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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

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Bucks Under 8's too Northfield

Another solid performance from the Bucks at the weekend, with some great passing and moving. It is usually a more competitive game vs NorthField but the Bucks didn't give them a chance to get started with constant pressure in the midfield and solid performances in defence especially from MOM Mark Hay. Mark was immense at the back and showed his skills going forward with a mazy run which he nearly scored from , where we eventually got the 3rd goal to kill the game off. The ball was lashed home by Josh Jones after a few great runs on the wing, and also tracking back to fly into tackles as normal.

Kayden had previously broken the deadlock with a fine half volley after a few early chances were missed or saved by their impressive keeper, who's kicks were clearing the half and coming down from the air with snow on, Liam still managed to get his head on a few of them. The number 10 in the middle of the park for Northfield was crowded out the game by Liam, Anthony and Liam in the middle, before eventually being taken off late in the first half. Our second goal was from another save but Jack Finn was on hand to smash the rebound in to put give the Bucks the 2-0 deserved lead. You can see the confidence growing on him and he'd made a few good passes early on in the game and thrown in some silky skills to match.

Joel had one of his quieter games; think he was struggling to stand up as the pitch was waterlogged in parts! Stephen hardly had a touch all game but was on hand to collect a few shots they had, Charlie made a few key interceptions and give one lad a 5 yard start before outpacing him to get the ball in the corner.

Another good win for the Bucks, one more game to go before the league splits so lets finish with a win Sunday before playing the LFC Academy in the afternoon!



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Football Alliance 1889,
The Football League Div2*
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*Original Club folded in 1893

Today's Teams



BOOTLE

manager: Neil Prince



THACKLEY

manager: Vince Brockle

Dean PORTER

David POTTER

Neil MCQUEEN

Mark KILROY

Michael CARBERRY

Phil GREEN

Sean COULTON

Neil MURPHY

Paul BYRNE (capt)

Joe FOWLER

James OLSEN

Jamie HAY

Liam BLAKEMAN

Kevin BLACK

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The manager of Bootle Football Club

Hello and welcome to the second round of this years FA Vase, and a warm welcome to Vince Brockie and his Thackley team, staff and supporters to the Delta Taxis Stadium.

I am really looking forward to today's game in what presents us with a different test against opposition from across the Pennines.

Our first round game presented us with a potentially difficult tie against Stockport Sports which was a strange game as we really contained them but only managed to get through with a last minute strike from Docker (Dan O'Connor). Since then we have continued with our form and looked strong in each game.

This culminated in a great performance last Saturday, away to Stockport Sports again, and we absolutely dominated them but struggled to find the net. If there was one thing I think we could do better at the moment, it is to be more clinical in front of goal.

We are extremely confident going into the game and I see no reason why we can't look to progress all the way to Wembley in May. We have a near enough full squad to choose from and it's credit to all the lads that we don't know who our strongest 11 are.

We shuffled the pack on Tuesday night and the lads who came into the team against Cammell Lairds did ever so well and it makes it even more difficult to leave any player out of the team.

It shows the strength in depth that we have as we made 6 changes to the team on Tuesday and still won against a full strength Evo-Stik team.

Thackley are doing well in their league and I'm sure they will be a threat today. However as always as long as we play to our strengths , work hard and stick together I am confident of winning the game. We are taking each game as it comes and fear no one.



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FAC	Maine Rd	H	08/10/12	1-2	Porter	McQueen	Byrne ©	Kilroy	Coulton	Olsen	Blakeman	Hay	O'Connor	Prince	Foley	Blakeman	Foley	Green
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Barnoldswick Town v Armthorpe Welfare

Bedlington Terriers v Wigan Robin Park

Bootle v Thackley

Deeping Rangers v Norton United

Runcorn Town v Formby

Winsford United v Morpeth Town

League Challenge Cup

Second Round

Holker Old Boys v AFC Darwen

Premier Division

Alsager Town v AFC Blackpool

Congleton Town v Maine Road

Glossop North End v Ashton Ath

Padiham v Runcorn Linnets

Squires Gate v Stockport Sports

St Helens Town v Silsden

Stone Dominoes v Colne

First Division

Abbey Hey v Ashton Town

Atherton LR v Northwich Villa

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Daisy Hill v West Didsbury &

