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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 Hashtag 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 Valentine Anekwe alongside Teddy Osborn & James Masson.

We hope you enjoy your short stay with us.

Rovers come in to today's hoping to make it 3 wins in a row after beating Romford at home 3-0 and Maldon & Tiptree on the road 2-1.

Today's game will be a close one and hopefully Rovers will come out on top and with all 3 points and other results going their way.

We hope we can keep improving and progress in the league

Hope you Enjoy the game.

Dan Ellis Club Secretary WE ARE still too far away from being able to write 'Wembley is on the horizon' but the roads are opening up a little more each round for the Buildbase FA Trophy and FA Vase. And as we know in cup competitions, anything can happen.

This weekend we have the second round of the FA Trophy, before the National League's top tier enter next.

There are some intriguing ties – Felixstowe & Walton United v AFC Telford leaps off the page, as does Plymouth Parkway welcoming Hampton & Richmond, as well as past winners Canvey Island v Tonbridge Angels.

In the northern section, Marine travel to Bradford PA, while a number of Step 2 clubs are going head-to-head, knocking each other out before they've really got going. In recent seasons, the FA Trophy has felt wide open. But it still seems remarkable looking back to last year's where Hornchurch lifted the silverware at Wembley after beating Hereford.

It has to rank as one of the most remarkable stories to cover since I've worked at the paper.

Manager Mark Stimson, who knows a thing or two about winning the competition having completed a unique hat-trick with Grays Athletic (twice) and then Stevenage in successive years. It added to his triumph as a Canvey player.

Around these stages of that run, I'd give Stimson a call for a piece in the paper – cards on table, with the full thought that we'd better get them in quick before the run is over. It's fair to say our conversations became more regular as they knocked off higher opposition one after the other!

It came the season after Step 2 Concord Rangers and Step 4 Halesowen Town and met in the semi-finals, with Concord going onto play Harrogate Town in the final. Of course, that day, Harrogate became the first team to win the competition while in the EFL. The competition had been delayed because of Covid. Strange times.

It meant their reign as winners lasted barely a couple of weeks with the two finals played so close together.

What made Hornchurch's glory even more unique was the fact the Urchins weren't even playing league football.

With their season shutdown, they were afforded the luxury of being allowed to train under the 'elite sport' covid guidance.

Perhaps the run took on even more significance because of that. Speaking to the players, there was a sense of how grateful they were to still be allowed to meet up and train while the majority of Non-League was in lockdown.

Their second-half performance at Wembley will live long in the memory, as they came from behind to win 3-1.

Speaking to managers and players this season, that success is providing plenty of inspiration. Can they repeat the remarkable achievement?

We look forward to watching it unfold. As for Hornchurch, we know they won't be able to. Their defence already over at the hands of Wingate & Finchley. That's cup football!





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### Hashtag A Brief Histoy

Hashtag United Football Club was founded in 2016 by YouTube creator Spencer Owen, initially set up as a group of friends playing a charity match to honour a childhood friend. Over the next two years, Hashtag played friendlies and exhibition matches in an innovative league format devised by Spencer. The team had points targets set for a group of games, and if the targets were achieved, the team would be rewarded by The Chairman and would progress to the next level. The team played in this format across 7 countries against pro football staff teams, fellow YouTube creators, sponsor/brand teams, non-league and Sunday sides.

The squad was bolstered by the addition of YouTube creators Theo Baker and Charlie Morley, and then graduates of the Hashtag Academy talent series which had run on Spencer's channel. Several thousand applicants were whittled down over a series of football challenges which eventually saw 16-year-old Scott Pollock emerge victorious. After impressing for Hashtag, Scott joined Northampton Town, making his senior debut in the 2018/19 season.

During this initial chapter the club also participated in the Next Level 7-a-side YouTube league and were invited to play in front of thousands of fans in the annual Wembley Cup alongside some of their footballing heroes.

