



# THE OYSTERS

The official match day programme of Whitstable Town FC £2.00 season 2019/2020

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Whitstable Town  
v Whyteleafe FC  
BetVictor S.E. Division  
Saturday 23rd. November 2019  
Kick Off 3:00 pm



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## Words from the Chairman

Good afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen

Welcome to the Belmont for what should be an entertaining game against Whyteleafe. I wish all the travelling fans and club officials a safe trip home and hope the M25 is kind to you.

I don't know how many Oysters have travelled to Whyteleafe in previous seasons, but if you have, you would have noticed they have a 3G pitch. This is something we are striving to have, as then matches very rarely get called off and the facility can be used by the whole town 7 days a week. Unfortunately, at the moment this is a little beyond us, but I will not stop until I have been down every avenue in my quest to make the club self-sustainable and having a 3G would go a long way to ensuring that becomes a reality.

On a social front, the 7th December brings another race night to the Belmont with a chance to have a little flutter, food and drink and spend time with friends What more could you ask for at £10 a ticket? Be quick though, as there aren't many tickets left.

So to today's game - you have all been tremendous in your support for the club as a whole in the first 3 months of the season and I know the team appreciates it, so keep supporting, as now is when the 12th man of the Belmont really comes into their own. Wet your whistle, stand tall and roar Lloyd and the lads to victory!!!

*Steve*







## Blacky's Blog

Good afternoon and a very warm welcome to all players, staff and directors from Whyteleafe for this league fixture today.

After coming off of the back of superb October month, we've been on the back of some disappointing results.

Our fixture here at the Belmont against Herne Bay didn't go as we expected, and our performance levels weren't near the high standards we've set ourselves. Our ball retention and decision making let us down and we didn't deserve much from the game.

Last Saturday we travelled down to Brighton to face Whitehawk who were relegated from the Isthmian Premier last season.

Conditions certainly played a part with a big slope giving our opponents the advantage in the first half. A 3-0 deficit was always going to be difficult to turn around especially against the quality of the opposition, but I was pleased with the response I got from the group. For those that were there would've seen a poor first half but a very good second half where had we taken our first chance then we may have salvaged something from the game but this young side need to understand we can't allow teams a head start like that if we want to gain results...especially away from home.

The group are an honest and hardworking bunch....determined to improve individually and collectively. They have not become a bad team over night. Just like we weren't singing from the roof top with 1 defeat in 13...we aren't getting carried away with a couple of poor performances. We must remain brave and improve our quality.

Lastly, I would like to wish Freddie Parker all the very best as he returns to Cray Wanderers after completing his months loan. Freddie did ever so well for us this last month and I look forward to keeping an eye on his career in the future.

As always....thanks for your amazing support. I know the boys are immensely grateful and hopefully we can provide you with 3 points here today.

Up the oysters

*Blacky*



## Biggsie's Banter

Good afternoon and greetings to the Committee, Players, Management and supporters of Whyteleafe FC, welcome to the Belmont. We hope you all have a safe journey home after the match.

Last Saturday we travelled to Whitehawk, it is probably the longest road trip we have to take for an away match. Luckily the weather and the traffic were not too bad and we made the journey in good time.

The game was interesting, Whitehawk were kicking down the slope in the first half. Would you believe it there is a drop diagonally from one corner to the one on the opposite side at the other end of fourteen feet. That is one hell of an incline. The Hawks were quickly two nil up in part due to the slope and the fact they are probably the best team we have played this season. I think even if the pitch was flat, we would have struggled to contain them in the first half. The second half saw us managing a lot better and we had a few chances at goal and one that I think crossed the line.

Please do not forget that the Christmas draw tickets are available, and you can get them from behind the bar and also from some of the committee members. Good prizes on offer and it all helps the club's finances.

The reserves are getting some good results and seem to be building a good team. For their first season they are coping quite well.

Now that we are printing this programme ourselves it is starting to take shape and I am finding my way around a new program, slowly getting used to it. If anyone has anything to contribute it would be most welcome. I am also toying with the idea of having a fans page, one where you can place comments and give us your ideas. Just write down your thoughts and put your name on the page and I will publish it.

I hope you all enjoy the match that is on offer.

#COME ON THE OYSTERS

*Les*

**Next home game at the Belmont is a  
Velocity Trophy match  
v Faversham Town  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>. November 2019  
Kick Off 7:45 pm**

## WHO'S WHO AT THE CLUB 2019/2020

The Belmont Ground, Belmont Road  
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### Ownership – FA Rule 2.13

WTFC Ltd is registered with Companies House as Company Number 11754078.  
WTFC Ltd was incorporated on 7th January 2019 as a company limited by guarantee.

On the 1st June 2019 WTFC Ltd took over all the assets and liabilities of Whitstable Town Football Club which was previously a members club.

As a company limited by guarantee WTFC Ltd does not have any share capital and no one person, or persons, has a controlling interest. Under the Articles of Association the management of WTFC Ltd is in the hands of a Board of Directors.

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BY STEVE CLAYTON

Canterbury Suzuki sponsors FA Cup game Whitstable Town vs Folkestone Invicta

### Canterbury Suzuki Supports Whitstable Town Football Club

Whitstable Town had the pleasure of welcoming Canterbury Suzuki as match day sponsors for the FA Cup game against Folkestone. Our commercial team is working hard to bring local sponsorship opportunities and partnerships to Whitstable Town FC.

