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## ASCOT UNITED vs. WEMBLEY

### Sat 25 Mar 2023

Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier Division North



## Matchday Programme



## Season 2022/23





# THE YELLAMEN

## Yellow and Blue

Alex Sykes (GK)  
 Jamie Ashdown (GK)  
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 Adam Everiss  
 Alfie Grant  
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 Dan Bailey  
 Duarte Surpanu  
 Elliott Carey  
 George Lock  
 Harry Grant  
 Harry Laffin  
 Harry Tucker  
 Jay Welch  
 Jordan Ajanlekoko  
 Josh Masters  
 Kai Walters  
 Keaton August  
 Louis Bouwers  
 Marcus Mealing  
 McKoy Palmer  
 Ollie Harris  
 Rob Gerrard  
 Sam Balogun  
 Sean McCormack  
 Toby Thompson  
 Usman Lalustani

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 Reuben Soares



## Match Officials

Roger  
 Wells

Joe  
 Wright

Miroslaw  
 Matlak

<b>Last Match:</b>	<b>Holyport</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Thu 23 Mar</b>	<b>3-1</b>	<b>COCO</b>
<b>Next Match:</b>	<b>Chalfont St Peter</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Tue 28 Mar</b>		<b>COCO</b>





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# IN THE CHAIR



**Simon Negus**  
Chairman

**A warm welcome to Wembley for today's Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier Division North fixture.**



**Welcome to The Racecourse ground this weekend.**

**We are home of three senior teams and over 80 junior teams... making us probably the largest grassroots club in the country. Unfortunately the weather will inevitably bring some cancellations at some venues, we still expect the majority of our teams in action this weekend with many making use of the excellent facilities here at The Racecourse.**

**Whilst I have said on numerous occasions that the success of the club is not determined by the on-field success of the senior teams, the amazing seasons that our senior sides are having definitely builds a positive vibe around the club at the moment. We hope there is more success before the end of the season, with two cup semi-finals and pole position in the league for the men, and the women looking forward to a cup final in a couple of weeks.**

**We will also be hosting a number of Cup Finals this weekend, some involving Ascot teams (good luck to those boys and girls involved) and others where we are hosting clubs from the wider area. It's great to be asked to host these games, as it gives us the chance to showcase the club and everything we offer the wider community. It also drives much needed income for the club!**

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**Thanks and enjoy the games this weekend. *Simon***

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# FROM THE DUGOUT



**Jamie Tompkins**  
First Team Manager

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



**Good afternoon everyone, welcome back to the Racecourse Ground for our league game against Wembley.**

**It's our third game in 5 days today and another opportunity to pick up points in our quest for promotion. Every player is playing their part right now and the team morale is at an all-time high so we will continue working incredibly to deliver another big performance.**

**This week, starting with our win against London Lions was pleasing for so many reasons. Players getting much needed minutes under their belt, some great goals and advancing into our second semi-final of the season!**

**Thursday, a late arrangement between us and our great friends at Holyport, with little support from the league and some hesitation from the match referee to pass a pitch inspection, the game was a hard fought battle away at Summerleaze and after being a goal down we made yet another comeback to win. We never give up.**

**Looking ahead to today's game, we come up against a side who's form has recently improved and with fresh legs with no midweek game I am sure they will relish the opportunity.**

**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



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# ON COURSE!

With Programme Editor Neal Jeffs

**Welcome to the players, officials and supporters of Wembley for this Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier Division North match.**



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

**Welcome to The Racecourse for what is hopefully a sizeable crowd on non-league day, and as I write this on a Friday afternoon with rain teeming down I can imagine there might be a few more games called off today – not good for many teams who are struggling to fit their games in before the various end of season cutoffs – but good for us! Its been a tiring week – I can only imagine how Jamie and the players are feeling after Tuesday and Thursday, and the latter was on a really sticky pitch at Holyport after all the rain they had earlier in the day. But what this has shown is that we have a really talented squad with players who can simply slot in and out seamlessly. Wembley come here today off the back of 3 consecutive victories and if we think back to the reverse fixture who can forget that absolute screamer at the death from Harry Tucker that gave us a tight 2-1 win.**

