

SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Saturday 8th October

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HOLMESDALE FC vs SUTTON ATHLETIC



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CLUB HISTORY

Holmesdale Football Club is a football club originally based in South Norwood, London. Affiliated to the Kent County F.A they are currently members of the Southern Counties East Football League Division One and play at Oakley Road in Bromley. The original club was established as Holmesdale Baptists in the early 1920s and was affiliated with the Baptist Church on Holmesdale Road; players were church members and had to attend bible classes. They joined the Excelsior League, where they played for two seasons before joining Division Three of the Thornton Heath & District League for the 1922–23 season. Although they were Division Three runners-up in their first season, the club folded in 1923. The club was reformed in 1956 by the 3rd East Surrey Boys Brigade Company and re-joined the Thornton Heath & District League in Division Six. They went on to win the division at the first attempt, earning promotion to Division Five. Another promotion in 1957–58 saw the club move up to Division Four, although they had to recruit players from another church club, which led to them dropping the word "Baptists" from the name. By 1960 the club had been promoted to Division Three.

In 1960–61 Holmesdale were Division Three runners-up, earning promotion to Division Two. The following season the club were Division Two champions and were promoted to Division One. The 1971–72 season saw the club win the Division title. In 1986–87 they were Premier Division champions and were promoted to the Surrey Intermediate League. They were runners-up in Premier Division B in 1989–90, before winning the Surrey South Eastern Combination in 1992–93. The club were subsequently promoted to the Surrey Premier League. They won the league's Charity Cup in 1993–94.

The club played at Oaks Road in Shirley during their time in the Surrey Premier League but were unable to install floodlights as the ground was owned by Croydon Council. As a result, they moved to Oakley Road in Bromley to gain promotion to the senior leagues, although three teams continued playing at Oaks Road, later breaking away to form Real Holmesdale Football Club in 2001.

In 2000 the club relocated to Bromley and switched to the Kent County League, joining Division One West.

In 2005–06 Holmesdale were Division One West champions, earning promotion to the Premier Division. The following season saw them win the Premier Division title, resulting in promotion to the Kent League. The League was renamed the Southern Counties East League in 2013, and in 2015-16 the club finished bottom of the league, resulting in relegation to the newly formed First Division.

2016-17 saw Holmesdale finish in 6th place in the First Division and a Season later they ended in seventh place under the management of Tony Beckingham and Lee Roots. 2018/19 saw a few changes of management and a creditable 6th placed finish before Lee Roots returned for the 2019/20 campaign.

The 2019/20 and 2020/21 seasons were disrupted due to Coronavirus but not before our displays on the pitch put us in a promotion position.

Fortunately, with the Non-League Restructure still taking place we were rewarded for our hard work with a place in the Premier Division, where we now look forward to playing in the 2022/23 campaign.

Kent County League

- Premier Division champions 2006–07
- Division One West champion 2005–06
- Surrey Intermediate Cup Winners 2005–06

Surrey Premier League

- Charity Cup winners 1993–94

Surrey South astern Combination

- Premier Division champions 1992–93

Thornton Heath and District League

- Premier Division champions 1986–87
- Division One champions 1971–72
- Division Two champions 1961–62
- Division Six champions 1956–57
- Senior Cup winners 1972–73, 1979–8



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MANAGERS NOTES

Good afternoon, welcome to Oakley Road, the home of Holmesdale FC.

Today I would like to offer a warm welcome to our visitors Sutton Athletic and we hope that their management, players, committee and supporters enjoy their visit.

The last time we played at Oakley Road, we suffered a narrow 0-1 loss to league leaders Erith and Belvedere. The tie was decided by a first half header, despite good play and many chances being created by both teams. A good performance coupled with a disappointing result has become a theme in recent weeks, where the team have gradually played better and better without being rewarded with points on a very difficult run of fixtures that has seen us face each of the top 4 sides in the league in our past 4 league games – the most recent of which, saw us outplay but come away with a defeat from our visit to Erith Town on Wednesday.

We are fully aware that, despite sitting in 10th place in the league, our visitors Sutton Athletic will also provide a tough challenge. Although we haven't met in the league over the past few seasons, last year's Division 1 play-off winners come to Oakley Road on the back of a 3 game unbeaten run in which they have scored an impressive 11 goals! Our defenders will certainly be up for the challenge of ending this scoring run, whilst our forward thinking players know that the pressure is on to start converting some of our excellent passages of play into goals.



