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SATURDAY 26TH AUGUST 2023

ISTHMIAN NORTH DIVISION



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DIVISION TABLE 2023/24

Pos	Team	P	HW	HD	HL	HF	HA	AW	AD	AL	AF	AA	GD	Pts
1	Enfield FC	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	+3	3
2	Gorleston	1	1	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	+2	3
3	East Thurrock	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	+2	3
4	Walthamstow	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	+2	3
5	Bury Town	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	+1	3
6	Brightlingsea Regent	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	+1	3
7	Heybridge Swifts	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	+1	3
8	Felixstowe & Walton United	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	+0	1
9	Maldon & Tiptree	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	+0	1
10	Basildon United	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	+0	1
11	Lowestoft Town	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	+0	1
12	Redbridge	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	+0	1
13	Witham Town	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	+0	1
14	Brentwood	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
15	Bowers & Pitsea	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0
16	Stowmarket Town	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0
17	New Salamis	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0
18	Ipswich Wanderers	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	-2	0
19	Wroxham	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	-2	0
20	Grays	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	-3	0

FIRST TEAM

FIXTURES 2022/23

Sat	Aug	12	Gorleston	A	
Sat	Aug	19			FA Cup Prem
Sat	Aug	26	Bowers & Pitsea	H	
Tue	Aug	29	Enfield	A	
Sat	Sep	2			FA Cup 1st Qual Rd
Sat	Sep	9			FA Trophy Qual 1
Sat	Sep	16	East Thurrock United	H	FA Cup 2nd Qual Rd
Sat	Sep	23			FA Trophy Qual rd 2
Sat	Sep	30	Redbridge	A	FA Cup 3rd Qual Rd
Sat	Oct	7	Heybridge Swifts	H	FA Trophy 3rd Qual Rd
Wed	Oct	11	Walthamstow	H	
Sat	Oct	14	Grays Athletic	A	FA Cup 4th Qual Rd
Sat	Oct	21	Witham Town	A	
Sat	Oct	28	Ipswich Wanderers	H	FA Trophy 1st Rd Proper
Sat	Nov	4	Brentwood Town	A	FA Cup 1st Rd Proper
Sat	Nov	11	Brightlingsea Regent	H	
Sat	Nov	18	Wroxham	A	
Sat	Nov	25	Maldon & Tiptree	H	
Sat	Dec	2	Lowestoft Town	A	FA Cup 2nd Rd Proper
Sat	Dec	9	Felixstowe & Walton	H	
Sat	Dec	16	Gorleston	H	
Tue	Dec	26	Basildon United	A	
Sat	Dec	30	East Thurrock United	A	
Mon	Jan	1	Enfield	H	
Sun	Jan	7	Bury Town	H	
Sat	Jan	13	Stowmarket Town	A	
Sat	Jan	20	Walthamstow	A	
Sat	Jan	27	Redbridge	H	
Sat	Feb	3	Heybridge Swifts	A	
Sun	Feb	11	Grays Athletic	H	
Sat	Feb	17	Witham Town	H	
Sat	Feb	24	Ipswich Wanderers	A	
Sat	Mar	2	Brentwood Town	H	
Sat	Mar	9	Brightlingsea Regent	A	
Sat	Mar	16	Bury Town	A	
Sat	Mar	23	Stowmarket Town	H	
Sat	Mar	30	Bowers & Pitsea	A	
Mon	Apr	1	Basildon United	H	
Sun	Apr	7	Wroxham	H	
Sat	Apr	13	Maldon & Tiptree	A	
Sat	Apr	20	Lowestoft Town	H	
Sat	Apr	27	Felixstowe & Walton	A	



THE OPPOSITION:

BOWERS & PITSEA



After the war years, once stability had come to the nation, many new sporting clubs sprang up. One such club was our own, BOWERS UNITED, started in 1946 by Bert Salmon, playing at Gun Meadow, Pitsea, in the Southend District League as a junior club before moving across to Thurrock & Thameside Combination, he was to be joined a few years later by his brother Len Salmon, who passed away in 2002 and is still sorely missed by everyone within the club. The biggest tribute Bowers Sport & Social Club could give him was to name his beloved football stadium after him.

In 1965 Bowers United entered the Essex Olympian League

and this was to be where they stayed until 1974 when the club was

successful in their application to join the recently newly formed Essex Senior League. As well as moving to a new League the Club also moved from Gun Meadow (Behind the Gun Pub) into their current ground at 20 Crown avenue in 1975 a Tottenham Hotspur x1 helped open the ground on the day, Senior status was granted by the Essex FA in 1978.

Success was just around the corner as in 1980-1981 the club won their first Essex Senior League title under the guidance of ex Southend United winger Malcolm Slater. They also added the League Challenge Cup the following year. Before Slater departed the club.

