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The Northwest Counties League Premier Division

12.03.2013 Kick Off 7.45pm

Bootle Football Club v Norton United FC

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History of the Bucks



The original Bootle F.C. were formed in 1880 and played at Hawthorne Road. They were in fact Everton FC's biggest rivals. In 1889-90 Bootle became founder members of the Football Alliance, narrowly missing out on the football league to the blues. That season was the

most successful as we finished league runners-up, reached the quarter-finals of the FA Cup, where we lost to Blackburn Rovers (0-7). When the Alliance merged with the Football League in 1892, Bootle became founder members of the new Second Division. However, despite a respectable 8th place final position, the club dropped out after one season (and were replaced by neighbours Liverpool) and seemingly disappeared due to financial problems.

Football returned to Hawthorne Road when a new club, Bootle Athletic, was later formed with the new team initially playing in the Liverpool Leagues. In 1948 when the club were elected to the Lancashire Combination 2, which was won at the first attempt. However, Bootle struggled in the top-flight and after several tough seasons withdrew and folded during the 1953-54 campaign.

In 1953, the current club was formed as Langton and played in the local leagues. After a very successful spell in the Liverpool County Combination (which we won on numerous occasions) the club reverted back to its better known identity of Bootle F.C. in 1973; and a year later joined the Lancashire Combination, which we won in 1976 and 1977. Bootle then joined the Second Division of the Cheshire County League, which was won in our first season, and we were promoted to the First Division. In 1982 the Cheshire County League was one of the leagues that merged to form the North West Counties League, which Bootle duly joined, becoming a member of the First Division. The club spent most of their time in the First Division until 2000 when we unfortunately dropped into the Second Division. However, despite finishing 6th in 2002, the club



dropped into the Liverpool County Combination. In 2006 the club, with a new ground, were elected back into Division 2 of the North West Counties League. In 2009 Bootle won promotion to the NWCL Premier Division and also won the Championship. In 2009/10, our first season back in the NWCL Premier Division Bootle finished a NWCL highest placing of 3rd. In 2010/11 finished 6th place. They equalled the 3rd place again in 2012. With the ground grading and charter standard status established in 2011/12 the club are looking to progress to the next level.



Club Landmarks

Vodkat League First Division Champions
2008-09

Liverpool Challenge Cup
1964-65, 1975-76, 1978-79

Liverpool Amateur Cup
1965-66, 1967-68, 1973-74

Liverpool County FA Youth Cup
1977-78, 1984-85, 1990-91, 1999-00, 2005-06

Lancashire Amateur Cup
1970

Liverpool County Combination Champions
1964-65, 1965-66, 1967-68, 1968-69, 1969-70, 1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73, 1973-74

Lancashire County Combination Champions
1975-76, 1976-77

Cheshire County League Div Two Champions
1978-79

North West Counties League Div Two Runners-up
1992-93

Tennants Floodlit Trophy Winners
1993-94

Vodkat League Challenge Cup Runners-up
2007-08

Vodkat League Reserve Division Winners
2007-08, 2009-10

Runners-up
2008-09

**Liverpool Senior Cup Winners*
1883, 1888, 1889

**Football Alliance Runners-up*
1889-90

Bootle Football Club's YOUTH



Under 18's - West Cheshire League - Manager Richie Boswarva

Under 17's - Liverpool Premier League - Manager Ste Miller

Under 16's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Alex Grosart

Under 15's - Belvale Junior League - Manager Carl Dale

Under 14's - Hightown JFL - Manager Lee Williams

Under 12's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Tony Smith

Under 10's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Darren Carr

Under 9's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager David Miley

Under 8's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Phil Dobson

Under 7's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Ste Miller



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Bootle U18's Overcome Local Rivals With Classy Display

Bootle entered into this Halton and West Cheshire Cup knowing that victory would secure their place in the last 8 of the Competition. Without Powell, Wishart, Smart, McCabe and Fairclough, the team sheet took on an unfamiliar look, with Archer coming in at left back, Holcroft reverting to the right and Connor coming in at Centre Half alongside Captain Antony Seddon.

Loughlin returned in midfield alongside Cheetham and Charnock with Rowlands asked to play wide on the right, Pruden playing 60 minutes on the left before joining up with the 1st team and Ellis leading the attack. However, the strength of this excellent squad came to the fore and any concerns that playing a seemingly under strength side against strong opposition, would cause problems, were brushed aside with a polished performance. Indeed, comments from the touchline suggested this was the best Bootle have played all season !