In 2018 the club applied for entry into the FA's National League System, looking to make the considerable transition from exhibition team to a competitive club in the 10th tier of English football. They were granted a place in the Eastern Senior League Division 1 (South) for the 2018/19 season and appointed experienced non-league manager Jay Devereux to lead the transition, with home games being played at Haringey Borough's stadium. Despite a tough start, thanks to two long winning runs the team ended the season as champions, ensuring promotion at the first time of asking. The squad for the club's Essex Senior League campaign was further bolstered by the addition of more experienced non-league players and several from the second Academy series including winner Joshua Osude. At the point at which the 2019/20 season was voided, the club sat second with games in hand over the league leaders, and in two cup semi-finals The 2020/21 season was curtailed, but not before the club had a chance to make a dramatic debut in the Emirates FA Cup. A narrow victory over Park View in the Extra Preliminary round was followed by an extraordinary game against Felixstowe & Walton United, which ended in the second-longest penalty shoot out in FA Cup history, The Tags winning 13-12.

The following round again saw the team pitched against higher opposition, with the BBC Sport cameras in attendance for the tie against Soham Town Rangers. Another penalty shootout victory followed, setting up a huge challenge against Braintree Town in the Second Qualifying Round. Despite Hashtag taking the lead in the dying minutes, Braintree equalised immediately and then went on to win the shootout, The Tags' penalty luck finally running out.

At the time the league season was suspended, Hashtag sat top of the Essex Senior League, and in May 2021 the FA awarded the club promotion to the Isthmian League Division One North by virtue of their PPG record in 2019-21.

In the 2021 close season, the third Hashtag Academy series saw winger Jake Lindsey crowned champion. He joins the squad for the 2021/22 season along with several other additions from the series.

In addition to the men's team, Hashtag United also compete in the FA Women's National League Division One South East, and have over 40 youth teams playing out of Forest Glade near Billericay.

Hashtag are also a successful esports (competitive gaming) team, with professional FIFA players competing at the world's top tournaments. In 2020, Tom Leese was crowned ePL champion, and he then ended the FIFA21 season as Europe's top player on PlayStation.

#### Meet The Tags

Jay Devereux Position - Manager

Jay has had 25 years experience of non-league football, having coached and played at every level of the non-league pyramid. His playing career was cut short due to injury so he moved into coaching with Barking, then managed the reserve side at Dagenham & Redbridge and also Redbridge. He also spent 7 seasons at East Thurrock United as assistant manager, where he helped them to progress to National League South and 2 FA Cup 1st round appearances.

Jamie Jackson

Position - GK

One of the few Hashtag Originals left in the squad, Jacko is a familiar face not only for Hashtag fans, but also for his appearances on Soccer AM. His non-league career spans over 2 decades, taking in clubs such as Slough Town, Chesham United, Harrow Borough and Hemel Hempstead Town.

Anthony Page

Position - GK

Anthony joined us during our 2020/21 Emirates FA Cup run, bringing a wealth of experience from previous clubs including Romford, Heybridge Swifts, Grays Athletic, and Ware.

Simon Peddie

Position - RB/CB

The hugely experienced defender joined the club in late 2018, and is well-known to manager Devs from his time spent at East Thurrock. His former clubs also include Tilbury, Redbridge and Boreham Wood. Simon also gained two caps for Montserrat.

Stevie Hart-Sheehan

Position - CB

Stevie joined us just in time to make his debut in our first Isthmian League game against Coggeshall Town. He is well-known to Devs, Joe and Essex football in general, having played for the likes of East Thurrock, Canvey Island, Billericay Town, Braintree Town and Aveley.

Harry Haysom

Position - CB

Harry was brought into the first team fold in summer 2021 after impressing with the Reserves. Now standing at 6ft4, Charlton's Academy staff once told him he was too small to make a centre back!

Rowan Dorling

Position - CB

Rowan made it to the latter stages of the 2021 Academy series, but was already familiar to the club, having played against us for Sawbridgeworth Town. He's a ball-playing centre back who honed his skills on the futsal pitch.

Eli Benoit

Position - CB

Eli joined us early in the 21-22 season, linking up with old gaffer Joe Keith and cousin Kiers. His previous clubs include Hythe Town, Barking, Basildon Utd and Tilbury.

Matthew Wooldridge

Position - RB

Matt impressed at both ends of the pitch during the 2021 Hashtag Academy series, where he reached the final 4. Previous clubs include Stanway Rovers, AFC Sudbury and Ipswich Town Academy.

