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Welcome To Burroughs Park

Good afternoon and welcome to Burroughs Park for today's Isthmian North match between Great Wakering Rovers and Felixstowe & Walton Utd

We would like to wish our visiting players, Management, Committee Members and Supporters a very warm welcome and hope they enjoy the facilities on offer.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to our Match Officials visiting us this afternoon. In the middle we are pleased to have Ayrton Hursey alongside Stephen Tymms & Daniel Baines, we hope you enjoy your short stay with us.

Felixstowe & Walton come in to today's game with 4 wins in the last 6, with their last win coming on Saturday with a 2-0 win over Romford at home.

Rovers are coming in to today off the back of a 1-1 draw away to Hashtag with Rovers goal coming from Morisi Gelashvili.

The reverse fixture see Felixstowe & Walton take the points with a 2-1 win with goals from Jordan Matthews & Oliver Canfer either side of HT, Rovers goal was a pen scored by Rovers top goal scorer Martin Tuohy.

This season we also meet in the FA Cup and Rovers progressed with a 3-1 win, so on Agg. Rovers are up 4-3.

Let's hope today's game brings the goals and excitement.

Hope you Enjoy the game.

Dan Ellis
Club Secretary

THE **NON-LEAGUE** PAPER



ESSENTIAL READING FOR FOLLOWERS OF THE NATIONAL GAME

WE HAVE a saying at NLP Towers, probably not too dissimilar to the thoughts of thousands of fans up and down the country each and every Saturday.

While the concept of Non-League Day must be embraced and celebrated, for us, every day is Non-League Day. We live and breathe it 365 days a year as I know you all do too.

So, even though last Saturday was 'just another day' at the office for us, for others it opened up the game at this level to a wider audience while players from the top two tiers of the English game were representing countries over their clubs. And what an introduction they had.

Back after a two-year Covid-forced absence, Non-League Day made a hard-hitting return to the fixtures calendar with fans flocking in their droves to get a piece of the action.

None more so than at Notts County for the big game of the day where a stonking crowd of 10,334 witnessed their derby visit of promotion rivals Chesterfield, who themselves contributed 2,719 visiting fans to that gate.

At Step 2, a gate of 3,317 saw in-form York City take on Leamington – and turnstiles clicked furiously lower down the pyramid with Ilkeston Town attracting just short of 1,000 for their visit of Yaxley at Step 4.

Non-League Day, as we know, is renowned for its special events and celebrations – and this year's occasion didn't disappoint.

South Shields' 1st Cloud Arena was the destination for Alex Scott and the BBC's Football Focus team as the cameras witnessed the celebration of the Mariners' visit of Stafford Rangers.

Those who stuck around after the match were able to watch England's friendly with Switzerland and even join in with a bit of karaoke!

Dover Athletic fans had a day to remember too. Those who made the long trip up to Wrexham were not only treated to free pies by their hosts, but also an 11-goal thriller with Jordan Davies' 98th-minute winner clinching a stupendous 6-5 victory for the home side.

Co-owner Ryan Reynolds should be used to such scripts as a Hollywood A-lister but even he tweeted that he had “lost nine years of his life” given the high-octane entertainment which saw his side hit back from 5-2 down against the already-relegated Whites.

In Southern Central League Division One, Welwyn Garden City celebrated their centenary with a bumper crowd clicking through the turnstiles for their match against Wantage Town.

Fans watched the match for free and at the same time learned about the club’s 100-year history with an exhibit in the clubhouse with many former players and coaches turning up to support them.

Aylesbury Vale Dynamos also allowed fans in for free if they donated an item of clothing to those affected by the war in Ukraine or KitAid Africa.

Half-price tickets were on offer at Harrow Borough as they took on Merthyr Town in the Southern Premier South while, at Redcar Athletic, entrance was just £4 by proudly wearing a red Middlesbrough FC shirt.

A dance troupe and marching band greeted fans of Wessex League side US Portsmouth – and it was an all-singing-all-dancing affair also for former Arsenal and Barnet goalkeeper Graham Stack, who came out of retirement at the age of 40 to turn out for Chesham United against Poole Town.

Stack demonstrated the spirit of Arsenal’s Invincibles side as the Generals netted a last-minute winner to win 3-2 – but only after Stack had given away a penalty!