From the outset, Bootle played to instruction with a high tempo pressing game, that forced South into a series of errors and hopeful long balls. Pruden saw plenty of the ball in the first 30 minutes and tormented the South right back, turning him inside out without producing the final killer ball into the box.

Charnock orchestrated the game from midfield and chances began to fall to Bootle. Following a corner from the left the ball was turned onto the South crossbar and after an almighty scramble in the 6 yard box, the Bootle players were left wandering quite how the ball wasn't forced over the line. South forced to play on the break were still dangerous and Lea produced a smart save down to his right after a strong shot from the edge of the area. However, the dangerous and pacey Yusuf was expertly marshalled by Connor and Seddon.

Law replaced Loughlin at half time and linked well with his team mates to create real problems down South's left, with Pruden still proving a handful on South's right. Rowlands produced a cracking half volley from 25 yards that hit the underside of the bar and bounced to safety and Cheetham somehow missed from 4 yards with the goal gaping. The pressure was really mounting as Bootle forced their opponents further and further back, with wave after wave of attacking endeavour. The breakthrough came 20 minutes in when Chambers - on as a sub for Pruden, played a great through ball over the South back line and Rowlands did the rest, expertly lobbing the keeper from 12 yards.

Bootle continued to press forward and Law shot across the goal and wide when clean through and Charnock fired just over from the edge of the box. The points were secured with 5 minutes remaining. South were caught high up the pitch chasing an equaliser and Rowlands raced clear and slotted clinically past the advancing South keeper. A great result and fantastic team performance from Bootle that underlined the depth and quality of the squad.



An associated committee consisting of elected members:

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*Original Club folded in 1893

Today's Teams

BOOTLE

manager: Neil Prince

NORTON

manager: Scott Dundas

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The manager of Bootle Football Club

Hello and welcome to the Delta Taxis Stadium and a warm welcome to Scott Dundas and all from Norton United's team, staff and supporters for this Northwest Counties Premier Division clash.

Back to league action tonight after a huge disappointment in the League Challenge Cup on Saturday.

After going into extra time against nine men I expected a victory but after wasting so many chances at one end, we were punished at the other end.

It is important now to concentrate on our remaining games and ensure take maximum points.

We were beaten down at Norton earlier this year and it was because we did not take our chances so it is vitally important to do that tonight.

It is still in our hands at the moment and it is vital that we stick together and work as a team. With the quality we have I'm sure we can pick up the points we need.

I also mentioned in my previous notes about our trip to St Georges Park last Thursday. What a fantastic experience for us all, especially the younger squad members, and a big thank you to our goal keeper Dave Potter for arranging the trip and the friendly against the Royal Navy.

I hope you enjoy the game and hopefully three more points.

Up the Bucks!

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nwct	Completion	a	04/08/12	0-2	Porter	McQueen	Byrne ©	Carberry	Coulton	Black	Blakeman	Hay	O'Connor	Prince	McCabe	Kilroy	Thompson	Young
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nwct	Squires G	a	02/01/13	0-4	Porter	McQueen	Byrne ©	Green	Coulton	Prince	Fowler	Gill	O'Connor	Thompson	Young	Thompson		
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**Saturday 23rd March
V Glossop North End
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AFC Liverpool v Stone

Dominoes (20:00)

Bootle v Norton United

Congleton Town v Stockport

Sports

Wigan Robin Park v

Winsford United

First Division

Abbey Hey v Eccleshall

Ashton Town v Formby

Atherton LR v Nelson

Daisy Hill v Holker Old Boys

Leek CSOB v Northwich Villa

Wednesday 13th March 2013

Premier Division

Padiham v Runcorn Linnets

Silsden v Colne

First Division

Cheadle Town v Atherton

Collieries

Reserve Division Cup

Second Round

Glossop North End v New Mills

Thursday 14th March 2013

League Challenge Cup

Quarter Finals

Bacup Borough v Formby

	P	GD	Pts
1 Padiham	30	38	67
2 Maine Road	33	29	66
3 Runcorn Town	30	45	64
4 Bootle	27	26	60
5 Winsford United	29	30	56
6 Runcorn Linnets	30	17	54
7 Barnoldswick T	30	24	53
8 Colne	31	27	49
9 Glossop North End	31	9	47
10 Congleton Town	29	23	46
11 Alsager Town	33	-9	40
12 Wigan RP	31	-9	40
13 Stockport Sports*	33	6	39
14 AFC Blackpool	29	-8	37
15 Norton United *	29	-17	36
16 AFC Liverpool	24	-4	32
17 Bacup Borough	26	-14	28
18 Silsden	30	-27	27
19 Ashton Athletic	32	-30	26
20 Squires Gate	31	-31	21
21 St Helens Town	29	-38	21
22 Stone Dominoes	31	-87	13

Kick off times are 3pm Sat, 7.45pm
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Ground Grading Issues

Every month since November, the League Management Committee has been in regular contact with clubs regarding outstanding work to be addressed, in order that the club's ground meets required ground grading standards. All clubs have been warned of the penalties that apply in the event that they do not comply with the recommendations made in the Grading Chairman's report.