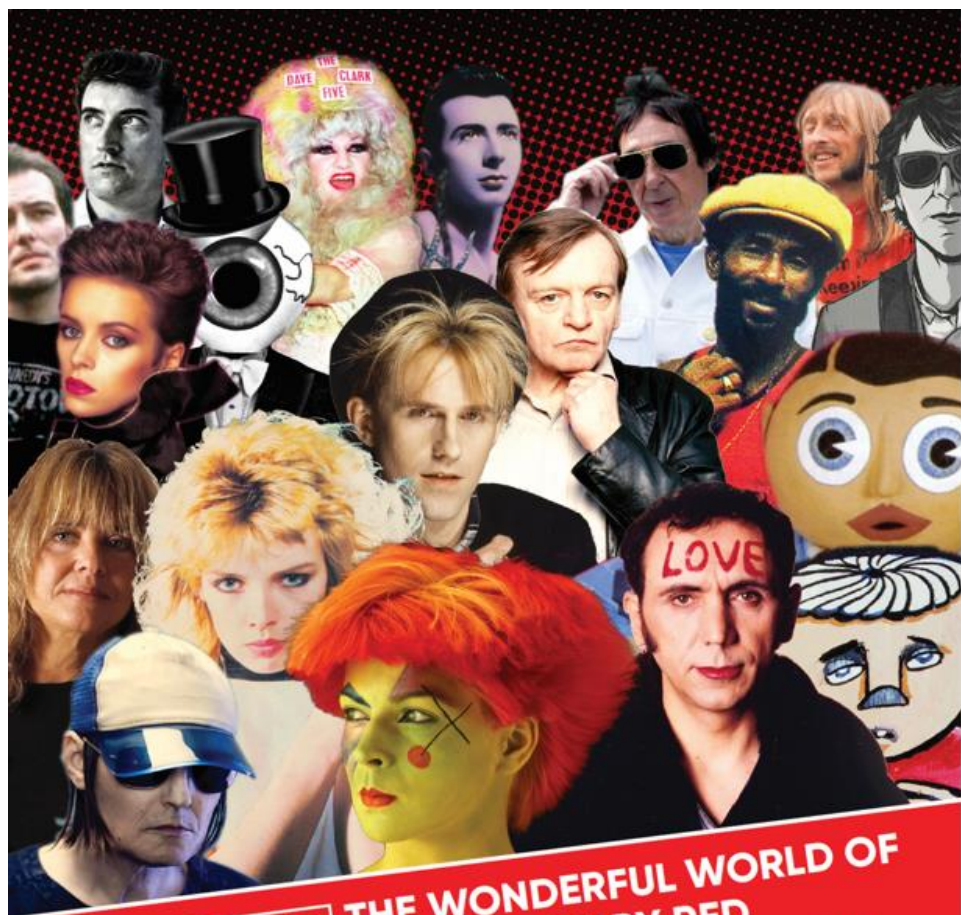


**Dan The Man! Club secretary Dan Birchmore will step down at the end of this season. But there is still plenty of time to get a few beers out of him. Cheers DB!**

**More of the same today please! There have also been various dates set for semi finals and cup finals – chronologically the first one will be the league cup semi final in w/c 24th April. We don't know who we will play yet, but Holyport are also definitely through so a chance of meeting them for the 4th time this season! The final will be at Windsor FC on bank holiday Monday 8th May. Also, our Women's team will play their league cup final against Eastleigh at Reading Town FC on Sunday 30th April (scheduled for 3pm). No-one is quite sure how the location is geographically fair to Eastleigh, but it's ok for us even if there are perhaps more salubrious locations. Finally, we are approaching the big one. We have a big game at Chalfont St Peter on Tuesday and then all roads lead to Corsham for what is the biggest match in the club's history. We're going there and we're going to make some noise; this is our chance to make history - cmoonn! Enjoy the game. Neal**

