SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE Saturday 1st October 3PM KO HOLMESDALE FC vs ERITH & BELVEDERE FC



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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



MANAGERS NOTES

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

Tonight I would like to offer a warm welcome to our visitors Erith and Belvedere and we hope that their management, players, committee and supporters enjoy their visit. In recent games we have played away from home twice, suffering two defeats against Deal Town and Horley Town in the FA Vase. We also had a dramatic mid-week game this week against a strong Stansfeld side, which ended in a 0-0 draw.

Today our visitors, Erith and Belvedere, come to us full of confidence after their excellent start to the season. They have picked up an impressive 21 points from their opening 7 games, not losing a game yet. We look forward to a challenge for today's match.

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

Lee Roots





FOOTBALL ON THIS DAY...

1st October

West Ham United set a new Premier League record in their visit to Queens Park Rangers - eight of their players received yellow cards! West Ham didn't get a red card though, unlike their London rivals QPR who finished the match with 10 players. West Ham won 2-1 to continue QPR's winless run - they didn't win any of their first 16 Premier League matches of the season and finished the campaign in bottom spot. The Hammers held that particular record until Tottenham took it off them in May 2016. In another all-London match Spurs had nine players booked in a fixture against Chelsea.

Quiz Corner

- 1. With 202 clean sheets, which goalkeeper has the best record in the Premier League?
- 2. In which world cup did Diego Maradona score his infamous 'Hand of God' goal?
- 3. Which Spanish club's nickname is *Los Colchoneros*, which translates to English as 'The Mattress Makers'?
- 4. Which player holds the record for most Chapions League winners' medals?
- 5. I am the manager who first named David Beckham as England captain who am I?

Real Madrid) 5.Peter Taylor

4. Francisco Gento (6 titles with

3. Athletico Madrid

2. Mexico 1986

ANSWERS 1. Petr Cech

HOLMESDALE 2022-2023



Lee Roots



Adam Porter



John Coleman





Nathan Edwards



James Boughtflower



James Shield (C)



Edward Sata



Dan Vaughan



Owen Edwards



Ben Delaney



Aidan Lopeman



James Ayetine



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Lester Lawrence



Henry Awoker



Kean Wood



Gabriel Ntumba



Taylan Ali-Osman



Gilberto Nguema



Christian Fiyasso



Dekklund Wallace



Samuel Coulibaly



Siji Akinlusi



Nathaniel Olawole



Max Ash



Jason Johns



Jacob Skelly

Fred Obasa

Bronum Reynolds Amari King

Louie Atkins

Louie Reid-Newth









Ed Sata



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?							

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3	Stansfeld		9	5	2	2	12	7	5	17	
4	Erith Town		7	4	1	2	14	11	3	13	
5	Glebe		9	3	3	3	18	16	2	12	
6	Whitstable Town		7	4	0	3	11	9	2	12	
7	Bearsted		8	3	3	2	8	6	2	12	
8	Rusthall		8	3	2	3	16	11	5	11	
9	Holmesdale		9	2	5	2	9	13	-4	11	
10	Tunbridge Wells		9	3	1	5	10	15	-5	10	
11	Hollands And Blair		8	1	6	1	14	9	5	9	
12	Phoenix Sports		6	2	3	1	9	7	2	9	
13	K Sports		8	3	0	5	11	22	-11	9	
14	Sutton Athletic		6	2	2	2	11	9	2	8	
15	Canterbury City		8	2	2	4	11	18	-7	8	
16	Punjab United		7	2	1	4	13	18	-5	7	
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COMING UP



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY 5TH OCTOBER ERITH TOWN v HOLMESDALE







SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SATURDAY 8th OCTOBER
HOLMESDALE EC V SUTTON ATHLETIC

Oakley Road, Bromley, Kent BR2 8HG





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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





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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