However, following the February League Management Committee meeting, there were still eight clubs in the Premier Division that did not meet the ground grading requirements to remain in the Division, and in the First Division, only six clubs met the minimum ground grade required for promotion.

All the clubs who have exceeded the 28 day notification period regarding outstanding work were written to by the League Secretary, requesting an explanation as to why the work has not been carried out.

Some clubs have not had the courtesy to reply to the Secretary to date, and one club official expressed his disapproval at the timing of the letter, given the recent inclement weather. It should be noted that the items outstanding that the club had been challenged on were from the FA visit which took place on 23rd February 2012. However, several clubs have contacted the League regarding their outstanding work, along with their proposed completion dates. The penalties for non-compliance will not only affect participation in the NWCFL.

For entry into the FA Cup, league position aside, a Step 6 club wishing to compete in the FA Cup next season must meet the G grade requirements by March 31st. If a G grade has not already been awarded, a questionnaire will have to be completed.

For entry into the FA Vase, a Step 6 club must be at least grade H compliant by March 31st.

League Chairman Dave Tomlinson said: "The League Management Committee have always stressed the importance of promotion and relegation being decided by the respective position of clubs in the League table.

"However, in the event that clubs do not meet the required ground grading standards, the Committee will have no hesitation in applying League rules".

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League Challenge Cup Semi-Final Draw

The draw for the Semi-Final of the League Challenge Cup was made following Cheadle Town's victory over AFC Liverpool at Park Road.

The draw is as followed:

AFC Blackpool or Maine Road v Bacup Borough or Formby

Runcorn Linnets v Cheadle Town

The ties will be decided over one game with the home side being the first drawn out of the hat. The date of the ties will be confirmed.



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Our Visitors today....

Based in the area known as Smallthorne in the Northeast of the city of Stoke-on-Trent, near Burslem; bordering Bradley in the north, Norton-on-the-moors in the east and sneyd green in the west.

Norton United Football Club came into existence in 1989 and joined the Staffordshire Senior League. The club played at Norton Cricket Club and still does to this day.

The club laid solid foundations during the first two years and in 1991-92 gained its first success with a win in the League Cup with a victory over Redgate Clayton in the final.



They also came runners up two years later. Success started to come more regularly and our first Championship was in 1997 when we completed the double of League and League Cup- beating Adderley Green in the final by 2-0.

In 1999 the Team won the League and completed the Double by winning the Staffs FA Vase with a win by 2 -1 over Wolverhampton Casuals. The Championship was won by Christmas as we gained maximum points and we finished the season with only one defeat.

The Club won the Championship for the third time in 2001 and with it promotion to The North West Counties League. We now play in the Vodkat League Division One.

Further success came in the Staffs FA Vase in 2004 and Lee Pugh completed a unique feat of scoring in every round. In 2012 we gained promotion to the Premier Division of the NWCFL and also won the First Division Trophy.

Bootle FC Under 18's

Richie Boswarva, Coach of the Youth Team at Bootle is delighted with the progress his squad have made this season.

Considering that from last seasons title winning squad, The Top Goalscorer - Jack McCabe has only made 2 appearances, Player of the Year and Captain Joel Powell has only appeared on 7 occasions and Players Player of the Year Billy Smart has played only 3 games - the success of the team has been astounding. All three have been members of the first team squad with Billy and Jack becoming regular fixtures on match days for the Bucks.

The team have reached the Under 18 County Cup Final where they will meet their fierce rivals Gateacre. Along the way, the team overcame Finn Harps, Breeze, Dunlops and a resilient Churchtown side to reach the final, which will be played on Thursday 2nd May at LCFA.

In addition to reaching the County Cup Final the team are in the Semi- Final of the West Cheshire Youth Plate and will face Vauxhall Motors at Riveacre Road on Sat 20th April. Indeed, the team is still competing for honours on four fronts, as last weeks 2-0 victory over South Liverpool secured their place in the Quarter Final of the Halton and West Cheshire Cup and Bootle still have a possibility of winning the West Cheshire Youth League!