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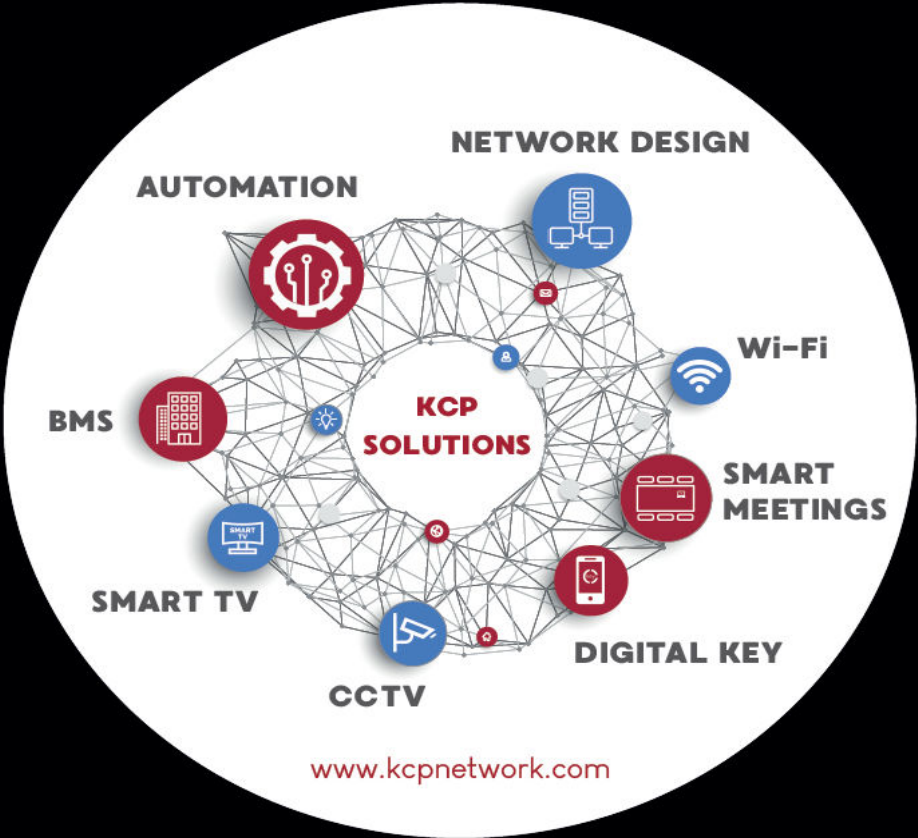
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# RESULTS AND FIXTURES

Date	Opposition	H/A	Comp	Result	Att	Scorers
05-Aug	Cribbs	H	FAC KP	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	Holynport	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	Wemblev	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	Spelthorne Sports	H	COCO	2-1	75	McCormack, Bailey
22-Oct	Newport IOW	A	FAV 1	1-0		Matthew
25-Oct	Broadfields United	H	COCO	3-1	78	Matthew 2, Walters,
29-Oct	Holynport	A	COCO	2-0	267	Matthew, Harris
01-Nov	FC Denortivo Galicia	H	LC 10	5-1		August, Lalustani, Price, Mealing, Harris
05-Nov	Burnham	H	COCO	2-1	159	Matthew, Harris
12-Nov	Broadbridge Heath	A	FAV 2	3-0		August, Harris, Matthew
19-Nov	Virginia Water	A	COCO	2-1		OG, Matthew
22-Nov	Hilltop	H	COCO	7-1	67	Matthew 4, Harris 2, McCormack
26-Nov	London Lions	H	COCO	2-1	75	Tucker, A. Grant
03-Dec	Little Common	H	FAV 3	4-0	107	Matthew 3, Mealing
06-Dec	Reading City	A	COCO	1-1	287	A. Grant
10-Dec	Egham Town	H	COCO	2-0	160	Matthew, A. Grant
17-Dec	Windsor	H	COCO	5-1	307	Mealing 3, H. Grant, Matthew
20-Dec	Horley Town	A	LC 20	5-0		Bailey, Matthew, Mealing, August, McCormack
17-Jan	Reading City	H	COCO	2-0	313	Matthew, Lalustani
28-Jan	Buckland Athletic	A	FAV 4	3-1	216	McCormack, Matthew, Ajanlekoko
31-Jan	Virginia Water	H	COCO	3-2	89	Bailey, Ellis, McCormack
04-Feb	Oxhey Jets	H	COCO	6-0	92	Matthew 2, McCormack, Lalustani, Bailey, Ajanlekoko
07-Feb	Rising Ballers Kensington	H	LC R016	3-1	119	Phillips, Bailey, Gallimore
11-Feb	Bridgewater United	A	FAV 5	1-0		H. Grant
14-Feb	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	H	COCO	1-0	67	Matthew
18-Feb	Flackwell Heath	A	COCO	0-0	392	
22-Feb	London Lions	A	COCO	4-3		Lalustani 2, Welch, Matthew
25-Feb	Wokingham/Emmbrook	H	COCO	1-0	127	Gerrard
28-Feb	Hilltop	A	COCO	0-1		
04-Mar	Edgware & Kingsbury	H	COCO	3-2	103	Matthew 2, Lalustani
07-Mar	North Greenford United	A	COCO	2-0		Matthew, Surpanu
11-Mar	West Didsbury & Chorlton	A	FAV OF	1-1 (4p3)	1,300	Matthew
21-Mar	London Lions	H	LC OF	4-1		Lalustani 2, Mealing, Matthew
23-Mar	Holynport	A	COCO	3-1		Mealing 2, Surpanu
25-Mar	Wemblev	H	COCO			
28-Mar	Chalfont St Peter	A	COCO			
01-Apr	Corsham Town	A	FAV SF			
04-Apr	Broadfields United	A	COCO			
08-Apr	Harefield United	H	COCO			
10-Apr	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	A	COCO			
12-Apr	Edgware & Kingsbury	A	COCO			
15-Apr	Chalfont St Peter	H	COCO			
18-Apr	Oxhey Jets	A	COCO			
22-Apr	Burnham	A	COCO			
TBA	Spelthorne Sports	A	COCO			

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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.