Chorlton

Eccleshall v Atherton Collieries

Nelson v Rochdale Town

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1	Runcorn Town	18	22	36
2	Maine Road	17	15	36
3	Bootle	14	16	35
4	Barnoldswick T	17	20	33
5	Congleton Town	17	20	32
6	Padiham	16	10	32
7	Colne	17	13	28
8	Winsford United	16	14	27
9	Alsager Town	20	5	27
10	Stockp't Sports *	17	23	26
11	Wigan Robin Park	19	-4	26
12	AFC Blackpool	18	-5	25
13	Runcorn Linnets	16	-3	24
14	Glossop NE	16	1	23
15	Silsden	17	-2	23
16	Norton United	18	-21	19
17	Bacup Borough	15	-3	16
18	AFC Liverpool	15	-10	16
19	Ashton Athletic	18	-20	13
20	St Helens Town	14	-21	12
21	Squires Gate	20	-24	11
22	Stone Dominoes	17	-46	4

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Heil Prince



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FA Vase Preview

Seven NWCFL teams, six ties, and just five steps from Wembley – the prize for those who emerge victorious from the weekend's FA Carlsberg Vase Second Round games. The road to Wembley is maybe still a bit of a distant dream for the weekend's participants, but our sides will be once again locking horns with a mixture of familiar and unfamiliar opposition and venues, as they hit the cup trail once more in the Vase.

The one tie that involves two NWCFL clubs facing up to one another has a number of interesting elements to it. Runcorn Town host Formby at the Pavilions, with both sides never having met in NWCFL action, Town being promoted at the end of season 2010-11 at the same time as the Squirrels were heading in the opposite direction.

This weekend's tie has added spice as a number of the Formby squad used to play at Runcorn, most notably the league's leading scorer Jason Carey, who misses the game on Saturday as a result of a long standing commitment to take part in a Tough Mudder Challenge to raise funds for the Woodlands Hospice in North Liverpool.

Runcorn Town have made an impact on the FA Vase in each of the past two seasons they have participated, reaching the Fourth Round on both occasions, and Town manager Simon Burton said he will have no difficulty in motivating his side for the game.

"The lads look forward to the Vase and it is good to have cup competitions to take the pressure off a bit from the league games. You are not playing with the pressure of having to pick up three points every week, and it's a nice distraction not a bad one. It's great to play in too, and the lads know that if they can perform in the Vase you've got Wembley at the end of it. I'm not saying we are going to go that far, but it is nice to have cup runs as it brings the squad together."

"I'm a bit disappointed we are playing at home to be honest, we like the away trips, going on the coach and having the banter on the way there and back. It'll be nice to welcome back some of the lads who are at Formby, even before the draw was made they had been coming down to watch us. It does make it a little bit more interesting of course, as they will have a point to prove as well flying high in the First Division."

Squirrels' co-manager Jim Shirley said: "We're the last First Division team left in the competition so we're under no illusions about the seriousness of the task, and Premier opposition doesn't come bigger than Runcorn Town. But we're looking forward to it, really excited by the sense of occasion".

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Barnoldswick Town are in the relatively unusual position of playing a team from another league who they faced in another cup competition a few weeks ago. Barlick host Doncaster side Armthorpe Welfare, who play in the Northern Counties East League Premier Division, and go into the tie in good form with just one defeat in their last nine games.

One of those games was in the first round of the West Riding County Cup when Barlick travelled to Armthorpe and emerged with a 4-1 win, but with the Doncaster side having seen off Squires Gate and AFC Liverpool in previous rounds of the Vase, Barnoldswick joint-manager Ben Hall is wary of reading too much into the previous encounter. "Although we beat them 4-1 in the County Cup, we played a lot of our younger lads that night and I am pretty sure they did the same, so we will have to be at our best to go through. We are anticipating a very tough match on Saturday. The injuries are creeping up on us once more, so we are hoping a few of the players who are touch and go make it. The way we are playing at the moment, though, bodes well. We are in decent nick, so we hope to win the tie and progress into the next round".