**Quote from commercial manager Andy Luton:** "Having the Canterbury Suzuki brand as our match day and also a pitch side advertising sponsor, brings a great opportunity to forge a long-term partnership that works for both parties and helps the exposure of both brands. The commercial team at Whitstable Town are working hard behind the scenes to get like-minded local businesses involved in our community club. We have a great following and atmosphere at the Belmont Ground, which has a dedicated area to display products and branding should you wish to do so."

**Quote from Canterbury Suzuki sales manager Stuart Webb:** "We would like to say thank you to Whitstable Town FC for the sponsorship opportunity at the game on Saturday. It was good to see a lot of locals supporting the team, which certainly added to the atmosphere at the game. I had the privilege of speaking to several passionate people from the club who talked about the fantastic plans in place now and for the future. We had the opportunity to display some of our vehicles in the ground, which is good exposure for the Suzuki brand. The Canterbury Suzuki Team will be back to Support Whitstable Town FC for future matches during the season".

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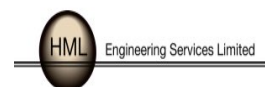
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### BetVictor Isthmian League South East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
1 Cray Valley PM	12	8	3	1	19	8	11	27
2 Hastings United	11	7	4	0	16	4	12	25
3 VCD Athletic	12	6	4	2	26	18	8	22
4 Sevenoaks Town	12	6	3	3	21	13	8	21
5 Whitehawk	11	6	2	3	23	14	9	20
6 Ashford United	10	6	1	3	22	17	5	19
7 Phoenix Sports	12	6	0	6	25	21	4	18
8 Guernsey	11	5	3	3	20	20	0	18
9 Herne Bay	12	5	2	5	22	25	-3	17
10 Faversham Town	12	5	1	6	13	17	-4	16
11 Chichester City	9	4	3	2	13	10	3	15
12 Whyteleafe	10	4	3	3	21	19	2	15
13 Haywards Heath Town	9	3	4	2	13	11	2	13
14 Whitstable Town	11	3	4	4	14	16	-2	13
15 Sittingbourne	10	3	3	4	11	12	-1	12
16 Hythe Town	13	3	3	7	11	18	-7	12
17 Burgess Hill Town	12	3	0	9	24	32	-8	9
18 Ramsgate	10	2	2	6	11	18	-7	8
19 Three Bridges	13	2	1	10	13	30	-17	7
20 East Grinstead Town	12	0	4	8	12	27	-15	4

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Players available for sponsorship as follows: -

**Liam Dickson   Luke Girt**

**Leo Mazzone Josh Spencer**

**Mark Lane   Paul Murray   Andrea Gencarelli**

**See Ron, Mike or Les and give them your choice.**

**£50.00 for the whole season.**

Player	League			Cup			Career		
	Starts	Sub	Goals	Starts	Sub	Goals	Apps	Goals	Debut
Alex Anderson	0	3	0	2	1	1	6	1	17/08/2019
James Brown	7	0	0	9	0	0	28	0	19/11/2011
Tom Bryant	7	0	0	7	0	0	131	12	27/12/2016
Liam Dickson	7	0	0	4	0	0	11	0	26/08/2019
Dan Eason	11	0	0	10	0	0	204	1	27/10/2015
Marcus Elliott	6	4	3	4	6	2	20	5	17/08/2019
Marcus Evans	5	0	0	2	1	0	8	0	17/08/2019
Taylor Fisher	0	1	0	1	3	0	19	0	19/01/2019
Liam Gillies	8	3	1	7	2	0	20	1	17/08/2019
Luke Girt	9	1	0	7	1	0	66	0	09/08/2014
Jez Hammond	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	12/11/2019
Tarik Ibrahim	0	3	0	1	1	0	5	0	17/08/2019
Tijan Jadama	9	0	2	8	0	1	19	4	04/11/2017
Jake Mackenzie	11	0	0	8	1	0	126	7	18/08/2012
Leo Mazzone	1	4	1	2	3	0	10	1	21/09/2019
Aaron Millbank	11	0	4	8	1	3	20	7	17/08/2019
Freddie Parker	1	1	1	3	0	0	5	1	19/10/2019
Danny Patterson	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	20/08/2019
Osman Proni	2	2	0	1	1	0	6	0	17/08/2019
Connor Sanders	6	1	0	5	1	0	23	1	09/03/2019
Josh Spencer	4	3	1	6	1	0	14	1	26/08/2019
Harry Stannard	1	2	0	3	3	4	28	11	28/11/2015
John Ufuah	7	0	0	6	0	2	13	2	14/09/2019
John Walker	4	0	1	3	0	0	67	1	04/11/2017
Marshall Wratten*	4	0	0	2	0	0	6	0	14/09/2019

All players above have been appeared for Whitstable Town at some point this season.

