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The Northwest Counties League Premier Division

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Bootle Football Club v Silsden Football Club

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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's Under 18's produced a magnificent performance in the First Round of the FA Youth Cup tonight, to take a Macclesfield Town team of full time apprentices to extra time. Bootle started the game brightly with the midfield trio of Fairclough, Charnock and Cheetham, snapping at the heels of their more illustrious opponents and Seddon and Bromfield faultless at the back. The first 20 minutes was more of a tactical encounter with neither goalkeeper tested. It was a free kick that gave Bootle a deserved lead after 30 minutes. Pruden swung a great ball to the far post and an excellent header back across the goalmouth was headed in at the far post by Anthony Seddon. This was the least Bootle deserved



for their early domination. Therefore it came as a surprise when Town levelled just a few minutes before the interval. An innocuous looking shot from the edge of the box deceived home keeper, Lea who looked on in horror as the ball squirmed through his grasp into the net. This was the only attempt Macclesfield had on target in the opening 45 minutes.

The second period ended in stalemate, taking the game into 30 minutes of extra time. After a quiet opening 10 minutes Macclesfield got the all important breakthrough. A powerful effort from the edge of the box was well saved by Lea but Macclesfield were quickest to the rebound and knocked home the loose ball. The Bucks had no choice but to push men up and As they tried to find a breakthrough Macclesfield scored 2 more goals on the break in the last 7 minutes to make the final scoreline a rather misleading 4-2. This was a cruel end to a brilliant performance from Bootle. The whole team were exceptional with Archer, Seddon and Cheetham outstanding. Many Thanks to Macclesfield for being gracious enough in victory to recognise the fantastic contribution Bootle made to a great game - good luck to them in the next round.



Bootle Football Club -
Founder members of the
Football Alliance 1889,
The Football League Div2*
1892 & The Northwest
Counties Football League
1982
Awarded FA Charter
Standard Status in
November 2011

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*Original Club folded in 1893

Today's Teams



BOOTLE

manager: Neil Prince



SILSDEN

manager: Chris Reape

Dean PORTER

David POTTER

Neil MCQUEEN

Mark KILROY

Michael CARBERRY

Phil GREEN

Sean COULTON

Neil MURPHY

Paul BYRNE

Jack MCDOWELL

James OLSEN

Jamie HAY

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Michael GARROD

Tim HIRD

Joe GAUGHAN

Thomas MARSHALL

Stephen THROUP

MATCH OFFICIALS



referee: Mr Craig Buxton

assistant referee: Mr Kieron Jones

assistant referee: Mr Oliver Lynn



The manager of Bootle Football Club

Hello and welcome to The Delta stadium for our Northwest Counties Premier Division match against today's visitors Silsden; and a warm welcome to Chris Reape and his team, players and supporters.

It's nice to have a near full strength squad available after being down to the bare bones for the last few games with injuries and Marriages!

There's just one sick note missing at the moment, me! It'll be a couple of weeks on the sidelines after coming back too early against Padiham. Unfortunately with groin injuries, they take time to heal and hopefully I'll be back sooner rather than later.

I was very pleased to come away from Padiham with a point after being under huge pressure for the last 20 minutes.

Dean Porter made 5 outstanding saves including a penalty with 3 mins to go. That has been Deans season so far though and he has shown how crucial he has been since coming here.

After talking to their manager and reflecting on the whole game we agreed a point a piece was a fair result with us hitting the bar twice and their keeper also making 3 fantastic saves. We have to learn that when teams have a good spell against us to keep our shape and not panic. If we do this we are a very difficult team to break down but on Saturday we were chasing the game too much and were far too open.

However a point away to the team closest to us in the league is a good result and it is important to get a win today and pile the pressure on the teams around us. We have signed Neil Murphy this week. Neil was at Liverpool with Me and James and is a player I wanted to sign during preseason. He plays right back and is very comfortable on the ball, experienced and will be a big

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addition to the squad. He realises he will have to be patient and wait for his chance as Queeny is like a man possessed this season and will be very difficult to grab his place. The opportunity came to sign him and I didn't feel I could ignore this. It is no reflection on the lads in the squad. In fact It is testament to them that a player of Neil's calibre will have to wait for his chance.

It's nice to be sitting at the top of the table with 3 games in hand over most of our challengers. However it means nothing if we can't get the results over the next few weeks.

Thanks for your continued support.