Richie is pleased that the new players that have come to the Club have settled well and that others have seized their opportunity provided by players promotion to the 1st team and the LCFA Under 18 Representative Squad. He is delighted at how the players have responded to Coaching this year with the emphasis on a high tempo pressing game, that limits opponents possession of the ball, and that their performances have shown their growing maturity and ability to take a more tactical approach to games.

There is now a strong, gifted group of players who can hopefully be the core of the Club for years to come. Several more are tipped to emulate Billy, Jack and Joel by playing for Bootle's 1st team over the next 12-18 months.

Bootle U18's Play in the

LCFA County Cup Final at The LCFA (Walton Hall Park)

Thursday 2nd May. 7pm Kick-Off



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Bootle FC Under 17s

Liverpool County Premiere League Season 2012/2013

In a topsy turvey season at present Bootle under 17s are performing well in a higher aged division with some sides touching 19 years of age. After a strong start to the season we tailed off and had a spell of losing 4 games on the run when nothing would go for us.

As all good teams do we held our heads high and worked hard!! We are currently on a 6 game unbeaten run which has seen us knock out current top of the league and 2nd in the Doc Hughes Cup to reach the final on Wednesday 20th March 2013 7pm at the County FA (all support welcome).

We have seen some fantastic performances this season and some great games that include coming back from 3-2 down with 6 minutes remaining to win 4-3 against Merton Villa and also from two down to win 3-2 against a very strong Old Xaverians. We have certainly seen a contender for goal of the season from Mark Jeffers against Salisbury Athletic. The game that epitomises us though has to be our semi final last Saturday v Copperas Kickz, they were 1-0 up going into the end of the game when Mark Jeffers picked the ball up and beat four men to then cut inside and bend a finesse shot around the helpless keeper. Expecting extra time we were plotting changes but a corner was won with 30 seconds left in the game and after a delightful ball by Jack Driver, Jamie Colebourn (probably the smallest player on the pitch) rose to win the game!!

All in all it has been a good season and I feel it's the start of something special after merging with a very good Diesel Boys team at the start of the season not only for players that came in but we have on board Alan Hardaker to manage the team with Ste Miller and bring fresh ideas. It is a very promising future!!

Up The Bucks

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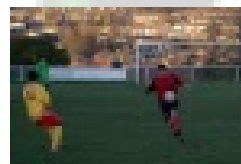
We now enter the FA Cup and The FA Vase and we have had some success in both competitions and have travelled to some new places and met new clubs.



There have been some significant improvements at Norton United FC over the last few years. We have been able to have the pitch re-laid and a new drainage system installed. The playing surface is now fantastic and allows top quality football to be played.



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This close season saw the completion of the new changing room block. The shell was acquired from Stoke City and the interior was the result of grants from the Football Foundation and the Coalboard Regeneration Trust.!

The second team now plays in the Staffordshire County Senior League and the third plays in the third division of the league, and both comprise of young players most of whom have made their way through the junior teams at the club.





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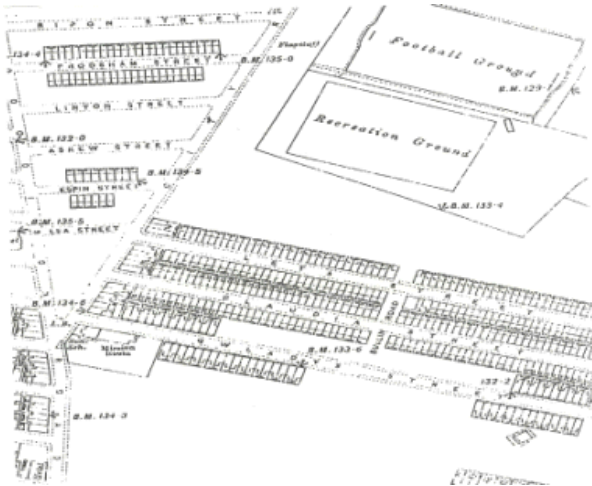
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Mr Sam Ormerod, a prominent member of the Lancashire FA, arrived in Liverpool to take charge in the middle. He flipped the coin with fell in favour of Everton and their skipper George Dobson, who chooses wisely, decides to kick off with bright sunlight behind him. This proved to a decisive factor in determining the outcome of the game as it was a poor clearance made by a Bootle defender, which led to the only goal of the game. It came after a high centre, played in to the Bootle goal, was lost in the sun by Willie Vieth whose weak header was turned over the line by "Job" Wilding after twenty minutes. Bootle did their utmost to draw level and dominated the second half but could find no way through an Everton rear guard that was well marshalled by George Dobson. Arthur Eyton-Jones was outstanding for Bootle but his efforts went unrewarded. The game ended Everton 1 Bootle 0.