\* No longer registered for Whitstable Town

Up to 16 November 2019



## WHITSTABLE TOWN FC PLAYER PROFILES

**Jake Mackenzie** Age 25 Preferred position Right Back. Previous clubs Gillingham, Ramsgate  
Best memory The FA Cup run last season for Ramsgate

**Liam Gillies** Age 20 Preferred position Central midfield. Previous clubs Dartford, Rochester Utd  
Best memory Making my first team debut for Dartford in the Kent Cup at 17

**John Ufuah** Age 20 Preferred position attacking winger. Previous clubs Leatherhead and Dartford.

**Dan Eason** Age 31 Preferred position Goalkeeper. Previous clubs Herne Bay, Hythe Town  
Best memory, Reaching the FA Vase semi-final was my most successful sporting achievement.

**Liam Dickson** Age 31 Preferred position Centre Back. Previous clubs Folkestone, Ramsgate.  
Best memory Won the play-offs with Folkestone Invicta.

**Marcus Evans** Age 23 Preferred position Centre Back. Previous clubs Corinthian,  
Cray Wanderers. Best memory winning the league with Cray Wanderers.

**Tommy Bryant** Age 31 Preferred position Centre Back. Previous clubs Gillingham,  
Folkestone (loan), Halesowen Town, Herne Bay Tunbridge Wells. Best memory Turning pro at  
17 with Gillingham

**Luke Girt (Girty)** Age 25 Preferred position anywhere in midfield. Previous clubs Sheppey  
Ramsgate, Sittingbourne. Best memory scoring to put us ahead in a FA Cup replay away to  
Northwood in extra time. I was once made to eat grass whilst celebrating when i scored on my  
debut for Sittingbourne.

**Tijan Jadama (TJ)** Age 20 Preferred position Centre midfield box to box. Previous club Ramsgate.  
Best memory winning the Kent Cup Final with the under 18's. I played with a fractured neck  
last season but now back to full strength and ready for the new season.

**Aaron Millbank** Age 24 Preferred position Striker. Previous clubs Gillingham, Ramsgate.  
Best memory Making my debut for Gillingham first team in 2014.  
Interesting fact West Ham won the Cup.

**Connor Sanders** Age 28 Preferred position Centre Midfield/Centre Back. Previous clubs  
Carshalton, Herne Bay, Hythe Town, Ramsgate.

**John Walker** Age 35 Preferred position Right Back/Centre Back/Left Back.  
Previous clubs Folkestone, Hythe Town. Best memory Reaching the first round of the FA Cup  
with Hythe Town against Hereford United.

**Harry Stannard** Age 21 Preferred position Forward. Previous clubs Gillingham, Hastings, Margate,  
Ramsgate. Interesting fact Being able to play in a full-time environment.

**Marcus Elliott** Age 33 Preferred position Striker. Previous clubs Erith and Belvedere, Chipstead,  
Sevenoaks, East Grinstead, Lewes. I continue to enjoy the game and help you out and to get players.

**Josh Spencer** Age 19 Preferred position Centre Back. Previous clubs Dover Ath. Academy, Sheppey Utd.  
Herne Bay, Sittingbourne, Dover Ath. First team. Highlight Playing a professional standard of football  
And scoring on my debut for Dover Athletic FC.

**Muhammed Cham** Age 17 Preferred position Wing or centre forward. Previous club Margate Sport.  
My highlight so far is having a trial with Fleetwood Town FC.

**James Brown** Age 26 Preferred position Midfield. Previous clubs Faversham and Herne Bay.

**Leo Mazzone** Age 22 Preferred position advanced central midfielder. Previous clubs Ebbsfleet Utd.  
And East Grinstead. Debut in the Kent cup final for Ebbsfleet at Priestfield in front of 3000 people.

**Freddie Parker**

**Jez Hammond**



Jake MacKenzie



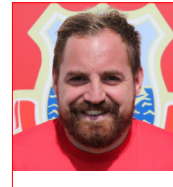
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Muhammed Cham



Leo Mazzone

# Whitstable Town Reserves

## Division Two Central & East

POSTEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	G	D	P	T	S
1 Tenderden Town	7	5	1	1	31	14	17	16			
2 Deal Town Rangers	7	4	2	1	16	8	8	14			
3 Bearsted Reserves	6	4	1	1	20	8	11	13			
4 Sturry	5	3	1	1	22	7	15	10			
5 <b>Whitstable Town Reserves</b>	7	3	1	3	14	13	1	7			
6 Cuxton 1991 Reserves	5	2	0	3	14	17	-3	6			
7 West Farleigh	6	2	0	4	12	16	-4	6			
8 Rochester City Reserves	7	2	0	5	16	44	-28	6			
9 Southborough	5	1	0	4	8	15	-7	3			
10 Larkfield and New Hythe Wanderers	5	1	0	4	12	22	-10	3			

\* Adjustment made 3 points deducted

### WHITSTABLE TOWN RESERVES 7 ROCHESTER CITY RESERVES 1

Andreas Carter Kent County League Division 2 C&E  
Saturday November 16 2019 14.00

The reserves returned to winning ways with a thumping 7-1 home win against Rochester City Reserves.

The starting line-up included three academy players, with 16 year old Jack Scott starting in goal, Bailey Collin at left back and Muhammed Cham out wide. There was another 16 year old, Aidan Chrascina, was on the bench in what looked a youthful, but strong squad for the game. Whitstable started quickly and played some nice football creating a few early chances. Rochester went 1-0 up against the run of play, when a long ball over the top left the young keeper Scott in two minds as to whether to come out or not and the striker took it around him and finished into an empty net. This made Whitstable go up another gear and they soon equalised, when a surging run by Jamie Purdy took him past two players and left him one on one against the keeper and he slotted it away. Whitstable then went ahead when a good corner by Kyle Wisker was met by Ifeanyi David who powered a good header into the roof of the net. Town had more chances to go ahead but couldn't quite find that edge in front of goal.