Princey

'It means nothing if we can't get the results over the next few weeks'



Neil Prince

nwcf	Congleton	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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nwcf	Winstford	a	14/08/12	0-2	Porter	McQueen	Byrne @	Carberry	Coulton	Black	Blakeman	Hay	O'Connor	Prince	Young	Smart	McCabe	Kilroy
nwcf	Stockp't S	H	18/08/12	2-0	Porter	McQueen	Byrne @	Carberry	Coulton	Black	Blakeman	Hay	O'Connor	Thompson	Prince	Young	Green	Kilroy
nwcf	St Helens	H	21/08/12	2-2	Porter	McQueen	Byrne @	Carberry	Coulton	Black	Blakeman	Hay	O'Connor	Thompson	Prince	Young	Gray	Green
FAC	Mossley	a	25/08/12	3-0	Porter	McQueen	Byrne @	Green	Coulton	Black	Blakeman	Hay	O'Connor	Gray	Prince	Young	Kilroy	
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nwcf	Runcom T	H	04/09/12	1-0	Porter	McQueen	Byrne @	Kilroy	Coulton	Black	Blakeman	Hay	Thompson	Young	Gray	O'Connor	Foley	
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nwcf	Maine Rd	a	23/02/13															
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nwcf	Colne	a	13/04/13															
nwcf	Runcom T	a	20/04/12															
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Linnets
Bootle v Silsden
Colne v Alsager Town
Congleton Town v AFC
Blackpool
Padiham v Winsford United
Runcorn Town v Wigan RP
Squires Gate v Maine Road
Stockport Sports v Norton Utd
Stone Dominoes v St Helens

F.A. Challenge Cup

2nd Qualifying Round

FC Halifax Town v **Abbey Hey**

First Division

Ashton Town v Nelson
Atherton LR v AFC Darwen
Chadderton v Northwich Villa
Cheadle Town v West
Didsbury & Chorlton
Eccleshall v Daisy Hill
Formby v Atherton Collieries
Holker Old Boys v Leek CSOB
Oldham Boro v Rochdale Town

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1. Bootle	8	10	20
2. Barnoldswick T	11	9	20
3. Stockp't Sports	11	10	18
4. Padiham	8	8	18
5. AFC Blackpool	11	4	17
6. Runcorn Town	9	8	16
7. Congleton	9	7	16
8. Wigan RP	11	-5	16
9. Maine Road	9	4	15
10. Runc'n Linnets	8	2	15
11. Silsden	9	2	14
12. Colne	9	2	13
13. Winsford Utd	7	6	11
14. Bacup Boro	8	-1	9
15. Glossop NE	7	-1	9
16. AFC Liverpool	7	-8	9
17. Alsager Town	10	-3	8
18. St Helens T	8	-10	8
19. Ashton Ath	7	-6	7
20. Squires Gate	10	-8	5
21. Stone Doms	10	-18	4
22. Norton United	7	-12	3

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Big FA Cup Day For Abbey Hey

This coming Saturday, Abbey Hey head over the Pennines for one of the biggest games in their history, when they take on FC Halifax Town of the Blue Square Bet North in the Second Qualifying Round of the FA Cup. Abbey Hey are the League's sole representatives left in the competition, and for a side who have never reached this stage of the competition in their history, it's a daunting prospect to face a team from four leagues above, who are currently sitting fourth in their league and have scored 13 goals in their last three home league games.

But if anyone is looking for omens, Abbey Hey can draw inspiration from the fact that North West Counties League sides have an unbeaten record in FA Cup ties at The Shay! The record however, only covers one previous encounter in season 2008-09, when Silsden went there in the Preliminary Round and came away with a goalless draw, although Town won 3-1 in the replay at Cougar Park in Keighley.

There is, however, little chance of the Halifax players underestimating Abbey Hey, after their experience of lower league opposition at the same stage of the competition last season.

On that occasion, Town only squeezed past Tadcaster Albion of the Northern Counties East League thanks to a Scott McManus header deep into injury time. That narrow escape proved crucial, as they subsequently progressed to a land tie in the First Round proper at home against League One Charlton Athletic, which was televised live.

FC Halifax Town are managed by Neil Aspin, a familiar name to anyone who followed top flight football in the 1980s and 90s. He made 244 appearances over a seven year spell at Leeds United, before joining Port Vale in 1989, where he made 348 league appearances during the 1990s.

In 2009 he took up his current position as manager of FC Halifax Town and managed them to two successive promotions in his first two seasons at the club. But in an interview with the Halifax Evening Courier newspaper, he explained that memories of last season's FA Cup tie at the same stage will mean that his side won't be complacent.

"It's nice to be drawn at home and people will be expecting us to turn up and win the game because they're a few levels below us," he said.

