

## MATCH DAY PROGRAMME



## WELCOME FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

Good evening and welcome to the Seal Bay Resort Stadium for our SCFL match against Mile Oak FC. I extend a warm welcome to our visitors, their officials, players, spectators and, of course, our match officials for the game. I hope that you all have an enjoyable time with us this evening.

Tonight, is our first competitive home game of the 2023/24 season and I am looking forward to what lies ahead of us this year. I welcome back all of our supporters to the ground tonight and I hope that you will be as supportive as you were last season. I also welcome back all of the players from last year and I extend a welcome to the new players that have joined us. As a Club, we have continued to develop over the summer months. We have added a new U16s team and four more youth teams. We have new managers running our U23s and women's teams. As with the supporters and players, I welcome the new managers and staff to the Club and I am sure you will get to know them as the season progresses.

With regards to our 1st Team, I am hoping that we can improve upon last year. You will all be aware that we reached the play-offs last season, only to go out to Epsom and Ewell, the eventual winners, on penalties.

We were a match for them on the day, as we were with all the other sides in our division. A little bit of luck here and there and we could have been successful in obtaining promotion from Division One to the Premier Division ourselves. I believe that we have a side that is good enough to perform in the next division up. It is just getting there which requires a lot of hard work. I believe that the squad we have are more than prepared to put the work in and hopefully they will benefit from this come the end of the season.

Our opening fixture on Saturday saw us travel to Godalming Town, where we came away with a well-earned 0-0 draw. The weather was not kind to us and at some stage it looked like the heavy downpours of rain could put the game in jeopardy. Not what you would expect in the first week of August! However, the rain abated, and the game went ahead. It was always going to be a tight affair with neither side wanting to lose their first game of the season. Chances were at a premium and both sides will think they could, or should, have won it, but I think a draw was possibly about the right result.

As I mentioned earlier, we host Mile Oak FC this evening which is quite a trek for them

on a Tuesday evening. They started their season on Saturday at home to Forest Row and suffered a 4-0 defeat. Not the best of starts for them, but it is early days, and I am sure they will want to put things right tonight. Most of our fixtures against Mile Oak have always been hard-fought affairs and I am not expecting anything different

tonight. We will need to be on top of our game to get anything out of the match this evening.

As this is our first programme of the season, can I say a huge thank you to everybody who is involved with the Club. As per last year, I am sure you will all help make this season another good one. We are fortunate to have great support, a strong and vibrant social club and people who really want to move forward. We have a clear direction and purpose at the club, with the club getting better each year. It has always been our remit to try to improve, year on year, not only with our senior side, but with every side under them.

Please enjoy our facilities tonight and I hope you are treated to a good game which is played in the right spirit.

David Lee Chairman **Photo By Chris Hatton** 

# MANAGER'S REPORT



Saturday saw us contest our first league game of the 2023/24 season away at Godalming Town fc. With pre season now come and gone, our attention turned to the first game of the season of which it was to be a competitive one with our hosts finishing just above us in the league last season.

The game finished level 0-0 with us returning home with a clean sheet and a point on our travels, a game where we had to dig in a little bit in the last 15 minutes after loosing Tom Blamire to a second yellow card. To their credit the lads saw out the game well and could of taken all 3 points if Sam Conolly's free kick strike wasn't saved by the home keeper.

All in all a very solid away performance from the lads on Saturday with a pleasing clean sheet to add as well.

We now look ahead to welcoming Mile Oak FC to the Seal Bay Stadium on Tuesday evening 7.45pm ko in the league. It would be great to see all the home supporters out again as we return to our home.

Daren Pearce
1st Team Manager

## TONIGHT'S OPPOSITION: MILE OAK FC



Mile Oak FC was formed in 1960 and started in Division eight of the Brighton, Hove & District Football League and won the division at the first

attempt, and promoted to Division six. Further promotion followed in the 1963-64 season when the club finished as runners up in Division six

and the club was promoted again the following season. The club's first attempt at Division four saw them finish as champions, however four

seasons later and the club was back in Division five. A season later they were back in Division four and the 1971–72 campaign saw them

finish as runners-up and promotion Division two. The club had instant success in Division two finishing as champions, a feat they repeated the next season in Division one The 1980–81 season saw the club become winners of the Brighton League.

In 1986 made the decision to leave the Brighton, Hove & District Football League to become a senior club in the Sussex County League, and an

application was made to join the Southern Counties Combination League, which was a feeder into the Sussex 'pyramid'. After just one season, the club won promotion to Division Three of the County League as champions.

After five seasons, promotion was gained to Division Two in 1991 – 92, as runners-up to Hassocks, and then to Division One as champions in

1994-95. They stayed in this division for three seasons, and were relegated back to Division two in 1997-98

In 2005-06 they won some silverware after defeating Sidlesham 1-0 in the Final of the Division Two Challenge Cup.