So, another huge Non-League Day success and plenty to crow about as the season comes to a nail-biting head, both in the leagues and on the road to Wembley in the FA Trophy and FA Vase.

But, as mentioned earlier, every day is Non-League Day for us regulars and your continued support remains as vital as ever in keeping your football club alive – and at the heart of community

Again, Happy Non-League Day, everyone!

By Jon Couch

Felixstowe & Walton A Brief History

Felixstowe & Walton United Football Club aka 'The Seaside' were formed in 2000 from two football clubs who were independent in their own right although they had merged briefly just prior to the Second World War to be called Felixstowe United (not to be confused with the Felixstowe United who played in The Suffolk & Ipswich League) The joining lasted until 1952 when the clubs went their separate ways.

Formed in 1895, Walton United played at The Recreation ground in Recreation Lane, Walton while Felixstowe Town, formed five years earlier played at The Town Ground, Dellwood Avenue. The second amalgamation in 2000 looked a good marriage for the right reasons. Walton United had just won the Suffolk Senior Cup and were on the up but with nowhere to go as the Recreation ground at Walton could not accommodate Eastern Counties League standard facilities. Felixstowe Town had been renamed Felixstowe Port & Town due to their sponsorship by the Port, but when that was withdrawn in 1999/2000 it left the Town club struggling to recover and maintain Eastern Counties League football. It looked and proved to be a good decision by both clubs that they therefore merged with Dellwood Avenue becoming their home Venue.

It was a struggle in the early years after the merger with relegation coming in 2002, but it offered the chance for the club to regroup and focus on the future with a growing youth set up and getting the basics right off the pitch and the club regained Premier Division status in 2006 when they finished runners up in Division One.

Tied by what could be done at their present home the club always found it difficult to compete with the top sides in the Premier Division with what was the unique task of raising and lowering of the floodlights before and after games and the restrictions placed on the club by the local authorities.

The Seaside remained positive throughout and now have the lights permanently erected during the football season which was the catalyst to develop the rest of the ground and have an excellent youth set up comprising over 20 boys & girls teams from Age 6 upwards.

In July 2017 a new pitchside clubhouse complex opened to replace the old one which has transformed the club and by the end of the 2017/18 season, the Seaside gained promotion to the Isthmian North Division at Step 4 for the first time in the club's history. The Reserves were also promoted to the Step 6 Thurlo Nunn First Division.

The clubs first season at Step 4 saw a mid-table finish achieved, with an average attendance of 400 the highest in the Isthmian North, and second highest in Suffolk behind Ipswich Town. A number of additional ground improvements were completed and the season ended with a trip to Portman Road in the Suffolk FA Premier Cup with over 1,000 Seasiders supporters seeing us finish runners up to Step 3 Leiston after a 3-2 defeat.



The 2019/20 season proved to be a difficult one on and off the pitch with the resultant decision to null & void the campaign due to Covid-19, whereas the Reserves took voluntary demotion to Step 7 and will compete in the Essex & Suffolk Border League.

2020/21 got off to a promising start in the league and a run to the 2nd Round proper of the FA Trophy before the campaign was again ended due to the pandemic.

Summer 2021 saw the Reserves re-branded as Under 23s, part of the clubs strategy to improve the development pathways within the club, alongside the Academy.



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Last Time Out

Hashtag United 1 Great Wakering Rovers 1

The sun was out as Rovers made the trip to the Len Salmon stadium in Pitsea to take on their tenants Hashtag United.

With the Tags still pushing for the playoffs and Rovers looking to steer away from the relegation places both teams were desperate for all 3 points.

Hashtag had the better chances in the first 45 mostly down to the two ex-Rovers men Ben Brooks and Kojo Apenteng, however the Rovers defence stood strong and the half ended goalless.

There was a sense that the first half nerves had evaporated and both teams opened up and started playing some attacking football.

Brooks and Apentang were at it again in the second period but although there were chances for both sides to take the lead we entered the final 20 minutes still looking for the opener.

On 72 minutes the deadlock was broken and against play Rovers were a head, after a melee in the Tags area Morisi Gelashvili was at hand to poke it past the keeper and grab his first goal for Rovers.

Rovers are all too aware of late goals this season and as the Tags pushed forward you felt the game was long from over and after Sam Bantick was clear but saw his shot superbly saved by Tim Brown the ball came back to Tommy Stagg who made no mistake and slotted it past Brown for the equalizer with 2 minutes of normal time still to be played.

