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London Spartan League Cup winners: 1990, 1992

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1972, 1977

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1975, 1977, 1978

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# IAN'S INSIGHT

WITH NORTHWOOD FC CHAIRMAN, **IAN BARRY**



**Welcome to the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium for today's Pitching In Isthmian League fixture.**

**Opening my notes this week, I can only say that the one leading up to the Chipstead game was a long week and involved a few late nights, but was proved to be extremely worthwhile in the end**

And whilst the game was a close one, the goal that won it for us was top class and worthy of winning any game.

It was great to see a different attitude running through the squad and I sincerely believe that we have the right blend of experience, enthusiasm, desire, hunger and professionalism to move us up the league and give us the platform to build on going forward.

It always staggers me to read and hear of comments, especially from those not involved here, when there is a change of management and some people need to get out a little bit more and leave their keyboards alone.

Today, there are of course only three points at stake, but we hope that we can carry on the good work already in place. I'm certainly hoping for a decent crowd to get behind us and I thank each and every one of you for your continued support, in recent difficult times.

I have to thank the new management team for their hard work and of course our very own Secretary Alan, who always has to majorly increase his own workload when a new group of players come in, by signing them on, travelling to do this and a vast amount of additional administrative work into the bargain.

In closing, I attended the funeral of my good friend and previous Manager, Gordon Boateng, last Friday. It was an amazing event giving a fantastic eulogy to Gordon and was a wonderful testament to a great man, who lived life to the full and made many, many friends along the way.

The service was held in Chelmsford Cathedral and well over 500 were in attendance to pay their respects.

Our thoughts remain with Gordon's wife, Hayley and their children, Ace and Axel and I'm sure Gordon's legacy will live on.

Enjoy the game today.

Up the Woods!

**Ian**

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*DIRECT FROM THE*

# THE MANAGEMENT

*WITH DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL, STEVE RINGROSE*

**Last Saturday's excellent start to our first week at the club, was the result of a week's challenging work by the whole of the new management team.**

**In the week prior, discussions took place instigated by Andy Lomas with a vision to form a management team who could work closely together to form what we believe could be a winning formula for the 'Woods'**

When we all chatted about this the idea it appealed to each one of us.

I know Ben from his work coaching with Hendon FC, have worked extensively with Andy and Keagan Cole at Potters Bar Town and all our ideas are remarkably similar.

So once the decision by the club had been taken last Sunday, things progressed very quickly and I personally would like to thank the many Managers at lots of local clubs who I know very well, who have been extremely helpful in allowing us to achieve our first stage of re-building in time for last Saturday's game at Chipstead.

The Management side sees Ben taking on the main coaching role whilst working closely with me to gain invaluable learning and experience in his first role in Management

Andy and Keag's input to this will be invaluable. They, like Ben and I, hope we can bring a 'Club Spirit' back to the players and make each individual one better for, and an important part of, theirs and 'the clubs' progression.

In addition, Richard will continue the invaluable work he's performed over the years and along with Physio Dan Daggett will be an important part of our 'off the field' team.

Training in the week saw more than twenty two players at both sessions with a chance for the players to impress the Management, and despite some tough decisions by us we finalised the sixteen-man squad for the first match at Chipstead.

With eight unfamiliar faces in the starting line-up, both apprehension and excitement quickly reminded me of some good times I have enjoyed at other clubs during my time in Management.

In our first game, despite some of the lads clearly showing signs of lack of playing times at former clubs, this 'Team Spirit' shone through with the excellent win and a 'clean sheet' in what was a tough away fixture against a good footballing side.

At the end of the game, it was great to see the 'rapport' between the players and supporters, long may that continue.

So, as we prepare for today's game, the players are very aware of our 'demands and expectations' and we hope that we can build some momentum to climb the table and ensure we can enjoy the remainder of the season. In addition, we will be looking forward to the future and helping this 'great club' to return to where it should be.

Thanks for your support, enjoy the game and feel free to chat to the Management and Players in the clubhouse following the game.