I hope you all enjoy today's game! Up the Dale!

Lee Roots

(First Team Manager)

FOOTBALL ON THIS DAY...

8th October 1996

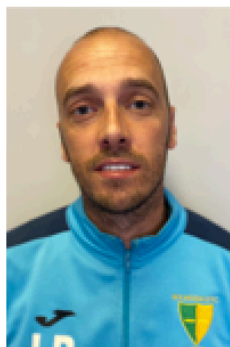
There was a time when bomb threats were a not uncommon part of football. At a Euro Under 21 qualifier at Wolves a Molineux steward noticed a suspicious-looking foil-wrapped package. The police got involved, then the Army but after a controlled explosion it was found to bea sandwich. The crowd had waited outside in the rain, the match kicked off at 10pm, England missed a penalty and drew 0-0 with Poland. Happy days!

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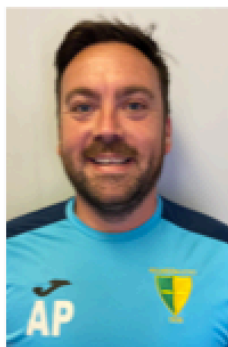
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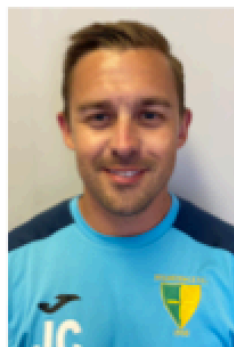
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Lee Roots

