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A SEASON OVERVIEW FROM THE MANAGER

Good evening and welcome to the New Croft for tonight's game, particularly to the players, staff and supporters of our opponents Cornard United.

We come into the game off the back of a hard fought win against Coplestonians in the Suffolk Senior Cup where we won 2-1 thanks to goals from Victor Garcia and Matty Harris. For both players it was their first goal since returning to the club which gave us a deserved win and a place in the next round. Tonight is a return to league action and a key game for both sides. Cornard sit 1 place and 1 point above us in the table so any points gained tonight will be valuable and much needed.

While preparing for Saturday's match news broke that we're heading for a second lockdown and that the postponement of local football was inevitable. That news has now been confirmed, with tonight's game being our last for at least 5 weeks. Over the past 3 months the club has implemented a whole host of measures in order to ensure the safety of players, management and supporters and while it's frustrating to have to halt the season it's the right thing to do given the current circumstances nationally.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you to each and every one of you for your support for Haverhill Borough over the past few months. Every penny you contribute, whether that's at the turnstile, tea hut or through sponsorship helps keep the club running and puts us in the best position possible to still be up and running when restrictions ease again. Please enjoy tonight's game and let's end this chapter of the season off in style.

Up the Borough!

Guy Habbin – First Team Manager



MEET THE PLAYERS

James Young

James is an excellent young goalkeeper who featured in Marc Abbotts Haverhill Rovers side at the tender age of sixteen. Became a Borough player as part of a swap deal with Robert Friel heading to Rovers at the beginning of December. James is an excellent shot stopper and is equally as good at dealing with crosses, at 18 years of age James has a very bright future in the game.

Ronnie Ledwith

Ronnie joins us this season after featuring for Enfield FC last season, Ronnie is an athletic left back who is strong in the air and composed with the ball at his feet. We look forward to having Ronnie with us this season.

Coby Game

Coby joins us this season after spending the last four seasons playing across Saffron Waldens first and reserve teams. Coby is an adaptable player who can RB RWB and at CM. Coby has previously played for our first team manager Guy where he had spells at Soham and Mildenhall as a youth player.

Alex Martin

Alex is a former Soham Town Rangers player who is extremely versatile and can play in a variety of positions and can be a real threat from set pieces.

Arron Carter

Joined from Daventry Town Res in Northamptonshire. Arron is a versatile player who is comfortable at either right or left back, he possesses excellent leadership skills and is excellent in 1v1 situations.

Josh Lewis

Josh joins us this season after playing for Ely City Res last season, he is lightning quick and can play off of either wing. Still very young and with lots of promise we look forward to seeing Josh develop as a player at Borough.

Josh Lowe

Josh Lowe joins us after spending the last eighteen months at Ely City. He has however appeared for Cambridge City and Newmarket Town in spells prior to his time at Ely with Brady Stone. Josh is a physically strong player that has bundles of energy and is a good finisher on his left foot or right foot. We are delighted to be able have Josh with us this season.

Craig Pruden

'Prudes' needs no introduction at Borough, he is returning for his third spell at the club after joining Lakenheath last season. At Borough he has played in some of the most successful times the club has had. Pruden is tenacious, hardworking and has a burst of pace that helped him to bag 30 goals in the 18/19 season.

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MEET THE PLAYERS

Ryan Swallow

Midfield playmaker played a vital role in the club's promotion in 2016/2017 scoring 20 goals and numerous assists. Will be looking to build on those achievements this season.

Rory Bone

Tough tackling left back who can also put a shift in upfront if needed. Popular with the fans and team-mates alike, Rory previously played for Coggeshall and White Notley.

Ryan Kent

Scored the first goal in the New Croft for Haverhill Rovers, veteran 'Kenty' still has pace to burn, and now uses his experience to set up goals from the right.

Michael King

Michael is one of the more experienced players in our squad where he made a name for himself at step 3 with Hitchin Town, following his successful time at Hitchin Michael secured a move to Cambridge City. After a season at City "Kingy" returned to Hitchin before moving to Biggleswade. Michael is an all action midfield player with an eye for goal and an industrious work rate.

Ryan Dewey

Ryan is a tough tackling CB who has played 50+ games at step 5 for Saffron Walden and Long Melford. Ryan finished last season with Brightlingsea Regent and signed forms for Borough the day before the season opener against Downham Town. A real coup to have someone of Ryans experience in defence we are already sure he will do well for the club.

Callum Stone

Callum is currently on a short term loan from neighbours Haverhill Rovers, Callum has impressed at U18 level and joins us in his first spell of senior football. Callum can play anywhere across the front line of the pitch and is direct, pacey and has a great eye for goal.

Kieran Scanlan

Kieran is another loanee from Rovers youth team, Kieran is adaptable and although is a CM he can also play at RB. He is hardworking and has masses of quality on the ball. Another really talented young player that we look forward to seeing on the pitch.

Ewan Young

Ewan has joined us this season as a third year scholar on St Ives Town education programme. Ewan is a commanding 6'2 centre half who spent the second half of last season at step 6 side Huntingdon Town. Ewan was the first of this summers new signings and we are looking forward to seeing him in feature in our league campaign.



