



2023-24 MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

**SPARTAN
SOUTH
MIDLANDS
FOOTBALL
LEAGUE**

**DIVISION
ONE**

**WINSLOW
UNITED
VS
RUSHDEN
&
HIGHAM
UTD**

**SATURDAY
16th
MARCH
2024**

3:00PM

MIND YOUR LANGUAGE

DELETE THAT EXPLETIVE!

Our Club is fully supportive of the Leagues' Mind Your Language Initiative, to eradicate offensive behaviour within these grounds.

It is our wish for everybody to feel comfortable here and to encourage everyone, especially younger people to enjoy their time with us, this won't happen if they are listening to constant foul and offensive language.

Cheer your team, enjoy the day,
but keep those swear words far away...
...it could cost us money in fines!!!!



August 2016





CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

Hello to you all and welcome to the Gate for this afternoon's game.

The weather has been wreaking havoc once again on our fixtures with the irony being that we had a free Saturday last week after a spell of dry weather!

The FA are insisting that there is no extension to the end of the season as I write and so we are faced with the task of completing all of our fixtures by Saturday 20th April: add to the list of games Tuesday's postponed fixture at Letchworth.

We did get our B&B tie with Marlow played last Tuesday. I know that the decision was unpopular with many, including players, management and supporters. Dave, Gareth and I took the decision given that, as our pitch was still very soft meaning that any home game would likely be postponed, we would switch the fixture thus avoiding further fixture chaos. Thanks to the players for their commitment on the night and for those that made the journey to support the team: Marlow are a very good side (currently second in the Isthmian South-Central Division), and the lads gave a very good account of themselves.

This programme doesn't have the usual professional look as our editor, Harry, is currently on a two-week break in New York! We have also taken the decision to put it out online given the number of recent postponements and the amount of wastage in relation to the hard copies produced for those cancelled games.

Welcome to all from Rushden & Higham United: we hope they enjoy their visit to Winslow and a welcome to our match officials – please do give them the respect that they deserve.

Thanks, as ever, for your support and we hope to see you back here on Tuesday for the visit of Long Buckby.

TODAY'S TEAMS: 7:45PM Tuesday 21st March 2023

	WINSLOW UNITED			RUSHDEN & HIGHAM UTD
1	ALFIE MUMFORD		1	JAYDEN MANN
2	JACK ROWE		2	MUNYA MATIYENGA
3	CHARLIE ATTWELL		3	MASON JACKSON
4	RYAN FRESHWATER		4	JACK BLOODWORTH
5	JAMIE ANDREWS		5	KIAN KING
6	NEIL KING		6	BEN PEAKS
7	CHARLIE ROWE		7	AUSTIN BISHOP
8	GEORGE KERR		8	JAMES LEWIS
9	AARON KING		9	JORY MANN
10	SIMON KING		10	COREY BULLEY
11	NATHAN AMANING		11	ALFIE BOWDLER
12	CHRIS STAPLETON		12	MILES EATON
14	KEVIN OWUSU		14	MAX WYNNE
15	NATHAN HAWKINS		15	TOBY WILDER
16	TOM LAWER		16	CIARAN TIERAN
17	DOM LAWLESS		17	LEWIS MCMAHON
18	JAMIE ROBINSON		18	DANIIL LEE
	Manager: Alex Woodfine Assts: Jon Franklin / Harry Dalton Physio: Maisie Jones			Manager: John Shanks Coach: Dave Hunt
	Referee: Mike Partridge			Assistants: Kevin Dunnings / Russell Shacklock

RUSHDEN & HIGHAM UNITED

Records show that a Higham Town club was formed in 1876 at a meeting held in the Griffin. There was a team competing in the Northants League (now the United Counties League) during the 1890s and in 1895 the team were runners up in the Northamptonshire FA Junior cup. They joined the Northamptonshire League in 1897. The club's golden age was however in the 1920s. Re-formed after the end of the "great war" the team started in the Wellingborough and District league in season 1920–21, winning the NFA junior cup and gaining admittance to the Northants league. the team won the league at the first attempt together with the NFA senior cup. the league title was retained the following season and the county FA's premier competition, the Maunsell cup was also won, a unique cup treble unlikely ever again to be repeated. That same season also saw the club draw at Football League third division north side Chesterfield, 4–4 in the FA Cup, only to lose 1–0 at home in the replay. The club were the highest scorers in the FA cup that year.

