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Hashtag United FC
Saturday 2 July 2022
3pm kick off

Welcome back to the Sports Park.

The season get underway early this year 30 July look out for our list of fixtures. While you are waiting for our Centenary Season friendly a number of friendly matches have been arranged. For the first of these games we welcome Hashtag United.



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We are always looking for volunteers to help out on match days. You do not have to play, we have that side covered!!! What makes a difference if held around the ground, the bar, or kitchen or anything else you can do. Don't forget as a member of the club you can join the committee and help in different ways, again you do not have to actually be involved in training for football itself many people have other skills which we could make use of. Also have you good IT skills as we would like to have someone to look after our social media presents. Also if you want a better programme without spelling errors then again please put yourself forward!

Please think about it, perhaps for the this new season, contact the committee or look for contact details on our web site.

A small piece of our history!

As we enter our centenary year it is our hope to produce history, but more help and information is required.

This is a photo of the 1924-25 squad. There were no names attached to the picture, although in Downland Past of October 1924 there is a list of players who were to be chosen for the first round of the Vernon Wentworth Cup, which was to be played against Rottingdean on 4 October 1924 :-

Betts (goal); Walsh and Ellis (backs); Evershed, and H Coles (half-backs); F Davies, A. J. Woolford, J. Leppard, W. C. Turner and F Thornton (forwards) with A. Eagor as reserve.

Can you help with putting names to the faces here?



If you can help with this picture, or have anything else from the early days of the club can please let me know on the gate or on the email below. I can always just take a copy of anything you have so you still keep it. Any help gratefully received.

The object of asking for help it to try and put together a history of our club. The last one was written by the late Malcolm Troak in the 1980's club programmes.

If you have anything for me I will take it at the gate or, you can email Stanley.
thecompts@yahoo.co.uk

This email address is purely for the club programme and only monitored once a day.

Thanks



Hashtag United FC

Hashtag United actually owes its existence to another football team, Carmichael-Browns Athletic, which was set up by Spencer Owen when still at school. When highlights of a memorial match for two of his former CBA players proved popular in early 2016, Spencer was spurred on to take his team of mates – and brothers – on an incredible journey that 4 years later would see them enter the Isthmian League, the 8th tier of men’s football in the UK.

For the next two years, Hashtag played exhibition matches in an innovative league format devised by Spencer and his brother Seb. Taking inspiration from the FIFA game, the team would be set points targets for a group of games, and if the targets were achieved, they would be rewarded by “The Chairman” and would progress to the next level. The team played against the likes of pro football staff teams, fellow YouTube creators, sponsor teams, non-league and Sunday sides. It took the boys from Essex, to tours in Spain and the USA, and even to Wembley, with highlights playing to millions of viewers on YouTube.

The squad was bolstered in the early days by the addition of YouTube creators Theo Baker and Charlie Morley, and then graduates of the first “Hashtag Academy”, a football talent series which ran on Spencer’s channel. Several thousand applicants were whittled down until 16-year-old Scott Pollock emerged victorious. After impressing for Hashtag, Scott joined Northampton Town, earned a pro contract, and played for them in League 2.

In 2018 the club applied for entry into the FA’s National League System, looking to make the transition from exhibition team to a competitive club in the 10th tier of English football. They were granted a place in the Eastern Senior League Division 1 (South) for the 2018/19 season and appointed experienced non-league manager Jay Devereux to lead the transition, with home games being played at Haringey Borough. Devs brought in some trusted non-league faces to play alongside the remaining Hashtag originals, and despite a tough start, the new-look Hashtag eventually found their stride, going on two long winning runs and ending the season as champions. Perhaps fittingly, the new boys won the league at the Old Spotted Dog, one of London’s most historic non-league grounds.

The squad for the club’s Essex Senior League campaign in 2019/20 was further strengthened by the addition of more experienced non-league players and several from the second Academy series including winner Joshua Osude. The team adapted well to new surroundings at Tilbury, and when the season was voided they sat second with games in hand over the league leaders, and in two cup semi-finals.

During the extended break from football in 2020, Hashtag completed mergers with AFC Basildon and Forest Glade, turning what was two men’s teams into a club with over 40 teams providing football for boys, girls, men and women from age 5 upwards.

With a new home at Bowers & Pitsea FC, the men’s first team again led the league when the season was halted, luckily not before they were able to make a very dramatic FA Cup debut! A run of 3 wins saw the

boys play live in front of the BBC cameras and then experience heartbreak as National League South side Braintree Town equalised from kick-off after it looked as if we had snatched victory in the last minute. Another penalty shootout win wasn't to be, but club history and incredible memories had been made.

In May 2021 the team was awarded promotion to the Isthmian League North, based on PPG record over the two curtailed seasons. And so to 2021-22, with another new challenge, bolstered again by a new crop of Academy recruits, this time led by Season 3 winner, Jake Lindsey. What next, for this one-of-a-kind club?

