

SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Saturday 27th August

3PM KO

HOLMESDALE FC vs BEARSTED



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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.

Today I would like to warmly welcome our visitors Bearsted FC and we hope that their players, management and committee enjoy their visit today. The club, committee, players and myself have been extremely excited and optimistic through preseason, where we have had an excellent campaign as a squad, consisting of 6 preseason friendlies and numerous training sessions.

At our last fixture we came up against Tunbridge Wells, who had lost both of their opening two fixtures. We on the other hand had collected 1 point from our previous fixtures with a draw against Hollands and Blair and a loss against Canterbury City. The game started with Tunbridge Wells seeing lots of the ball in the first half and taking a 1-0 lead into half time. However in the second half the lads were able to dig in, scoring 2 goals to earn our first 3 points of the season, against a team that will be expecting to finish in the top half of the table.

This afternoon we welcome a Bearsted side, who have also had mixed results since the start of the season, with a win against Kennington, draw against Sutton Athletic and a loss against Stansfeld. When we met last season, it was the home side that came out on top on both occasions including the fixture at Otham Sports Ground, where circumstances led to us bizarrely finishing the match with just 8 players on the pitch. We hope to keep all 11 on today and that the home advantage works in our favour!



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

Lee Roots

(First Team Manager)

FOOTBALL ON THIS DAY...

27th JULY 1988

Unfinished building work on the East Stand saw Tottenham's first home League match of the season – against Coventry – postponed and delayed the League debut of a major Spurs summer signing – one Paul Gascoigne.



QUIZ CORNER

1. Which team won the first Premier league title?
2. Which former Germany international player went on to become a professional wrestler in the WWE?
3. In which season was the European Cup rebranded as the Champions League?
4. Which Brazilian footballer spent time in prison after being found to have used a fake passport?
5. I was originally a striker before becoming a defender. I played 11 seasons for the same club before managing them. I've won two Bundesliga titles and a Champions League. Who am I?

ANSWERS
1. Manchester United
2. Tim Wiese
3. 1992-93
4. Ronaldinho
5. Jurgen Klopp

HOLMESDALE 2022-2023



Lee Roots



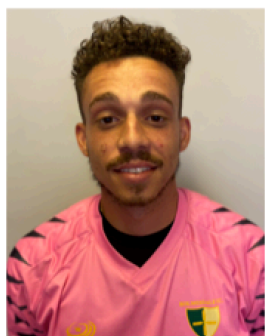
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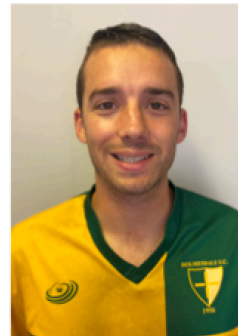
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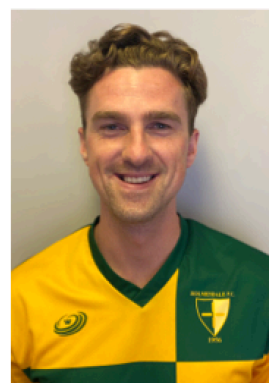
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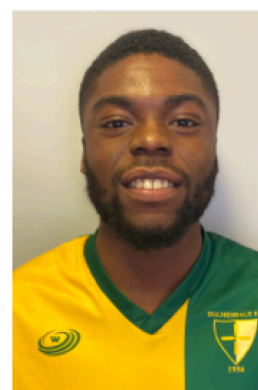
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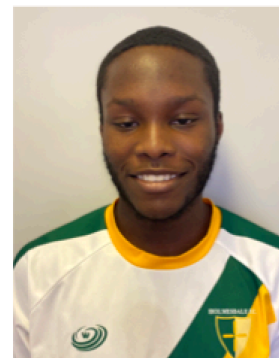
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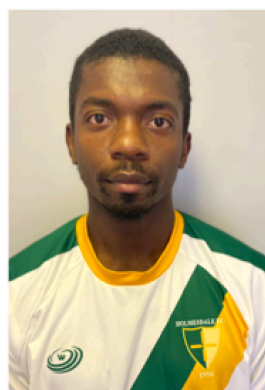
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Nathaniel Olawole



Max Ash



Jason Johns



DALER PROFILE



This week we speak to Holmesdale goalie James Boughtflower on his footballing career, 2022/23 team mates, expectations and life in general.

Name	Hardest Worker?
James Boughtflower	Kean – always puts in the work even if he's not starting
Nickname	Best Leader?
JB	Shieldsy – not just because he's captain
Age	Loudest Daler?
22	Rootsy – from the sideline
Occupation	Best Player Played With?
Trainee Accountant	Hugo Patino – most ridiculously intelligent player I've seen
Position	Best Player Played Against?
Goalkeeper	Andy Constable – when I was at Phoenix, he must of scored 5 goals in 2 games against me
Time at Holmesdale	Any superstitions?
18/19 season and 22 onwards	Loads! Pasta pre-game, wearing a thermal, change kit after bad performance to name a few!
Previous Clubs	Best Piece of Football Advice Received
Phoenix Sports Reserves, Greenwich Borough, Warwick Uni 1's	Stop kicking it down the middle! - Rootsy
Who do you support?	Expectations and Goals for season
Liverpool FC	Develop weaker areas of my game, bottom 5 in goals against in league
Favourite all time player?	Favourite football memory?
Gianluigi Buffon	Winning London Senior Trophy final with Phoenix 3-2 after extra time, with Man of the Match performance.
Favourite Daler?	
Ben Delaney	