Hashtag went on the hunt for the winner but it was Rovers who nearly took all the spoils when substitute Alex Clark was put through only to see his shot hit the crossbar and go over.

Although both teams would have been disappointed with a point a piece a draw was probably a fair reflection of the game.

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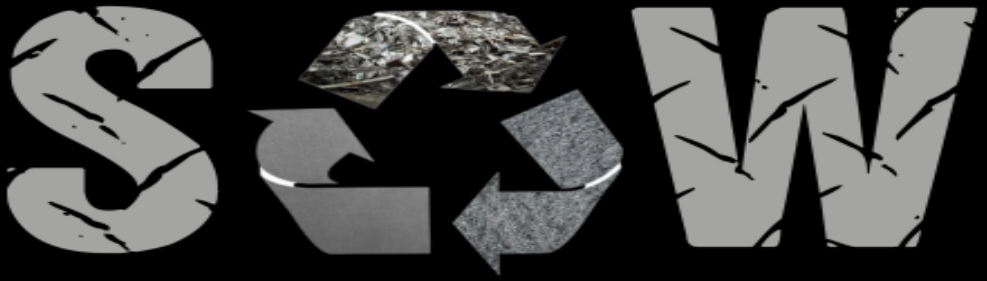
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Rovers @ Home

Date	Time	Opponents	Compotition	Score
14/08/2021	3pm	Witham Town	Isthmian North	2-3
21/08/2021	3pm	Heybridge Swifts	Emirates FA Cup	3-1
30/08/2021	3pm	Basildon United	Isthmian North	0-4
18/09/2021	3pm	Peterborough Sports	Emirates FA Cup	3-5
28/09/2021	7:45pm	Grays Athletic	Isthmian North	P-P
12/10/2021	7:45pm	Brentwood Town	Isthmian North	3-5
16/10/2021	3pm	Hullbridge Sports	Isthmian North	1-0
30/10/2021	3pm	Bury Town	Isthmian North	P-P
13/11/2021	3pm	Romford	Isthmian North	3-0
04/12/2021	3pm	Hashtag United	Isthmian North	3-4
18/12/2021	3pm	Aveley	Isthmian North	1-4
01/01/2022	3pm	Barking	Isthmian North	1-1
08/01/2022	3pm	Coggeshall town	Isthmian North	P-P
22/01/2022	3pm	Tilbury	Isthmian North	1-1
05/02/2022	3pm	AFC Sudbury	Isthmian North	0-0
19/02/2022	3pm	Stowmarket Town	Isthmian North	0-2
05/03/2022	3pm	Heybridge Swifts	Isthmian North	P-P
19/03/2022	3pm	Maldon & Tiptree	Isthmian North	0-3
02/04/2022	3pm	Felixstowe & Walton United	Isthmian North	
16/04/2022	3pm	Canvey Island	Isthmian North	
23/04/2022	3pm	Dereham Town	Isthmian North	

Rovers @ Away

Date	Time	Opponents	Competition	Score
27/08/2021	7:45pm	Aveley	Isthmian North	0-4
04/09/2021	3pm	Felixstowe & Walton United	FA Cup	3-1
11/09/2021	3pm	Dereham Town	Isthmian North	1-1
14/09/2021	7:45pm	Tilbury	Isthmian North	1-2
25/09/2021	3pm	Stowmarket Town	The FA Trophy	1-1 4-3 Pens
09/10/2021	3pm	Chichester City	The FA Trophy	2-1
23/10/2021	3pm	Stowmarket Town	Isthmian North	1-2
06/11/2021	3pm	Heybridge Swifts	Isthmian North	2-3
20/11/2021	3pm	Maldon & Tiptree	Isthmian North	2-1
27/11/2021	3pm	Felixstowe & Walton United	Isthmian North	P-P
11/12/2021	3pm	Witham Town	Isthmian North	2-1
27/12/2021	3pm	Basildon United	Isthmian North	P-P
03/01/2022	3pm	Canvey Island	Isthmian North	3-2
15/01/2022	3pm	Brentwood Town	Isthmian North	0-1
29/01/2022	3pm	Grays Athletic	Isthmian North	1-5
12/02/2022	3pm	Hullbridge Sports	Isthmian North	1-1
26/02/2022	3pm	Bury Town	Isthmian North	1-3
12/03/2022	3pm	Romford	Isthmian North	5-0
26/03/2022	3pm	Hashtag United	Isthmian North	1-1
09/04/2022	3pm	Coggeshall Town	Isthmian North	
18/04/2022	3pm	Barking	Isthmian North	