This year's pre-Season's Friendlies
Home games unless otherwise stated

Sat 2 July 3 pm - Hashtag United

Tue 5 July 7.45 pm - Eastbourne Borough

Fri 8 July Away to Mile Oak – 7.30 pm

Tue 12 July 7.45 pm – Ringmer

Fri 15 July 7.45 pm - Brighton & Hove Albion Development Squad

Tue 19 July 7.45 pm - Selsey

Fri 22 July 7.45 pm – Oakwood

Sunday 24 July 1pm – Brighton Legends v Mark Shutt Leg Ends – This is the start of the clubs Centenary year – Today's match is in celebration of Jim Edwards our President and stalwart of the club.

Tue 26 July 7.45 pm – Worthing United

2022/23 Football Season - Starts Saturday 30 July

Last year had its ups and downs but Peacehaven & Telscombe eventually ended the year in 8th place

Our Under 23's were in the middle of the table at 5 there are 10 in the league!

While our Under 18s were 4th out of 9.

In the Mid Sussex youth leagues

Our Under 14 girls had a very good season not only were they 4th out of 9 in their league but League cup they played well and were just beaten 2-1 by D&S Hastings.

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Peacehaven & Telscombe FC

A brief history

Although officially the club was formed in 1923 as a result of a merger between Peacehaven Rangers and Telscombe Tye. It is recorded that a number of games were played in 1922 following a meeting of interested players in June of that year. The team first played competitive football in the Lewes District League until after the second world war when the club joined Junior Division one of the Brighton, Hove & District Football League for the start of the 1949–50 campaign finishing runners up at the first attempt. Two seasons later the club achieved promotion to the intermediate division when they finished as champions of the Junior Division one, and gained further promotion the next season when they finished runners-up in the intermediate division. However they could only survive two seasons in the Senior Division before being relegated back to the intermediate division at the end of the 1954–55 competition. Four seasons later the club bounced back up to the senior division, when they finished runners-up but as before they could only survive two seasons in the top division before being relegated again. The 1963–64 season saw the club promoted back to the Senior division as champions of the intermediate Division. The club would then go on to win the Senior division five seasons later, without losing a single game.

The Senior division win in the Brighton league enabled the club to be promoted to Division Two of the Sussex County Football League, for the start of the 1969–70 season. Their fourth season in Division two, the 1972–73 campaign, saw the club make their debut in the FA Cup, where they beat Burgess Hill

Town in the First Qualifying round before losing to Lewes in the next round. The 1975–76 season saw the club gain promotion to Division one for the first time, when they finished runners up behind Selsey.

In their third season, 1978–79, in Division one the club ended up finishing as champions of the Sussex County League. The club went on to remain in Division one for another nineteen seasons during which time they went on to win the league title a further six times. Two seasons after winning the last of these six titles, the 1997–98 campaign saw the club relegated to Division two. The club bounced back as runners-up of Division two, three seasons later but could only last two seasons back in Division one.

Two seasons after being relegated from Division one, the club was relegated to Division three for the first time in their history. The next season saw them become champions of Division Three in the 2005–06 season, earning promotion back to Division two. The club was back in Division one three seasons later when under manager Darren Guirey, they earned promotion as champions of Division Two. The club achieved further success at the end of the 2012–13 campaign the club won the Sussex county league for the eighth time in their history and earning themselves promotion to the Isthmian League. In 2013–14, the club won the Isthmian League Division One South and earned a second successive promotion, reaching the Isthmian Premier Division.

By December 2014 at the clubs highest position in the Ryman Premier League it all started to unravel. Managers and chairman struggled, there were wins but slowly the club slipped down the table and ended back in Ryman South. Then in January 2016 with the club at its lowest ebb, popular chairman Brian Suckling lost his fight with cancer and passed away. Deputy chairman Sue Norwood became acting chairman but had a mountain to climb. The followed another demotions, which saw the club back in the Southern Combination Premier league for the 2016/17 season. It was realised that the club was on the brink of collapse.

So with a massive effort in June 2016, the club became community club, owned by its fans. A new manager was appointed, local man Mark Shutt. He set about building a squad of players with a nil playing budget, but recruiting players who wanted to play for the shirt and not money. At the end of season 2016/17 Peacehaven & Telscombe finished in a respectable 14th place in the Southern Combination league with 48 points from 38 games played. The objective in its first season as a community owned club had been achieved and the slide had been halted. In May 2019 a new high point was reach by winning the RUR cup against the odds, about the same time the club was accredited FA Charter Standard.

Peacehaven & Telscombe Community Football Club AGM

Please note that our AGM this year is on Monday 18 July. Please contact the existing committee if you would like to help run your club and join the committee/board.

At the end of the season our under 14 girls reached the final of their age group League Cup. They then played very well and were disappointed to come home as runners up. The match was played on Eastbourne Borough's ground.



Today's teams – At the time of printing the following players have re-signed for the season

Peacehaven

Brad Bant
Jack Pettett
Mikey Lloyd
Ross Barclay
Eman Osei-Asomah
Lawrence Sanded
Max Hollobone

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