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# MATCH REPORT ROUNDUP

## ASCOT TAME LIONS TO REACH LEAGUE CUP SEMI FINAL

**Comfortable 4-1 victory leaves Ascot in hunt for triple crown**

**Tuesday 21st March 2023, League Cup Quarter Final, Ascot United 4 - 1 London Lions**



Ascot United eased to a 4-1 League Cup Quarter Final victory over London Lions on Tuesday evening, keeping them in the hunt for three separate trophies. Sitting at the top of the league and ninety minutes from an Isuzu FA Vase final, The Yellamen will now need to factor a league cup last-four tie into their busy run-in after beating their North London league rivals for the third time this season.

This was The Yellamen's first outing since their historic FA Vase victory against West Didsbury and Chorlton, and London Lions stood between them and reaching another semi-final, albeit this time in front of a crowd not even one tenth of the size of the capacity 1300 watching in Manchester ten days earlier. Ascot had already recorded a league double over the Lions, and manager Jamie Tompkins kept faith with many of his squad players for their third meeting as The Yellamen prepare for up to three games per week in a brutally congested run-in.

But the much-changed starting eleven – once again boasting youngster Luke Phillips and the returning Harry Laffin – were almost out of sight by half time in a devastating first-half display as good as witnessed in recent weeks. It was only four minutes when Ascot took the lead as Marcus Mealing and Keaton August fashioned the chance – the latter's well-placed low cross inviting Mealing to do what all good strikers do – get into the right position to slot home at the far post. Visiting 'keeper Nathan Bloom then saved well from August shortly afterwards, but it was 2-0 in the 14th minute when Mealing's exquisite through ball invited Usman Lalustani to race onto, and he opened his body before slotting low into the bottom right with his right foot.

Mealing then saw another shot saved before covering defender Jake Rinsler bravely threw himself in front of the rebound, and Ascot were thwarted by Bloom once again when Lalustani cut in from the left and fired a low effort that was beaten away. Mealing then skied a penalty over the bar in the 33rd minute – although justice was arguably done in the aftermath of a weak shove on August that was harshly penalized – although the visitors would lose defender Benji Weinberger to the sin bin for his remonstrations. The Lions survived those ten minutes of numerical inferiority, so it would come as a frustration to them that they conceded again on the stroke of half time when Lalustani had too much time, pace and skill to slot under Bloom from a central position for an unassailable 3-0 half-time lead.

The second half didn't match the first in terms of chances, but when the first arrived it was arguably the goal of the night when prolific visiting 'striker Austin Lipman did what he does best in leathering a direct free-kick into the top left before anyone could blink; Lipman himself earlier fouled to tee up the thunderbolt. For Ascot, youngster Luke Phillips impressed on the left-wing once again and the equally impressive Kai Walters might have done better from one of his deliveries midway through the half only to flash his header over the crossbar.

A flurry of changes left Ascot with fresh legs, although the last of them produced the fourth and final goal merely seconds after his introduction. And, it was none other than top scorer Brendan Matthew who skipped off the bench to be fouled in the box merely ten seconds after his introduction, and he picked himself up to plant home the resultant spot-kick less than sixty seconds later to make it 4-1. But that was enough, as the Yellamen comfortably wound down the clock aided by the energetic Sam Balogun, who was a stand-out performer on only his third appearance for the club. The Yellamen will now savour every minute of 48 hours' rest before visiting Holyport on Thursday evening.



