the Reading Evening Post Senior Cup at the Madejski Stadium in 2006. Promotion to the Hellenic League Division 1 soon followed in 2007, before promotion to the Premier Division in 2009. The club today has grown to become one of the largest Community football clubs in the UK with over 1,000 registered players and over 70 teams playing every weekend embracing all ages and abilities from 5 year olds through to veterans. A new clubhouse opened in September 2010, together with an improved main pitch, floodlights and a stand.

"The Yellamen" made their debut in the FA Cup in 2011 with a home tie against Wembley FC. The game attracted 1,149 people to The Racecourse on a Friday evening where the famous trophy itself was on display, and the match was streamed live on Facebook. In 2012-13 and 2015-16 we reached the Quarter Final of the FA Vase twice, enjoyed two top-three finishes in the UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division, and won both the Bluefin Sport Challenge Cup and Perpetua Press Floodlit Cup. After finishing 2017-18 in style, in the following season new manager Jamie Tompkins led his side to the top of the table for long spells, winning two team-of-the-month awards, and finishing with league cup glory once again by defeating Windsor 3-1.

We were transferred into the Combined Counties League for the 2019-20 season, playing on our new 3G pitch facility, which transformed the club by facilitating more of our teams' matches and training at The Racecourse. The stronger platform facilitated further player development, and Jamie's young side would lead the table for long periods before establishing what looked like a title-winning margin at the top shortly before the league was aborted due to Coronavirus. Retaining much of the same squad for 2020-21, Jamie saw his side in and around the challengers before another pandemic-curtailed season, although they battled through to the league cup final where they were ultimately beaten on penalties by Redhill.

In 2021-22 Ascot finished 6th in the league, but the highlight was an eye-catching run to the final of the Berks and Bucks Senior Cup Final where they defeated three sides from higher divisions, including Wycombe Wanderers in the semi-final front of a club-record crowd of 1,267. For the current season, Ascot have strengthened their squad and made further ground developments; hopes are high that they will now push for the promotion they were cruelly denied in 2019-20.

The club has also enjoyed much success at all levels particularly in the Ladies and Girls Section where they are regularly winners of leagues and county Cups. Our senior Ladies won promotion to the Premier Division of the Southern Region Women's Football League in 2017-18 and enjoyed their best season on 2021-22 with a top-four finish and a run to the First Round Proper of the FA Cup. Meanwhile, our Ladies Reserves won every league match of their Thames Valley League Division 3 campaign to secure promotion, also reaching the league cup final.



# CLUB HISTORY - LITTLE COMMON

Little Common Football Club formed originally as Albion United in 1966, when Ken Cherry had a vision for youth football in the area. Initially two youth teams were formed one at Under 16 level and one at Under 14 level. However, the two teams grew like topsy and today the club runs sixteen youth and four senior teams.

Albion United started life in the Hastings League and was very soon running two sides instead of the planned one and they moved to the East Sussex league. That league held no bounds for the highly successful United sides and after the double winning success of the 1977/78 season the club successfully applied to join the Sussex County League Division Two.

In 1974 the club committee decided to provide the club with its own club house and changing rooms, to include showers and a bar after spending eight years on grounds which did not have such facilities. The club obtained two prefabricated houses which were built in Fulham at the end of the Second World War. They cost £250 each and the necessary planning permissions were given. The club erected these two buildings, joined together, to make one large building; half was changing rooms, showers and toilets and the other half lounge and bar.

This became the clubs home on entry to the Sussex County League and their first season saw them finish in the top five and they reached the Division 2 Cup Final only to be beaten by Crowborough Athletic. Subsequent seasons saw the club occupy a mid to lower position in the table, actually finishing bottom in 1980/81 and 1981/82 (Division Three was not formed until 1983). Albion enjoyed their best placing since entering the League when they finished 6th in 1985/86 and changed their name to Little Common Albion at the end of that season.

The newly named club again finished in 6th place the next two seasons, before their fortunes began to slump once again. In 1993/94 they were relegated after finishing bottom; and left the League altogether after finishing 15th of 16 in Division Three the following season. The 1990s proved a difficult period for the club and they re-joined the East Sussex League. A third consecutive relegation was a huge blow for the club and in the space of just three seasons they had gone from playing senior football to junior football.

The club committee decided that in order for the club to progress further new facilities were required in order to attract and retain players. Buoyed on by a thriving youth policy the club began its rebuilding process. The club joined together with the local council and cricket club in order to develop a project to build a new sports pavilion. After many years of hard work by all involved the project finally began to get moving and in 1999 a £262,000 Sport England Lottery Grant was awarded for the project. Building finally began in 2001 and the club moved into its new home in November 2002. On the pitch the clubs fortunes continued to fluctuate, a successful 1998/99 season saw Common just miss out on promotion to Seaford before being relegated the following season. A rise followed with an instant return to the Premier Division and after avoiding relegation on the final day of the 2003/04 season the club committee decided to make a concerted effort the following season to realize its ambition of a return to the Sussex County League.

After spending ten seasons in the East Sussex League, the club were successfully crowned Premier Division champions in the 2004/05 season and applied for a return to the County League. After carrying out the essential work to their ground to achieve promotion the club was successful in its application. After spending four seasons in Division 3 the club was promoted to Division 2 at the end of the 2008/09 season after clinching the second promotion spot on the final day of the season against Bosham. The club went on to record a 4th place finish in the 2009/10 season before a mid-table finish in 2010/11. The 2011/12 season saw a change in management after a disappointing start to the campaign, Russell Eldridge returned to the club and a win on the final weekend of the season saw Common finish outside of the relegation zone. The 2012/13 season saw the club finish 3rd but ground grading regulations prevented the club from being promoted. At the beginning of 2016 the club lost its founder and chairman, Ken Cherry, fifty years after forming the club. The 2016/17 season saw Common finish runners-up to Saltdean United and their highest ever league placing, once again ground grading regulations prevented them from being promoted to the Premier Division and a ground share agreement was secured with Eastbourne United for the 2017/18 season. The Commoners went on to claim the Division One League and Cup double in the 2017/18 season to seal a place in the Premier Division for first time in the club's history. Despite a tough season the Commoners enjoyed a good end to the 2018/19 season to finish outside of the relegation places and secure another season in the premier division. The following two seasons saw the Commoners comfortably placed when the league season was curtailed due to the Covid pandemic, during the 2020/21 season, Common's all-time leading goal scorer, Lewis Hole, scored his 350th goal for the club. In September 2020, the club finally received planning permission to enclose their ground and make the necessary improvements for Step 5 football and in January 2022 the club finally returned to its home at Little Common Recreation Ground.

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