The club played in the Rushden & District League post-war where they remained for four seasons before rejoining the UCL. During the period 1950 to 1997 the highest league position achieved was second on seven occasions, In 1970–71, again in the following season and then in 1989–90 and in each of the four seasons from 1992–93 to 1995–96. finally in 1997–98 they won Division One, their first league title for 75 years but were runners up again once again in 1998–99.

Rushden Rangers

Rushden Rangers were formed as a youth football club in 1978 and it was not until the mid-1990s that a senior section was formed. In the short time that they were in existence before the merger they won the NFA lower junior cup as well as being Northants Combination league and KO cup winners.

Founded by Steve Cavender in 1978 who was inspired by watching local lads playing a game of football at Melloway Park. He was General Secretary until 1990. The Rangers started by playing friendlies with only 3 teams coached by Bruce Ogden and Joe Payne. They had expanded to 5 teams by 1990 ranging in age from 11 to 15. Players went on to Higham Youth Team at 16. Home games were played at Jubilee Park, Spencer Park and Higham.

In 1994 Neil Gant offered the Hayden Road ground to Rushden Rangers when Rushden Town merged with Irthlingborough Diamonds to become Rushden and Diamonds Football Club. On 19 May 1995 a meeting was held at Rushden & Diamonds and the offer was made to purchase the facilities of Rushden Town F.C. at Hayden Road.

Merger

In 2007 the decision was made to merge the two clubs, with the new club playing at Rangers' ground in order to preserve United Counties League football within the two towns. With assistance from the Stadia Improvement fund the Hayden Road ground was brought up to the required standard and Rushden & Higham United was founded.[1] Rushden Rangers continued at youth level for one season before also changing their name to Rushden & Higham United.

From the start of the 2017–2018 season AFC Rushden & Diamonds agreed a groundshare with the club whereby R&D moved to Hayden Road. At the end of the 2020–21 season the club were transferred to Division One of the Spartan South Midlands League finishing in a credible 11th place in their first season.

RECENT RESULTS:

09/03: HUNTINGDON TOWN AL 0-3

27/02: ROYSTON TOWN U23 HL 0-5

17/02: WELLINGBORO WHITWORTH HD 3-3 BOWDLER, MANN, MCMAHON

WINSLOW UNITED SPONSORS:

The club is grateful to its 2023-24 season sponsors:



Please speak to Andy Setterfield for sponsorship opportunities.

FREE TEA!!!!!!

We are a voluntary run club; should you have a couple of hours to give on matchday then we would love to hear from you! Please speak to Andy or Gareth Robins to discuss roles where we would really appreciate some help. Free tea or coffee provided!

RESULTS / FIXTURES – 1st TEAM

MARCH

Tuesday 19th – Long Buckby AFC H – 7:45PM

Saturday 23rd – Northampton Sileby Rangers A – 3:00PM

Tuesday 26th – Ampthill Town H – 7:45PM

Saturday 30th – Royston Town U23 A – 3:00PM

APRIL

Tuesday 2nd – Raunds Town H 7:45PM

Thursday 4th – Huntingdon Town A 7:45PM

Saturday 6th – Wellingboro Whitworth A 3:00PM

Tuesday 9th – Leighton Town Dev A 3:00PM

Thursday 11th – Northampton Sileby Rangers H 7:45PM

Saturday 13th – Rothwell Corinthians H 3:00PM

Tuesday 16th – Buckingham FC H 7:45PM

Thursday 18th – Letchworth Gdn City Eagles A 7:45PM

Saturday 20th – Ampthill Town A – 3:00PM

EARLY GOALS THE DIFFERENCE

Marlow's Alfred Davis Memorial Ground has one of the finest examples of an old school groundstand that we've seen: it dates from 1930 and provides a perfect view of proceedings: unfortunately, Winslow didn't show such longevity in keeping a clean sheet last Tuesday.

