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**MANAGER: PAUL ATKINS**

RED SHIRTS, BLACK SHORTS,  
RED SOCKS

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**STEVE LAWRENCE  
CAMERON SANGHERA  
ADAM HOOPER  
BRADLEY LARGE  
SAMMY SWIFT  
OMAR EL MANTAWY  
GRANT MCILHERON  
JAMES WEST  
HARLEY GORSE  
KIERAN PALLET  
SAM WHEELER  
MAX JUNIPER  
DAVID LATUNDE  
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TOBY SARGEANT  
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STANLEY OLDFIELD  
SAM WINCH  
ENIKE AYOMOTO  
SEBASTIAN KOLOKO  
GEORGE ACLAND**



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**MANAGER: DAN LAWRENCE**

BURGUNDY/GREEN SHIRTS, WHITE  
SHORTS, BURGUNDY SOCKS

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**GEORGE NICHOLAS ADAMS  
TOBY WILLIAM DAY BANCROFT  
THOMAS BENHAM  
BENJAMIN BINDER  
DARREN COOPER  
NICO COTTON  
LEO DODDS  
LUKE JONATHAN ILLSLEY  
ROSS JOHNSTONE  
DANIEL KEYTE  
SAMUEL LAWFORD  
DANIEL LAWRENCE  
ROBERT LAWRENCE  
HARRY MAHER  
TIMUKUDZEISHE MARAPARA  
GEORGE EDWARD MILES  
JOE NELDER  
TEDDY NELSON  
LUKA RADOJEVIC  
PETAR RADOJEVIC  
MICHAEL TURNER  
SAMUEL WILSON**

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ASSISTANT REFEREES: STEPHEN LUKE & JEFFREY FRANKLIN

JUBILEE FIELD, STAPLEHURST.  
SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2023 – 3.00PM





VS



**STAPLEHURST MONARCHS V CANTERBURY CITY**

**SATURDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2023 – 3.00PM**

# MANAGERS NOTES

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## **ASSISTANT MANAGER LEE WELLS PROVIDES HIS TAKE ON OUR RECENT MATCH AND TODAY'S GAME**

Firstly I would like to wish everyone a very warm welcome to the Jubilee this afternoon including Canterbury's Committee, management, supporters and players, and I wish them a successful season ahead.

Today's game, is one of several we have against Canterbury this season. It seems that, the FA Vase apart, we have been drawn to play them in every competition we have entered - very similar to K Sports in fairness. So, by the time the end of the season comes, we will know each other very well.

Canterbury were unfortunately relegated from the Prem last season. They have got off to a reasonable start in our division so far and sit alongside ourselves just outside the play off positions. There is still so much football to be played and I dare say that we won't be far from each other coming to the business end of the campaign.

As you're all aware we were not in action last weekend. As it was Beardo and Grant Maccas birthday's, we all decided to go out and do a bit of team bonding, which as you can imagine turned out to be very social. It was a good day and there were no horror stories to tell unfortunately.

The last time we played was in the FA Vase. We had a very difficult tie away to Athletic Newham who are in the equivalent league above us in Essex. It proved to be a game too far for us. A game of two halves, we went into half time 0-0, which we were delighted with at the time. Our opposition scored two very quick goals in the second half, we were then playing catch up. As it was a knockout competition, we had nothing to lose and had a period of 20-25 minutes where we were camped in their half but just could not get that goal to get us back in the game. the game then opened up and we were punished on the counter attack. the final score was a 5-0 which we didn't think told a true reflection of the game.

You all know the drill by now, I will give a special mention to outstanding performances. To be honest with you. I will say that little Westy had a very good game as is the usual for him and I thought Ted had his best game by far in a Monarchs shirt this season.

Our injury list is starting to ease and familiar faces will be returning in the next couple or three weeks.

Here's to a good afternoon and hopefully back to winning ways.

Up the Hurst

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# GROUND CONDUCT

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The Southern Counties East Football League strongly support recent FA statements that there should be a zero tolerance approach against racism and all forms of discrimination, accordingly any form of discriminatory abuse whether it be based on race or ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, faith, age, ability or any other form of abuse will be reported to the relevant County Association for action by that Association."

The Southern Counties East Football League supports the 'Swearing - Let's Tackle It' campaign and strongly condemns the use of foul and abusive language at football matches.