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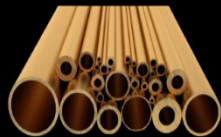
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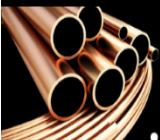
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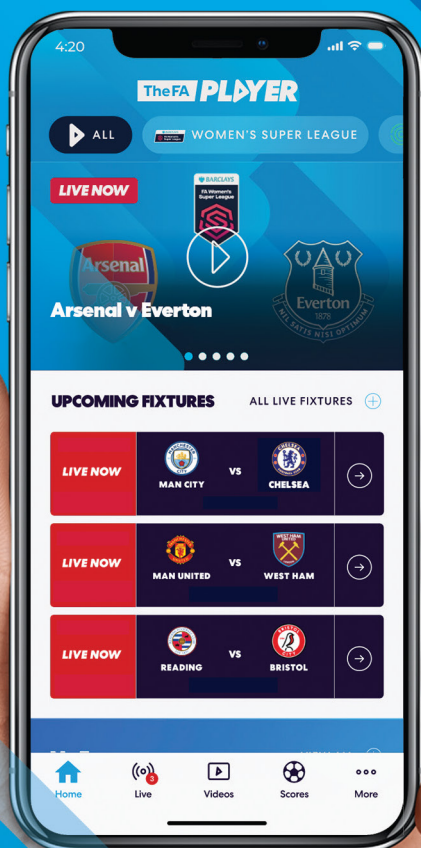
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		P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
	1 Aveley	33	21	7	5	80	33	+47	70
	2 Canvey Island	33	21	5	7	80	35	+45	68
	3 Stowmarket Town	31	19	7	5	64	29	+35	64
	4 Brentwood Town	33	19	3	11	57	38	+19	60
	5 Grays Athletic	33	17	8	8	62	30	+32	59
	6 Dereham Town	33	18	3	12	58	44	+14	57
	7 Maldon & Tiptree	32	17	5	10	64	47	+17	56
	8 Hashtag United	33	16	8	9	54	42	+12	56
	9 Felixstowe & Walton United	32	17	3	12	44	40	+4	54
	10 AFC Sudbury	33	14	9	10	47	42	+5	51
	11 Bury Town	33	12	8	13	59	59	0	44
	12 Heybridge Swifts	32	13	3	16	62	62	0	42
	13 Coggeshall Town	33	10	8	15	46	58	-12	38
	14 Tilbury	33	10	7	16	49	54	-5	37
	15 Great Wakering Rovers	32	8	8	16	48	64	-16	32
	16 Basildon United	33	8	7	18	29	53	-24	31
	17 Witham Town	33	6	11	16	31	57	-26	29
	18 Hullbridge Sports	33	7	8	18	36	65	-29	29
	19 Barking (-3)	33	7	7	19	44	72	-28	25
	R Romford	33	3	3	27	21	111	-90	12

This weeks Fixtures in the north

Results from the weekend

Aveley (1) 2 1 (1) Stowmarket Town

Barking (1) 1 0 (0) AFC Sudbury

Basildon United (0) 0 3 (2) Bury Town

Brentwood Town (0) 3 2 (2) Witham Town

Dereham Town (0) 0 1 (0) Canvey Island

Felixstowe & Walton United (0) 2 0 (0) Romford

Hashtag United (0) 1 1 (0) Great Wakering Rovers

Hullbridge Sports (2) 2 0 (0) Heybridge Swifts

Maldon & Tiptree (1) 3 2 (0) Coggeshall Town

Today in the North

AFC Sudbury v Hullbridge Sports

Bury Town v Brentwood Town

Canvey Island v Maldon & Tiptree

Coggeshall Town v Dereham Town

Grays Athletic v Hashtag United

Great Wakering Rovers v Felixstowe & Walton United

Heybridge Swifts v Tilbury

Romford v Basildon United

Stowmarket Town v Barking

Witham Town v Aveley



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Felixstowe & Walton

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Zak Brown
Leon Ottley-Gooch
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Up next at home Heybridge Swifts

Tuesday 5th April 7:45pm