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v Cambridge City

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Today's Southern League Fixtures

Aylesbury vs Cambridge City
Barton Rovers vs Corby Town
Bedford Town vs Didcot Town
Coleshill Town vs Berkhamsted
Dunstable Town vs Kempston Rovers
North Leigh vs Kidlington
Sutton Coldfield Town vs Aylesbury United
Thame United vs Peterborough Sports
Welwyn Garden City vs AFC Dunstable
Yaxley vs Bromsgrove Sporting



From The Manager

Good afternoon and a warm welcome goes To Robbie Nightingale and all connected with Cambridge City. His side are now undefeated in 3 and in my opinion are still one the big hitters in the division, he has a very talented side and their league position is a false position. I'm sure they will finish in the top half of the league.

Its been a tough couple of weeks at the club but now we have digested the club's decision to take automatic relegation, replaced the players who did jump ship we are now fully focussed on finishing as high as possible in this league. I'm very proud of the players reaction to the decision and it shows we have the same goals to go out with a bang.



Last weekends result was so disappointing, the lads threw everything at the game. We scored two great goals, worked and battled so hard, defended like warriors, young Matthew in goal was making some terrific saves and then to concede 3 goals in 5 minutes was an absolute killer. At this level it shows you shut off for a minute and you will get punished.

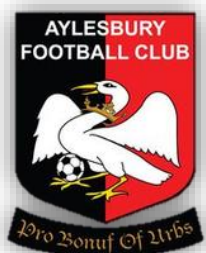
We have lost Matt Moran last week who decided to step down after the decision, of course this was disappointing as I was hoping to see the season out with him but I respect his decision and wish him all the best and hope he gets back into football asap.

I am very pleased to announce Paul Toms and Pete Forssling have joined the management team, this is such a positive move. Both join us from Ampthill and I for one can't wait to start working with them as they bring allot of energy and experience to the camp which will be such an asset not only to me but the whole football club.

I hope you all enjoy the game and I look forward to seeing you in the bar afterwards.

Come on you Moles !!!!

Paul



Aylesbury FC History

The club has enjoyed a long history in senior and junior football dating back to the 1930's under the previous names of Aylesbury Vale, Haywood United, Belgrave, Stocklake and Negretti and Zambra FC, which was founded in the 1930's by workers at the Negretti and Zambra company then based in London's King Cross district. The company moved to the Stocklake Industrial Estate, Aylesbury.

in 1949 and by the mid 50's the premises had a bar, football, cricket and tennis facilities. The football club joined the Aylesbury District League in 1954. The social club changed its name to Stocklake when Negretti and Zambra sold the premises to the local council, who then leased the facilities; hence the different sections adopted the name Stocklake. Under the guidance of Chairman Mr Ernie Crotty, the club gained many honours including runners up in ADL's top divisions, before gaining intermediate status in the Wycombe and District League first and senior divisions. Sadly Ernie was killed in a road accident just before the club moved premises to the present location at Haywood Way in 1987.

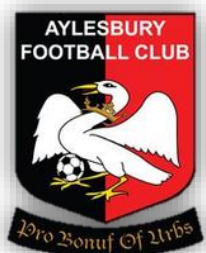
After gaining senior status and promotion to the Chiltern League in 1988, Stocklake enjoyed many further successes including Division One runners up in 1991, Premier Division and League Cup runners up the following season and Wycombe Senior Cup success in 1995. Cup success was also followed on in the following season, this time the Berks and Bucks Intermediate Cup being added to the trophy cabinet. Belgrave FC was formed in 1983 by Jim Sullivan who lived in nearby Belgrave Road. Jim had two sons who were passionate about football but were limited to where they could play, so formed a team himself with the help of neighbours Lynne and David Hatcher. By 1990, under the guidance of Danny Martone, Belgrave had grown to five youth teams providing football for over ninety boys from the Quarrendon and Haydon Hill areas of Aylesbury.

1996 saw the forming of two senior teams under the Belgrave FC name and by the turn of the millennium teams were represented at all levels from Under 8's through to seniors, some 200 players being registered, this also including Stocklake Ladies. In 2000 four youth teams won league and cup honours, whilst the senior team went on to win the Aylesbury District Cup, the Field Shield and ADL Premier Division runners up.