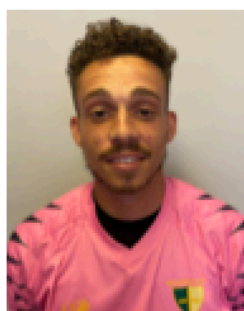


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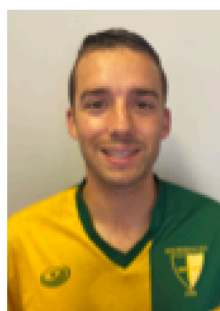
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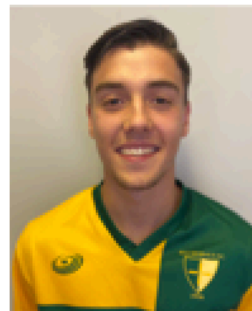
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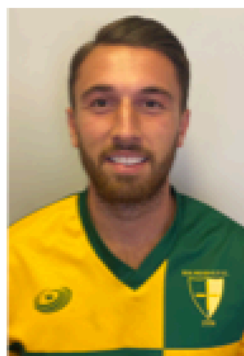
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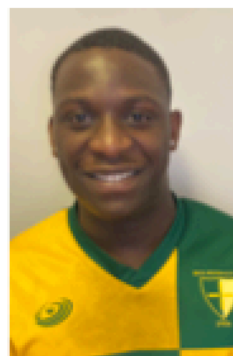
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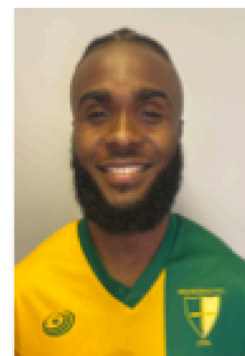
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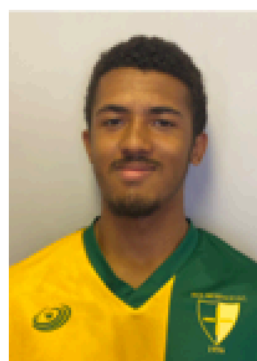
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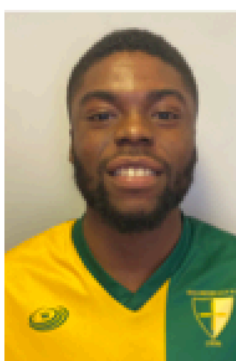
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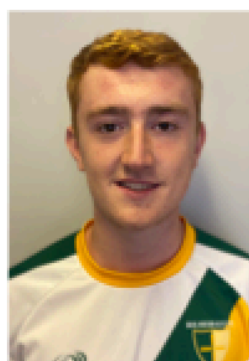
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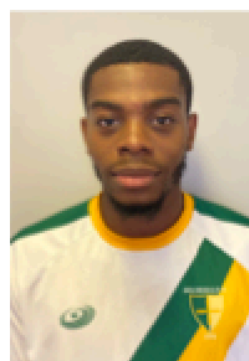
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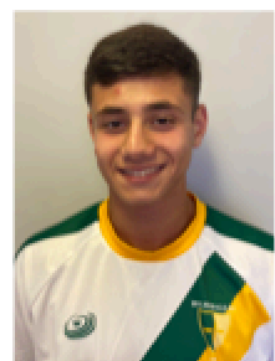
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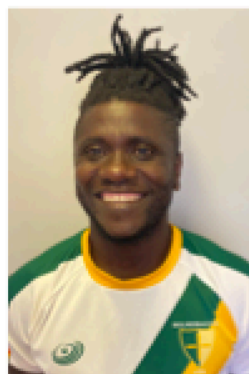
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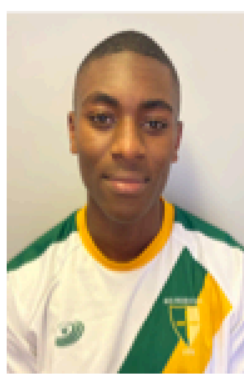
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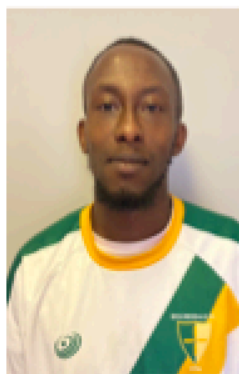
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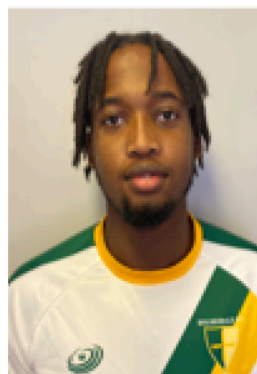
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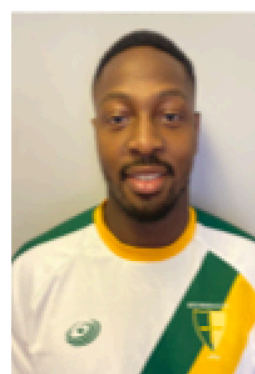
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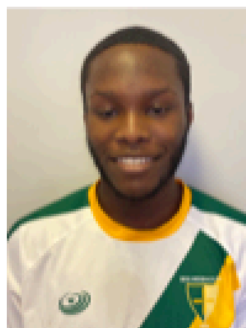
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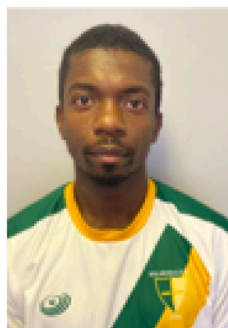
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DALER PROFILE



This week we speak to Holmesdale newbie Kean Wood on his footballing career, 2022/23 team mates, expectations and life in general.

Name	Hardest Worker?
Kean Wood	Shieldsie - skipper
Nickname	Best Leader?
Keano, Woody	Shieldie again!
Age	Loudest Daler?
18	Kalum
Occupation	Best Player Played With?
Currently in college studying BTEC Sport but also coach football on the side	Chris Solly – someone I've learnt a lot off of from playing at a higher level
Position	Best Player Played Against?
Right back	George Thomas – QPR
Time at Holmesdale	Any superstitions?
3 months	None 😊
Previous Clubs	Best Piece of Football Advice Received
Ebbsfleet, Corinthian 23s	Just enjoy it and play your game!
Who do you support?	Expectations and Goals for season
Millwall FC	To improve as a player
Favourite all time player?	Favourite football memory?
Tim Cahill	My first team debut for Ebbsfleet!
Favourite Daler?	
Ed Sata	