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| FDN | 10/10/2020 | 15:00 | HBFC | DISS TOWN | THE NEW CROFT |
| FDN | 13/10/2020 | 19:45 | CORNARD UTD | HBFC | BLACKHOUSE LANE |
| FDN | 17/10/2020 | 15:00 | SHERINGHAM | HBFC | SHERINGHAM REC |
| FDN | 24/10/2020 | 19:45 | HBFC | FAKENHAM | THE NEW CROFT |
| FDN | 27/10/2020 | 19:45 | MARCH TOWN | HBFC | SPORTS GROUND |
| SSC | 31/10/2020 | 15:00 | HBFC | COPELESTONIANS | THE NEW CROFT |
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| 1 | Fakenham Town | 9 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 25 | 25 |
| 2 | March Town United | 9 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 19 | 24 |
| 3 | Ipswich Wanderers | 8 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 22 |
| 4 | Lakenheath | 8 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 17 | 18 |
| 5 | Downham Town | 10 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 18 |
| 6 | Leiston Res | 9 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 18 |
| 7 | Mulbarton Wanderers | 9 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 15 |
| 8 | Diss Town | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 14 |
| 9 | Framlingham Town | 10 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 13 |
| 10 | Great Yarmouth Town | 11 | 4 | 1 | 6 | -6 | 13 |
| 11 | Sheringham | 9 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 12 |
| 12 | Kings Lynn Town Res | 9 | 4 | 0 | 5 | -2 | 12 |
| 13 | AFC Sudbury Res | 8 | 3 | 2 | 3 | -5 | 11 |
| 14 | Needham Market Res | 9 | 3 | 1 | 5 | -8 | 10 |
| 15 | Norwich CBS | 9 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 8 |
| 16 | Debenham LC | 9 | 2 | 1 | 6 | -10 | 7 |
| 17 | Cornard United | 9 | 1 | 2 | 6 | -13 | 5 |
| 18 | Haverhill Borough | 9 | 1 | 1 | 7 | -16 | 4 |
| 19 | Wisbech St Mary | 12 | 1 | 0 | 11 | -48 | 3 |



HISTORY OF THE OPPOSITON

Cornard United are believed to have formed in 1920, playing in the Sudbury & District League for four seasons. They then transferred to the Nayland & District League for the 1924/25 – 1927/28 seasons, winning the league in all four seasons they were in it. In 1928/29 they returned back to the Sudbury & District League. Nothing is known of the club between 1929 and when they reformed in 1964.

In 2014, Cornard United celebrated its Golden Jubilee, having been re-formed back in 1964. The club initially played in The Sudbury Sunday League, before joining Division Three of The Bury and District League in 1966.

They were promoted to Division Two at the end of their first season, and further promoted again at the end of the next season. In 1970 they transferred to Division Six of The Colchester & East Essex League and were promoted to Division Five in 1972. After winning all 26 matches of the 1973-74 season they were promoted once again, and over the next few seasons, further success brought more promotions so by 1975 they had reached Division Two.

In 1976 the club switched leagues again, this time to Division One of The Essex and Suffolk Border League. However, when this league was restructured two seasons later the club were moved down to the Second Division. They remained in the Second Division until 1983 when they were promoted back to Division One. In 1985-86 they won promotion to the Premier Division, and in the 1988-89 season they won the league, the league cup and the Suffolk senior cup with a 1-0 victory over local rivals, Sudbury Wanderers.

As a result of this success, the club was moved to Division One of the Eastern Counties League. They won this division at the first attempt, and were promoted to The Premier Division, where they remained until 1996, when after a poor season they were relegated back to the First Division, where they have remained ever since.

Initially, the club played at the Great Cornard Recreation Ground, before moving to Great Cornard Upper School in 1975. It was not until 1982 that they moved to their current ground in Blackhouse Lane. The record attendance at this ground was set in 2001 when over 450 people watched a friendly match against West Ham United.

After many years running The Club, Chairman and Manager, Chris Symes, left the club during 2013 and Mark Hoskin took over the roles. He, in turn, has now moved on and the current Chairman is Harvey Doherty who took over in 2014 after spending 10 years as chairman of Cornard dynamos. The first team was managed by Paul Grainger, with Chris Tracy assisted by Jack Wignall taking over for 2015/16. Ry Lines & Liam Aves took up the reins partway through the 2017/18 season which was very much a transition season. Family commitments meant that Ry Lines stepped down ahead of the 2018/19 season. The team was managed for most of the 2018/19 season by player managers Matt Grove and Michael Schofield and Colin Athey as goal keeping coach.

2018/19 saw Cornard United make the final of the Suffolk Senior Cup, the first cup final in 30 years, unfortunately narrowly missing out to Achilles. First Team player managers Grove and Schofield decided to step down after the final.

2019/20 Cornard United Grassroots has been formed, chaired by Tony New. This consists of a number of teams from under 9s through to under 18s playing in Sunday leagues and based at the Delphi Sports Ground.

Under 18s. The 2019/20 season saw yet another management team of Mark Arnold and Chris Benham who are experienced youth coaches at Cornard Dynamos. Unfortunately both have had to step down due to unforeseen work commitments. Tim Jefferies has taken up the reins currently assisted by Tony New from the Cornard United Grassroots setup. Tim Jeffries has had to step down and now the U18s are managed by Tony New. For the 2021 Season the U18s are managed by Tony New assisted by Shaun Bates.