At the start of the 2000/2001 season, the senior Belgrave FC team was renamed Haywood United following an amalgamation with Stocklake FC with Danny Martone voted in as chairman of the new club. Haywood United joined the Spartan South Midlands League and won promotion into Division One after two seasons. Notable achievements during the 2001/2002 season included league awards for the best kept and most improved ground; this included the erection of floodlights and perimeter fencing, which Danny and his hard working committee fought hard to establish. Another award was gained for the match day programme in recognition of how much the club was developing.

Season 2002/2003 saw a difficult start in Division One, but with the arrival of manager Jon Franklin and his assistant Keith Walker just after Christmas, the club eventually consolidated finishing in 9th place. Promotion was gained to the South Midlands Premier Division the following year after a campaign that saw 23 wins, 7 draws and only 4 losses. Haywood United proved themselves capable of staying in the Premier Division after finishing 3rd in the 2004/2005 season in a campaign that only include one loss in the twenty matches after Christmas. The club also entered the FA Cup and Vase for the first time and won the Buckingham Charity Cup in 2006.

Season 2006/2007 began with Haywood United becoming Aylesbury Vale FC and saw Keith Walker and Steve Gleinster take over as joint managers and steadily build a squad. This was recognised in the 2008/2009 season with a good cup run in the FA Cup and FA Vase, winning three rounds in the FA Cup losing to Level 4 side Gosport after a replay, and losing out in the 4th round of the FA Vase to Leiston Town.



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After Christmas the side suffered due to long term injuries and finished mid table. May 2009 saw a major new development in a new semi professional side. Aylesbury Football Club was formed under the leadership of Chairman Roger Dance and assisted by Vice Chairman Danny Martone. Former Chairman Bill Harrison was made President of the club.

Great success on the field of play was to follow, with the team having a fantastic run in the F.A. Cup. We were the last 'level five' team in the country to remain in the competition and were rewarded with a visit to Haywood Way for the F.A. Cup trophy, allowing the team, supporters and local people to get their hands on this famous trophy and make the most of this memorable occasion. We were finally knocked out of the competition by Wealdstone in a close game. A brave and superb display was witnessed by a bumper crowd of 800 plus.

Meanwhile, away from the midst of F.A. Cup drama, our success continued, becoming 'Double Winners' Winning both the Spartan South Midland League and League Cup capping an extraordinary season and gaining promotion to the Southern League Division 1 Central.

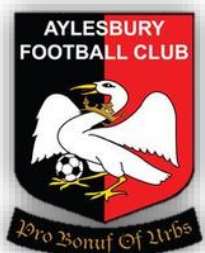
Steve Bateman took over in 2013/14, steered the club to safety in his first 6 months in charge. Then in 2014/15 with Bateman at the helm FC has their most successful season to date most successful to date. Playing at the highest level in the club's history, the team finished third in the League, having been pushing for promotion all season and narrowly lost out in the semi final to Bedworth United having already beaten them twice in the league

the 2015/16 finished with a flourish as the club finished just outside the play off positions, but had the consolation of our first major Cup Final, beating Chesham United in the Berks & Bucks Cup at Windsor. Steve Bateman and his management team resigned at the end of the season and Danny Gordon & Gareth Risbridger took the helm , supported by Paul Bonham , Ryan Wiffin & Aaron Norman. Davis Haule took over from Gordon & Risbridger in December 2016, appointed brother Brian as his assistant and recruited former coaches Fraser McLachlan, Aaron Wiffin and added Ryan Collings to his back room staff for the 2017/18 season.

2017/18 was a difficult season for club finishing 21st and avoiding relegation due to the League re organisation. This season sees a new era with ex Leighton manager Scott Reynolds taking over the reigns assisted by Matt Moran, Lea Coulter and the returning Paul Bonham.

Aylesbury Football Club prides itself on clear ambitions: to progress to higher league football and to achieve higher league status with squads from local talent. The club hopes to continue to work with other local community groups and enhance the clubs facilities to benefit the people within Aylesbury.