**Steve**







# WOODS OUTLOOK

WITH ALAN EVANS

## WELCOME TO THE ASH TREES

This afternoon we welcome everyone connected to Ashford Town (Middlesex) FC to the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium for our first meeting of the season in the Pitching In Isthmian League. Our visitors sit in fifteenth place in the league table at the time of writing – prior to their away game at Chipstead on Tuesday night – having picked up just one win and eight defeats from their last nine league matches but they have been suffering badly with injuries. They did well in the FA Cup earlier in the season, reaching the Second Qualifying round with wins over Uckfield, Knaphill and Tilbury before crashing out 7-2 at home by Premier Division side Folkestone Invicta. Like ourselves, it is in defence where the Tangerines have struggled most as their only clean sheet was achieved in a 5-0 away win at Staines Town back at the end of August. However, before Tuesday night, they have also failed to score in four successive away league games so would have been hoping to improve on that statistic in midweek.

In last season's much-curtailed campaign, it was this home fixture that was actually played and it was Ashford who took all three points with a comfortable 2-0 success thanks to goals from Steven Duff and Sam Humphreys.

The previous season, which ended in early March, did actually see the two sides meet three times with the Woods winning all of those contests. A Louis Bircham goal was enough to win a League Cup game at Ashford and we returned to the Robert Parker Stadium in November to win 3-1 in a League game with the scorers Harry Lodovica, Eric Lopes and Scott Weight with an own goal. Kevin Adjei had earlier netted from the penalty-spot for the home side. The return league game was played in early March, just before the lockdown and the Woods completed a "double" with a 2-1 victory. Max Webb had headed the visitors in front in first half stoppage-time but Northwood stormed back with goals from Ahmed Elshahib and Eric Lopes to win the game.

## LEAGUE AND CUP NEWS

Having lost our last home league game 1-5 against South Park, the new management team was announced the following day and took charge for the first time last Saturday as the Woods recorded a 1-0 victory away at Chipstead. It was our first away win in the Isthmian League since a 2-1 defeat of Harlow Town under Jamie Leacock back on November 30th, 2019; almost two years ago and had been a

long wait of seventeen away matches. It was also our first clean sheet in an away league game for longer than that – a 1-0 success which relegated Molesey back in April 2019 so congratulations especially to Daniel Purdue and his defence.

On Tuesday night we travelled to play Combined Counties League leaders Hanworth Villa in the opening round of the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup and made it back-to-back wins over the past week with an excellent 5-2 victory. We made a powerful start to the game with Micah Jackson playing in a forward role and netting two goals either side of a Teddy Stacey tap-in that opened up a 3-0 lead. The home side did battle back with a goal either side of half-time to make it interesting but then two late goals wrapped up the victory and a place in the quarter-finals thanks to goals from Tommy Boxer and substitute Yiannis Constantinou.

## NEW MANAGEMENT TEAM

We are delighted to welcome our new Management team who are in place here at the club with the experienced Steve Ringrose taking up the role of Director of Football alongside Ben Bukowski as Head Coach. Also joining the coaching team are former Woods striker Dave Lawrence plus two Player-Coaches in Keagan Cole and Andy Lomas, the latter another former Woods defender. Richard Elderfield remains in place to offer his experience at the club while recent recruit as Club Physiotherapist Dan Daggett (another ex-Woods player) had also agreed to continue in his role. We welcome the whole team and hope they enjoy what our club has to offer and that they all enjoy the experience over many years.

## PLAYER NEWS

That management team all played their part in a very busy first week of recruitment which resulted in no less than eight changes to the starting line-up for that first game in charge at Chipstead last Saturday. As well as Keagan Cole and Andy Lomas, two other players arrived from Step 3 side Potters Bar Town in attackers Ryan Young and Sydney Ibie; Carl Stewart joined us from Beaconsfield Town; Tommy Boxer returned to the club for a second spell having had a few games for rivals Chalfont St Peter this season; Micah Jackson arrives from Enfield Borough while Teddy Stacey has been playing at Hadley. We thank all those clubs for making those transfers a smooth and swift process.

Since then, Yiannis Constantinou has started a third spell with the Woods having been playing for Egham Town this season.



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We welcome all the new arrivals and hope that their stay will be a long and successful one.

It does of course mean that some of our former squad members have moved on. Adam Cash's parent club Hayes & Yeading had received a 7-day approach from Berkhamsted FC and he has chosen to join their promotion challenge. Ryan Avery has made the decision to join up with former teammates Sam Coles and Matty Ayres at Flackwell Heath; Declan Nche has joined Basildon United and Giovanni Palmer this week chose to join Bedfont Sports' promotion push after a 7-day approach from them. Arnie Linturn had decided a new job offer means that he can no longer devote the time to play at our level of football while Gradi Milenge has opted to look for a new club. We thank all of these players for their efforts over the last few months and wish them well for the future.

