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# HOW DO WE MOLD THE FUTURE IN OUR HANDS

NOVEMBER EDITION

WHO WE ARE & WHAT WE STAND FOR..

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 Lee Roots. 2018/19 saw a few changes of management and a creditable 6th placed finish before Lee Roots was re-appointed & he returned as First Team Manager for the 2019/20 campaign.

The 2019/20 and 2020/21 seasons were disrupted due to Coronavirus but not before our excellent displays on the pitch put us in a promotion position & we was rewarded with promotion to step 5. 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 our 2nd season playing in 2022/23 campaign.

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Today's MOTM award will be presented to the winning player on behalf of our great friends & supporters at The Tiger Gin Company. We would like to place thanks to JJ & all of the team at Tiger Gin for their ever-present support & collaborations with the club.





## A WORD WITH THE GAFFER...

### The Gaffer gives us his thoughts on today's Kent County Cup tie vs Hollands & Blair FC...

Good afternoon & welcome to Oakley Road, the home of Holmesdale FC. Today I would like to offer a warm welcome to our visitors Hollands & Blair FC, & I hope that their management, players & committee enjoy their visit this afternoon

Since our last fixture vs H&B, we have picked excellent results in the SCEFL Premier Division, beating K Sports 2-0, which was followed by a fantastic performance away vs Lordswood, seeing us win deservedly 3-0.

The players are excited for today's game & will look to continue to build on the good work & results we have had recently in the league. We must as always outwork our opposition first & foremost, to allow the quality that we possess to shine through correctly into games.

### What are your thoughts on the games & month ahead...

We have another busy month in store, with some really exciting league games ahead for us to go and attack in style. We feel there is now a good run of league games, leading all the way up into January 2023, that we can place our head down & work extremely hard at. We feel confident going into this month & the games ahead, & our momentum is key to getting continued success each month.

### What are you last thoughts...

I would like to thank everyone personally that has come out to support & attend this match today. I hope you enjoy the game. Come on you Dalers!!

**Lee Roots - First Team Manager**

# WANT TO JOIN HOLMESDALE?

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Holmesdale Football Club are always looking for new volunteers that would wish to join, support & help our continued work at the club. We are a honest & hardworking club, full of good people who love football.

## **A BROTHERHOOD CULTURE**

IWe create a culture at the club that is bigger than family, we create a brotherhood culture at the club, where each teammate will do the upmost for the other & vice versa on & off the pitch. We focus internally on creating, nourishing & developing young talent at the club, & we proudly watch their journey through our ranks all the way up to a fully pledged first team player. We develop coaches & managers, as well as developing people as human beings. Now more than ever the world needs support, it needs people to stand up & be counted & to be given an environment to shine... So why not join us at Holmesdale today!!

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"The team spirit & brotherhood through the group is immensely strong. We have set the bar high & we must look to achieve these results in every game we play."

**LEE ROOTS**

FIRST TEAM MANAGER

## LORDSWOOD VS HOLMESDALE

SATURDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2022 - SCEFL PREMIER DIVISION

**FT SCORE: 0-3 (ADAMS - SEMAZZI - OBASA)**

A 2nd trip back to Lordswood Sports & Social club within the last 2 weeks, saw us this time face the ground landlords Lordswood FC. Coming off an excellent result & performance the week prior vs K Sports, the staff & squad headed to Medway in confident fashion. Holmesdale took control off the early stages off the game, nullifying Lordswood's approach & consistently pinned them back in the opening stage. This level of dominance soon started to show in goals, with the in form Luke Adams opening his account for the dalers with a fantastic 25 yard effort which nested in the top left hand corner.

Minutes later saw us score our second goal, when some neat play from captain James Shield, saw him release Luke Adams, down the left hand side. Some neat link up play

between Adams & Joe Nwoko, which saw Nwoko pass the ball across the box to the waiting Fred Obasa, who coolly chopped 3 defenders before finishing into the bottom right-hand corner, taking him to 3 goals in his last 4 games.

Shortly after our 2nd goal, some excellent play between Shield & Clyde Semazzi, saw Semazzi play a great pass to Fred Obasa to beat his defender. Obasa beat his man & being extremely unselfish, saw him release the ball back across the box into the run of Semazzi, who finished extremely well for his 3rd goal in 3 games, and our third goal of the afternoon. A number of further chances within the second half came for the dalers & very unlucky to have not added more goals. An excellent dominant team performance, solid afternoons work.

## A VERY WARM WELCOME TO OUR BRAND-NEW PLAYER SIGNINGS THIS YEAR...

### ➔ FRED OBASA



Fred joins the club last month having previously played in the division for Glebe, Greenwich Borough & most recently for VCD Athletic at step 4. Fred offers high quality.