Meet the Management



Paul Bonham - Manager

Returning to the club, most recently employed by Oxford United as academy coach and studying his UEFA B license. Paul was Manager of the U18s, Development Side and part of the FC First Team set up in previous seasons and also has experience at Buckingham Athletic.



Paul Toms - Assistant Manager

Paul joins us from Amptill Town where he was manager of the Spartan League Division One side. He was also Head Coach at Burnham and had two spells at Berkhamsted FC.

Paul is currently also currently on his last block of the UEFA B coaching badge and has 9 years of coaching history at all levels from Sunday league to Ladies football



Pete Forssling – Head Coach

Pete is an FA Level 1 coach and looking to take his FA Level 2 in the summer. His previous roles have been at Berkhamsted Development as Coach and more recently he was First Team Coach at Ampthill Town.



Phil Cave – Goalkeeping Coach

Phil is a UEFA B licensed outfield and UEFA B licensed goalkeeper coach. His previous experiences include Academy goalkeeper coach at both Brentford and QPR.

Phil has recently moved to Aylesbury and is joining the club as specific goalkeeper coach.



Phil Duffy – Kit Manager

Phil worked with Scott and his team at Leighton Town. Phil is an integral part of match day preparation and responsible for ensuring all kit and equipment is ready prior to player and staff arrival on match day and training nights. Phil will also take over as club photographer and work closely with the media team to enhance the match day experience at Haywood Way



Meet the Players



Nick Bennion

Previous Clubs Southall, Winslow United, Marlow, Rugby Town, Kettering Town, St Ives Town, Corby Town, Aylesbury United, Buckingham Town

Nick is an experienced Goalkeeper with a number of non league clubs to his name. Tall, commanding and aggressive. Nicks presence behind the back four will be a huge asset this season. Nick joins from our neighbours Leighton Town



Matt Crowther

Previous Clubs Didcot Town
Young goalkeeper joins on a short term loan from Didcot Town. He joined the Railwaymen in the summer of 2018. Made his first appearance at Abingdon Utd and then his first starts at Shrivenham and Redditch Utd where he excelled and is competing for a first team place at Didcot.



Craig Carby

Previous clubs: Chalfont St. Peter, Burnham, Northwood, Hendon

Another senior player returns and commits to the Moles. 36 year old central defender who's physical presence will add strength to the back line. Experienced player with a list of non league clubs and successes. We are very pleased to have Craig back at the club.



Ben Stevens

Previous Clubs Aylesbury United
Local lad & FC legend returns to the Moles after a few months out of the game. A tough tackling versatile defender & can play all along the back line. Ben joined Aylesbury FC when the club formed in 2009 and was part of the double winning side that year. Ben is Mr Consistent who just never has a bad game..



Austin Schofield

New signing Austin Schofield joins the club having spent all of pre season with Northwood and AFC Hayes.

A solid defender who can play across he back four and in the defensive midfield positioned. Vocal, experienced and brave. A good addition to the squad ahead of Saturdays season opener.



Jordan Jenkins

Previous Clubs Leighton Town
Into his third consecutive season with the club. No nonsense defender but also very comfortable in possession. Scott's first signing of the new season. Important player and local lad.



Sam Odusoga

Previous clubs: Edgware Town, Dunstable Town, Hadley, Grays Athletic, Stenhousemuir (Scotland)

Sam joins us from Edgware, has really impressed in training. Very versatile two footed, creative midfielder. Skilful and good at dead ball situations.



Lewis Stafford

Former South Shields, Gateshead, Ardley Utd and Banbury defender joins the club. Having known manager Reynolds for a while, Lewis put pen to paper after a very positive defensive performance from himself against Tring Athletic in pre season. Former professional in Sweden, a fantastic character and another great addition to the squad



Daniel Carr

Former Oxford United scholar, Dan was released last season, has since been a student of the JMA Reading Academy. He is a very attack minded player and has all the qualities of the modern day full back, with a great engine he is able to get and down the pitch for a full 90 mins. Has a great future ahead of him



Derek Feyi

Previous Clubs Marlow, Thame United,

A powerful Defender who can play either at the Centre of Defence or at left Back. Derek is returning to club on dual registration with Marlow FC