"But I went to watch them last Wednesday night (at Chadderton) and they've won every game in their division so far this season.



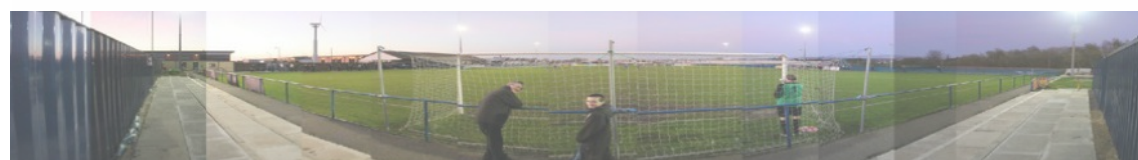
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"We've got to play better than we did at this stage last year against Tadcaster.

"It's a big game for them but it's a big game for us too, because if we want to play against teams like Charlton you've got to make sure that you win these matches first".

In the visitors' camp there is a feeling of real anticipation about Saturday, and far from being fazed about the task ahead, Abbey Hey manager Barrie Walker says everyone at the club can't wait for the game.

"I wanted Chester, FC United or Halifax and I can't believe we got one of them. It is a dream tie for such a small club like Abbey Hey to be paired with such a big club like FC Halifax Town with such a rich history and tradition.

"They have competed with Manchester United and Manchester City in recent years, so that says it all. We are all buzzing at the club and we will do all we can to make it a day to remember. We have such a young squad with many of the players being only 19, and what an experience it is going to be.

"I was absolutely delighted with the draw when I heard it, and I think we have earned it".

AFC Tribute To Hillsborough Victims

AFC Liverpool will pay tribute to the victims of the Hillsborough disaster prior to their game against Glossop North End at Valerie Park on Saturday.

The game itself will kick off at 3.08 pm. The teams will enter the field carrying a Hillsborough memorial banner and at 3.06 pm, "You'll Never Walk Alone" will be played over the PA system, during which time there will be two minutes applause.

AFC Liverpool Chairman Chris Stirrup said: "We feel it's only right we should mark what's happened, at our first home game since the truth came out.

"We did have two minutes applause at Askern Villa, before the FA Vase tie last Saturday, but it was only the travelling Reds which could take part and there will be a lot more people there on Saturday".

Our Visitors today....

Lying on the Northern slope of the Aire Valley between Keighley and Skipton. Along the lower edge of the town is the Leeds to Liverpool Canal. The town is was mentioned in the doomsday book as the most important village in Craven.

Silsden AFC was formed in September 1904 and has seen many teams come and go playing Saturdays and Sundays. The present Saturday senior team has been playing for only eight years starting life in the Craven & District football league Division Two, after the said team had progressed through the junior section within the club.

SILSDEN



They spent 3 years in the Craven league moving up to the premier division and in the last year set a new record of going through the season unbeaten in all competitions. From there they joined the West Riding County Amateur League in Division Two and quickly gained promotion up into the Premier division where they enjoyed 3

seasons.

In season 2002/2003 Silsden set another record in going through the season unbeaten in all competitions. To add to this they also won the West Riding County Challenge Cup for the following 3 years. In season 2004/2005 Silsden gained promotion to Division 1 in The North West Counties Football League in their inaugural season.



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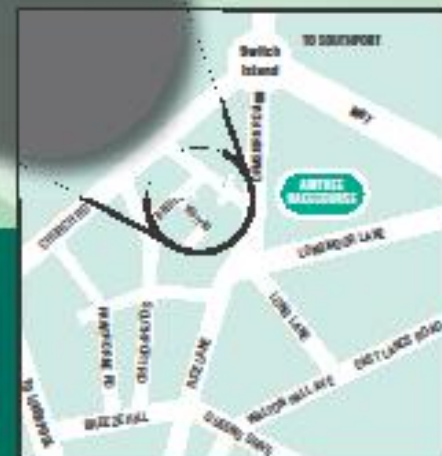
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Match Review



Padiham 1
Bootle 1

15th September 2012

Attendance: 135



The Bucks remain unbeaten in the first 7 league games after playing out a 1-1 draw with Padiham, the only other team in the division with an unbeaten start.

The game was a great advert for football with both sides well organised and expansive styles of play. Bootle took the early initiative with O'Connor having shots and headers saved by the outstanding Padiham keeper.

The hosts more than matched the visiting side and deservedly took the lead on 76 minutes only for sub Jak Gray to score a great equaliser late on. There was more drama to follow after a penalty was awarded, which was saved expertly by Dean Porter and their forward putting in the rebound only for the linesman to disallow it.