Two of our clubs face long away trips to face opposition in other leagues for the first time. For Norton United, the destination is Market Deeping in Lincolnshire, a few miles outside Peterborough, to face Deeping Rangers of the United Counties League Premier Division.

Although the opposition is new to Norton, facing a team from that area is not, as Peterborough Northern Star from the same league ended Norton's hopes of progress in the FA Vase last season, grabbing a late winner in a 2-1 victory at Community Drive in the Fourth Round Vase tie last January.

Interestingly, Saturday's opponents lost at home to Peterborough Northern Star in a league game at the end of October, and were also knocked out of the FA Cup by Holbrook Sports in August, who Norton knocked out of the FA Vase at the Third Round stage last season.

However, with Deeping sitting in fifth place in their league, Norton manager Scott Dundas is expecting a tough test for his side as they venture into the unknown. "Unfortunately with the distance they are away from us, I haven't been to see them play, but I have asked a few questions and read quite a lot on different websites. "With the way our season has gone so far, we will be going there and giving it a good go and hopefully recreate some of last year's magic when we travelled into the unknown. With cup games you just never know"

Wigan Robin Park make the long trip up to Northumberland to face Bedlington Terriers of the Northern League First Division.

Good luck to all the NWCFL sides this Saturday

Our Visitors today....

From the most Northern part of the city of Bradford, North Yorkshire; loosely bordered with the town of Idle to the south; and to the west by the West Royd area of Shipley. The Leeds to Liverpool Canal separates Thackley from Baildon.

Thackley AFC was founded in 1930 by the younger members of Thackley Wesleyan Methodist Church. Progressing by way of the Bradford Mutual Sunday School League and the Bradford Amateur League, the club reached the West Riding County Amateur League in 1939. During the 25 years that followed, Thackley AFC won the championship title on five separate occasions and, in 1964, secured the prestigious West Riding County Challenge Cup.

THACKLEY



After a brief foray into the West Yorkshire League, the club in 1967 (after again lifting the West Riding County Challenge Cup) gained admission to the all-powerful Yorkshire League and, in both 1974 and 1975, enhanced its reputation still further by winning the illustrious West Riding County Cup.

A founder member of the Northern Counties East Football League in 1982, Thackley AFC has retained a Premier Division place in every season since (the only club to have done so). The century-old Bradford and District FA Senior Cup has returned to Thackley on no fewer than 13 occasions – a competition record. Players progressing to the Football League include Ian Ormondroyd, the former Bradford City, Aston Villa and Leicester City striker.

Thackley's best efforts in national cup competitions have been in the FA Vase, their best season being in 1980–81 when they got to the fifth round. The club has never progressed beyond the second qualifying round of either the FA Cup or the FA Trophy.



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Versus Stockport Sports (Bootle 3-2 S.Sports)



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Northern Counties East Football League Cup
Winners 2011-12
Yorkshire League
Division 2 Champions 1973-74
West Yorkshire League
Winners 1965-66 1966-67
West Riding County Amateur League
Winners 5 times
West Riding County Cup
Winners 1973-74 1974-75

West Riding County Challenge Cup
Winners 1963-64, 1966-67
Bradford & District Senior Cup
Winners 13 times.



Profile: Matthew Morgan
At 28. "Moggi" is a very adaptable left sided player who joined Thackley in 2009 from Silsden. His ability to advance into forward positions provides the impetus for many of our attacks. His all round involvement lasts from the first minute to the last. Matt's previous clubs include Bradford Park Avenue and Harrogate Railway. Whilst playing for Harrogate Railway he particularly remembers beating Harrogate Town in the F A Cup. He is looking to gain promotion with Thackley this season.