Meet the Players



Joakim Ehui

Previous Clubs Potters Bar Town, Hayes & Yeading United, Northwood, Harlow Town, Harrow Borough, St. Albans City, Beaconsfield SYCOB, Fulham

Joakim joins us on loan from Potter Bar Town, an exciting wide player who can operate on either wing, he is returning from a long term injury and is hoping to gain match fitness before returning to his parent club



Davis Haule

A veteran at nonleague level having played for Woking FC, Wembley FC, Hendon FC, Harrow Borough FC, Staines Town FC and Ashford Town. Davis is an FC legend, extremely hard working, creative and industrious midfielder that tears through midfields. Left the club last season after a season as Manager

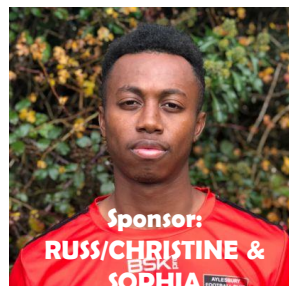


Lewis Merridan

Previous Clubs: Thame United

Technically gifted and energetic midfield player. Likes to keep the game simple, but happy to get stuck in and make a tackle or two.

Lewis can play central midfield or at full back. Former clubs include Watford, MK College academy and Walsall.



Ryan Young

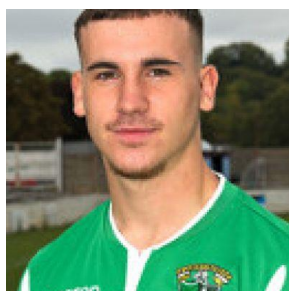
Previous Clubs Stotfold, Berkhamsted, Dunstable Town, Queens Park Rangers

Ryan Young is an exciting young winger who signed this week from Berkhamsted. Ryan has really impressed in training with his pace and trickery and will be a handful for any defence. Last year he was playing in the Southern Premier Division with Dunstable Town.



Bruno Brito

Former Portuguese professional football will soon become a hit with the moles fans. Very skilful and athletic wide player who can also play through the middle. Scorer of some incredible goals at this level and higher. An experiment ex professional who has had spells with Newport Pagnell Town, Aylesbury Utd and Leighton Town since moving to the UK.



Jamie Keen

Previous clubs: Aylesbury United

Very talented youngster who joins us from Aylesbury United – Currently playing for FC's Allied Counties side, he has been knocking on the door of the first team after some excellent performances. We are looking forward to seeing JK in a Moles shirt.



Brian Haule

'Hauley' has had a long and distinguished career in non league football. He made almost 150 appearances for Hendon, scoring 53 goals and he also played over 80 times for Harrow Borough. A strong and powerful front man, who knows where the goal is. Joined FC originally in 2011-12 and has appeared 207 times for The Moles.



Ken Feyi

Previous Clubs: Aylesbury FC

Brother of Derek, Ken re joins the moles having moved back to Aylesbury following his university commitments. Strong and powerful forward player who has played and scored goals at this level previously. Product of the U18s.



Ty Deacon

Previous Clubs: Kempston Rovers

Ty returns after joining Kempston in the summer. He progressed from the FC U18s side where he was a prolific goalscorer from the age of just 15. Ty is quick and strong, a handful for any defender. Was last season's top goal scorer.