Ross Gleed - CAPTAIN Position - CM/CB/LB

A previous Hashtag Fans' Player of the Year Ross joined the team at the start of the 2018/19 season, playing both in defence and midfield. His previous clubs include Thurrock FC, Aveley and Tilbury. Before this, Ross attended the West Ham United Academy.

Lee Hursit

Position - CM

Formerly at Dagenham and Redbridge, Lee progressed from appearances in early Hashtag Sunday League and exhibition games to making his first team debut in our 2018/19 season. After an impressive start in the ESL last season, an injury kept him out for the majority of the campaign. We're hoping to see him back to full strength this season.

Joni Vukaj

Position - CM

Joni joined us in summer 2021 as the runner-up in the club's 3rd Academy series, although he had already caught our eye when playing for Woodford Town and Clapton. Joni also had a spell in the pro game in Albania and Kosovo.

Joe Debell

Position - CM

Joe first came to our attention in the 2019 Academy series, and joined us in summer 2021 from Heybridge Swifts. He and his sister are unique in that they've both played for the club!

Carlos Flood

Position - CAM/Wing

Carlos is making the step up from the Reserves for the 21-22 season after impressing for them and in our Academy series in the summer.

Iyiola Adebayo

Position - CM

Iyiola recently joined from West Ham United where he previously played for their U18s.

ake Lindsey

Position - Wing

Jake is proof that you should never give up on your dream. He applied for the 2019 Hashtag Academy series and failed to make the latter stages, but came back and won it - and a paid club contract - in 2021. Jake's former clubs include Hassocks and Horsham YMCA.

Kojo Apenteng

Position - Wing

Having spent time at both West Ham and Southend United when younger, Kojo joined in the summer of 2021. His other previous clubs include Corinthian Casuals, Brentwood Town, Barking and Great Watering Rovers.

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Jesse Waller-Lassen
Position - MF/Forward

Once at Spurs, Jesse joined us from Rebel FC, after scoring against us at Wembley. Despite impressing early in the 2019/20 season, Jesse took an extended break from football before rejoining the club for the 2020/21 campaign.

Harry Honesty Position - Forward/Wing

Another addition to the team at the start of the 2018/19 season, HHH made a huge impact, creating most assists and winning the club's New Player of the Season award. Harry has previously played for East Thurrock, Thurrock, and Haringey Borough.

Kiernan Hughes-Mason

Position - Forward/Wing

Former pro Kiers joined the club to manage the reserve team in the summer of 2020 but was drafted in to Devs' squad early in the season but his talents proved too hard to resist and he ended up playing on a regular basis. An Arsenal schoolboy, Kiers played in the Football League for Millwall and then enjoyed a successful non-league career at clubs such as Kettering, Grimsby, Welling and Leatherhead.

Josh Osude

Position - Wing

The winner of the club's Hashtag Academy Series 2 in 2019, Josh provided some eye-catching, match-winning moments during his first spell at the club. After leaving for Braintree Town in the 2021 close season and making appearances on loan for Tilbury, Josh returned to the club in September.

Luke Hirst

Position - Striker

Luke joined early in the 21-22 season from Basildon United, but his links with two team-mates go way back as he was at school with Harry Haysom and Toby Aromolaran. His former clubs also include Bowers & Pitsea.