**Respect**



## DIRECTIONS

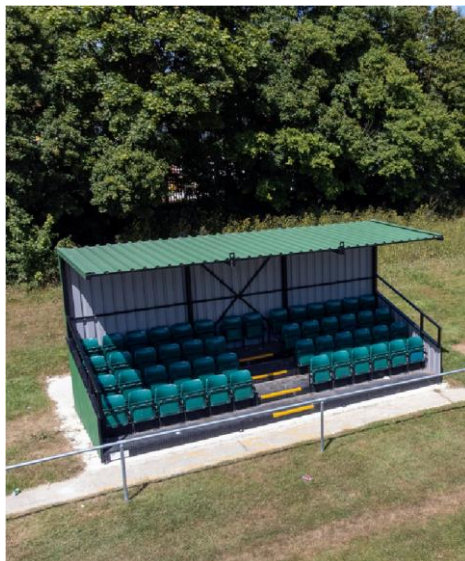
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**By Train:** The ground is located 1.1 miles away Staplehurst station and within walking distance. Upon exit from the station take a left towards the Sainsburys and then turn right onto the main road. Follow the main road until the crossroads before turning left onto the Headcorn Road. Follow the road for 0.5 miles and the entrance to the ground will be on your left.

**By Car:** From the centre of Maidstone follow the A229 southbound via Palace Avenue.

After 1.2 Miles, turn right onto the Loose Road/ A229 and continue on the road towards Staplehurst. After 7.5 miles, you will arrive in Staplehurst. Turn left at the crossroads and continue for 0.5 miles on the Headcorn Road and the ground will be on the left.

**By Bus:** From Maidstone get on the 5 from the Chequers Bus Station exiting at Station Approach. Follow walking instructions for 'By Train'.



# TODAYS OPPOSITION CANTERBURY CITY

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In 1947 members of the pre-war Canterbury Waverley FC Supporters Club and officials from Brett's Sports FC, a successful local business side, agreed to run a football club to represent the City of Canterbury. William Brett was elected as the first chairman, placing Brett's Sports ground at the disposal of the club. and Canterbury City FC was accepted into the Kent League.

City remained at Brett's Corner, attracting crowds that rarely dropped below four figures, until moving to Kingsmead Stadium in 1958. When the Kent League folded the following year City made an ill-judged move to the Metropolitan League, staying for just one season before joining their former Kent rivals in the Southern League.

Progress was unspectacular with a seventh place finish in 1965/66 the highest they would achieve. The FA Cup brought some degree of success, twice reaching the first round proper. In 1964 City lost 0-6 at home to Torquay United in front of a Kingsmead Stadium competitive record attendance of 3001 and in 1968 a last minute Don Rogers penalty gave Swindon Town a 1-0 win.

City struggled through the 1970s and 1980s, finishing bottom on four occasions before mounting financial pressure in the early 1990s saw them take voluntary demotion, rejoining the Kent League in 1994. Worse followed in 1999 when the club was required, mid-season, to leave Kingsmead Stadium. Unsurprisingly the homeless club finished bottom in successive seasons and inevitably, days before the start of the 2001/02 season Canterbury City folded.

In 2007 the Club was revived and became the first Club in the country to be formed as a CIC (Community Interest Company). The target was to bring back Kent League football to a new ground in Canterbury in 5 years. Whilst progress on the field was achieved with promotion from the Kent County League to the Kent League after four seasons securing a new home has been more of a challenge.

With the backdrop of still not having their own home Ben Smith's 2019 side reaching the semi finals of the FA Vase, losing by one goal to Cray Valley PM when just one step away from a Wembley final, was a magnificent achievement.

Despite subsequent financial challenges and the agony of relegation at the end of last season the club hope that under the leadership of Dan Lawrence on the pitch and with a new board of directors in place off it, this season will see a change in fortunes.

The club is still fighting and look forward to returning to Canterbury one day, in our own stadium, where we will also be able to provide facilities for Youth, Womens, Disability, Homeless and Walking Football teams for the benefit of the local community.

