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Thursday 26th. December 2019
Kick Off 1:00 pm



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Words from the Chairman

Good Afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen

Welcome to the Belmont's Boxing Day Bonanza in which we entertain Ashford Football Club who I extend a warm welcome to and hope you have a safe trip home.

So, Boxing Day bonanza I hear you ask?? Well a local derby, the Christmas Draw and the 50/50 Jackpot what more could you ask for... well a win wouldn't go a miss!!

As 2019 draws to a close I would like to say thank you to everyone at the club, fans and beyond for all they do to help keep this club going in the right direction. I hope you have all had a fantastic Christmas and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and prosperous new year!

For the last time in 2019 let's get behind Lloyd and the team and cheer us on to 3 points!!

Come on you Reds!!!

Steve





Blacky's Blog

Good afternoon and very warm welcome to everyone here to the Belmont on this Boxing Day fixture against playoff outfit Ashford United.

Our opponents here today are sitting comfortably in the playoffs and fighting to win the league. Tommy Warrilow is doing a marvellous job there and I've no doubt it'll be a tough entertaining fixture. They were the first team to defeat league leaders Hastings United two weeks ago, but we are looking forward to this challenge.

It seems a long time ago since I did my last notes and as well as giving you a briefing over the games since our last home tie, it also gives me a chance to evaluate how things have gone as we head into the second half of the season.

Our current run of form has been pleasing since the defeat to top of the table side Hastings a little over 3 weeks ago. We had a dominating performance full of energy and quality against Phoenix Sports and the 2-1 score line was the least we deserved. On a heavy pitch we didn't let our opponents settle and thoroughly deserved the 3 points. Next up was the rearranged away midweek fixture against Guernsey. We had 6 players unavailable and travelled with a very light squad. When Dicko got injured after 15 minutes we had to shuffle things round and had 2 central midfielders playing as defenders. However how we executed our game plan was very impressive. Every single player stood up to be counted in horrendous weather conditions. I couldn't have been prouder of the group of lads in which was an incredible result considering all the issues we had to contend with. It was also the work of the guys that travelled over that made it a fantastic trip. We all mucked in together and your help was very much appreciated.

Roll on to the Saturday against Ramsgate and there was no doubt fatigue played a part as our levels of performance weren't as high. Apart from a couple of changes I kept a pretty much similar team as those players kept their shirts but there's no doubt we thank Dan Eason for his 2 penalty saves enabling us to leave with a point even more remarkable considering he was suffering with a dead leg but showed us why we value him so highly.

As we head into the festive period, we find ourselves 3 points off of the playoffs and about to face two very good sides with their own promotion aspirations. This new young group of players continue to improve every week and if we keep doing the things we are doing then I'd like to think we can look forward to the second half of the season building on the work and foundation we have set to this point. It'll be tough work against clubs with bigger budgets and resources than ours currently, but we aren't far away at all and the belief I have in this group I hope will see us push on even more.

Lastly a big special thanks to the supporter's club who have helped with financial contributions to aid the playing budget. Support like this is invaluable and such a great help to myself when I'm able to speak to you guys if we need something. Anyone interested in contributing to the cause then please ask for Richard Tennant who would be able to let you know more details.

I hope everyone has had a very merry Christmas and I wish everyone from Whitstable Town a very happy and healthy 2020.

Up the oysters

Blacky



Biggsie's Banter

I would like to welcome all the Players, Management, Committee and Supporters to the Belmont this Boxing Day. I hope all of you had a great Christmas Day and wish you all a happy New Year. I also extend the Christmas and New Year greetings to all the Whitstable Town Players, Management, Committee and Supporters.

Our last two matches were away, at Guernsey and Ramsgate. The flight to Guernsey on a Wednesday afternoon went off without a hitch this time. The hospitalities given by all at Guernsey FC were greatly appreciated. We surprised a few with our comprehending win over Guernsey. Thoroughly deserved. All the team can be proud of themselves. The only downside to the trip was that we had to be up at a quarter to five in the morning and get to the airport for the 7 o'clock flight. It was on time and we landed at Gatwick at five minutes to eight.

Three days later we travelled to Ramsgate. A strong and cold wind was blowing, and the pitch was a bit heavy. We played well for the first half hour then the effort in Guernsey took its toll and you could see our players were a bit leggy. Thanks to Dan's saves we managed a one all draw.

Today we entertain Ashford United who have been having reasonable results in the league. We are hoping to get the better of them this afternoon, time will tell.

After the match we will be holding the Christmas Draw, so I will wish all of you good luck as there are many prizes on offer. With the early kick-off we hope to get the draw done quickly then you can all make it home to the family for the rest of the festive day.

I hope we have a good game of football with a good attendance today and you Whitstable supporters give our lads plenty of cheer.