Fred scored on his debut vs Horley Town & also recently scored in our previous games last week vs Rusthall & Hollands & Blair.

### ➔ ZACH HALLETT

Zach Hallett successfully joined the club last month & has delivered some excellent & solid performances so far. Zach's pace & power is absolutely frightening, & his willingness to work as hard as possible for the team is an infectious trait, that we look forward to watching, & seeing Zach grow every week in the mighty green & yellow.

### ➔ CLYDE SEMAZZI



Clyde Semazzi has now returned back to the club, following a playing spell at Woodford Town. Clyde made his debut for the club last season, playing

12 times & scoring once. Since his return to the club, Clyde has scored 3 goals in 3 games as & continues his impressive performances & form.

### ➔ BAYLEY LANDS

Congratulations to Bayley Lands for recently graduating up from our U23 Development squad into the First Team, following impressive displays & performances in development squad.



## WELCOME TO THE ADAMS FAMILY...

### ➔ LUKE ADAMS

Luke joins the club after recently transferring last month from Punjab Utd. He boasts previous playing experience at Rusthall & Punjab Utd within the SCEFL leagues. Luke is extremely well experienced, intelligent & powerful & a truly excellent finisher at this level and he is someone who adapts a fantastic approach to his game. Luke's goal to game ratio within the SCEFL Divisions is truly superb & we look forward to seeing him continue this form in green & yellow.

*Manager Lee Roots commented, "I am truly delighted to have got Luke over the line & secured at the club. He is a huge signing of intent & he will offer us goals & a fantastic attacking dynamic in the attacking third."*

## WELCOME KING JOE...

### ➔ JOE NWOKO

Joe joins the club after transferring recently from Canterbury City. Joe scored against us in our previous encounter this season, he is a fantastic football player with a truly superb pedigree with vast experience at this level, having previously played for Beckenham Town, Tunbridge Wells, Molesey, Chatham Town, Cray Valley, Sittingbourne, Carshalton, Corinthian Casuals & Gillingham.





## WELCOME RYAN "LENNY" STYLES...

### ➔ LENNY STYLES

Lenny joined the club earlier this month from Welling Town. Having been a previous captain at Rusthall FC, Ryan offers great experience within these divisions for such a young & talented footballer. A naturally gifted player who reads the games impressively well & adds a very educated dynamic into our defence.

*Manager Lee Roots commented, "I am delighted to have secured Lenny's services at the club. I have been a fan of him for some time after our many encounters against each other, & I am really looking forward to working closely with Lenny this season. Welcome to The Dalers."*

## A CATCH UP WITH TJ...

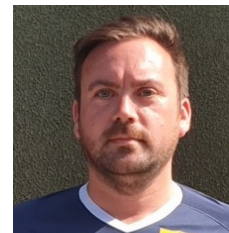
### ➔ TOM JEWERS

Joining the 1st team management team has given me a completely different view on football. The work the lads put in for the benefit of the players is exceptional. It's a pleasure to join the Gaffer, Adam, Jon & Groomie & I am learning every week, & I look forward to us really pushing on this year. It is a great group with all players working to be the best version of themselves they can be.



## INTERVIEWS, UP TO DATE NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLMESDALE FC...

### ➔ ADAM PORTER



I have been really pleased with our GK's at the club, especially in the first team & James Boughtflower's performances, once again a pivotal part of the wins, making decisive saves at important stages of the game. Another 2 clean sheets to continue his progression.

### ➔ JON COLEMAN



Following positive results of recent weeks, the players have really applied themselves & bought right into exactly what we want from them.

We look forward to a tough game vs Kennington, with us looking to continue our recent form & take all the points at home. With the World Cup starting this weekend, I strongly urge as many of you possible to come back & visit us again for a game, the football will not disappoint you at all.

### ➔ KENT SENIOR TROPHY



Following our victory vs Greenways FC in the First Round of The Kent Senior Trophy, we now know that we that we have been drawn at home in the 2nd round

where will be facing SCEFL Premier side Hollands & Blair (whom we have played twice so far in the league - winning & drawing) on Saturday 26th Nov 2022.

# LAST GAME

## THE GAME IN PICTURES



**2-1  
WIN**



**VS HOLLANDS & BLAIR  
28.11.2022**



# MEET THE MANAGEMENT TEAM



**Lee Roots**

FIRST TEAM MANAGER

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HOLMESDALE FC 2022/23...

## FIRST TEAM

## U23 DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

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Holmesdale Football Club take extreme pride in being able to present a strong environment & a footballing platform for young hungry talented football players whom wish to show their talents to the world. We promote from within & hold a huge remit every season in regards to developing our own talent for now, tomorrow & the distant future. We are committed in our drive & quest to not only improve football players, but to also help improve players as human beings, young or old.