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# LEAGUE TABLE

#	Club		M	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pt
1	 AFC Whyteleafe	W W L W W >	10	9	0	1	33	10	23	27
2	 Rochester United	W W W W W >	9	8	0	1	25	8	17	24
3	 Lewisham Borough	W W W D W >	9	7	1	1	25	10	15	22
4	 Larkfield & New Hythe	L W W W W >	10	6	2	2	27	17	10	20
5	 Forest Hill Park	W W W L L >	11	6	0	5	19	14	5	18
6	 Tooting Bec	W L D W L >	13	5	3	5	22	19	3	18
7	 Croydon	L W W W W >	11	5	1	5	31	21	10	16
8	 K Sports	L W L L L >	10	5	0	5	21	28	-7	15
9	 Staplehurst Monarchs	W D D L L >	8	4	2	2	13	6	7	14
10	 Canterbury City	L W L D W >	10	4	1	5	19	14	5	13
11	 Faversham Strike Force	L L L L L >	10	4	0	6	14	20	-6	12
12	 FC Elmstead	W L D W D >	8	3	2	3	15	14	1	11
13	 Bridon Ropes	L W D W L >	10	2	1	7	11	29	-18	7
14	 Greenways	W L L L L >	12	1	2	9	20	36	-16	5
15	 Meridian VP	L L L D L >	9	1	2	6	13	34	-21	5
16	 SC Thamesmead	L L L L L >	8	0	1	7	6	34	-28	1

# CLUB HISTORY

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The Monarchs most successful spell was in 1993, our centenary year, when both the first and reserve teams completed their respective league and cup doubles, a feat unprecedented in the league's history. Ambition saw us join the Kent County League in 2001 but having to play our home games on King George Field in Loose to meet ground criteria. Reorganisation took us into Division 2 East which we duly won in 2006, forcing the club to move yet again, to the Old County Ground, West Malling, to compete in Division 1.

After 7 seasons on the road, the club finally returned to Staplehurst in 2009 with the completion of the Jubilee Field Pavilion (funded by the Football Foundation) which conforms to Step 4 criteria. The following year we were promoted to the Premier Division. In the 2018/19 season we finally won the Kent County League Premier Division Title but, despite an appeal, we failed in our bid for Step 6 status to SCEFL.

The following season we were 9 points clear in the defence of our crown when the season was declared null and void due to Covid 19. As the FA deemed there would be no promotion or relegation, we were stuck again.

Finally, the FA allowed restructuring down the pyramid and Staplehurst Monarchs were accepted into Step 6 – SCEFL – with a Football Foundation grant awarded for necessary ground improvements. As a result of this, the club now has Senior Status and now competes in the FA Vase and Kent Senior Cup.

## LATEST RESULTS

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<b>TOOTING BEC</b>	<b>1 – 1</b>	<b>STAPLEHURST MONARCHS</b>	<b>SCEFL</b>
<b>STAPLEHURST MONARCHS</b>	<b>2 – 0</b>	<b>FOREST HILL PARK</b>	<b>FA VASE</b>
<b>STAPLEHURST MONARCHS</b>	<b>1 – 2</b>	<b>CROYDON</b>	<b>SCEFL</b>
<b>STAPLEHURST MONARCHS</b>	<b>1 – 2</b>	<b>K SPORTS</b>	<b>KST</b>
<b>ATHLETIC NEWHAM</b>	<b>5 – 0</b>	<b>STAPLEHURST MONARCHS</b>	<b>FA VASE</b>

# STAPLEHURST MONARCHS



# UPCOMING FIXTURES

## FIRST TEAM

Home Games  
Adults £6 | Concessions £4  
Under 16s £2

### November

**Sat 4th 3pm**

Sat 11th 3pm

Mon 13th 7:45pm

Sat 18th 3pm

**Sat 25th 3pm**

**CANTERBURY CITY (H)**

AFC Whyteleafe (A)

K- Sports (A) Challenge Cup Rnd 2

Canterbury City (A) League Cup

TOOTING BEC (H)

### December

Sat 2nd 3pm

SC Thamesmead (A)

## UNDER 23S

Home Games  
Adults £3 | Concessions £2  
Under 16s £1

### November

**Wed 15th - 7:45**

**Faversham Town (H)**

## WOMENS TEAM

Home Games - free Entry

### November

**Sun 12th 2pm**

Sun 19th 1pm

Sun 26th 2pm

**LARKFIELD & NH (H)**

Guru Nanak (A)

Sittingbourne (A)

### December

Sun 10th 2pm

New Ash Green (A)

## Amenities

Fully Accessible

Free Parking

Food and Drink available

## Location

Jubilee Sports Field, Headcorn  
Road, TN12 ODS

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