All in all a great game a fair result. Well done to both teams for an enthralling game of football.

It doesn't happen often but a Padiham supporter even visited our website and commented on the game. Mr D Foster wrote:

i would just like to commend both teams on an enthralling game of football yesterday. The game had everything,penalty saves,goals disallowed, woodwork hit, great saves and last ditch clearances and I think even up to the last minute as both teams went for the win a draw was the right result. Bootle play the game the right way by keeping the ball on the floor and passing it which is a great credit to your players and coaching staff. I am delighted at the start we have had and to get a draw against an unbeaten team was great credit to our lads too.

i would like to wish Bootle FC all the best for the coming season and if you carry on doing things the right way you will get your rewards as the season unfolds as i expect you to be the team to beat this season many thanks for an enthralling Saturday afternoon.



Silsden AFC have also a progressive junior set up with age groups running from U7's right through to U17's, some age groups run two teams making this one of the largest football clubs in the area. All

teams play at Keighley Rd, Silsden, where we have 2 senior fields as well as a large set up for the junior section

In 2005/2006 Silsden under 19's entered for the first time the West Riding Academy League (Northern Section) Division West. In 2006/2007 Silsden under 19's won the Northern Alliance West Division League.



In May 2009 the building of a new clubhouse & changing facilities was completed & in August 2010 saw the completion of the

ground improvements which meant a return of Silsden AFC to its rightful place back in Silsden at The Angel Telecom Stadium.

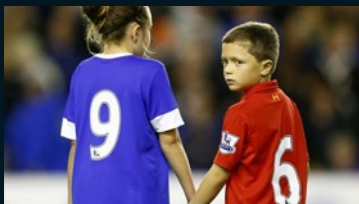




Thomas Ho-
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(62), Colin Mark Ashcroft (19), Thomas
Anthony Howard (14), James Gary Aspinall (18), Eric
George Hughes (42), Kester Roger Marcus Ball (16), Alan
Johnston (29), Gerard Bernard Patrick Baron (67), Christine
Anne Jones (27), Simon Bell (17), Gary Philip Jones (18), Barry
Shavey Bennett (36), Richard Jones (25), David John Benson (22),
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Martin Kevin Traynor (16), Carl Darren Howitt (17), Kevin
Tynell (15), Nicholas Michael Hewitt (16), Colin Walter
(19), Sarah Louise Hicks (15), Ian David Whelan (19),
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Bootle then entertained Bolton Wanderers, who they beat 2-1, before preparing for their next League fixture, the following Saturday, which was to be against Burton Swifts. The party left from Liverpool Central Railway Station aboard a special "saloon carriage" that had been provided for them by the Midland Railway Company.

They travelled to Derby where their carriage was slipped and attached to a train that took them on to their final destination. The prosperous town of Burton-on-Trent was renowned for the brewing of beer and one quarter of this entire beverage, consumed in England, came from this location. Burton-on-Trent had a population that was roughly the same as Bootle and a round 2,000 people assembled to welcome the visitors to the Swifts ground at Peel Croft. James Law was the only player missing from the side who had played last Saturday and his place was taken by Finlayson. The home

team played in blue shirts and white shorts so Bootle took into the field wearing their changed strip of red shirts. They made a bright start and took a first half lead with a goal that was scored by McLafferty. However, the visitors then began to show signs of fatigue and the home side, with a brace of second half goals, went on to win the game by 2 goals to 1. Bootle then played lucrative mid-week friendly against Blackburn Rovers. The First Division side, who proved too strong for their hosts, won the game by 3 goals to 0. This game then brought the month of September to an end.



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Bright September sun shine was very much in evidence as Bootle entertained Burslem Port Vale, at Hawthorne Road, in what was to be their third Football League match of the season. Alex McLaughlin had recovered from the knock he had taken at Ardwick and replaced McKay in the Bootle goal. He was the only change from the side that had beaten Sheffield United the previous Saturday. The visitors, who wore red shirts and dark shorts, were first to take the field followed by Bootle in their navy blue and white striped shirts and navy blue shorts. The warm weather had encouraged around 3,000 people to pay for admission and they packed the ground as the play commenced.



Bootle had much the better of the first half but, at the interval, the score line was blank. The home side, now kicking down slope, then subjected the visitor's goal to a fierce bombardment and were rewarded when one of the Port Vale defenders turned the ball in to his own goal. Nevertheless the home side failed to take advantage of several other scoring chances and the visitors, who hung on grimly, stole a dramatic later equaliser. A few minutes later the final whistle was heard and the game ended in 1-1 draw. Nevertheless, it was game Bootle really should have won

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