#COME ON YOU REDS#

Les

**Next home game at the Belmont is a
BetVictor South East Division match
v Sevenoaks Town
Saturday 4th. January 2020
Kick Off 3:00 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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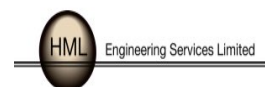
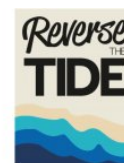
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		P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	Hastings United	16	10	5	1	27	9	18	35
2	Cray Valley PM	16	9	4	3	23	14	9	31
3	Whitehawk	14	9	2	3	31	17	14	29
4	Ashford United	16	9	1	6	34	27	7	28
5	Whyteleafe	15	7	5	3	29	22	7	26
6	Sevenoaks Town	16	7	4	5	28	20	8	25
7	Guernsey	17	6	7	4	26	26	0	25
8	Herne Bay	15	7	3	5	29	29	0	24
9	VCD Athletic	16	6	5	5	31	29	2	23
10	Whitstable Town	17	6	5	6	22	23	-1	23
11	Phoenix Sports	16	7	1	8	31	27	4	22
12	Chichester City	12	5	4	3	17	17	0	19
13	Haywards Heath Town	12	4	6	2	16	13	3	18
14	Sittingbourne	15	5	3	7	17	19	-2	18
15	Faversham Town	16	5	3	8	14	22	-8	18
16	Burgess Hill Town	16	5	2	9	30	35	-5	17
17	Hythe Town	17	4	4	9	16	26	-10	16
18	Ramsgate	16	2	5	9	17	30	-13	11
19	Three Bridges	16	3	2	11	18	34	-16	11
20	East Grinstead Town	14	0	5	9	14	31	-17	5

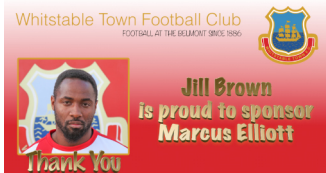
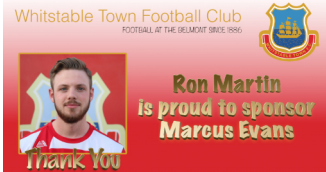
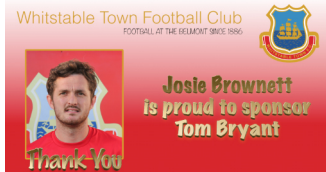
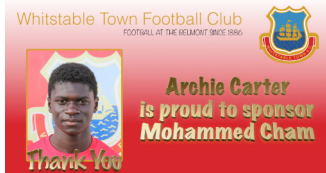
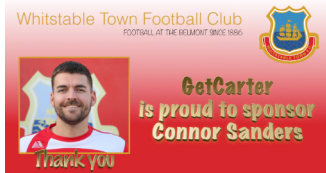
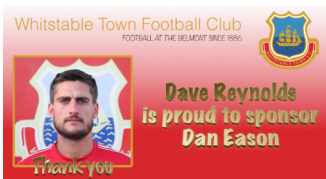
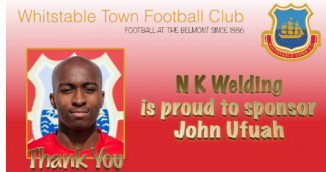
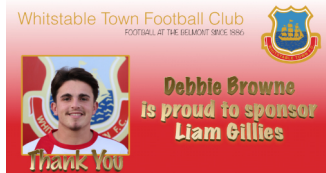
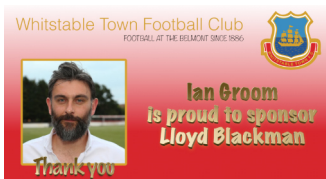
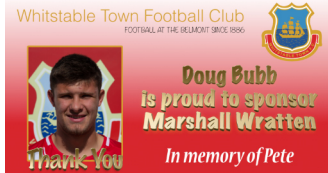
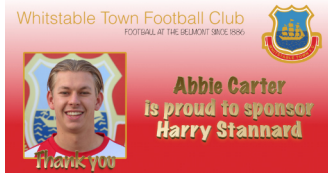
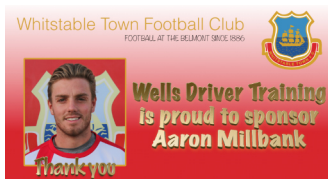
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Liam Dickson Luke Girt

Leo Mazzone Josh Spencer

Mark Lane Steve Nolan Levi Gurung

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Whitstable Town FC – Player Records 2019–20

Player	League			Cup			Career		
	Starts	Sub	Goals	Starts	Sub	Goals	Apps	Goals	Debut
Caleb Afoke	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	26/11/2019
Alex Anderson	0	3	0	2	1	1	6	1	17/08/2019
James Brown	12	0	0	10	0	0	34	0	19/11/2011
Tom Bryant	10	0	0	8	0	0	135	12	27/12/2016
Muhammed Cham	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	26/11/2019
Liam Dickson	9	0	0	4	0	0	13	0	26/08/2019
Dan Eason	17	0	0	11	0	0	211	1	27/10/2015
Marcus Elliott	9	7	6	4	7	2	27	8	17/08/2019
Charles Etumnu	1	2	0	1	0	0	4	0	23/11/2019
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	13	4	1	7	3	0	27	1	17/08/2019
Luke Girt	14	2	0	8	1	0	73	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	15	0	3	9	0	1	26	5	04/11/2017
Jake Mackenzie	17	0	0	8	1	0	132	7	18/08/2012
Leo Mazzone	3	4	1	3	3	0	13	1	21/09/2019
Aaron Millbank	15	1	6	9	1	3	26	9	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	10	1	0	6	1	0	28	1	09/03/2019
Josh Spencer	7	3	1	6	1	0	17	1	26/08/2019
Harry Stannard	4	4	2	4	3	4	34	13	28/11/2015
John Ufuah	12	1	0	7	0	2	20	2	14/09/2019
John Walker	4	0	1	3	0	0	67	1	04/11/2017
Marshall Wratten	7	2	0	2	0	0	11	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 14 December 2019

WHITSTABLE TOWN FC PLAYER PROFILES

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

Liam Gillies Age 20 Central midfield. Club debut August 2019 Previous clubs Dartford, Rochester Utd, Ashford Utd. Best memory Making my first team debut for Dartford in the Kent Cup at 17

John Ufuah Age 20 Attacking winger. Club debut September 2019 Previous clubs Leatherhead and Dartford.