# WOMEN & GIRL'S DAY

**SUNDAY 26TH MARCH**



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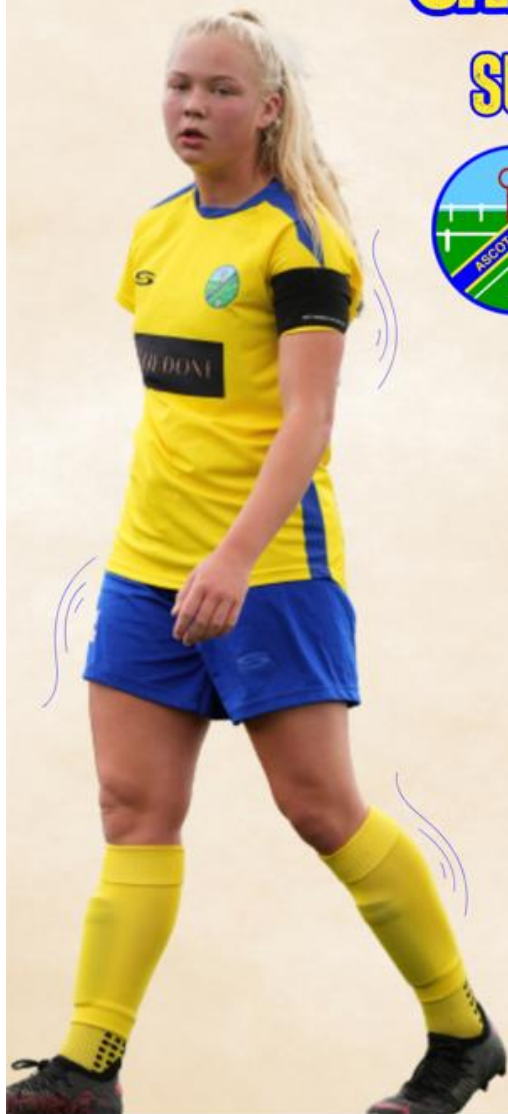
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# MATCH REPORT ROUNDUP EXTRA

## ASCOT DIG DEEP TO BEAT HOLYPORT

### Supersubs are crucial as Yellamen win 3-1

**Thursday 23rd March 2023, Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier Division, Holyport 1 - 3 Ascot United**



Ascot United called on all their resources to beat Holyport 3-1 in yet another comeback win on Thursday evening. Trailing 1-0 and running out of luck, all five substitutes kickstarted what was looking like an unlikely turnaround as one of them – Marcus Mealing – continued his good form with a brace.

It seemed a long time since The Yellamen had been dumped out of the FA Cup by Holyport in what was one of just four defeats they have suffered this season, and the home side would no doubt take some inspiration from being one of just three teams who have got the better of Ascot alongside Flackwell Heath (twice) and Hilltop. But Ascot were still strong favourites against a side in a much better place than last season but certainly not safe from relegation, and they were able to rotate key players back into the starting line up having made changes for their league cup win just two days earlier. The game survived a 7pm pitch inspection, and on a difficult surface Ascot started well as Brendan Matthew's shot squirmed under home 'keeper Matteo Giacobbe and agonisingly wide in the 18th minute. At the other end, Rhys Forster raced off his line and bravely saved with his feet from Ramon Rose, and Forster would later save from the same player who escaped Rob Gerrard's attentions just after the half-hour mark, although in between those efforts Sean McCormack dragged wide for Ascot. But the home side took a 35th minute lead when Rose was left in acres of space to slot home, and although Harry Grant fired wide for Ascot and then the referee's assistant waved for offside after they had been awarded a penalty for hand-ball later on, it remained 1-0 to Holyport at the break.

Recently, the second half of Ascot's games have failed to live up to the first in terms of action, but on this occasion it was very much a different feast. The Yellamen swarmed around Holyport like wasps early-on as Giacobbe made a stunning save to divert Harry Grant's close-range thunderbolt away before making another fine intervention to thwart Matthew when on both occasions it looked odds-on as if Ascot would equalise. Matthew was, however, fouled as he shot – no penalty given – and he would hobble off to be replaced by Mealing. And credit to the visitors who continued to try and play football on a deteriorating pitch: Dan Bailey's header was cleared off the line and Alfie Grant's effort went over the bar from virtually underneath it as Ascot somehow failed to score, before manager Jamie Tompkins made three more crucial changes. One of them – the ever-energetic Kai Walters – was shoved in the box with 17 minutes of normal time remaining allowing Mealing the chance to atone for recent spot-kick woes, which he duly did by lacing the ball past Giacobbe; game very much on. At the other end, the good work was almost undone when Forster's thrown clearance was intercepted by Harry Hoath, but his left-footed shot sailed a few inches wide of the left-hand post; relief amongst the travelling faithful.