#### Half time 2-1

Whitstable came out strongly and went 3-1 up within 3 minutes, when a good ball by Wisker again fed Purdy, who finished acutely into the corner from a tight angle. Caleb Afoke got into the action, scoring from a corner, as a good ball in from Wisker fell to him and he powered the ball into the roof of the net. Whitstable were in full control at this stage, playing some excellent football and making Rochester work tirelessly hard. Academy player Muhammed Cham added the fifth following a great run that left him with just the keeper to beat and he calmly took it around him to score. Academy player Aidan Chrascina came on and he was in the thick of the action, playing some fantastic balls into the strikers. David added the sixth when a good cross from Kieran Jones fell to him and he smashed the ball into the corner of the goal. David soon had his hat trick after some good footwork in the box made him the space to fire into the corner of the net.

#### Full time 7-1

A fantastic display from the reserves against a team that had beaten them 3-2 a few weeks ago.

#### Thoughts from manager Josh Algar:

"A great team and footballing performance today. It was great to have four academy players involved in the squad today, with three starting and Aidan coming on. Two 16 year olds playing today was a big positive as both looked comfortable stepping up into men's football and didn't look out of place. We want to give as many of them as possible the opportunity to play and today they all took their chances. The team played some fantastic football on a quite a boggy pitch, but it's great to see the team finding their feet as we have some great young talent within this team and they are starting to develop into great footballers. The team is progressing nicely and it would be great to see as many supporters possible come down to watch the players."

#### Starting line-up:

Jack Scott, Kyle Wisker, Caleb Afoke, Jack Sutton, Bailey Collin, Courtney Robinson, Josh Algar, Jamie Purdy, Ifeanyi David, Muhammed Cham, Izaak Sargeant

#### Subs:

Josh Neaves, Callum Tydeman, Aidan Chrascina, Kieran Jones

Goals: Jamie Purdy 2, Ifeanyi David 3, Caleb Afoke, Muhammed Cham.

Report by Josh Algar



**RACE NIGHT**

Saturday 7th December 2019

Starts at 7PM (First Race at 7:30pm)  
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# The Footy Quiz

## All about England

1. In which year did David Beckham win his first England cap
2. Which Lion of Vienna scored 30 goals in just 33 England appearances
3. Which future Spurs manager scored within 30 seconds of his England debut
4. Ray Pointer won 3 England caps in 1962. Which club did he play for at the time
5. Who scored England's last goal under Graham Taylor
6. Which Country did England beat 4 - 2 at Wembley in 1990
7. For which club was Kenny Sansom playing when he won his first England cap

# Answers

1. 1997 2. Nat Lofthouse 3. Bill Nicholson 4. Burnley  
5. Ian Wright 6. Czechoslovakia 7. Crystal Palace

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Guernsey	1	812	812	812	812	:	8	1314	164	293	55
Hastings United	4	1741	435	508	400	:	5	801	160	236	119
Herne Bay	4	1309	327	411	281	:	4	1129	282	532	178
Burgess Hill Town	4	1286	322	348	290	:	3	752	251	407	73
Whitstable Town	5	1472	294	532	141	:	4	868	217	346	116
Ashford United	3	746	249	272	225	:	4	502	126	163	95
Haywards Heath	4	947	237	407	148	:	4	821	205	280	117
Whitehawk	4	917	229	280	201	:	4	976	244	405	157
Faversham Town	5	1124	225	312	127	:	4	844	211	428	73
Hythe Town	4	890	223	263	182	:	5	1349	270	411	110
Ramsgate	5	942	188	218	162	:	2	165	83	84	81
Sittingbourne	4	699	175	217	139	:	4	1063	266	318	208
Whyteleaf	2	331	166	178	153	:	2	598	299	400	198
Chichester City	3	493	164	198	105	:	3	568	251	407	98
Sevenoaks Town	4	616	154	163	143	:	5	1251	250	508	110
East Grinstead Town	6	719	120	166	92	:	3	390	130	177	51
Cray Valley PM	4	436	109	150	73	:	4	837	209	281	141
Three Bridges	5	492	98	119	84	:	4	565	141	239	65
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### Geoffrey's Memories

Many seasons ago I went to Tunbridge Wells' old football ground in the Eridge Road when the Wells entertained Maidstone United in an early season FA Cup game - goalless draw. So, it was back to the County Town for a midweek replay. Success for the Wells in hard-fought game - I think they won by the odd goal in five, but the margin of victory would have been greater but for the heroics of Danny Wiltshire in The Stones' goal, one save even drawing applause from the Wells' players.

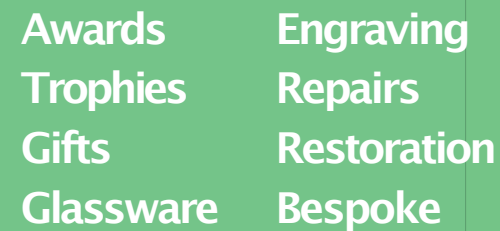
A stand-out player for the visitors was their inside-forward Bean, who I don't think had appeared on the Saturday but who proved on the night a dynamic ball carrier, with pace and directness taking the play well into the opposition half. I was not alone in suggesting that it was his contribution that made the difference in TW's favour.

