

# BALDOCK TOWN FC



## Match Programme



**Wed 17th October 2020 KO 7:30pm**  
**v Crawley Green**  
**SSML Premier Divison**  
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31ST OCT 2020

# MANAGER'S VIEW

Welcome to everyone for this evening's SSMFL game.

A warm welcome to our visitors Crawley Green FC, their committee and their supporters.

Our opponents come to New Lamb Meadow unbeaten in their last four matches having picked up two 2 wins and two draws; looking at their results, their only losses have come against teams that everyone expects to be fighting it out at the top of the league – we will have to be at our best as always to get the three points tonight.

Last Saturday we beat a strong Wembley side with one of our best performances of the season so far; although we didn't start as quickly as previous games, once we got a foothold in the game, we played some excellent football and took a deserved lead through a fantastic strike from Charlie Rome.

In the second half against Wembley we had to defend resolutely to protect our lead and although we didn't create as many chances, we still looked very dangerous on the break; the chances that Wembley did create were snuffed out by the hard work of our back 4 who were excellent on the day and deserved their clean sheet – our first clean sheet of the season, long may that continue!

Romey was man of the match on Saturday and has been in excellent form the past three games; he has the ability to score like that from distance, we nearly saw it at Dunstable Town from further out where he was denied by the post.

We have been encouraging our midfielders to chip in with more goals and have seen Copps, Charlie Joy and Romey get on the scoresheet in recent weeks.

Lewis Franklin and Ashley Hay were impressive again as they continue to learn their trade at this level; their confidence and experience level grows by the game and I'm delighted to have them both involved regularly with the first team.

The only negative from Saturday were the two injuries picked up early on by Zach and Aedan, two key players who hopefully won't be out for too long. We have a lot of strength in depth, but it would nice to have everyone available to choose from!

Enjoy the game and thank you as always for your support.

*Rob Bates*

**Manager, Baldock Town FC**

# A WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Good Evening and welcome to the New Lamb Meadow stadium for tonight's SSML Premier League match against Crawley Green FC. I would like to extend a warm welcome to the players, officials and supporters of CGFC and hope they enjoy their brief time with us.

**Please note: Today's match will be played with the emphasis on spectators remaining socially distanced by 2 metres, with groups no larger than six, so please adhere to the Government and FA guidelines and respect the Stewards who are enforcing these rules. We have no real desire to ask spectators to leave the stadium but will have no other option should you not follow the guidelines. Please remember we are all on trial and if this does not workout non-league football will be played with no spectators. I would like to thank you all in advance for your understanding and co-operation.**

Tonight's opponents, like ourselves, have had a mixed start to the season with some good results and some narrow defeats. Crawley Green are always a hard-working team and our only meeting early last season saw them win 2-0 at home. They followed up an impressive midweek 4-2 win against Leverstock Green with a 3-3 draw away to Dunstable Town on Saturday. Seven goals in a week suggests our defenders are in for a busy night and will need to concentrate fully for the whole ninety minutes. With that in mind Saturdays 1-0 win against Wembley was our first clean sheet since pre-season which is somewhat surprising with the experience we have at the back. It looks like we are in for a treat tonight with goals aplenty, lets just hope we can score more than Crawley Green!

Whilst writing I don't know Rob's squad for this match but am sure we will have some of our U18 EJA players featuring tonight. The youngsters are causing a great deal of excitement within the club and our supporters and with your continued encouragement and support I am sure they will all be hugely successful.

Lastly a big thank you to our U13 EJA boys for their support and singing during the games, they are now the proud custodians of the Red Army banners given to them by Red Army founder Richard on Saturday.

Thank you for your continued support and enjoy the game.

**Graham Kingham,  
Chairman, Baldock Town FC**



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# TODAY'S VISITORS

**Crawley Green Sports & Social Club** was formed in November 1989 after arsonists caused the virtual destruction of the present building. Members of Stopsley Harriers, The Wyvern and Ramridge Rangers Sunday Football Clubs amalgamated to form the present club and were successful in securing a 99 year lease from the Council. The New Club house was formally open on 19th June, 1992 by then Luton Town manager, David Pleat. The badge incorporates all the elements of the three founding clubs but also local history.



The club badge was adopted in 1996 after many years of discussion. Maroon was the colour of the largest single club Ramridge Rangers and it was adopted as the club colour. It is incorporated in the Club badge as the bar across the middle. Stopsley Harriers were well known for their red and blue quarters, whilst Wyvern Members were predominantly blue since their foundation. Both these colours are reflected in the badge. Crawley Green FC Saturday side was formed in 1993 after another local team, Somerset Tavern came under the Crawley Green umbrella. The club colour of maroon was adopted by the team. In 2018 Luton Town FC and Crawley Green FC further enhanced their club partnership with the announcement that Crawley Green FC will play their home games at The Brache training ground from season 2018-2019.