But after home defender Sam Jones was dismissed for a two-footed challenge on another exceptional Ascot substitute who had come on just after half-time – Sam Balogun – there would be only one winner. And, just five minutes later, Walters earnt his side a corner, Harry Grant swung it across, and Mealing got enough purchase on his far post header that bounced down and into the far right-hand corner for his and Ascot's second goal of the night. But after the earlier injury to Matthew, cautions, substitutions and earlier time-wasting there was still to be an incredible twelve minutes of added time, and although Holyport huffed and puffed they failed to seriously trouble Forster. And, they were ultimately undone on the break in the 101st minute when the simply outstanding Sean McCormack escaped down the right wing before cutting the ball back for substitute Duarte Surpanu – who took one touch and smashed the ball into the bottom right-hand corner from just off centre to seal the three points.

It was a case of as-you-were at the top after Reading City's win at London Lions, but games are ticking away and The Yellamen continue to show it is never over until it is over; this now being the fifteenth time in 43 games this season they have won after going behind. Games will now come thick and fast, and Wembley are the visitors to The Racecourse on Saturday as the charge on fixture congestion continues. But it's one game at a time as the squad's depth will seek to lengthen their season for their faithful travelling fans, who creditably matched their home counterparts at Summerleaze on an evening that both started and finished late. And, it was better late than never – and most importantly it was once again a case of never say die.



# PHOTOZONE



Photos from our league cup win over London Lions on Tuesday. **Clockwise from top left:** Jay Welch on the ball, Usman Lalustani on his way to scoring, Keaton August on the attack, impressive youngster Luke Phillips, MOM Sam Balogun, Marcus Mealing races into the box. **Photos:** Shooting-Stars.co.uk



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# TODAY'S FIXTURES AND RECENT RESULTS

## Recent results:

23/03/23 20:00	London Lions		0 - 1		Reading City	Premier Division North
23/03/23 19:45	Holyport		1 - 3 (HT 1-0)		Ascot United	Premier Division North
21/03/23 19:45	Flackwell Heath		2 - 0		Egham Town	Premier Division North
21/03/23 19:45	Virginia Water		4 - 0		Harefield United	Premier Division North
21/03/23 19:45	Wallingford & Crowmarsh		0 - 1 (HT 0-1)		Edgware & Kingsbury	Premier Division North
21/03/23 19:45	Ascot United		4 - 1		London Lions	Cherry Red Records Premier Challenge Cup 2022 - 2023

## Today's fixtures:

25/03/23 15:00	Ascot United		VS		Wembley	ASCOT UNITED FC (THE RACECOURSE GROUND)	Premier Division North
25/03/23 15:00	Burnham		VS		Virginia Water	THE 1878 STADIUM (BURNHAM FOOTBALL CLUB)	Premier Division North
25/03/23 15:00	Chalfont St Peter		VS		North Greenford United	MILL MEADOW (CHALFONT ST PETERS F.C.)	Premier Division North
25/03/23 15:00	Harefield United		VS		Wokingham & Emmbrook	PRESTON PARK	Premier Division North
25/03/23 15:00	Holyport		VS		Edgware & Kingsbury	SUMMERLEAZE PARK	Premier Division North
25/03/23 15:00	Oxhey Jets		VS		Hilltop	OXHEY JETS FOOTBALL CLUB	Premier Division North
25/03/23 15:00	Reading City		VS		Wallingford & Crowmarsh	READING CITY FC	Premier Division North
25/03/23 15:00	Spelthorne Sports		VS		London Lions	SPELTHORNE SPORTS CLUB	Premier Division North
25/03/23 15:00	Windsor		VS		Broadfields United	STAG MEADOW (WINDSOR)	Premier Division North



# LEAGUE TABLES

## Combined Counties League Premier Division North

		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Ascot United	28	24	2	2	45	74
2	Reading City	29	21	4	4	41	67
3	Flackwell Heath	31	20	4	7	25	64
4	Egham Town	30	19	6	5	42	63
5	Burnham	31	17	6	8	22	57
6	Edgware & Kingsbury	30	16	2	12	4	50
7	Virginia Water	30	15	4	11	13	49
8	Hilltop	30	13	5	12	4	44
9	North Greenford United	27	12	5	10	19	41
10	Wembley	28	12	2	14	-9	38
11	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	30	10	6	14	-13	36
12	Spelthorne Sports	28	9	7	12	-7	34
13	London Lions	28	10	6	12	-5	33*
14	Harefield United	28	10	3	15	-8	33
15	Holypot	27	7	6	14	-10	27
16	Broadfields United	28	8	3	17	-19	27
17	Chalfont St Peter	29	7	5	17	-30	26
18	Wokingham & Emmbrook	31	6	5	20	-34	23
19	Windsor	29	6	3	20	-36	21
20	Oxhey Jets	28	4	4	20	-44	16