Dan Eason Age 31 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 Centre Back. Club debut August 2019 Previous clubs Folkestone, Ramsgate.
Best memory Won the play-offs with Folkestone Invicta.

Marcus Evans Age 23 Centre Back. Club debut August 2019 Currently out injured. Previous clubs Corinthian, Cray Wanderers. Best memory winning the league with Cray Wanderers.

Tom Bryant Age 31 Centre Back and Captain. Club debut December 2016 and has since made over 100 appearances. Previous clubs Gillingham, Folkestone (loan), Halesowen Town, Herne Bay Tunbridge Wells. Best memory Turning pro at 17 with Gillingham

Luke Girt Age 25 Midfield. Club debut August 2014 and re-joined for season 2019-20. Previous clubs Sheppey Ramsgate, Sittingbourne. Best memory scoring to put us ahead in a FA Cup replay away to Northwood in extra time.

Tijan Jadama Age 21 Centre midfield box to box. Club debut November 2017 on loan and re-joined for 2019-20 season. 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 Striker. Club debut August 2019. Previous clubs Gillingham, Ramsgate.
Best memory Making my debut for Gillingham first team in 2014.

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

Harry Stannard Age 21 Striker. Club debut November 2015 and re-joined for 2019-20 season. Previous clubs Gillingham, Hastings, Margate, Ramsgate.

Marcus Elliott Age 33 Striker. Club debut August 2019 Previous clubs Erith and Belvedere, Chipstead, Sevenoaks, East Grinstead, Lewes.

Josh Spencer Age 19. Centre Back. Club debut August 2019. 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 18 Wing or centre forward. Previous club Whitstable Town Academy, Margate Sports. My highlight so far is having a trial with Fleetwood Town FC.

James Brown Age 27 Left back. Club debut November 2011 and re-joined for 2019-20 season. Previous clubs Faversham and Herne Bay.

Leo Mazzone Age 22 Midfield. Previous clubs Ebbsfleet Utd. and East Grinstead.

Charles Etumnu Age 20 Midfield. Club debut November 2019 Previous club Cray Wanderers

Marshall Wratten Age 19, Attacking winger. Club debut, September 2019. (On loan from Dover Ath.) Previous club Dover Athletic.

Caleb Afoke Age 21, Defender. Joined Whitstable debut 2019-20 season. Previous clubs Herne Bay, Ashford Utd. Bishop's Stortford, Hollands and Blair.

Lewis Mitchell Age 20, Goalkeeper. Joined Whitstable 2019-20 season. Previous clubs Kent Football Utd. Erith Town, Erith and Belvedere.



Jake MacKenzie



Liam Dickson



TJ Jadama



James Brown



Leo Mazzone



Liam Gillies



Marcus Evans



Connor Sanders



Marcus Elliott



Marshall Wratten



John Ufuah



Tom Bryant



Aaron Millbank



Josh Spencer



Caleb Afoke



Dan Eason



Luke Girt



Harry Stannard



Muhammed Cham

Lewis Mitchell

Whitstable Town Reserves

Division Two Central & East

POSTEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Deal Town Rangers	10	6	3	1	22	12	10	21
2 Tenterden Town	9	6	1	2	36	18	18	19
4 Bearsted Reserves	7	4	2	1	21	10	11	14
3 Sturry	6	4	1	1	31	7	24	13
5 Whitstable Town Reserves	10	5	1	4	26	18	8	13
6 West Farleigh	10	4	1	5	30	24	6	13
7 Cuxton 1991 Reserves	8	3	0	5	21	24	-3	9
8 Larkfield And New Hythe Wanderers	10	3	0	7	20	42	-22	9
9 Rochester City Reserves	10	2	0	8	20	65	-45	6
10 Southborough	6	1	1	4	9	16	-7	4

* Adjustment Made 3 points deducted

Latest Results

	DATE	HOME	RESULT	AWAY
League	14/12/2019	Deal Town Rangers	1 1	Bearsted Reserves
SCCS	14/12/2019	Southborough (Pen 2 4)	0 0	Blackham & Ashhurst
LLC	14/12/2019	Sturry	P P	Staplehurst Monarchs UTD.Reserves
League	14/12/2019	Tenterden Town	3 1	Larkfield & New Hythe Wanderers
League	07/12/2019	West Farleigh	2 4	Whitstable Town Reserves
League	30/11/2019	Cuxton 1991 Reserves	4 2	Larkfield And New Hythe Wanderers
League	30/11/2019	Sturry	9 0	Rochester City Reserves
League	30/11/2019	West Farleigh	1 1	Southborough
League	30/11/2019	Whitstable Town Reserves	1 2	Deal Town Rangers

KENT INTERMEDIATE CUP DRAW

BY RON MARTIN

Whitstable Reserves drawn at home in quarter finals

Whitstable Town Reserves have been drawn at home in the quarter final of the Kent Intermediate Cup, although they will have to wait until December 19th to discover their opponents.