SCEFL PREMIER LEAGUE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Erith & Belvedere	9	9	0	0	27	7	20	27
2	Deal Town	10	6	2	2	24	12	12	20
3	Stansfeld	11	6	2	3	15	10	5	20
4	Erith Town	9	6	1	2	22	14	8	19
5	Glebe	11	4	3	4	22	20	2	15
6	Rusthall	10	4	2	4	20	17	3	14
7	Tunbridge Wells	11	4	2	5	14	18	-4	14
8	Hollands And Blair	10	2	7	1	19	11	8	13
9	K Sports	10	4	1	5	21	24	-3	13
10	Sutton Athletic	8	3	3	2	18	12	6	12
11	Phoenix Sports	8	3	3	2	12	9	3	12
12	Whitstable Town	9	4	0	5	13	15	-2	12
13	Bearsted	10	3	3	4	8	10	-2	12
14	Lordswood	9	4	0	5	10	14	-4	12
15	Holmesdale	11	2	5	4	10	17	-7	11
16	Welling Town	10	3	1	6	10	22	-12	10
17	Kennington	7	3	0	4	6	8	-2	9
18	Canterbury City	10	2	2	6	13	30	-17	8
19	Punjab United	9	2	1	6	15	24	-9	7
20	Fisher	8	1	2	5	8	13	-5	5

RECENT RESULTS

Erith Town



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Holmesdale

Holmesdale



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Erith & Belvedere

Holmesdale



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Stansfeld

Horley Town



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Holmesdale

COMING UP



KENT FA SENIOR TROPHY SATURDAY 15th OCTOBER GREENWAYS v HOLMESDALE

K Sports, Cobdown, Station Road, Ditton, Aylesford, Kent ME20 6AU



LEAGUE CUP SATURDAY 22nd OCTOBER HOLMESDALE v GLEBE FC Oakley Road, Bromley, Kent BR2 8HG



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE WEDNESDAY 26TH OCTOBER RUSTHALL v HOLMESDALE

Jockey Farm, Nellington Road, Rusthall, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN4 8SH



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE SATURDAY 29TH OCTOBER HOLLANDS AND BLAIR v HOLMESDALE

Star Meadow Sports, Darland Avenue, Gillingham, Kent ME7 3AN



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE SATURDAY 5th NOVEMBER HOLMESDALE FC v KSPORTS Oakley Road, Bromley, Kent BR2 8HG



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE SATURDAY 12th NOVEMBER LORDSWOOD v HOLMESDALE

The Bill Bishop Memorial Stadium, North Dane Way, Chatham, ME5 8YE



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE SATURDAY 18th NOVEMBER HOLMESDALE FC v KENNINGTON FC Oakley Road, Bromley, Kent BR2 8HG



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE SATURDAY 10TH DECEMBER SUTTON ATHLETIC v HOLMESDALE

London Hire Ground, Lower Road, Hextable, Kent BR8 7RZ



TODAYS VISITORS

SUTTON ATHLETIC

Sutton Athletic Football Club was formed in 1898 and is one of four clubs, in the Kent County Football league, that has been founded for over 100 years. From its beginning, some 124 years ago, many of the players, managers and committee members came from the village of Sutton-at-Hone but the Club is now attracting more and more players and volunteers from outside of the village all of whom are and show commitment to the club which is prevalent today as it has always been. Sutton Athletic begin the 2022 - 2023 with the first team and a good compliment of youth teams.

This year's campaign will be our sixth under Dan Kelly as first team manager who, along with the 1st team management team, developed and improved the first team squad of which their hard work resulted in promotion to the SCEFL Premier Division. Although promotion was gained through victory in the first Play-Off final our 2nd placed, final league position showed that our promotion was well-deserved. Playing again in this year's FA Cup and FA Vase competitions all go to show that we are becoming well adapt to compete at a higher level. The squad size remains high with many players remaining with us from last year but a few, new players joining keeps alive good competition for places. Promotion means undertaking and completing ground developments at Lower Road.

The club continues to grow and goes from strength to strength and with the club enhancing its youth sides, the 2022 – 2023 season will be another exciting season for the Sutts. The club continues to develop making Lower Road a fantastic location for sport and popular community hub.



Managers

DAN KELLY

Assistant

TOM ELDRIDGE

Coach

TRISTAN CROPLEY

Coach

DARREN WHEELER

Kit

Shirts:

BLACK & WHITE

Shorts:

BLACK

Socks:

WHITE



GK:

PURPLE

TODAYS SQUADS

HOLMESDALE FC	NO	NO	SUTTON ATHLETIC
(CAPT) JAMES SHIELD			JOE HYDE
JAMES BOUGHTFLOWER			TONY HILL
NATHAN EDWARDS			RICHARD GREGORY
SIJI AKINLUSI			JOBY SMITH
DAN VAUGHAN			TOM MENDITTA
JACOB SKELLY			DARREN WHEELER
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MAX ASH			GEORGE WISHART
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TODAYS MATCH OFFICIALS

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