Grant & Stone

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Fixtures and Results

Date	Time	Comp	H/A	W/L	Opp	H Score	A Score	Att	1	2	3	4	5
18/08/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	A	L	Coleshill Town	2	0	158	Bennion	Cray	Oladejo	J Jenkins *	Carby
21/08/2018	7:45 PM	EVO Lge	H	L	AFC Dunstable	0	2	105	Bennion	Femiola	Oladejo	Strafford	Munday
25/08/2018	3:00 PM	FA Cup	A	D	Didcot Town	1	1		Bennion	Femiola	Oladejo	Cray	J Jenkins
27/08/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	A	D	Berkhamsted FC	1	1	174	Bennion	Femiola	Oladejo	Cray	J Jenkins
01/09/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	H	L	Sutton Coldfield Town	0	2	99	Bennion	Williams	Bayliss	Cray	Strafford
04/09/2018	7:45 PM	FA Cup	H	L	Didcot Town	0	1	116	Bennion	Femiola	Oladejo	Cray	D Feyi
15/09/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	A	W	Dunstable Town	1	6	93	Bennion	Cray	Carby	J Jenkins *	D Feyi
18/09/2018	7:45 PM	B&B Cup	H	L	Bracknell Town	2	4	65	Bennion	Cray	Oladejo	Carby	D Feyi
22/09/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	H	D	Bromsgrove Sporting	0	0	168	Bennion *	Cray	Carby	J Jenkins	D Feyi
29/09/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	H	L	Kidlington	0	1	86	Bennion	Cray *	Oladejo	J Jenkins	D Feyi
02/10/2018	7:45 PM	Lge Cup	H	L	Berkhamsted FC	0	3	60	Bennion	Cray	Oladejo	Strafford	D Feyi
06/10/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	H	D	Barton Rovers	2	2	76	Malone	Cray	Carby	J Jenkins	D Feyi
09/10/2018	7:45 PM	EVO Lge	H	L	Kempston Rovers	1	2	121	Bennion	Cray	Oladejo	J Jenkins *	Carby
13/10/2018	3:00 PM	Trophy	H	L	Heme Bay	1	2	158	Bennion	Cray	Carby	J Jenkins	Fikula *
20/10/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	H	W	Peterborough Sports	1	0	101	Bennion	Cray 1	Carby	Tappin	J Jenkins
27/10/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	A	L	Corby Town	5	2	363	Bennion	Cray	Carby	Tappin	J Jenkins
03/11/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	A	W	Cambridge City	2	3	190	Bennion	Odusoga	Carby	Tappin	J Jenkins
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08/12/2018	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	A	D	Barton Rovers	1	1	82	Bennion	Cray	Carby	Tappin *	J Jenkins
11/12/2018	7:45 PM	EVO Lge	H	L	Didcot Town	2	4	84	Bennion	Odusoga	Carby	Tappin	D Feyi
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12/01/2019	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	A	L	AFC Dunstable	4	3	82	Bennion	Carr	Carby	Frederick	J Jenkins
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26/01/2019	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	A	L	Kidlington	3	2	57	Crowther *	Meridan	Carby	Odusoga	Jenkins
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16/02/2019	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	H		Bedford Town								
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16/03/2019	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	H		Dunstable Town								
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30/03/2019	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	H		Vaxley								
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27/04/2019	3:00 PM	EVO Lge	A		Welwyn Garden City								

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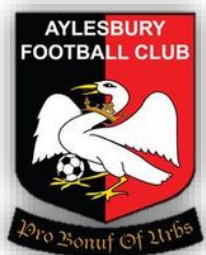
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Upcoming Games