The full draw is as follows:

Cray Valley PM Development U23 v Hollands and Blair Reserves

Lordswood Reserves v Tunbridge Wells U21

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5. In which year did Jack Taylor referee the FA Cup Final
6. Which referee was nicknamed 'Mr Pickwick' for his bushy sideburns
7. Which referee is a Harrow schoolmaster
8. Which referee was attacked by a supporter at Millwall in 1967

Answers

Answers

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Attendances		Home					Away				
		P	Total	Avg	Max	Min	P	Total	Avg	Max	Min
Isthmian South East	:										
Guernsey	:	5	3718	744	812	635	12	2071	173	333	55
Hastings United	:	7	3243	463	602	347	9	2201	245	808	108
Burgess Hill Town	:	8	2539	317	364	252	8	1419	177	407	73
Herne Bay	:	8	2448	306	411	229	7	1484	212	532	56
Whitstable Town	:	9	2276	253	532	141	8	2335	292	652	116
Whitehawk	:	8	1830	229	280	150	6	1280	213	405	107
Hythe Town	:	8	1767	221	362	141	9	2676	297	811	61
Ashford United	:	8	1723	215	322	118	8	1401	175	362	80
Faversham Town	:	9	1866	207	323	111	7	1361	194	428	62
Haywards Heath	:	6	1193	199	407	102	6	1188	198	306	61
Ramsgate	:	9	1729	192	219	144	7	930	133	221	81
Chichester City	:	5	959	192	256	105	7	1528	177	407	55
Sittingbourne	:	7	1153	165	217	108	8	1849	231	318	79
Sevenoaks Town	:	7	1070	153	164	143	9	2313	257	635	81
Whyteleafe	:	9	1174	130	194	79	6	1282	214	400	111
East Grinstead Town	:	8	961	120	166	91	6	892	149	249	51
Three Bridges	:	9	864	96	148	56	7	925	132	239	62
Cray Valley PM	:	8	721	90	150	56	8	1669	209	281	93
Phoenix Sports	:	9	795	88	165	51	7	1673	239	553	84
VCD Athletic	:	7	595	85	130	61	9	2147	239	812	92

League matches only
Up to 14 December 2019

BetVictor Isthmian League South East Division

The Leagues Top Twenty Goalscorers

Pos.	Player	Team	Goalscorers
1	David Smith	Ashford United	15
2	Ronald Sobowale	Whyteleafe	15
3	Zak Ansah	Herne Bay	14
4	Warren Mfula	Burgess Hill Town / Cray Valley PM	14
5	Ross Allen	Guernsey	9
6	Charlie MacDonald	VCD Athletic	8
7	Trevor McCreadie	Haywards Heath Town	8
8	Duane Ofori-Acheampong	Whitehawk	8
9	Kane Rowland	Ramsgate	8
10	Jeff Duah-Kessie	Phoenix Sports	7
11	William Fazakerley	Guernsey	7
12	Marcus Elliott	Whitstable Town	6
13	Aaron Millbank	Whitstable Town	6
14	Lucas Rodrigues	Whitehawk	6
15	Frankie Sawyer	Sevenoaks Town	6
16	Ben Allen	Phoenix Sports	5
17	Roman Campbell	Sittingbourne	5
18	Kyle De Silva	Sevenoaks Town	5
19	Jay May	Ashford United	5
20	Kelvin Ogboe	VCD Athletic	5



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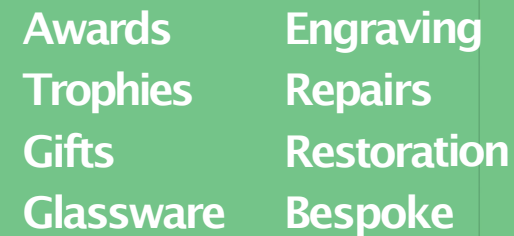
At the Belmont we have had a few players who specialised in delivering the long throw-in. This season it is Connor Sanders. For some of last season it was Chris Elliot. Around 2000 it was full-back Andy Skinner. Then there was Reiss Crimmen. (I recall his coming on for that reason as a tactical change for Peter Wedgeworth.) Before Reiss we had Billy Cobb, who was more used occasionally as a sub than as one of the starting line-ups. The long throw merchants offer their side something different. A good delivery in attack can pose an alternative threat to the opponents' goal and in defence can propel the ball up-field than the usual throw-in.

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The first long throw merchant that I can recall seeing was Lee Sinnott, when in the mid 80s he played centre-back for Watford.