The name Bean seems to have a variety of origins. It might indeed refer to someone who was known for growing and also maybe selling beans. Or, it could be a nickname, a Bean being someone who is like a bean (which may not necessarily be a compliment but a put-down of a name). Another thought is that it is an Anglicised version of a Gaelic personal name meaning 'life' and yet a further possibility is that the name means someone who is noted for being a pleasant or nice person.





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## Report on the match between Whitstable Juniors U7s And Thanet Colts FC.

**Report written by Finley Cady-Brown age 9 who's brother plays for the Under 7s.**

16/11/19

It was a chilly winter's morning at Radfall, and Whitstable Town U7'S welcomed Thanet Colts FC.

Thanet Colts had kick off and they built up well, but Bill made a strong tackle and won the ball back, booting it up the pitch. Whitstable Town got a corner and it came into the box, but it was hand ball. There was some great defending from William and Bill, and we continued to keep the ball away. We had a chance when Oscar passed to Jakob, Jakob dribbled round the keeper but somehow Thanet Colts cleared it off the line. Thanet Colts made a sub and soon after Fraser made a great pass to Oscar who squeezed it in. Shortly after we won a free kick and Fraser crossed and nearly scored. Fraser made another great run past three defenders and shot just wide. Thanet Colts showed good skill and did have a couple of excellent chance's, but Daniel dived across the goal and made some superb saves. Oscar had another great shot just before half time, but it was saved. We had a strong first half with all the boys showing great determination.

Whitstable kicked off for the second half and Bill was now in goal. Very quickly, Daniel sprinted past one, two, three defenders and tapped it in the goal. Daniel then had another shot which was so close to top bin's, but the goalkeeper made a brilliant save. Whitstable had a free kick which was won back, but Teddy tackled well, and the ball went out for a Thanet goal kick. The goalie took the kick and then the ref blew the whistle for full time. It was a tough second half with the away team testing us, but we continued to play well with all the boys remaining strong. Great match! Keep up the good work boys!

### WHITSTABLE TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB YOUTH TEAMS

Team	League	Manager	Email
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Whitstable Town FC Youth U8s	FDYL	Bailey Collin / Samuel Camilleri	<a href="mailto:enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club">enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club</a>
Whitstable Town FC Youth U8 Girls	KGLFL	Abbie Carter	<a href="mailto:enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club">enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club</a>
Whitstable Town FC Youth U9 Girls	KGLFL	Hannah Wrench	<a href="mailto:enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club">enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club</a>
Whitstable Town FC Youth U9s	FDYL	Tony Sibley / Chris Garrett	<a href="mailto:enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club">enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club</a>
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Whitstable Town FC Youth U10s B	EKYL	David Johnson / Justin Hall	<a href="mailto:enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club">enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club</a>
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# THE BOGOTA BANDITS

(Researched and compiled by Bernie Thompson, Club Historian)

When the Football League recommenced after World War II, players wages were £12 per week during the season and £10 a week in the summer months whilst record attendances and gate receipts were being set throughout the country, making large sums of money for the clubs and organisers. It is therefore little wonder that star players were becoming disgruntled and sought a larger slice of the profits as quite rightly they were the ones that the fans were paying to see and be entertained by. The grounds and stadiums were poor with little facilities and safety for the paying supporters. With the clubs and authorities not prepared to budge it was no surprise that some players started to look elsewhere to ensure the best deals and maximum security for themselves and their families.

In 1950 Colombian football clubs broke away from their national association and thus FIFA. They offered high signing on fees, high wages and other attractive incentives and several British players were interested in the offers and flew out to South America. The most famous of these was Neil Franklin, the Stoke City and England centre-half. He joined Independiente Santa Fe with his Stoke City team mate, George Mountford, Bill Higgins of Everton joined Millionarios of Bogota (as did Alfred di Stefano the great Argentinian) and another notable player to move to South America was Charlie Mitten of Manchester United. Bobby Flavel of Hearts, also moved to Colombia. Several other players went to see the situation for themselves but decided against signing. These included Roy Paul (Swansea) and Jack Hedley (Everton), Jack Dodds, the Lincoln player, was found to be an agent for Millionarios and was subsequently expelled from the League.

	
<b>NEIL FRANKLIN</b>	<b>BILL HIGGINS</b>
Described by many as England's greatest defendersbut his career was destroyed in six matches in Colombia.	Bill Higgins returning to England with his wife and children, penniless, property less and career in tatters.

All the players, however, failed to settle as many of the promised signing on fees, wages and incentives failed to materialise, so the players quickly returned home to face the back-lash. Neil Franklin had been the regular England centre-half between 1946 and 1950, playing in 12 war-time Internationals for which no caps were awarded

then winning 27 caps playing in 27 consecutive official International matches. Whilst in Columbia he played just six matches for Santa Fe before returning to England and being suspended for four months before being sold by Stoke City to Hull City but he never played for England again although described by many as being England's greatest defender.