HOLMESDALE PLAYER STATS

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SCEFL PREMIER LEAGUE

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

RECENT RESULTS

Holmesdale



2 - 1



Tunbridge Wells

Canterbury City



3 - 2



Holmesdale

Glebe



4 - 3



Holmesdale

Holmesdale



1 - 1



Hollands And Blair

COMING UP



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

MONDAY 29TH AUGUST

FISHER v HOLMESDALE FC

St Pauls Sports Ground, Salter Road, Rotherhithe, London SE16 5EF



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SATURDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

PUNJAB v HOLMESDALE FC

Elite Venue, Dunkirk Close, Gravesend, Kent DA12 5ND



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

HOLMESDALE FC v WHITSTABLE TOWN

Oakley Road, Bromley, Kent BR2 8HG



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

HOLMESDALE FC v WELLING TOWN

Oakley Road, Bromley, Kent BR2 8HG



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SATURDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER

DEAL TOWN v HOLMESDALE

The Charles Sports Ground, St Leonards Road, Deal CT14 9AU



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

HOLMESDALE FC v STANSFELD

Oakley Road, Bromley, Kent BR2 8HG



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SATURDAY 1ST OCTOBER

HOLMESDALE FC v ERITH AND BELVEDERE

Oakley Road, Bromley, Kent BR2 8HG



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY 5TH OCTOBER

ERITH TOWN v HOLMESDALE

Erith Stadium, Avenue Road, Erith, Kent, DA8 3AT



TODAYS VISITORS

BEARSTED FC

Bearsted Football Club played it's first competitive match in 1895. The Club played on Bearsted Green for in excess of 100 years. In the mid 1970s Bearsted emerged as one of the leading clubs in the mid Kent area. The first team won the Maidstone League Premier Division title for 3 consecutive seasons and were also runners up on 3 occasions. In 1982 Bearsted F.C. was elected as a member of the Kent County League. During it's time in the League the Club won almost every league and cup competition including the prestigious Inter Regional Cup. The Club was runner up in the Premier Division in 1999/2000 and won the Premier Division title in 2000/2001 and 2001/2002.

Since 1998 the first team and subsequently other teams within the Club have played at Otham Sports Club, Honey Lane, Otham. Bearsted F.C. was awarded Senior status shortly after relocating to Otham. In season 1999/2000 the Club reached the semi final of the Kent Senior Cup, losing 0-1 to the eventual winners Deal Town. In 2006/2007 the Club reached the final of the competition but were again beaten 1 – 0, by Whitstable Town.

In season 2002/2003 Ian Hamer and John Brook, 2 former players and subsequently joint managers of Bearsted first team were appointed to manage the Kent County League representative team in the EUFE Regions Cup competition which was held in Estonia. The team, which was the sole representative of the English F.A., included 5 players from Bearsted Football Club.

Since 1978, the Club has a thriving junior section with teams from Under 7 to Under 18s.

The Club has continued to expand by adding a Development school for children for aspiring players from the age of 5 to 8. Currently teams from the Club play in the Invicta Primary League, Express Cabs Maidstone & District League, the Maidstone Minor League and the Kent Youth League.

The Club achieved Charter Standard in 2006. In October 2006, at Old Trafford, prior to the England -v- Macedonia game, the Chairman, Duncan Andrews and Youth Development Officer, Colin Whitfield, were presented with the National Charter Standard Award by Sir Trevor Brooking.

Since 2006 the Club has made major improvements to the facilities at Honey Lane, Otham including new underground drainage, provision of floodlights to the 1st team pitch, covered seating and standing areas and further areas of concrete hardstanding.

The Club was one of the inaugural members of the Kent Invicta League in the 2011/2012 season. Following the appointment of Kevin Stevens as first team manager progress was made both on and off the pitch. The Club was runner up in the league and the losing League cup finalist in the 2014/2015 season. As a result of winning the league in season 2015/2016 the Club was promoted to the Premier Division of the Southern Counties East Football League with effect from the start of the 2016/17 season.

In the inaugural season in the Southern Counties East Premier Division Bearsted finished in a very creditable 12th place.

In August 2017 the Club played in the F.A. Cup for the first occasion in it's 122 year history.

In the 2018/19 season Bearsted recorded it's historic first win in the F.A. Cup v Chichester City. The Club also reached the last 32 in the F.A. Vase, eventually losing to Abbey Rangers



Manager

Kevin Stevens

Coach

Stephen Hafner

Coach

Stephen Sage

Coach

Andrew Gardiner

Kit

Shirts:

WHITE/BLUE

Shorts:

BLUE

Socks:

BLUE

GK:

GREY

TODAYS SQUADS

HOLMESDALE FC	NO	NO	BEARSTED FC	
(CAPT) JAMES SHIELD			JORDAN ABABIO	
JAMES BOUGHTFLOWER			OMOTUNMISE AKANNNI	
SIJI AKINLUSI			TOM BENHAM	
TOM JEWERS			RYAN BLAKE	
DAN VAUGHAN			ROBERT BURGESS	
JACOB SKELLY			REES CRIMMEN	
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TODAYS MATCH OFFICIALS

		
Wayne Cooksey	Luke Thomas	

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