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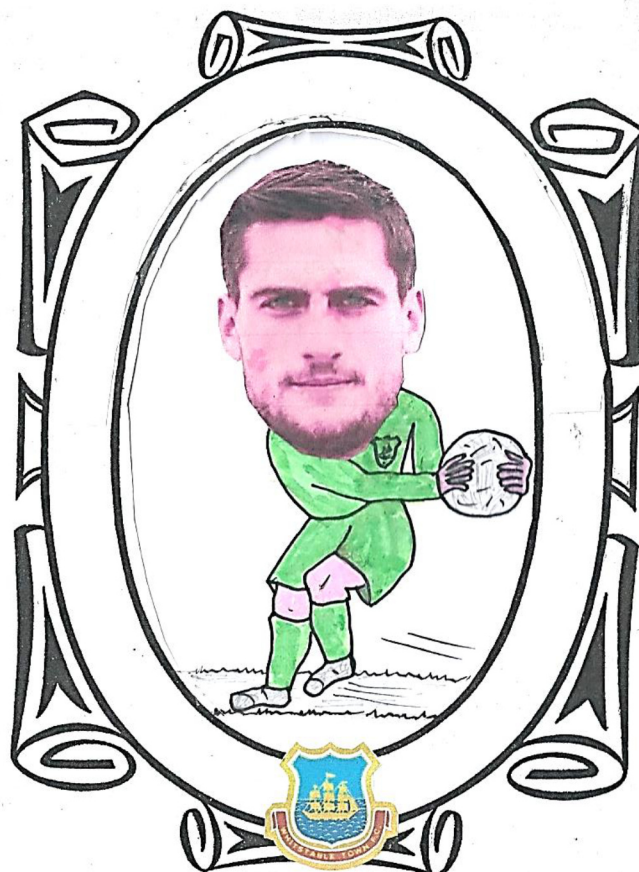


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2019/20	Ashford United	Burgess Hill Town	Chichester City
Ashford United		2 0	29-Feb
Burgess Hill Town	4-Jan		1 2
Chichester City	17-Dec	28-Dec	
Cray Valley PM	25-Jan	22-Feb	0 2
East Grinstead Town	1 3	1 1	25-Apr
Faversham Town	28-Mar	8-Feb	4-Jan
Guernsey	22-Feb	7-Mar	8-Feb
Hastings United	8-Feb	13-Apr	5 1
Haywards Heath Town	1 0	5 1	3-Dec
Herne Bay	2 2	11-Jan	25-Jan
Hythe Town	1 4	4-Apr	0 0
Phoenix Sports	1 2	3 2	2 3
Ramsgate	11-Apr	18-Jan	1 2
Sevenoaks Town	3 0	21-Mar	2 2
Sittingbourne	4-Feb	25-Apr	14-Mar
Three Bridges	0 5	0 0	4-Feb
VCD Athletic	7-Mar	4 0	10-Dec
Whitehawk	18-Apr	2 0	21-Dec
Whitstable Town	26-Dec	1-Feb	28-Mar
Whyteleafe	3 4	4 3	11-Apr
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WHITSTABLE TOWN F.C.

MEET THE TEAM No.1



DAN EASON

Whitstable's No.1, Dan, is a vastly experienced goal keeper having previously played for Herne Bay and Hythe Town. He made his debut for 'The Oystermen' in October 2015 v. Folkestone Invicta (A). Since then he has made over 200 appearances for Whitstable Town and even scored one goal when playing a single outfield game v. Lordswood (A) in a SCEFL match in 2018.

Ashford United's Potted History

Ashford United Football Club was formed in 1891 with some varying degrees of success until the team ceased in 1928.

In April 1930, Sir Charles Igglesden presided over a meeting to form a senior football club in Ashford and subsequently applied to compete in the Kent League, FA Cup and Kent Senior Cup. It was around then that Ashford Town came into existence, rather than Ashford United, and acquired its nickname of 'The Nuts & Bolts' as many of the members were from the ranks of the engineers in the railway works.

It was cup football that was to provide the greatest success for Town, reaching the first round proper of the FA Cup as a Kent League side in 1959/60, losing 1-0 to Crystal Palace. In the 1960's, Town reached the first round of the FA Cup on four occasions, falling to league opposition each time. Further honours arrived with success in the Kent Senior Cup in 1959 and 1963. In 1972/73, Town reached the semi-finals of the FA Trophy.

During the 1990's, manager Neil Cugley produced an entertaining and successful side. Highlights included a first round FA Cup match with Fulham, witnessed by a capacity crowd of 3,300 at Homelands with Sky TV highlights. The result was an impressive 2-2 draw; the replay at Craven Cottage saw the game into extra-time with Town eventually losing 5-3. In 1996/97, Ashford drew Watford away in the second-round, losing 5-0.

In 2009/10, following a Boardroom fall-out, the club's future was put in the balance following the winding up of Ashford Town Football Club but now, under the new name of Ashford United, the club continues to progress.

The 'new' United was formed in 2011, resurrecting a name used by the town's football club around the advent of the twentieth century and, in the truest form, represents a 'phoenix club', rising from the ashes of financial ruin and being run by the Crosbie family with the help of members of the local community.

Ashford United are currently in the Bet Victor League South East Division. After finishing second in two consecutive seasons, ultimately losing out to Whyteleafe and Phoenix Sports respectively. The 2016-17 season finally brought success for AUFC who became league champions earning their place for promotion into the Bostik League.

This was a much deserved reward for the hard work of the manager and the playing team and of course the team involved in the running of the football club and all it's very loyal supporters.

Our Management team consists of Tommy Warrilow and Alex O'Brien, Coach Louis Dean and Physio Ben Coles.