\*3 points deducted

## Combined Counties League Premier Division South

		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Raynes Park Vale	29	23	3	3	46	72
2	Badshot Lea	29	22	4	3	66	70
3	Jersey Bulls	31	20	7	4	55	67
4	Abbey Rangers	32	21	3	8	44	66
5	Knaphill	30	15	6	9	15	51
6	Colliers Wood United	28	16	2	10	19	50
7	Farnham Town	31	15	5	11	18	50
8	Tadley Calvea	29	14	6	9	3	48
9	Cobham	34	14	3	17	-9	45
10	Redhill	29	13	3	13	-14	42
11	Balham	29	10	9	10	-4	39
12	Camberley Town	30	11	4	15	-4	37
13	AFC Croydon Athletic	28	11	2	15	-16	35
14	Sheerwater	30	9	4	17	-37	31
15	Alton	31	7	9	15	-23	30
16	Fleet Town	31	8	6	17	-26	30
17	Horley Town	30	9	2	19	-16	29
18	Guildford City	28	8	4	16	-15	28
19	Banstead Athletic	30	7	3	20	-31	24
20	Frimley Green	31	3	3	25	-71	12



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B Matthew	43	37	43	37	
D Bailey	28	5	100	15	
D Price	7	1	53	11	*
G Lock	36	-	202	10	
H Grant	40	7	40	7	
H Laffin	5	1	144	82	
H Tucker	30	3	30	3	
J Welch	30	2	30	2	
J Ajanlekoko	42	2	44	3	
J Masters	17	-	54	-	
K Walters	30	3	66	6	
K August	32	6	76	15	
L Bouwers	23	-	197	11	
M Mealing	39	13	39	13	
O Harris	20	12	20	12	
R Merrick	4	-	46	-	*
S McCormack	39	6	82	16	
T Thompson	8	-	11	-	
U Lalustani	33	11	71	22	
A Sykes	1	-	4	-	
C Gray	10	-	10	-	
A Grant	24	3	24	3	
C Gallimore	16	1	16	1	
L Edgecombe	1	-	1	-	
M Mercadel	1	-	1	-	
R Gerrard	22	1	22	1	
C Ellis	14	1	102	2	
S Negus	2	-	2	-	
L Phillips	2	1	2	1	
J Pandhor	1	-	1	-	
M Palmer	1	-	1	-	
S Balogun	4	-	4	-	
R Forster	6	-	7	-	
D Surpanu	2	2	53	9	
I Own Goals	n/a	3	n/a	n/a	
	647	121	1,715	287	

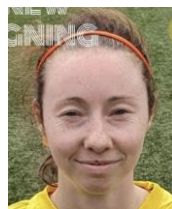
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# PEN PICS AND SPONSORS - ASCOT UNITED

## 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 goalkeeper 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

## Rhys Forster – goalkeeper

Talented goalkeeper who started out with Ascot United's Development team before progressing to become first-choice goalkeeper at step six Slough Town. Re-signed in February 23



## 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



## 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



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## Ailie Grant – defence

Commanding and no nonsense defender. Signed from Reading City in October 2022. **Sponsor:** JSB Creative Gardeners



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# 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 Callimore - defence/midfield

Versatile and tenacious player who joined in October 2022.



## Marcus Mealing - 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. **Sponsor:** JSB Creative Gardeners



## Jordan Ajanlekoko - 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



## 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:** Atlanta B.C. News

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## Sean McCormack - forward

Skilful forward signed from Walton and Hershham 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



## McKoy Palmer - forward

Lively forward who signed in January 23 having played Isthmian league football with Basingstoke Town and Thatcham Town. Recently with Woodley United. **Sponsor:**



## Duarte Surpau - forward

Skilful winger with lightning quick feet who initially joined us midway through in the 20/21 season before a spell at Flackwell Heath. Rejoined in March 23 and has the potential to cause problems for any defence.



# 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 - WEMBLEY

WEMBLEY FOOTBALL CLUB was formed in 1946 following an amalgamation of various junior clubs, predominantly Sudbury Ratepayers Association and Sudbury Rangers. Nicknamed the 'Lions', (the symbol of the British Empire Exhibition held at Wembley in 1924/25, the emblem was also used by the local speedway and ice-hockey teams), they found a home at Vale Farm and have remained there ever since, developing a roped-off pitch into a respectable non-League football ground. Entry was immediately made into the Middlesex League. After finishing a creditable fourth in their first season they went on to win the championship in 1947/48. A further season was spent in this league before the Club progressed into the Spartan League in 1949/50. Here they stayed for two years, clinching the Western Division title in 1950/51 as a result of which they became founder members of the Delphian League.