Chris Stapleton was deputising for the poorly Alfie Mumford in the Winslow goal and he picked the ball out of the net twice in the opening 7 minutes as Dawid Rogalski prodded home from close range and then David Tarpey drove home a fine effort from the angle: it seemed as though it was going to be a very long night.

Winslow, to their immense credit, fought back and some neat football allowed them to get a foothold in the game, perhaps to the surprise of their lofty opponents. Ryan Freshwater went close when he headed Charlie Rowe's cross across the face of goal and then Jack Rowe was provider for his brother who volleyed over at the far post. Jamie Andrews got in on the act as he had an effort, from Charlie's corner, blocked by a Marlow player. Rogalski struck again with half-time in sight, extending the hosts' lead to three goals at the break.

Stapleton made a couple of decent stops before Simon King introduced himself to the home players and crowd with a strong challenge that earned a booking. Clearly Marlow full-back Curtis Chapple was looking for retribution as he was shown two yellows in quick succession but not before Tarpey put the hosts' 4-0 up with a lovely finish from outside the box. Aaron King had two shots: one cleared off the line and the other off the stand roof before Jamie Robinson, on as a second half sub, joined Chapple for early use of the hot water as he provided a robust opinion to the assistant referee, much to the delight of the home faithful who had already voiced their delight at a couple of wayward Winslow efforts.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES - CORINTHIAN

Pos	Team	Home						Away						Overall					
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Tring Athletic U18 Midweek	10	5	0	0	19	4	5	0	0	15	1	10	0	0	34	5	29	30
2	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos FC U18 FL	11	2	1	1	11	4	5	0	2	16	11	7	1	3	27	15	12	22
3	Hemel Hempstead Town U18	11	4	2	2	24	8	2	1	0	10	2	6	3	2	34	10	24	21
4	Winslow United U18 Southern	12	3	1	2	16	14	3	1	2	14	13	6	2	4	30	27	3	20
5	Kings Langley FC U18	12	3	0	2	13	10	3	1	3	10	14	6	1	5	23	24	-1	19
6	Leighton Town U18	12	4	0	3	16	9	1	2	2	6	7	5	2	5	22	16	6	17
7	Leverstock Green U18	13	4	1	1	18	9	1	0	6	12	18	5	1	7	30	27	3	16
8	Berkhamsted FC U18	11	3	0	4	10	13	1	1	2	6	5	4	1	6	16	18	-2	13
9	Dunstable Town U18	14	4	1	3	16	15	0	0	6	3	25	4	1	9	19	40	-21	13
10	Buckingham Football Club U18 S	12	0	0	3	1	14	0	0	9	8	48	0	0	12	9	62	-53	0

Next Up:

Buckingham FC – Thursday 21st March – Stratford Fields – 7:45PM

SSMFL DIV 1 TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Northampton ON Chenecks	29	21	7	1	84	21	63	70
2	Wellingborough Whitworth	28	17	7	4	75	42	33	58
3	Moulton	28	17	6	5	65	31	34	57
4	Leighton Town Development	26	16	4	6	59	38	21	52
5	Northampton Sileby Rangers	24	15	5	4	63	26	37	50
6	Royston Town U23	26	16	2	8	71	40	31	50
7	Amphill Town	25	14	6	5	69	39	30	47*
8	Winslow United	24	14	5	5	55	36	19	47
9	Langford	29	14	3	12	71	49	22	45
10	Cranfield United	27	12	5	10	52	37	15	41
11	Rothwell Corinthians	29	8	10	11	65	58	7	34
12	Long Buckby AFC	29	10	3	16	62	61	1	33
13	Buckingham FC	27	8	9	10	47	60	-13	33
14	Huntingdon Town	27	9	5	13	44	65	-21	32
15	Raunds Town	27	6	8	13	35	57	-22	26
16	Eaton Socon	30	6	6	18	33	68	-35	24
17	Rushden & Higham United	24	4	6	14	32	69	-37	18
18	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	27	4	5	18	32	70	-38	17
19	Irchester United	29	3	6	20	27	97	-70	15
20	Burton Park Wanderers	27	2	2	23	32	109	-77	8

*adjustment made