Probably the worst off of the rebels or 'Bogota Bandits' as they were often referred, was Bill Higgins. Higgins the former Everton centre forward was still under contract with Everton when he absconded to Colombia. He returned to England with his wife and two children virtually penniless, having just £19 to his name, property less and his football career in tatters. An Everton supporter allowed Bill and his family temporary use of a cottage in Wales until he got back on his feet financially but he was never to resume his career with Everton or any other Football League club. He was eventually fixed up to play for Welsh non-league club, Bangor City and later joined Canterbury City as player/manager but was still referred to as 'Bogota Bill'. Whilst with Canterbury City he made several appearances for the 'green and whites' in the Town versus the City meetings at the Belmont.

Later after his footballing career had finished he took over The Imperial Hotel public house in Canterbury, still regretting the day he sacrificed his football career expecting the streets of Columbia to be paved with gold!



**CANTERBURY CITY** With **Bill Higgins** player/manager  
Back row (l to r):- George Pope, Bob Morley, 'Pip' Skinner, Tommy Francis, Bob Hawkins, John McIver,  
Front row:- Norman Hooper, Roy Evans, **Bill Higgins**, Tommy Tippet, Les Stevens.

# WHYTELEAFE FC HISTORY



## FORMATIVE YEARS

Prior to the Second World War there were several teams that competed locally using the Whyteleafe name notably Whyteleafe Junior FC and Whyteleafe Albion. Whyteleafe Albion competed for many years but the club folded several years before the Second World War. A new club, simply called Whyteleafe FC, was formed in 1946.

The new club commenced Junior football as members of the Caterham and Edenbridge, the Thornton Heath & District and the Croydon Leagues. Of these early years season 1951/52, was the most successful, with a strong 'Leafe line-up becoming Thornton Heath League champions, winners of two local charity cups and runners-up in both the Surrey County Junior Cup and the League Cup.

Two years later they progressed to the Surrey County Intermediate League (Eastern Division) and were Division 1 champions in 1955/6. 1958 saw the significant transition from 'Junior' to 'Senior' status and entry into the Surrey Senior League. This change required the club to move from the New Barn Lane School ground which was inadequate for senior football and with a dynamic committee under the leadership of Secretary Dick Baxendine, the club purchased approximately four acres of farmland in nearby Church Road, where the club still play today.

The original stand at Whyteleafe's old ground is still used by Kenley Primary School and is clearly visible from Valley Road about half a mile north of the current ground.

## NEW GROUND, NEW START

Play commenced on the new ground in season 1959/60, and in the early sixties the club gained minor rewards with the reserve team playing under the guidance of former Crystal Palace hero Roy Greenwood. The next success came as the 1960s drew to a close which saw 'Leafe as Surrey Senior League Champions and runners in the League Cup.

In the 1970s the floodlight training area and stand were built and in 1975 the club moved into the London Spartan League before joined the Athenian League in 1981. The main pitch floodlights were installed and the dressing rooms were moved to their current location in the early 1980s

In the 1984/85 season, a league re-organisation saw the club enter Division Two South of the Isthmian League.

In November 1986 Steve Kember joined the club as Manager having been associated with the club for some years previously when with Crystal Palace with whom he had won considerable success. In two successive seasons Kember engineered the club through to the third Qualifying round of the FA Cup on two occasions.

A highly successful in 1988/89 saw the club win promotion as runners-up in Division Two South to Division One.

Steve Kember resigned in July 1993 and returned to Crystal Palace as a coach and Paul Hinshelwood briefly held the reins following Steve's departure and, following the resignation of his assistant Keith Wilkinson in October 1993, Lee Richardson became assistant manager and 1st team coach.

## THE RICHARDSON YEARS

August 1994 saw Richardson appointed manager. This was a very popular appointment, as Lee had been associated with the club on and off since 1975 playing in excess of 400 games for the club.

Season 1998/99 proved to be very mixed, with the club achieving good cup results losing to Welling Utd in sight of a first round visit to Bristol Rovers in the FA Cup, and winning through to the last 32 in the FA Trophy going out to the eventual winners Kingstonian in front of a then record home crowd of 945. But a season of chronic injury saw 'Leafe struggle to survive in the league and avoided relegation by winning the last game of the season.

# WHYTELEAFE FC HISTORY



1999/2000 proved the most momentous in the club's history. For the first time ever the club reached the 1st Round proper of the FA Cup when a crowd of 2,164, easily beat the previous season's record in a match which saw them hold league opponents Chester City to a 0-0 draw before going down 1-3 in a replay at Chester.

An imposing new stand was built at the top end of the ground just in time for the big match thanks to a superb effort from all involved with the club. The years that followed never lived up to 1999 and the club went into a slow but steady decline in fortunes.

## MANAGERIAL CHANGES

In 2002 the team hit a low ebb at Bracknell at Christmas where they suffered a heavy defeat that prompted Richardson's resignation. Stuart Massey held the reins until October 2006 and after a spell with chairman Mark Coote picking the team, former Crystal Palace striker Dave Swindlehurst joined the club in December.

The team did reasonably well under Swindlehurst; he led them to a comfortable mid-table position and the club's first cup final in 20 years. Leafe lost their Surrey Senior Cup final to Merstham at Imber Court and this proved to be Swindlehurst's last game in charge. Stuart Massey was re-appointed Whyteleafe manager ahead of the 2008/09 season but only for a relatively short spell.