First Team

Tue 5th February 2019 – Away to Leighton Town – Charity Cup KO 7.45pm

Sat 9th February 2019 – Away to Peterborough – League KO 3.00pm

Sat 16th February 2019 – Home to Dunstable Town – League KO 3.00pm

U18s – Allied Counties Side

Thu 7th February 2019 – Away to Clanfield – League KO 7.45pm

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Division One Central Table

	Team	P	HW	HD	HL	HF	HA	AW	AD	AL	AF	AA	+/-	Pts
1	Peterborough Sports	23	10	2	0	37	5	8	1	2	26	13	45	57
2	Bromsgrove Sporting	25	11	1	0	47	11	5	4	4	26	22	40	53
3	Corby Town	23	11	0	1	40	12	5	4	2	32	17	43	52
4	Didcot Town	24	8	2	2	29	19	5	2	5	22	21	11	43
5	Thame United	24	7	1	4	19	18	6	1	5	20	22	-1	41
6	Berkhamsted	23	5	2	5	17	14	6	3	2	22	18	7	38
7	Sutton Coldfield Town	24	4	5	3	23	22	6	2	4	17	11	7	37
8	Coleshill Town	24	4	3	5	17	15	5	4	3	21	19	4	34
9	AFC Dunstable	24	4	2	6	23	27	6	1	5	17	23	-10	33
10	Bedford Town	22	6	2	3	21	10	4	0	7	29	23	17	32
11	Barton Rovers	25	3	4	6	12	26	5	3	4	13	13	-14	31
12	Cambridge City	24	4	4	4	23	21	4	2	6	16	18	0	30
13	Aylesbury United	24	5	0	7	18	25	4	3	5	21	27	-13	30
14	Welwyn Garden City	23	5	3	3	14	10	2	4	6	16	24	-4	28
15	Kempston Rovers	24	2	3	7	19	30	6	1	5	22	21	-10	28
16	Yaxley	24	6	0	5	28	30	2	3	8	17	34	-19	27
17	Dunstable Town	24	3	3	6	22	28	4	2	6	19	22	-9	26
18	Aylesbury FC	26	1	4	8	8	24	3	2	8	22	31	-25	18
19	North Leigh	24	4	1	7	21	30	1	2	9	18	38	-29	18
20	Kidlington	24	3	2	7	16	30	2	0	10	11	37	-40	17

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Cambridge City History

Early years

The club was formed in 1908 as Cambridge Town, the direct descendant of the earlier Cambridge St Mary's club which had folded at the end of the 1907-1908 season following a dispute with the local Cambs FA. As a torchbearer for amateur football in the days when many clubs viewed the professional game with disdain, the new club affiliated itself with the recently established Amateur Football Association rather than the local FA. Trophy success came early, with a notable victory being achieved in the International Du Nord Trophy in 1912 after beating host club Tourquennois in Northern France. Cambridge Town amalgamated with an earlier Cambridge United club in May 1914, joined the Cambs FA for the first time and in turn gained entry into the FA Cup and the FA Amateur Cup for the first time, whilst retaining their AFA links. The club's best ever run in the Amateur Cup came in 1928 when they reached the semi Final only to lose to Leyton at Fulham's Craven Cottage ground. The club moved to the Town Ground in Milton Road in April 1922, having previously played at Purbeck Road (1908-1911), the Hills Road Bridge Ground (1911-1914), Trinity College New Field (1920-1922) and various other grounds in the period 1919 to 1920.

Town v Town

A rivalry developed with Ipswich Town during the late 1920's and mid 1930. Huge crowds attended these games at Milton Road, peaking at 11,916 in 1929. Both clubs' success in the Southern Amateur League prompted invitations to join the newly formed semi-professional Eastern Counties League in 1935. Ipswich accepted, but the Cambridge Committee declined on account of their commitment to amateur football, so the two Towns went their separate ways. Within three years Ipswich had been elected to the Football League leaving Cambridge fans wondering what might have been!

Cambridge Town moved on to the Spartan League, winning three league titles between 1945 and 1950. Shortly after progression to the Athenian League, Cambridge was granted City status in 1951 and with it the club's name change to Cambridge City

Southern League Champions

City finally left the amateur game in 1958 and joined the Southern League, gaining a place in the Premier Division of the Southern League ahead of local rivals Cambridge United in their first season. City won the Premier Division in 1962/63, edging out United in an enthralling title race with the local derby at Milton Road being witnessed by over 11,500 people. The absence of automatic promotion to the Football League put a lid on City's ambitions. Nevertheless, City were regular challengers for the title and had the highest attendances in non-league football up until the mid-1960s. But City lost their way and were relegated to Southern League Division 1 in 1967/68. Promotion back to the Premier Division followed in 1969/70, but this was the same season Cambridge United were elected to the Football League. City were left to reflect that, in 12 Southern League seasons together, they had finished above their local rivals in 7 of them.

Strife in the 1970s

City finished Southern League runners up in 1970/71, but the latter years of the decade were dreadful. Relegation in 1975/76 saw crowds dwindle and the Club fall into decline. In 1977, Directors decided to return the Club to amateur status by joining the Isthmian League but, in scenes that would be repeated 30 years later, subsequent fans' protests forced most of the Board to resign. The club thus remained in the Southern League.