Bootle was back at Walton Stiles two years later when they faced Earlestown in the 1889 Liverpool Cup final. The match attracted a crowd of around five thousand people. Bootle, who took an early lead, then struggled throughout the rest of the first half to contain their lively opponents and trailed by two goals to one at the break. All then began to look lost for the men from the Estuary Town when Earlestown added a third goal to their total with less than half an hour left to play. Mother Nature however, then bestowed her gifts in favour of Bootle by letting loose a fierce storm, accompanied by large hailstones, which blew straight in to the faces of the unfortunate Earlestown defenders and made it difficult for them to see the ball. Bootle, taking full advantage of their good fortune, then laid an unstoppable siege up on their opponents' goal and was soon on level terms. The fight then seemed to drain out of the Earlestown players as Bootle added two more goals to win the game by five goals to three. Rob Jamieson, the Bootle captain, then accepted the trophy from the Liverpool FA president Mr A B Hull of Liverpool Ramblers.

This was the last time the Bootle club laid its hands on the trophy as proceeding, between now and their demise would now be dominated by their rivals Everton. Stanley Football Club also suffered the same fate and slowly drifted in to obscurity. The Walton Stiles enclosure was later used by the local amateur football clubs until, after falling in to a state of despair, it was covered by houses and no trace of it remains today.



Walton Stiles 1892

Walton Stiles

By A Gardner



In 1866 the London and North In Western Railway Company was granted permission to build a branch line, through Walton-on-the Hill, to link the North Merseyside Docks with their mainline from Liverpool to London at Edge Hill. The new line however, was set to impose up on a public right of way known locally as Walton Stiles. The Railway Engineers overcame this problem by undercutting the location and carrying the Walton Stiles footpath across the railway line by means of a bridge. This neat sandstone orifice is still functional to this day and is now called City Road. The area, not yet incorporated in to Liverpool, was governed by the Walton local board who around 1872, decided to give the arable land over to housing to accommodation the ever increasing population of Walton. The flat farm land was, for a while, uncultivated and the authorities permitted football to be played on Walton Stiles by a team who played under the name of the Liverpool Association. The club disbanded in 1883 but the football pitch remained playable. In September 1883 Everton played one game on this location, against Southport, while their new home on Priory Road was getting its final touches. The location was then dormant, apart from the odd local kick about, until it was given a new lease of life by the football playing members of Stanley Cricket Club.

Formed 1882, Stanley Football Club played their matches on Stanley Park for two years until a Liverpool Cup tie, played against Everton at Anfield, presented them with enough gate money to build a simple enclosure on Walton Stiles that was opened, with a game against Darwen, in the autumn of 1885. The local FA, looking for a neutral venue, decided to play the 1886 Liverpool Cup Final at Walton Stiles. The match was between Bootle and Everton.



The Stanley club had made their headquarters at the nearby Spellow Hall Hotel and it was here that the Liverpool & District FA executive assembled on a sunny Saturday in April. The two sets of players changed here, in to their club colours, before making the short walk, along Goodison Road, to the ground. The match had caught the imagination of the local press who complained at the lack of facilities that had been made for them on the ground. Nevertheless, they reported that eight thousand people squeezed themselves inside the ground to see the two sides' line up as follows.

Bootle: G Galbraith, T Veith, W Veith, R Devlin, A Gibson, F Wood, W H Routledge, T Morris, W Roberts, J A Eyton-Jones and W Anderson.

Everton: C Joliffe, G Dobson, T Marriot, M Higgins, T Fayer, E Corey, W Gibson, T Fleming, J Wilding W Findley and G Farmer.

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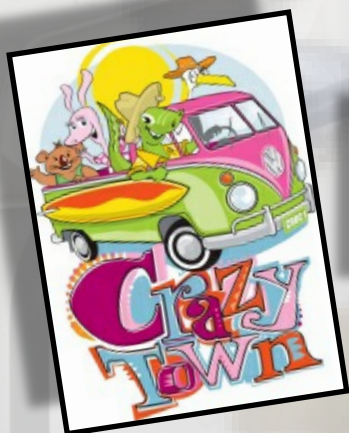
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