TODAYS VISITORS

ERITH & BELVEDERE FC

Erith and Belvedere FC celebrates its centenary this season. The Deres were formed in 1922 on the restructuring of Belvedere and District FC, founded in 1918 (although the original Erith FC, formed in 1885, played in the inaugural FA Amateur Cup in 1893.) The new club played its first Kent League match on 26 August 1922 at its original home - Park View, Belvedere - losing 3-1 to Chatham. In that first season Deres reached the FA Amateur Cup quarter-final, and in 1923-24 they went two better, losing the Final 3-0 to Clapton at The Den in front of the day's biggest football crowd. In the same season they won the Kent Amateur Cup, and the following season lost 2-0 at home to Third Division Reading in the FA Cup. Later in the 20s several Deres players joined French clubs and one. Stan Hillier, went on to win Cup and League honours with Cannes and Sète. Apart from two seasons (1929-31) in the London League, the Deres remained in the Kent League until the war. In a league featuring many semi-professional and nursery sides, third place in 1928-29 was their highest finish, but greater success came in cups. They reached successive Kent Amateur Cup Finals in 1934/5. The FA Amateur Cup Final was reached again in 1938: although they lost 1-0 to Bromley, again at The Den, the 33.346 crowd was the biggest ever for a Deres match.

In the late 60s the Deres won the Kent Amateur Cup four times in five years and were runners-up in an international tournament in Belgium! They reached the Athenian premier division in 1971 managed by 1959 Cup Final goalscorer Roy Dwight, and won the League Cup in 1974. Deres chose to return to the Kent League in 1978, but in 1982 entered the Southern League as Kent champions and League Cup finalists, the highlight of Peter Peters' record 17½ years in charge between 1971 and 1991.

Life was hard for the Deres in the Southern League, with just six top-half finishes and a best placing of 7th under Harry Richardson in 1993. On his departure Deres struggled until the appointment of Mike Acland in 1996. 18 months into Acland's reign the club could have folded when arsonists destroyed the main stand at Park View on 1 September 1997. The club was based in portakabins for two years before starting a groundshare arrangement with Welling United in 1999. Acland departed in 2003, and in 2005 the Deres were relegated, ending a 23-year Southern League stint.

Back in the Kent League, the Deres were in promotion contention until the final day of 2005-06, but were out of the hunt in the following few seasons, apart from a Kent Senior Trophy final defeat to VCD in 2009. Micky Collins took over as manager in May 2010 and won the Kent League double in 2012-13, edging VCD Athletic in an epic title race and beating Corinthian in the League Cup final.

Collins resigned soon afterwards, the double squad dispersed and 2013-14 was a debut Ryman North season to forget: a 16-game losing streak, 137 goals against and relegation confirmed with 4 games to go. New manager Matt Longhurst restored the club's spirits, and 2014-15 saw a strong third place in the SCEFL, 41 goals for Alfie May (now at Cheltenham) and a best-ever run to the FA Vase quarter-final, losing to the eventual winners North Shields. Longhurst departed in autumn 2015, beginning a decline which (despite a SCEFL Cup Final appearance in 2016) saw the Deres relegated in 2017. They came back two years later as runners-up in the SCEFL second tier under Owen Jones, winning the London Senior Trophy and with Harry Harding scoring a club record 45 goals in the season.

The 2020s began with a turbulent period when the Deres lost a manager, most of the first team and all but two directors. A new board appointed Del Oldfield, who steadied the ship in the two Covid-affected seasons, before Danny Murphy took Deres to 6th last season, their best placing in 7 years. New manager Tony Beckingham is looking to take the club onwards and upwards.



Managers

Tony Beckingham

Assistant

Andy Constable

Assistant

Tony Cornwell

Chairman

Adrian Deane

Kit

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TODAYS SQUADS								
HOLMESDALE FC	NO	NO	ERITH & BELVEDERE					
(CAPT) JAMES SHIELD			ADAM MOLLOY					
JAMES BOUGHTFLOWER			FRASER WALKER					
NATHAN EDWARDS			BEN WILSON					
SIJI AKINLUSI			JEROME WADE					
DAN VAUGHAN			ROB STRACHAN					
JACOB SKELLY			RYAN JOHNSON					
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