In season 1955/56 they reached the finals of both the London Senior Cup and Middlesex Senior Cup and also finished runners-up in the Delphian League. In recognition of these achievements, they were invited to join the Corinthian League and subsequently vastly improved the facilities at Vale Farm. Following a quiet period, the Club moved into the Athenian League (1963/64) which had absorbed both the Corinthian and Delphian Leagues to create three divisions. Wembley were placed in the middle section. Malcolm Allison (1962-1963) and Allen Batsford (1964 -1965) were both employed as coaches by the Lions during this period, although their respective spells were brief. Both gentlemen went on to have distinguished careers elsewhere and who knows where the Club might be today had either one of them remained at Vale Farm.

Wembley did manage to gain promotion to the Premier Division in 1967/68. To anticipate further progress floodlights were installed, a new clubhouse and dressing-room complex were built and eventually admission to the expanding Isthmian League was granted in 1975. Finished runners-up in their final season justified Wembley's elevation. Wembley began their first season in the Isthmian League (1975/76) in the second division (now the first division). The closest they came to promotion to the Premier Division was in 1985/86. After completing their fixtures, Wembley headed the table, but missed out on going up by two points when both St. Alban's City and Bromley won their respective games in hand. Only two teams went up in those days. Despite failing to achieve promotion, Wembley obtained some minor compensation by recording various cup successes during this period. In 1980/81 they reached the First Round Proper of the F.A. Cup for the one and only time, losing 0-3 to Enfield at Southbury Road.

The Middlesex Charity Cup was won outright for the first time in 1982/83, while the Middlesex Senior Cup was also clinched for the first time a season later with a dramatic 5-1 success over Hendon. In 1986/87 Wembley won the coveted Middlesex Cup double with final wins over Hayes in the Senior Cup and Feltham in the Charity Cup, a feat nearly repeated during the following season. Both finals were lost although the disappointment was tempered by beating Brentford at Griffin Park in the semi-final of the Middlesex Charity Cup, and having the final played at Wembley Stadium. Several unprofitable years have followed and a fire at Vale Farm during the summer of 1992 almost ended Wembley's existence. Fortunately, thanks to some splendid off-the-field work, new facilities were quickly erected, and the Club survived.

Wembley last won some silverware in 1994/95 with a 2-0 victory over Hampton in the final of the Middlesex Charity Cup. The Lions also went on to reach the second-round proper of the F.A. Trophy in 1995/96 (their best run in the old F.A. Amateur Cup was also ended at the second-round proper stage 1966/67 and 1968/69). However, their lengthy first division status was ended at the finish of that season when they suffered relegation into division two (now in Step Five).

By claiming third place, a quick return to the first division was achieved a season later, but their division one tenure lasted just two seasons and they relegated again at the end of 1998/99. As a result of the restructuring of the Isthmian League's constitution, Wembley regained a berth in the first division (north) for the 2002/03 season. But they were unable to maintain their place and were demoted into the second division at the end of that campaign. Wembley were forced to leave the Isthmian League set-up at the end of the 2005/06 season following the disbanding of the second division. They joined the Combined Counties League. A sterling effort was made to win promotion during their first season (2006/07), but they ran out of steam to end the term in third place.

Apart from that, they failed to make a real impact, although they did reach the final of the Combined Counties League Cup in 2010/11, but lost to Sandhurst Town, 0-1, at Farnborough. However, after their participation in the following season's F.A. Cup, (their Extra-Preliminary Round tie with Ascot United was covered live on Facebook) the competition sponsors, Budweiser, offered the Lions a much-publicised deal which they could not refuse. This included the signing of several retired professionals to help the Lions progress as far as possible in the 2012/13 F.A. Cup under the guidance of Terry Venables. Unfortunately, Wembley only played three games in the competition before bowing out.

After eight years, Wembley's membership of the Combined Counties League was ended by a lateral move across Step Five of the non-League pyramid into the Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division, joining in 2014/15. Here they stayed for seven seasons. Their highest placing was fourth in 2016/17, and the closest they came to winning a trophy was also in the same season, when they were runners-up in the Premier Division Cup, beaten nil-one by Hoddesdon Town in the final at Oxhey Jets.

Following two curtailed seasons in the S.S.M.L due to Covid 19, and further alterations to the non-League structure, Wembley were moved back into the Combined Counties League (2021/22) and are competing in their second season in the newly formed Premier Division North.



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**A SIGNED SHIRT** at the end of the season

**Matchday program recognition** each week

**Social media posts linked to player activity**



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