## ALL CHANGE AGAIN

The winter of 2009/10 was hard one and bad weather hit hard on the club's finances. Massey resigned and former AFC Wimbledon and Chipstead manager Nicky English took over in the summer of 2010. Despite the dire financial position the club found itself in English's team had a purple patch after Christmas 2010, which included a remarkable 5-4 victory at eventual champions Met Police, and steered themselves away from relegation.

Nicky's hard work and commitment was never in doubt but things just didn't work in the following year and he left the club in January 2012 with Steve Griffin given the tough job of catching up 20th placed side Burgess Hill Town when 12 point adrift.

The appointment coincided with a change in club constitution which saw Mark Coote become owner-chairman (as opposed to elected-chairman). The change gave the Club renewed hope of future development and progression yet the 2011/12 season ended in bitter disappointment and the club's first relegation in its history despite drawing level with Burgess Hill at one point and only losing to an extraordinary result by the Hillians against Dulwich Hamlet.

## WHAT GOES DOWN...

After a season of moderate success in the Kent League being badly injured in a car accident the summer of 2013 Griffin stood down and former Whyteleafe player and Croydon manager John Fowler joined the club. Fowler build a completely new team in a very short time and one that made an immediate impact. In a memorable season for the club, the team went on to win the newly named Southern Counties East League by a clear 11 points and the team rejoined the Isthmian League of which they had been members for 28 of the preceding 30 years.

The first year back in the Ryman League was also momentous and the team belied expectation finishing in fifth place only to lose out in a play-off match at Folkestone. Leafe struggled to repeat this achievement the following year and in 2016, John Fowler decided he had taken the team as far as he could and stood down. Former Farnborough assistant manager Leigh Dynan took over in October and began a period of major squad reconstruction.

At the start of 2017/18 Whyteleafe topped the division and the future looked bright, but Dynan went on to leave the Leafe in October 2017 to join Kingstonian FC. John Scarborough was put in charge as Acting Manager and in November 2017 was joined by Paul Dale, former assistant manager at Tooting & Mitcham United, and the two were appointed Joint Managers. However, at the end of the season Scarborough retired from football and Dale moved elsewhere due to work commitments.

For the start of the 2018/19 season young manager Harry Hudson and his assistant Calum McFarlane were appointed following a successful stint at Croydon FC, and set up a young, enthusiastic side to take the Leafe forward. After a brilliant start that saw them top of the table in the first month, the Leafe eventually finished just outside of the play-off positions in the 8<sup>th</sup> place. They will be looking to reinforce the team for 2019-20 and take the team one step further.



## From the Archives



**Ian Pulman scores away at Whyteleafe on 6<sup>th</sup>.September 2014**



**Ian Pulman scores again at home against Whyteleafe on 17<sup>th</sup>. January 2015**



**Whitstable's keeper pulls off a good save against Whyteleafe on 24<sup>th</sup>. October 2015**

## EARLY GOALS SINK WHITSTABLE

BY RON MARTIN

**Improved second half display not enough to trouble a Dave Martin inspired Whitehawk**

### WHITEHAWK 3 WHITSTABLE TOWN 0

BetVictor Isthmian League South East Division

Saturday 16 November 2019 15.00

A slow start ultimately cost Whitstable the chance of returning from Brighton with any points from their first league game for three weeks. A header from Marvin Hamilton and a near post finish by Connor Tighe, both set up by Dave Martin, gave Whitehawk a two goal lead in the first few minutes. The first half was mostly one way traffic, as the home team playing down the significant slope might have added several more goals. They did score again before the break, with Tighe heading in another Martin cross. Whitstable made two changes for the second half and played much better, creating the majority of the chances, but despite going close on several occasions, Whitehawk defended well and were able to keep a clean sheet and claim a valuable three points.

This was the first meeting between the two teams since the 2011-12 season, when Whitehawk won the league and promotion to the Premier Division, which they also won and subsequently spent five years in the National League South. Consecutive relegations saw them return to the South East Division this season, where they have made a reasonable start. Their last two competitive matches were in the FA Trophy, when they were knocked out by Hastings United after a replay. The injured Freddie Parker missed out for Whitstable and Leo Mazzone started in midfield.

The ground is set on a hillside between the South Downs and the English Channel and in front of a good sized, noisy crowd on a dull afternoon, Whitehawk attacked from the start. The opening goal came from their first corner in the 3rd minute taken by the experienced Martin who proved to be the main difference between the teams. The 34 year old, who started at Slade Green, has played for a number of clubs including Dartford, Crystal Palace, Millwall, Derby County and Southend United. He swung the ball in to the near post and a well-timed run by central defender Hamilton allowed him to glance a header past the defenders on the line and into the far corner of the net. Another goal arrived in the 7th minute, as this time Martin received the ball on the halfway line and clipped it over the defence, where a well-timed run from Tighe beat the offside trap and the former Welsh youth international shot from the left of the area to beat Dan Eason inside his near post. The pressure on the Whitstable goal continued, with the home team playing the ball around nicely in midfield.