Great times ahead for Ashford United

TWO PENALTY SAVES SECURE DRAW

BY RON MARTIN

Dan Eason earns ten-man Whitstable a point at Southwood

RAMSGATE 1 WHITSTABLE TOWN 1

BetVictor Isthmian League South East Division

Saturday 14 December 2019 15.00

It was the last game before Christmas for Whitstable and following two good wins against Phoenix Sports and Guernsey, they had the better of the first third of this game, although their early goal by Marcus Elliott was the result of a defensive mistake. They were unable to add to their lead however and Ramsgate started to apply some pressure and it was an error at the other end that gave Ashley Miller the chance to sweep home an equaliser just before halftime. Whitstable struggled in the second half, looking as though the midweek trip to the Channel Islands had caught up with them. Ramsgate had a number of chances to end their run of seven league games without a win, particularly when they were awarded two penalties in three minutes, but they failed to find a way past Dan Eason and despite losing Josh Spencer to two yellow cards, Whitstable held on for a draw.

The teams had met in the Velocity Trophy at Southwood on Bonfire Night, when the home team ran out 2-0 winners, but the Rams have had a difficult beginning to their league campaign and started the afternoon with only winless East Grinstead below them and they were missing Tom Chapman, Jack Paxman and Ollie Gray through injury. Former Whitstable player Gray was joined in the stand by another Whitstable favourite Nick Treadwell, who was not in the Ramsgate squad, although three other ex-Oysters were - Ashley Miller, Kane Rowland and Harry Brooks. Whitstable manager Lloyd Blackman started with nine of the team that arrived back from Guernsey on Thursday and they were joined by the returning Connor Sanders and James Brown, but the club captain Tom Bryant was unavailable.

The game started quietly on a very chilly and breezy afternoon, with Whitstable scoring from the first real opportunity in the 9th minute. Some good play on the left by Marshall Wratten and Luke Girt saw the ball played into the box where Rob Saunders completely missed his attempted clearance, leaving Elliott with the task of sliding the ball past Jonathan Miles to open the scoring and continue where he left off in Guernsey, having scored twice in the last few minutes. Whitstable looked in control for a while and a long throw by Sanders was headed down by Josh Spencer for John Ufuah, who hooked a left footed shot just over the bar. Whitstable had five corners in the first half, but only tested Miles from one of them when he easily saved a header in the 22nd minute.

Ramsgate seemed to find some additional drive around the 30-minute mark and suddenly the visiting defence came under pressure. There were a couple of attempts kept out following a short corner, but Whitstable still carried a threat on the counter and Ufuah appeared to be brought down on one breakaway, then Saunders was cautioned for halting another run. Ramsgate were getting on top though and on 41 minutes, Rowland was set up by Roman Campbell, but was denied by Eason. The ball twice went across the Whitstable box and they were made to pay for thinking the ball was going out for a goal kick, when it was played back into the path of Miller who shot into the far corner from the edge of the box in the 44th minute and that was the last significant action of the half.

Liam Gillies was replaced by Charles Etumnu at half time and Whitstable broke quickly from a Ramsgate corner soon after the restart, with Wratten flicking the ball into the path of Ufuah who looked to be onside as he raced clear, only to be halted by a raised flag. Dan Carrington then went into the book for a pull back, before Harry Stannard was introduced from the Whitstable bench. There followed an incredible few minutes, when Ramsgate should have got themselves in front. There were a couple of close-range efforts kept out after a Miller free kick was played into a packed box, before the referee spotted an infringement and pointed to the penalty spot in the 56th minute. Campbell struck the penalty too close to Eason, who was able to drop to his left to make the save. Whitstable cleared the ball up the pitch, but lost possession and allowed Ramsgate to race straight back again and a long run was eventually halted by Spencer's poorly timed challenge just inside the box that earned the young defender a yellow card and if there was any doubt about the first penalty, there was none about this one. Miller stepped up this time but struck it straight at Eason who was able to block the ball with his legs and complete his second save in the space of three minutes.

WHITSTABLE TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB YOUTH TEAMS

Team	League	Manager	Email
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Whitstable Town FC Youth U8s	FDYL	Bailey Collin / Samuel Camilleri	enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club
Whitstable Town FC Youth U8 Girls	KGLFL	Abbie Carter	enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club
Whitstable Town FC Youth U9 Girls	KGLFL	Hannah Wrench	enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club
Whitstable Town FC Youth U9s	FDYL	Tony Sibley / Chris Garret	enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club
Whitstable Town FC Youth U10s A	EKYL	Michael Kennelly / Matt Milne	enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club
Whitstable Town FC Youth U10s B	EKYL	David Johnson / Justin Hall	enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club
Whitstable Town FC Youth U10 Girls	KGLFL	Julie Harrison	enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club
Whitstable Town FC Youth U11s	EKYL	Gary Carter / Bailey Collin	enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club
Whitstable Town FC Youth U11s A	EKYL	Sarah Couzens	enquiries@whitstabletownfc.club
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Stannard did try a shot from around 10 yards that was stopped by Liam Friend at the far post, but most of the action was at the other end and a cross was just cleared for a corner from which Tijan Jadama cleared a header off the line and when the ball came out to Jude Arthurs, he fired it just over the top. Whitstable made their final change as Elliott was replaced by Aaron Millbank and then Stannard tried another shot after making himself some space, but the ball went wide. Campbell clipped a first time shot past the post after being found by Miller and Rowland headed another dangerous cross wide. A collision on the halfway line earned a second yellow card and an early departure from the action for Spencer in the 76th minute, but Whitstable managed to raise their game a little towards the end, although Bode Anidugbe shot over after another brief spell of Ramsgate pressure. Millbank, Stannard and Etumnu all tried shots in an attempt to earn Whitstable an unlikely late winner as the clock ticked down, but when the final whistle sounded they were more than happy to escape with a point from a tired looking performance and Ramsgate were left to wonder how they had not picked up a much needed win.