In 1998-99 a clean sweep of all three cups was achieved as they won

the The Essex Senior League title, League Challenge Cup and the Harry Fisher Trophy under Tony Cross's all conquering team. They also won the Don Douglas Trophy for top goal scorer with David Hope as he scored 52 League and Cup goals that season.

With the club unable to apply for promotion the team was soon broken up and it was not until 2004/05 when we saw a new name on the footballing map when Bowers United took Pitsea Football clubs name to produce BOWERS & PITSEA FOOTBALL CLUB, and with a new start and a new team at the helm success was just around the corner because a strong link was established with the local community. and the clubs facilities that offered the residence a large Clubhouse, Bar and Function room Together with a ground capacity for 3000+ spectators, which includes seating for 400 in a well-appointed stand, excellent floodlighting is also an advantage at a higher level in which to play our football on. This showed that after years of being in the wilderness, Bowers & Pitsea Football Club (formerly Bowers United) now intended to take the football side of the club forward. Michael Barnard and Barry Hubbard joined forces to try to bring success to the club both on and off the field of play.

In season 2015/16 Rob Small topped his haul from the previous season by winning the Essex Senior League Championship, getting to the quarter finals of the Essex Senior Cup but more impressive was reaching the semi-finals of the FA Vase were Bowers were narrowly beaten by eventual winners Morpeth Town 2-1 away after drawing the home leg 2-2.

We finally achieved one of our goals to reach and play in the Isthmian League and we finished our first season in 6th place just three points outside the play-off positions. This followed with a third-place finish in season 2017/18 which saw us narrowly miss out on promotion, losing in the play-offs to Canvey Island.

The 2018/19 season saw us reach the Premier League as we finished the campaign with 92 points, 29 wins, 5 draws and 4 losses with a very healthy 71 goal difference.

Season 2019/20 saw our first ever season in the topflight and although sitting 14th the season was abruptly ended due to the Covid19 outbreak. and with the upgrade to a 3g pitch and new stands, changing rooms, bar and turnstiles things are heading in the right direction.

Season 2021/22 saw us hit another milestone as we reached the FA Cup 1st round, Gallantly losing to Lincoln City 1-0. This was also to be Rob Smalls last season at the managers helm as his departure was to herald a new era for the club.

The summer of 2022 saw the departure of not only Rob Small, but every member of the previous year's playing squad. New Manager James Collins, brought in from Faversham Town, was left with the nigh impossible task of assembling a full squad in time for the new campaign that could compete against relegation.

Despite a valiant effort, including an upturn in form after Christmas, Bowers succumbed to relegation. The 2022/23 season did see some success for James Collins men, as they overcame Grays Athletic 3-2 in win the Thameside Trophy for the first time in the clubs' history. This despite playing over 80 minutes with midfielder Oscar Shelvey in goal!



PITCHING IN

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MATCHDAY SQUADS

PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN NORTH LEAGUE

SATURDAY 26TH AUGUST, 3 PM

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MANAGERS: FIN JOHNSON & TOMMY BOXER

ASSISTANT MANAGER: RICKY BRENNAN

(GK) REUBEN RABSETIN

(GK) SAM SOUTAR

ANDREW TAYACA

ALEX LAMBROU

KEVIN MUSTALI

TALA LO SEYE

NATHAN KPEMOU

TOMMY BOXER

JOE RUSSELL

TEDDY JONES

ALAA OUJDI

PANNY BOXER

ALBER ADU

KYLE LYNCH

SALIU LO SEYE

CEM POYRAZ

ROMEY MEODED

MICAH JACKSON

EZEKIEL WILLIAMS

ALEX MICHAELIDES

WRAYNEL HERCLUES

JOSH WILLIAMS

NATHAN MANDLA

KWADWO BUGYEI

ZAYSHAUN ASAMOAH

DEREK ASAMOAH (C)

STEVEN KABUNGWE

BOWERS & PITSEA

HARRISON ABU

FIKAYO AJAYI

TAHJAE ANDERSON

HARRISON CARNEGIE

LEWIS CHAMBERS (C)

MONTRELL DESLANDES

TOSAN POPO

SAM ELWOOD

KACPER GRUSCZCZYNSKI

DAVID HUGHES (GK)

RIDWAN HUSSEIN

MALAKAI HYMAN

MESHACK KISOKA

GEOFREY ONKONKWO

LUKE REEVE

HENRY SINAI

JACK THOMPSON

BENAS VAIVADA

ALFIE WHITEAKER

BEN WILLIAMSON

TODAYS OFFICIALS:

REFEREE: MARIO STETAKOVIC

ASSISTANT REFEREE: JOLLEY, MARK

ASSISTANT REFEREE: DEMIROV, BELIN