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representatives of their opponents, Burslam Port Vale, who then escorted them on to their intended destination. This turned out to be an athletics stadium in the district of Cobridge. The home side, like Bootle, were struggling to compete in the Football League but were three places ahead of them in the League table. The game, void of major incident, ended in a scoreless draw. The draw had now given Bootle a total of four points when, next Saturday; they headed off in the direction of Yorkshire to take on the ambitious Sheffield United club who had joined the Football League having previously played in the Northern League. The trip was to prove disastrous for the Merseysiders.

Bootle, to date, had only won one of their Football League matches and this was at the expense of the team of players they were next going to play.

They left Liverpool from Central Station on a train that took them directly to the Steel Town. The host club had a Wagonette awaiting their arrival which then took them on the short journey to their home at Bramall Lane Cricket Ground. Heavy rain fell as Bootle commenced the game in front of a crowd estimated at fifteen thousand people. The home side then launched a furious first half

bombardment on the Bootle goal and, when the half whistle sounded, they led by five goals to nothing. Harry Hammond, a recent signing from Everton, had helped himself to a hat-trick. Bootle fared somewhat better in the second half and matched the three further goals, scored by the home side, with three goals of their own. The scorers were Gallagher, McLafferty and Hughes, whose shot had rebounded home off a Sheffield defender. It was, nevertheless, the heaviest Football League defeat ever to be inflicted up on the Bootle side that lost the game by eight goals to three. Hammond had scored five times for Sheffield United and this remains a club record. Bootle, thus, ended the unhappy month of November just one place off the bottom of League Division Two while the one team below them, Lincoln City, had played three games less. Bootle Football Club, as they approached the season of advent, was now in a very perilous position.

120 Years Ago This Week

By A Gardner



The month of November, 1892 was a far from happy time for Bootle Football Club because it began with their surprise exit from the FA Cup at the hands of Liverpool Caledonians.

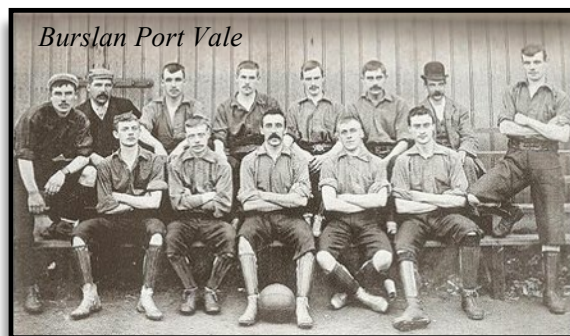
The ex-patriot Scotsmen played their matches in the Lancashire League and Bootle had been expected to beat them. The match drew a crowd of around three thousand people to Hawthorne Road, most of who were disgruntled to see the home side beaten by three goals to two. Things were also going badly for Bootle in their present campaign as members of Football League Division Two as they were now languishing near the foot of the table having secured just three points from a possible total of twelve.

Small Heath FC



The FA Cup defeat was fresh in the minds of the Bootle supporters and this affected the attendance, next Saturday, when Small Heath (later to become Birmingham City) arrived at Hawthorne Road to fulfil a league fixture. There were around fifteen hundred people present to watch the visitors take an early lead before a goal from Andy Montgomery brought Bootle level.

Burslam Port Vale



Nevertheless a strong second half performance from the Birmingham side saw them grasp both points with a 4-1 victory. Bootle was now firmly planted next to the bottom of the table as they prepared for their next Football League match down in the Potteries.

The party left from Lime Street Railway Station and, after changing trains at Crewe, they arrived at Hanley where they were met, on the platform, by

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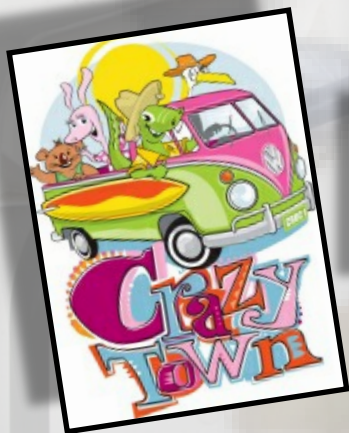
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