Better times

After the redevelopment of the ground in the mid 1980's, City gradually improved and a new generation of fans mobbed their heroes after the 1985/86 Southern League Southern Division



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championship was won on the last day of the season. The goal scoring exploits of Gary Grogan were instrumental in City's recovery, according him a 'City Legend' status. Since 1993, City have reached the 1st round proper of the FA Cup five times and the 2nd round once, which is a far better record than achieved by the more illustrious City sides of the 1960s.

Ups and downs

Recent seasons have been a roller-coaster ride for the City faithful. City's best season for 30 years saw them finish runners up in the inaugural Conference South season in 2004/05, going on to lose in the play-offs. Off the field the ground had been sold to pay off mounting debts and matters took a turn for the worse in 2006 when the then Board announced an agreement to allow City to be absorbed into Cambridge United. With City on the brink of extinction, supporters were galvanised into a campaign which eventually forced Directors to resign, to be replaced by members of the Cambridge City Supporters' Trust. The opening league match of 2006/07 was arguably the most memorable since the early 1960s – not merely because City won with a stoppage time winner at Havant & Waterlooville, but because it offered irrefutable proof that that City had survived a blatant attempt to kill it off and were very much alive and kicking. City celebrated their centenary in 2008, but were demoted at the end the 2007/08 season due to over-zealously applied ground regulations. This decision ended 22 consecutive seasons in the 2nd tier of non-league football. City lost out to Gloucester City in the 2008/09 play-off. In the 2009/10 season, City won the Southern League Cup for the first time and finished one point shy of a playoff place. With the ground sold, a groundshare agreement was in place with Newmarket Town for the 2010/11 season but a last minute offer from our landlord meant that City had another season in its own stadium and celebrated by securing a place in the playoffs with a 4th place finish in the league. However, this was met with disappointment again as the team went down one nil away to Salisbury City. Another reprieve following a new deal with the landlord gave City two more seasons at Milton Road, 2011/12 and 2012/13. Once again the play-offs were reached but again an away defeat in the semi final, this time at Oxford City. This disappointment was however tempered by the news that the club has secured a site on which to build a new stadium and training complex. City ultimately missed out on a play-off spot in the 2012/13 season, but the club enjoyed a FA Cup run, with a televised first round proper home tie with MK Dons producing a fantastic night with a nil nil draw at Milton Road before losing in the replay at Stadium MK. With our lease on the stadium finally coming to an end, April 27th 2013 saw the last ever first team match at the ground before a large crowd with mixture of tears and smiles. Adrian Cambridge had the honour of scoring the last ever goal at Milton Road in the one nil victory over Redditch United.

New era

A new era for the club commenced in August 2013 starting with a ground-share at Histon FC. City once again reached the play-offs that season but once again tasted semi final defeat, this time at home to St Albans City. The 2015-16 season saw City move to share at St Ives Town FC. Manager Gary Roberts left in the summer of 2016 after 13 years at the club. His replacement Dan Gleeson had a short and ultimately unsuccessful spell in charge, former player Robbie Nightingale taking over as manager in December 2016. Robbie won his first game in charge to boost City's hopes of avoiding the drop. City's playing record improved culminating in five wins and a draw in their last six games but ultimately it was not enough and the club were relegated to step four for the first time in our history. Hopes of bouncing straight back were dashed when City lost in the play-off to Hartley Wintney. After three seasons at St Ives, City are now back at Histon FC whilst waiting for the new ground in Sawston to be built.



Cambridge City Player Profiles

JAMIE HEAD (24) : Jamie is an experienced keeper at this level . He started his career with home town club , Dunstable Town before switching to AFC Dunstable . He

signed for City in 2014/15 season covering for long term injured Zac Barrett for 14 games . From City he then went via Hemel Hempstead and Biggleswade Town back to Dunstable Town and then again AFC Dunstable from where City signed him again in November this season .

SEB SIMPSON (25) : Seb is a fullback and joined City in November this season from Kempston Rovers . Seb's only other club was Bedford Town .

KEANO ROBINSON (22) : Keano learned his trade in Peterborough United's Academy . He joined Hayes & Yeading United last season and made 32 appearances and another 7 this season before switching to City in November . He is a quick and aggressive centrehalf .