Whitstable remain in tenth place and now have a welcome break before entertaining Ashford United on Boxing Day, with the kick-off having been brought forward to 1 p.m.

Ramsgate	Data	Whitstable
8	Shots on target	3
6	Shots off target	2
2	Shots blocked	3
5	Corners	5
7	Fouls conceded	11
1	Offside	3
2	Penalties	0

Ramsgate

Jonathan Miles, Charlie Hallett (Dan Barrett 31), Rob Saunders, Tom Wynter, Liam Friend (c), Dan Carrington (Jack Morrell 62), Ashley Miller, Bode Anidugbe, Kane Rowland (Tyrell Mitford 86), Roman Campbell, Jude Arthurs.
Subs (unused): Matty Robinson, Harry Brooks.
Goal: Ashley Miller 44
Yellow cards: Rob Saunders 33, Dan Carrington 52.

Whitstable Town

Dan Eason, Jake Mackenzie, James Brown, Luke Girt (c), Josh Spencer, Connor Sanders, Liam Gillies (Charles Etumnu 46), Tijan Jadama, Marcus Elliott (Aaron Millbank 66), Marshall Wratten (Harry Stannard 53), John Ufuah.
Subs (unused): Leo Mazzone, Lewis Mitchell.
Goal: Marcus Elliott 9
Red card: Josh Spencer (two yellows 58, 76)

Attendance: 219
Referee: Kirsty Dowle
Assistants: Jake Woodman & Jack Owen



Marcus Elliott Scores against Ramsgate



Dan Eason saves the first of his two penalty stops



Charles Etumnu in control against Ramsgate on a cold day

From the Archives



Craig Thompson roars with delight at Kane Rowland's goal 6-12-16



Whitstable score at home against Ashford on the 4-4-17



A near miss away to Ashford on the 12-01-19

DEPLETED TOWN WIN IN GUERNSEY

BY RON MARTIN

Two late Elliott goals secure win after Eason denies the Green Lions in first half

GUERNSEY 0 WHITSTABLE TOWN 2

BetVictor Isthmian League South East Division
Wednesday 11 December 2019 19.45

Whitstable put in a great away performance to take all three points in Guernsey, despite having five senior players missing. Guernsey started well, but a combination of poor finishing and several good saves by Dan Eason prevented any first half goals. Whitstable started to look more threatening towards the interval and were the more effective team for long periods in the second half. John Ufuah was brought down in the penalty area and Marcus Elliott made no mistake from the spot to give his team the lead with just ten minutes remaining. Ufuah then struck the post following some good possession football and Elliott was on hand to stab the rebound into the net. Elliott missed a great chance for a hat trick soon afterwards and Tijan Jadama and Ufuah both went close to adding further goals, although Harry Tobin hit the bar and Ross Allen had a shot saved by Eason in the closing moments at the other end.

This was a fixture that should have taken place in early November, but a stronger Whitstable squad only got as far as Gatwick before having to return home as problems with the airline meant it was not possible to get the game played on that Saturday. The timing of this midweek game meant that Whitstable had to travel without Tom Bryant, Connor Sanders, James Brown, Aaron Millbank and Harry Stannard, so a squad of fourteen including academy player Muhammed Cham and back up goalkeeper Lewis Mitchell made the trip. Guernsey have started well this season, especially as they were unable to play any home games until October, and were looking for a win that would have moved them up to fourth place. Their leading marksman Ross Allen has returned to the club for this campaign and was looking for a goal to take him to 250 for the club. Josh Addison made his first appearance in goal for a couple of years.

It was a very wet day in Guernsey and there were several heavy bursts of rain during the game, which started with the home team on the attack. Allen crossed from the right and Carlos Canha saw his header saved by Eason. Charlton Gauvain also had a shot saved by the Whitstable goalkeeper and Tom Strawbridge shot over the bar following the corner. The overworked Whitstable defence, already missing Bryant, Sanders and Brown, suffered a further blow when captain for the day, Liam Dickson had to be helped off with a calf injury after 14 minutes, to be replaced by midfielder Charles Etumnu, on his return from suspension. A reshuffle was required and Leo Mazzone dropped back into defence and did a good job against an attack that also featured young Alex Scott, who has just been signed by Bristol City. Guernsey also had to make an early change, as Simon Geall came on for Strawbridge. In the 24th minute, Leo Mazzone was penalised for a strong challenge and Allen struck the free kick from distance that Eason elected to punch out to the edge of the area where it was volleyed back by Kieran Mahon and Eason made another great block.

Whitstable had a chance on 29 minutes when a stray pass by Liam Mahon sent Marshall Wratten on a run before he was fouled by Geall just outside the box, but Liam Gillies saw his free kick strike the wall and loop over the bar. Elliott then sent over a dangerous cross from the left that was inches away from Wratten. Gauvain broke through again for Guernsey on the right, but his low cross was well cut out by Mazzone. A couple of minutes later, Tobin met another Gauvain cross, forcing Eason into another good stop low to his right. On 42 minutes, Gillies won the ball and sent Ufuah away on the right and he crossed to Wratten whose shot was parried by Addison and his second attempt was cleared off the line by Jamie Dodd. Whitstable were now having much more of the game and in driving rain, Wratten had another shot blocked for a corner. Guernsey won a corner right on 45 minutes and Geall's header was saved by Eason. In added time, Ufuah had a shot blocked and an Allen effort was deflected wide at the other end, so the teams went in with the score still goalless.