Crawley Green, who are the only Luton based team to play at step 5 or above of the National League System, have been trying since 2008 to get permission to build a suitable stadium. Unfortunately in that time they have failed to receive the support needed from Luton Borough Council, despite there being no cost involved for the Council. This decision has meant that they have had to ground share with Barton Rovers FC for 11 years now, to enable the team to continue to play at that level. Luton recently installed a brand new all-weather surface down at the training ground and to comply with national ground grading criteria Crawley Green will complete the remaining requirements. This will include new changing rooms, dugouts, turnstile and spectator standing area. Tony Talbot, Chairman of Crawley Green stated: "We would like to thank Gary Sweet and Kevan Platt and everyone at Luton Town FC for firstly affording us this opportunity and then their support in making this happen. "In the past we have seen a number of ex-Crawley Green players go on to play for Luton, but our partnership has really continued to grow in recent years. It's with great satisfaction for us that we are currently seeing James Justin starring for the first team.

# MATCH REPORT

## BALDOCK TOWN 1 v 0 WEMBLEY

Baldock opened brightly and started with their usual passing game but it took a while before they had a decent chance on goal. Furness put a fantastic cross field ball over the last defender on the right for Decker who put in a good cross but the Keeper punched it away. In 20 minutes Wembley had the ball in the net only for it to be called back for offside. Franklin and Decker were working well on the right and With Decker getting to the line and winning a number of corners. In 24 mins Baldock got the opener with a cracking goal from Rome who decided to half a shot from about 30 yards. This wasn't a opportunistic thing to catch out the Keeper because it went in like a rocket. The Keeper never moved and the crowd were stunned for a second because they hadn't realised it was in either. On the left side the ever industrious Hay was working with Burton and causing some trouble for the Wembley defence when Hay put in a deep cross for Decker who got in his shot and had a good shout for a penalty. Baldock were stretching Wembley all over the place and trying to find gaps on either wing with Furness constantly switching play. Just before the break Piggott was on a run but was pulled down just outside the box. Joy took the kick and put it just over.

Baldock 1-0 at half time.

Baldock continued with the same tactics in the second half and Wembley were getting more and more frustrated with the lack of possession. Rome was running the show with Hay looking very bright all game. The best chance of the half fell to Reynolds after Rome got to the line and cut it back, but he couldn't quite sort out his feet. Wembley ended up losing the place a bit and were constantly after the Referee for decisions they were never going to get. The visiting Parrot (don't know why it was there) had learned only one word from them by the end of the game and I am sure it was shouting 'Ref, Ref'.

Team; A.Harpur, L.Franklin, B.Burton, A.Coppin, J.Furness, L.Rowland, A.Gaffney, C.Rome, S.Piggott, Z.Decker, A.Hay. Subs; C.Joy, D.Harper, T.Reynolds, J.Hewitt, D.Doolan



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2	Adam Harpur (GK)
3	Ollie Skinner (GK)
4	Aedan Gaffney
5	Charlie Joy
6	Paul Morris
7	Ben Burton
8	Charlie Rome
9	Luke Rowland
10	Ashley Hay
11	Scott Piggott
12	Daryl Doolan
13	Dylan Logan
14	Luis Brooker
15	Alex Coppin
16	Josh Furness
17	Lewis Franklin
18	Zach Decker
19	Dan Harper
20	Lewis Sinclair
21	Ollie Trott

## CRAWLEY GREEN

Jonathan Barnett	1
Mark Bunker	2
Brendan Cowell	3
Glenn Cooksley	4
Chris Crook	5
Phil Draycott	6
Sam Holmes	7
Chad King	8
Adam Marsh	9
Sam Peverall	10
George Brian Alan	11
Rose	12
Shiblu Miah	13
Tyler Goode	14

**Manager:** Rob Bates  
**Assts:** Danny Hutchins,  
Ercan Mehmet

**Manager:**  
**Asst:**  
**Physio:**

**Officials:** T.Cartwright, P.Kwak, C.Geelan

### **NEXT MATCH - AWAY**

**SSML – Sat 24th Oct 2020**

**Edgware Town**

**KO; 3:00pm**

### **THEN – HOME**

**SSML - Wed 28th Oct 2020**

**Potton Utd**

**KO; 7:30pm**

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