In the 2008–09 season the club again gained promotion to Division one but only survived one season back in the top flight of the Sussex league.

In the 2014/15 season the Sussex league was renamed the Southern counties league with division 1, 2 and 3 being renamed premier, division 1

and division 2 respectively.

Source: Wikipedia

**Last Result** 



0-4



# LEAGUE STANDINGS SOUTHERN COMBINATIONS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

POS	Team	Р	W	D	L	F	А	GD	PTS
1	Forest Row	1	1	0	0	4	0	4	3
2	Chessington & Hook United	1	1	0	0	5	2	3	3
3	Montpelier Villa	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	3
4	Worthing United	1	1	0	0	4	3	1	3
5	Seaford Town	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	3
6	Oakwood	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
7	Roffey	1	0	1	0	4	4	0	1
8	Wick	1	0	1	0	4	4	0	1
9	Godalming Town	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
10	Selsey	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
11	Banstead Athletic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	East Preston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Copthorne	1	0	0	1	3	4	-1	0
14	Alfold	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0
15	Arundel	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
16	Dorking Wanderers B	1	0	0	1	0	2	-2	0
17	Billingshurst	1	0	0	1	2	5	-3	0
18	Mile Oak	1	0	0	1	0	4	-4	0



## SELSEY FC WOMEN

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The FA Women's

**National League** 

Manager Rhys Griffiths

**Assistant Manager** Craig Seacombe

**1st Team Coach** Jack Randall

**DS Squad Manager** Dan Groombridge First game of the season:



Sunday 20th August Seal Bay Stadium

## SELSEY FC U18S

**Goalkeepers** Alfie Lee Ryan Matlock

**Defenders** 

Peter Blanks
Matthias Budd
Will Banham
Ethan Turner
Ty Couzens
Marcel Tourmentin
Henry Waller

#### Midfield

Tobie Appleby
Jamie Simpson
Oscar Lee
Lennon Ayling
Matthew Horsefield
Charlie Banham

#### **Forwards**

Nathan McIlwain Will Scannell Ronnie Marwood Hayden Morey Tom Fleming Tom Flaherty



**Manager**Graham Jones

### BEHIND THE SCENES

**Club Chairman:** 

David Lee

**Club Treasurer:** 

Richard (Dickie) Isted (Senior Team and Commercial Sponsorship)

**Club Secretary and Welfare** 

Officer:

**Paul Senior** 

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**Minute Secretary:** 

Colin Webb

**Committee Members:** 

Daren Pearce Gail Isted Jamie Marie Donna Maxey Kira Couzens Rhys Griffiths

Groundsman:

Paul Lee

**Ground Volunteers:** 

Mick Airey, Colin Webb, Bernie Morey, Wayne Janotti, Pete Newman, Steve Tompkins

**Gateman:** 

Ray Clark & Alan Price (Women's Games)

Selsey FC & Social Club CIC Bar

Manager:

Nik Stovell

Club Photographers
Chris Hatton & Evan Griffiths

**Selsey 1st Team** 

Manager

Daren Pearce

**Assistant Manager** 

Mitch Fountain

Coach

Martin Hinshelwood & Tom Henton

Club Physios

Tom Cripps & Steven Cleveland

**Selsey Women** 

Manager

Rhys Griffiths

**Assistant Manager** 

Craig Seacombe

Coach

Jack Randall & Michael Bonilla Garcia

**DS Squad Manager** Dan Groombridge

**Secretary** Kira Couzens

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Manager

Joe Hill

**Assistant Manager** Archie Simmonds

Coach

Inti Robinson

Selsey U18s

Manager

Graham Jones

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## SQUADS





#### **Syd DAVIES**

**Jack NORTH Corey BURNS** Tom BLAMIRE **Seamus GRIFFIN-TILEY Bradley HIGGINS-PEARCE** Ollie HAMBLETON Sam CONOLLY James HENTON Akil ALLEYNE Shane BRAZIL Cian GRIFFIN-TILEY **Ryan MOREY** Kai THOMPSON **Jack WYATT Kye HARTT Brad VAUGHAN** 

**Tobie APPLEBY** 

Vinny NORTH

Joe SLATER

Manager: Daren Pearce Assist. Manager: Mitch Fountain Coach(es): Martin Hinshelwood & Tom Henton Physio(s): Tom Cripps & Steven Cleveland

#### **Xhemal BAKO**

Enzo BENN
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Liam DANCE
Chris WHITINGTON
Jos HAUSDOEFER
Michael GOULD

Manager: Sammy Donnelly Assist. Manager: Tony Gratwicke Coach(es): Darryl Livesey Physio(s): Tony Dineen

#### **Match Officials**

Paul Barratt Kieth Brisley Lee Roberts