JORDAN ODOFIN (24) : Jordan is a 6' 5" tall , two footed centrehalf. He learned his trade in Barnet and Nike Academies . Other clubs include Barton Rovers, Dunstable Town and Ware . He signed for City on New Years Eve from Clapton CFC .

ADAM CAPEL (19) : Adam learnt his centre half trade in Cambridge United's Academy . He had a brief spell at Histon before switching to City . He proved himself at centre half and left bsckand is expected to have a bright future at City .

MATT BAXTER (20) : Matt came through Braintree Town's youth setup before signing on for their first team. He then moved over to Grays Athletic before rejoining Braintree. He signed for Brightlingsea Regent last summer and starred against City in the FA Cup . He joined City in November .

RYAN SHARMAN (22) : Ryan was captain of St Neots Town's under 18 team before breaking in to their first team . He joined Soham Town Rangers in 2013 and established himself as a goalscoring midfielder . Ryan switched to City in December 2016 and went on to be city's leading scorer and if it had not been for injury would no doubt have been the league's leading scorer. He created a club record by scoring in ten consecutive league matches .

ADAM WATKINS (27) : Adam joined City from Barton Rovers just before Christmas . He is a classy , hard working midfielder with Luton Town pedigree . His clubs since Luton have been Chesham , Bedford Town and Dunstable Town .

MIKEY DAVIS (19): Mickey was with City in his early teens before winning a scholarship with Grimsby Town . He wasn't kept on after the scholarship and joined one of his local clubs Haverhill Borough and later switched to Haverhill Rovers . He joined city in November this season . He plays in midfield .

ROSS PATERSON (26) : Ross was a star in the all conquering Fulbourn Institute team a few years ago before moving on to Newmarket Town and making a name for himself there as an all action midfielder . He made the step up from Soham Town Rangers to City in December 2016 and was soon made captain of the team .

JOSH SIMPSON (31) : Josh joined City's Academy in 2004 from Norwich City before moving over to Cambridge United , but was back at City in 2007 . He joined Histon and starred in their meteoric rise before starting his Football League career with Peterborough. He moved on to Crawley Town where he spent 4 years and then on to Plymouth Albion . Josh is a box to box workaholic in centre midfield

ISAAC MANYARD (21) : Isaac is a silky skilled hard working midfielder previously with Ipswich Town's academy



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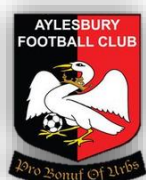
JOSH OYINSAN (23) : Josh is a striker and a product of the Nike Academy . Previous clubs include Histon , Royston Town and Billericay Town .

LEWIS WHITEHEAD (26) : Lewis has had a couple of prolific seasons with Newmarket Town , playing either wide or down the middle . He joined city at the start of this season .

JOEL GYASI (24) : Joel joined City in January this season from Bedford Town . He can play down either flank as a winger or wingback . As well as a previous spell at Bedford he has also turned out for Kettering Town and last season was a member of AFC Rushden & Diamonds promotion winning squad.

NATHAN OLUKANMI (25) : Nathan joined City from Barton Rovers early last season and immediately made a name for himself . He is probably the fastest player in the league and can play on either wing





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Nick BENNION (GK)	1	Jamie HEAD (GK)
Matt CROWTHER (GK)	2	Ross PATERSON
Ben STEVENS	3	Seb SIMPSON
Craig CARBY	4	Josh SIMPSON
Jordan JENKINS ©	5	Keano ROBINSON
Lewis MERRIDAN	6	Adam CAPEL
Sam ODUSOGA	7	Nathan OLUKANMI
Derek FEYI	8	Adam WATKINS
Austin SCHOFIELD	9	Joel GYASI
Davis HAULE	10	Ryan SHARMAN
Daniel CARR	11	Josh OYINSAN
Lewis STRAFFORD	12	Jordan ODOFIN
Jamie KEEN	13	Matty BAXTER
Ryan YOUNG	14	Lewis WHITEHEAD
Joakim EHUI	15	Harry ENGLAND
Michael DADA	16	Mikey DAVIS
Bruno BRITO	17	
Ty DEACON	18	
Brian HAULE	19	
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