### 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  |       |
| 18/12/2021 | 3pm    | Aveley                     | Isthmian North  |       |
| 01/01/2022 | 3pm    | Barking                    | Isthmian North  |       |
| 08/01/2022 | 3pm    | Coggeshall town            | Isthmian North  |       |
| 22/01/2022 | 3pm    | Tilbury                    | Isthmian North  |       |
| 05/02/2022 | 3pm    | AFC Sudbury                | Isthmian North  |       |
| 19/02/2022 | 3pm    | Stowmarket Town            | Isthmian North  |       |
| 05/03/2022 | 3pm    | Heybridge Swifts           | Isthmian North  |       |
| 19/03/2022 | 3pm    | Maldon & Tiptree           | Isthmian North  |       |
| 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                      | Compotition    | 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  | <b>1-1</b><br>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 |                        |
| 11/12/2021 | 3pm    | Witham Town                    | Isthmian North |                        |
| 27/12/2021 | 3pm    | Basildon United                | Isthmian North |                        |
| 03/01/2022 | 3pm    | Canvey Island                  | Isthmian North |                        |
| 15/01/2022 | 3pm    | Brentwood Town                 | Isthmian North |                        |
| 29/01/2022 | 3pm    | Grays Athletic                 | Isthmian North |                        |
| 12/02/2022 | 3pm    | Hullbridge Sports              | Isthmian North |                        |
| 26/02/2022 | 3pm    | Bury Town                      | Isthmian North |                        |
| 12/03/2022 | 3pm    | Romford                        | Isthmian North |                        |
| 26/03/2022 | 3pm    | Hashtag United Isthmian Nor    |                |                        |
| 09/04/2022 | 3pm    | Coggeshall Town Isthmian Nortl |                |                        |
| 18/04/2022 | 3pm    | Barking                        | Isthmian North |                        |



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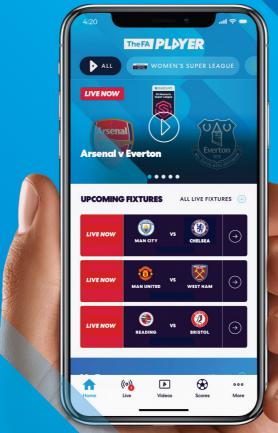












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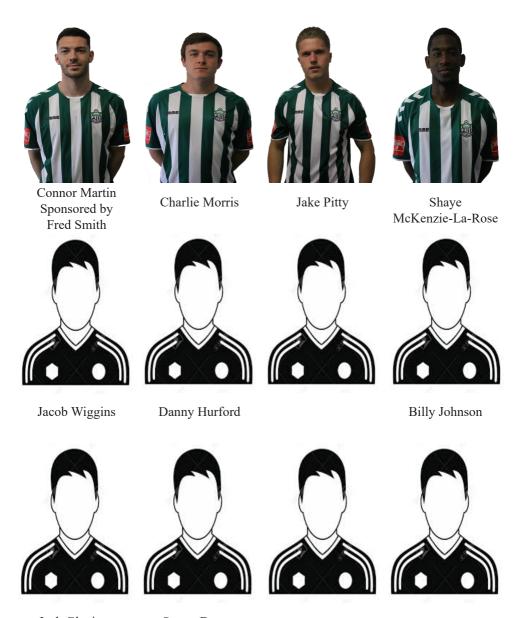
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|            | 3  | Aveley                     | 15 | 8  | 3 | 4  | 40 | 22 | +18 | 27  |
|            | 4  | AFC Sudbury                | 13 | 8  | 3 | 2  | 30 | 13 | +17 | 27  |
|            | 5  | Grays Athletic             | 14 | 8  | 3 | 3  | 27 | 11 | +16 | 27  |
| <b>③</b>   | 6  | Stowmarket Town            | 14 | 8  | 3 | 3  | 29 | 16 | +13 | 27  |
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|            | 8  | Maldon & Tiptree           | 14 | 7  | 1 | 6  | 33 | 27 | +6  | 22  |
| *          | 9  | Brentwood Town             | 12 | 7  | 1 | 4  | 22 | 16 | +6  | 22  |
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|            | 16 | Felixstowe & Walton United | 12 | 4  | 1 | 7  | 14 | 21 | -7  | 13  |
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| *          | 19 | Romford                    | 15 | 3  | 1 | 11 | 13 | 43 | -30 | 10  |
|            | 20 | Hullbridge Sports          | 15 | 0  | 5 | 10 | 10 | 31 | -21 | 5   |

# This weeks Fixtures in the north

Today's Games

| Saturday 4 | 4th Decem | ber 2021 |
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| Coggeshall Town       | ٧ | Maldon & Tiptree           |
| Grays Athletic        | ٧ | Tilbury                    |
| Great Wakering Rovers | ٧ | Hashtag United             |
| Heybridge Swifts      | ٧ | Hullbridge Sports          |
| Romford               | ٧ | Felixstowe & Walton United |
| Stowmarket Town       | ٧ | Aveley                     |
| Witham Town           | V | Brentwood Town             |



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Tuesday 7th December
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