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SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS DIV 1



WORDS FROM OUR FOUNDER

TAWHID JUNEJA

First and foremost, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has stood by our club from day one. Your unwavering support has been instrumental in our journey towards success. Winning the league and the league cup in our inaugural season is a testament to the dedication and passion of our fans, players, and staff. We couldn't have achieved this milestone without your backing, and for that, we are truly thankful.

Reflecting on our humble beginnings just a season ago, the club was founded on March 28, 2023, by myself and Richard James, my former football manager at Welwyn Garden City FC Development. Our shared vision of supporting local football and leveraging our non-league experience to create something special has been the driving force behind our achievements. Starting with just a dream and determination, we are now competing in the Spartan South Midlands League with multiple teams and a dedicated support system behind the scenes. The appointment of our new Manager Liam Errington for the back half of last season, cemented the hard work and foundations that Richard, Phil Neville and others laid down with Liam leading his team through an undefeated record to end the season and win those titles.

Looking forwards our aspirations remain high as we set our sights on achieving six more promotions in 11 years, ultimately reaching the Football League. While some may call us ambitious or even crazy, it is this boldness that fuels our team both on and off the field. As Steve Jobs famously said, **"The people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world are the ones who do."**

Embracing this mindset, we welcome the challenges ahead with open arms. In addition to our first team's ambitions, we are committed to nurturing talent through our development team and our new U14's youth side playing under the AFC Welwyn badge. These teams serve as the foundation for our growth and success in the years to come.

Finally to all of you that have followed us on socials, thank you so much, in today's world it is paramount that we shine a spotlight on the players, the club and non-league in general for the success of us all, please scan the QR code to get all our social links.

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THE DUGOUT TEAM...

THE MANAGER'S WORDS – BRETT DONNELLY



Tonight we welcome Eaton Socon to Herts way. Another tough game is expected as they look to cement a playoff place. I fully expect it to be a physical battle today.

With Saturdays postponement still not clarified when I write this ,I still don't know where we stand with the Long Buckby situation. It's the same for Eaton Socon who, if Long Bucky are expelled from the league, have to work out what they need to do in their final games. Its chucked a big spanner in the works of those around the playoff places. But this does mean tonights game adds an massive need for both sides to get the 3 points.

As for us, what a mental week. We were superb last Saturday for 87 mintues against a strong Moulton side who were unbeaten at home. Panic set in and we nearly blew it! Then Tuesday night Langford visited us. I knew it wouldn't be as straight forward as many thought. Stew set his team up brilliantly and we couldn't find a way to break them down. We huffed and puffed until the one moment of quality was produced from Kade out wide and then the finish by Clarke. Relief all round.

I could sense that some of those watching were a bit disappointed with how it went. Let me tell those that there wont be any easy games for us from now until the end of the season. We can't expect to just turn up and roll teams over or expect teams to roll over for us. Leagues are won not given and we have no devine right to be crowned champions. We have to go and take it. If we don't then we roll up our sleeves and win the playoffs.

It's the start of a tough run in. Someone asked if I was enjoying it... a little bit but the pressure is on now. You almost want it done so you know the outcome. What I will say is I have noticed a focus in the squad in the last 2-3 weeks. A determination to win. I love that. Hopefully it gets us over the line. And it starts again tonight by needing the 3 points to keep in close contact with Desborough

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EATON SOCON FC



Library records indicate that Eaton Socon were playing football as early as 1867. Since that time the club have played at various locations within the Eaton Socon area .

In 1961 club captain, Peter Chamberlain, along with local landowner Spencer Thomas ,appealed to the local council to find Eaton Socon fc a permanent new home. A ground was developed and from 1963 to the present day the club has resided at River road ground in Eaton Socon.

Up until 1997 the club has always played its football within the Bedfordshire league however in 1997, the club decided that it would attract more players and a better press coverage by moving from Bedfordshire to Cambridgeshire league football. The club has now three senior sides ,first team in spartan league , reserves in Cambs senior A, A team in division 2b. There are also a ladies team in the Cambridgeshire div 1 , a veterans team who play in a Bedfordshire Monday night league.

The club has come a long way and to have reached step6 football is great testament to all the hard work it has put in .The first won the Division one ko cup in 2023.



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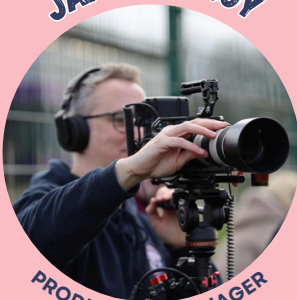
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LEAGUE TABLE

SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS DIVISION 1



POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Desborough Town	33	26	4	3	109	29	80	82
2	AFC Welwyn	33	25	6	2	92	24	68	81
3	Moulton	35	23	5	7	90	47	43	74
4	Eaton Socon	36	23	4	9	77	53	24	73
5	Irchester United	34	21	7	6	84	44	40	70
6	Wellingborough Whitworth	36	21	4	11	85	55	30	67
7	Amphill Town	34	16	11	7	46	36	10	59
8	Cranfield United	35	16	7	12	60	40	20	55
9	Stotfold Reserves	35	16	6	13	76	69	7	54
10	Rothwell Corinthians	36	16	6	14	62	56	6	54
11	Buckingham FC	35	14	6	15	51	50	1	48
12	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	34	11	6	17	58	72	-14	39
13	Long Buckby AFC	33	10	6	17	60	64	-4	36
14	Leighton Town Reserves	34	9	8	17	48	57	-9	35
15	Royston Town Reserves	35	9	8	18	41	61	-20	35
16	Langford	35	7	9	19	53	82	-29	30
17	Rushden & Higham United	33	8	3	22	40	90	-50	27
18	Huntingdon Town	35	7	1	27	35	117	-82	22
19	Raunds Town	35	5	3	27	33	98	-65	18
20	London Colney	34	3	8	23	27	83	-56	17

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SAT 19 APR - LONDON COLNEY - 3PM KICK OFF - LONDON COLNEY FC

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AFC WELWYN VS EATON SOCON FC



AFC WELWYN

Blue Shirts, Yellow Shorts,
Yellow Socks

Ashton Broome-Alexander
Sammi Nicholls
Dan Sears
Conor Clarke
Carter Hudson-Doncaster
Tawhid Juneja
Jordan Brown
Jack Bradshaw
Josh Keane-Quinlivan
Jhai Dhillon
Ibrahim Camara
Lee Dykes
Courtney Massay
Kendal Ata Gyamfi
Kade Bagge
Archie Sayer

Manager: Brett Donnelly



EATON SOCON FC

Claret/Sky Blue Shirts, Sky
Blue Shorts, Sky Blue Shorts

Mark Ansell-Carter
Hayden Armiger
Jakob Buckle
James Burnside
James Ducket
Robert Ducket
Shay Griffiths
Ben Hickling
Oliver Lee
Ryan Vale
Jake Williams
Stanley Ayre
Stanley Dawkes
Sammy Fisher-Diaz
Gabriel Ryan

Manager: M Garwood & C
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