Whitstable started the second half quite positively, but the first real opportunity went to the hosts when a foul by Spencer gave Liam Mahon the chance to fire in a free kick that Eason could only push out as far as Allen, who headed the ball over the bar from close range. A driving run by Etumnu created an opening for Elliott, but the flag was raised just as his shot hit the side netting. A deep Wratten free kick was helped back into the box by Ufuah, but Jadama could not get enough power in his header to beat Addison. The tide was turning in Whitstable's favour as several of the home players appeared to be tiring and giving the ball away too easily, but Gauvain did try his luck with a long shot that was comfortably held by Eason. Guernsey then had to make a double substitution due to injuries, bringing on Tyler McKane and Matt Loaring, who scored penalties in both games between the teams last season.

The deadlock was finally broken in the 80th minute, when Jadama released Ufuah on the right and as he tried to go past Tobin, he was brought down and the referee pointed to the penalty spot. Elliott stepped forward and curled his shot into the left corner to give Whitstable the lead. On 84 minutes, Etumnu won the ball and began a sequence of passing that continued around the pitch until Ufuah received the ball and hit a left footed shot from 18 yards that beat Addison and came back of the post to give Elliott a simple finish and it was 2-0. Ufuah was now causing all sorts of problems down the right and another run and shot drew a fingertip save from Addison. On 88 minutes, Loaring played in Tobin whose rising shot finally beat Eason, but the ball crashed back off the bar. Whitstable went straight back on the attack and another Ufuah shot was parried by Addison into the path of Elliott, but he lifted the ball over the bar. Cham came on for the last few moments for his second first team appearance and in injury time, both teams sent balls across the box, but it was fitting that Eason had the final say when he saved a low shot by Allen to preserve his clean sheet.

The small travelling contingent from Kent were able to celebrate the win before returning home the following morning. Whitstable next face a shorter trip to face Ramsgate on Saturday, when they will no doubt have a bigger squad to choose from, in their final game before Christmas.

Guernsey	Data	Whitstable
9	Shots on target	9
3	Shots off target	4
1	Shots blocked	3
4	Corners	5
11	Fouls conceded	12
2	Offside	5
0	Penalties	1

Guernsey

Josh Addison, Tom De La Mare (Tyler McKane 69), Jamie Dodd (c), Harry Tobin, Tom Strawbridge (Simon Geall 19), Kieran Mahon (Matt Loaring 70), Liam Mahon, Carlos Canha, Charlton Gauvain, Ross Allen, Alex Scott.
Subs (unused): Jordan Kelly, Louis Graham.
Yellow card: Simon Geall 29

Whitstable Town

Dan Eason, Jake Mackenzie, Luke Girt, Leo Mazzone, Josh Spencer, Liam Dickson (c) (Charles Etumnu 14), Liam Gillies, Tijan Jadama, Marcus Elliott, Marshall Wratten (Muhammed Cham 90), John Ufuah.
Sub (unused): Lewis Mitchell
Goals: Marcus Elliott pen 80, 84.
Yellow cards: Leo Mazzone 24, Josh Spencer 54.

Attendance: 652
Referee: Will Briers
Assistants: Nic Hucker & Paul Agboola



A wet night in Guernsey



John Ufuah is tightly marked for most of the game



Marcus Elliot wheels away after scoring his second against Guernsey

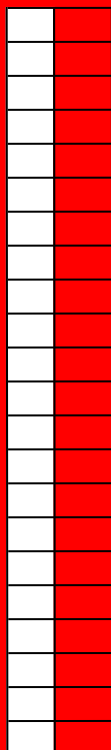


If this one had gone in it would have given Marcus Elliott his hat-trick



WHITSTABLE TOWN

Manager: Lloyd Blackman



Caleb Afoke
James Brown
Tom Bryant (Capt)
Muhammed Cham
Liam Dickson
Dan Eason (GK)
Marcus Elliott
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Marcus Evans
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Aaron Millbank
Lewis Mitchell
Connor Sanders
Josh Spencer
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John Ufuah
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Physio: Levi Gurung

Kitman: Brian Stokes

Team Colours:

Shirts: Red with White Trim

Shorts: Red

Socks: Red with White Trim

Referee: Joseph Stokes

Assistant 1: Ryan Chantrill-Smith

Assistant 2: Jak Hill

Observer

ASHFORD UNITED

Manager: Tommy Warrilow



Lee Hook (GK)
Aaron Lee-Wharton (GK)
Sam Matt (GK)
Jerald Aboagye
Ben Binder
Matthew Bourne
Mohammed Kamara
Jake McIntyre
Finley O'Shea
Theo Osinfouarin
Josh Wisson
Aaron Kragbe
Kundai Oladipupo
Lee Prescott
Aaron Condon
Tariq Ossai
Levi Gold
Tashi-Jay Kwayie
Jay May
Davis Smith

Asst. Mngr: Alex O'Brien

Coach: Lois Dean

Coach:

Physio:

Physio:

Kitman:

Team Colours:

Shirts: Yellow

Shorts: Green

Socks: Green

**Next home match is a BetVictor SE Div. v Sevenoaks Town Saturday 4th.January
 KO 3:00 pm**