Our First team squad compete at step 5 within the SCEFL Premier Division, whilst our U23 Development squad currently compete within the SCEFL development league (step 6) on Wednesday evenings. By working arm in arm, the two squads are comfortable integrating & interacting with each other not only socially, but footballing wise & non footballing wise.

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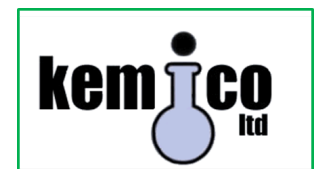
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#	Club		M	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pt
1	 Erith & Belvedere	L D W W W >	16	14	1	1	45	15	30	43
2	 Stansfeld	D L W W W >	16	9	3	4	26	16	10	30
3	 Erith Town	W W L W L >	13	8	1	4	30	19	11	25
4	 Deal Town	D L D L W >	14	7	3	4	30	20	10	24
5	 Tunbridge Wells	D W L W W >	16	7	3	6	25	22	3	24
6	 Rusthall	W D D L W >	15	6	4	5	29	25	4	22
7	 Whitstable Town	W W D L L >	16	7	1	8	28	25	3	22
8	 Phoenix Sports	L W W L W >	12	6	3	3	24	12	12	21
9	 Holmesdale	L D W W W >	16	5	6	5	18	20	-2	21
10	 Lordwood	W D W L L >	15	6	2	7	17	27	-10	20
11	 Sutton Athletic	W L W L D >	13	5	4	4	27	20	7	19
12	 K Sports	L W W L L >	16	6	1	9	29	38	-9	19
13	 Glebe	L L L W L >	15	5	3	7	33	33	0	18
14	 Bearsted	W D L L D >	15	4	5	6	14	19	-5	17
15	 Hollands & Blair	L W L L L >	15	3	7	5	23	27	-4	16
16	 Kennington	L D W L W >	12	5	1	6	14	21	-7	16
17	 Welling Town	W L L L W >	15	5	1	9	17	30	-13	16
18	 Punjab United	D L L W W >	14	4	2	8	23	32	-9	14
19	 Canterbury City	L D L W L >	15	3	3	9	22	47	-25	12
20	 Fisher	W L L W L >	11	2	2	7	13	19	-6	8

03/09/22 15:00	Erith Town		VS		Kennington
03/09/22 15:00	Tunbridge Wells		VS		Fisher
10/09/22 15:00	Erith & Belvedere		VS		Hollands And Blair
10/09/22 15:00	Fisher		VS		Kennington

10/09/22 15:00	Holmesdale		VS		Whitstable Town
10/09/22 15:00	K Sports		VS		Stansfeld
10/09/22 15:00	Lordwood		VS		Phoenix Sports
10/09/22 15:00	Rusthall		VS		Deal Town
10/09/22 15:00	Welling Town		VS		Bearsted



It was in 1967 that a Twydall-based factory team named Hollands & Blair started out and they were to become quite successful as they won the Rochester & District League Division Five in 1968-69, following that up with the Division Three title the following season. Then in 1970, when you could have been watching programmes such as Time Machine, the Pink Panther Show or the Harry Secombe Show on the four channels of your television, the current club as it is now, was formed under the banner of H & B United and they began life in Division Six. Their first ever game on September 12 1970 ended in a 4-2 away defeat at Halfway House but just seven days later a first win was recorded when R.N.S.T.S were beaten 5-3 on their home pitch of Beechings Green.

At the end of that first campaign H & B United finished ninth having collected 20 points (eight wins and four draws) from their 24 games.

The original side continued their upward spiral, winning the Rochester & District League Division Two title in 1971-72 and they followed that up by being runners-up in Division One the next season (1972-73). Then in 1973 the two clubs merged, initially on a first team/reserve team basis but after just one season the Blair first team folded and H & B chose to continue under the Hollands & Blair moniker, competing in Division Four for the 1974-75 campaign. Still with me? It is more straightforward from now on. Throughout that season, which saw Blair end as runners-up to Fleur having lost just once, against Priestfield's, they scored 137 goals in 27 league and cup games which included a 17-1 victory at Borden. Promotions continued in the next two campaigns, finishing runners-up in Division Two (1975-76) and then Division One in 1976-77. It was following this promotion that the club stayed in the Premier Division for 17 years, winning the championship twice and finishing runners-up three times.

For the 2019/20 Season Simon Halsey took over the hot seat. Flying high in the table he didn't get to see an end result for his hard work, with the season abandoned and made null and void due to the worldwide Coronavirus Pandemic, which also took the following campaign. Scott Porter arrived at Blair in the 21/22 season and we finished 9th place and now we go into 2022/23 looking to continue our progression as a Club.

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