A swerving Martin free kick from 25 yards tested Eason again, but he was able to punch clear. JP Kissock then set up Henry Muggeridge, but he put the chance wide and a few minutes later, Kissock again slipped the ball through for Muggeridge who found himself with just Eason to beat, but the Whitstable goalkeeper was able to save. Jake Mackenzie was relieved to see his header go just wide of his own goal as he did well to clear a dangerous Muggeridge cross. John Ufuah tried his luck with a long shot in a rare Whitstable attack, but it was an easy catch for James Broadbent. Whitehawk eventually scored again in the 40th minute, with Martin again the creator. He collected the ball in plenty of space on the left before his deflected shot was beaten out by Eason, but with the defence unable to complete the clearance, he was first to react and sent over a perfect left footed cross for Tighe to rise above James Brown and head past Eason. It might have been worse, but for a great block by Josh Spencer that denied Muggeridge as he was about to shoot. Whitstable would have been relieved to hear the half time whistle with the score at 3-0.



Whitstable manager Lloyd Blackman made two changes for the second half, with Marcus Elliott and Liam Gillies being introduced. Whether it was the changes, the slope, Whitehawk being happy to hold on to what they had or a combination of things, it was a completely different game from the restart. Whitstable started to win more possession in midfield and limited the home team to very few opportunities, whilst creating a number of their own. Elliott held the ball up for Aaron Millbank to try an early shot, then a Gillies free kick was headed over by Spencer at the back post. Millbank made a run into the box where he was halted by a clumsy challenge, but the ball ran loose for TJ Jadama and Broadbent did well to push his shot behind for a corner.

Luke Girt became the only player to be shown a yellow card in the 57th minute, when a heavy challenge left Charles Banya, the former Crawley Town, Maidstone United, Margate and Harrow Borough defender, unable to continue. In the 78th minute, a long throw by substitute Connor Sanders dropped for Elliott whose shot was blocked, before Tom Bryant was also denied. Another Sanders throw saw a Whitehawk defender help the ball across goal and back off the post to Bryant, whose header was saved. A deflected effort by Alfie Rogers was then collected by Eason, who had a much quieter half. A last minute Whitstable corner almost brought a consolation goal, as a scramble led to a Sanders shot just being cleared off the line by Kissock.

It was a much better second half display by Whitstable and they will need to produce that energy from the start in the forthcoming games, which start with a home fixture against Whyteleafe on Saturday.

Whitehawk	Data	Whitstable
8	Shots on target	5
2	Shots off target	4
3	Shots blocked	4
5	Corners	3
5	Fouls conceded	9
2	Offside	3
0	Penalties	0

**Whitehawk**

James Broadbent, Luke Emberson, Charles Banya (Fintan Walsh 61), JP Kissock, Kacper Lopata, Marvin Hamilton, Henry Muggeridge (c) (Rob Deda 84), Lewis Unwin, Rhyle Ovenden, Connor Tighe (Alfie Rogers 73), Dave Martin.  
Subs (unused): Lucas Rodrigues, Duane Ofori-Acheampong.  
Goals: Marvin Hamilton 3, Connor Tighe 7, 40.

**Whitstable Town**

Dan Eason, Jake Mackenzie, James Brown, Luke Girt, Josh Spencer, Tom Bryant (c), Leo Mazzone (Connor Sanders 77), Tijan Jadama, Aaron Millbank, Harry Stannard (Liam Gillies 46), John Ufuah (Marcus Elliott 46).  
Sub (unused): Liam Dickson  
Yellow card: Luke Girt 57

Attendance: 273  
Referee: Greig Walker  
Assistants: Richard Sargeant & Liam White



Luke Girt gets the ball away



Dan Eason gathers the ball cleanly



Did the ball cross the line?



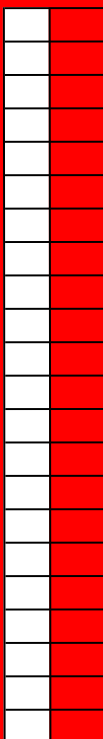


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## WHITSTABLE TOWN

Manager: Lloyd Blackman



James Brown  
Tom Bryant (Capt)  
Muhammed Cham  
Liam Dickson  
Dan Eason (GK)  
Marcus Elliott  
Marcus Evans  
Liam Gillies  
Luke Girt  
Jez Hammond  
Tijan Jadama  
Jake Mackenzie  
Leo Mazzone  
Aaron Millbank  
Freddie Parker  
Connor Sanders  
Josh Spencer  
Harry Stannard  
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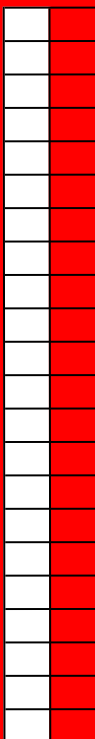
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Shirts: Red with White Trim  
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Socks: Red with White Trim

Referee: Graeme Ions  
Assistant 1: Harry Wager  
Assistant 2: Joshua Smith  
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## WHYTELEAFE FC

Manager: Harry Hudson



Tyler McCarthy  
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Matthew O'Donoghue  
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Peter Wedgeworth  
Antonio Walker-Bath

Asst. Mngr: Calum McFarlane  
Coach:  
GK Coach:  
Physio:  
Physio:  
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### Team Colours:

Shirts: Blue  
Shorts: Blue  
Socks: Blue

Next home match is a Velocity Trophy match v Faversham Tue. 26th. December KO 7:45 pm