### TOP VALUE SEASON TICKETS

Season Tickets are again available to all supporters at the massively discounted price of just £45.00 which will get you entrance to all our home Isthmian League matches (usual admission price £10 for adults, £5 for concessions). For those that bought a season ticket last season, only for the season to be severely curtailed, we did make the offer of a free replacement for the new season and it is a credit to everyone of you that no-one took us up on that offer. All those that ordered their tickets prior to last week can collect them from me today but if you haven't yet done so, it's never too late as there are savings to be made even this far into the season (with 11 home games still to play) and for a short while yet. Go to the website [www.northwoodfc.com](http://www.northwoodfc.com) and Season Tickets under the Commercial tab to pay online for yours or you can pay cash to me this afternoon if you would prefer.

You may want to consider becoming a 1926 Member. At a cost of £145, this gets you the Season Ticket but also a Player Sponsorship of your choice plus one Match-Day Sponsorship which includes hospitality for four people pre and post-match. These are limited but there are still a few memberships available.

### CHRISTMAS IS COMING...

We still have a small, limited stock of Northwood FC first-team "Pat Byrne Memorial" shirts in both red and blue in various sizes if you think someone might like one for Christmas. Ask in the clubhouse soon while those stocks last. Alternatively, you can still buy personalised ones via the online Hope & Glory shop via the link on the website. We also have a variety of other merchandise such as scarves, badges, mugs etc.

### PLAYER SPONSORSHIPS

As usual, we are looking for sponsors for our players and this season you get a choice of either being kit sponsor at £60.00 or Tracksuit Sponsor at £50.00. Obviously with the recent turnover of players, many people's sponsored player may have moved on.

If this is the case, please let us know who you would like your sponsorship passed onto from the new squad or recent recruits and we shall do that for you as we enter the second half of the season. Big thanks to Woods supporter Michael Payne who has kindly sponsored three members of the management team.

### UNDER-18S

The Under-18s followed up their recent 3-3 draw with unbeaten Bedfont Sports in the Isthmian Youth League with success in the Jeff Ritson Middlesex Senior Youth Cup as they notched a 6-3 victory away at Cockfosters. They led three times only for the home side to hit back and it looked like the tie might be heading to penalties until three goals in the final four minutes secured the victory and a place in the quarter-finals. Their game at Hayes & Yeading this week was postponed but they are back in action this coming Thursday night, 2nd November 2021 when they entertain Ashford Town (Middx), a side that they beat away from home on the opening day of the season. Any support that you can give them would, I'm sure, be very much appreciated.

### SPARTANS YOUTH (ADULT SECTION)

Spartans were very disappointed last Saturday as they suffered a 0-4 home defeat against league leaders AFC Cubo here at the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium. They will be hoping for a confidence boost over the next couple of weeks with back-to-back games against bottom club NPL Saturday. They play them at home in the Middlesex Intermediate Cup (playing elsewhere) and then again here at Northwood in a Surrey Premier League game next Saturday, 4th December 2021. It's a 3pm kick-off and admission is free for anyone who doesn't make the trip to unbeaten Chertsey Town in the first-team fixture.

### FIXTURES AT THE FENTON CIVIL ENGINEERING STADIUM

Today sees the last home game for the first-team for a few weeks as we go on the road to play firstly Chertsey Town next Saturday and then Binfield the following weekend. We hope to see a few of you at those games if possible. We're not back here until Saturday 18th December and that will be the last home game before Christmas so, please make sure you come down and do a bit of early celebrating in the bar afterwards. Anyone with a Season Ticket can bring a friend to the game for just £5 entry.

**Thursday 2nd December** - Under 18's v Ashford Town (Middx) - Isthmian Youth League - 7.45pm

**Saturday 4th December** - Spartans v NPL Saturday - Surrey Premier League - 3pm

**Saturday 18th December** - Northwood v Hatcham Town - Isthmian League - 3pm

Enjoy the game this afternoon and see you all again soon!



# MATCH REPORT

BY ALAN EVANS

## CHIPSTEAD 0 NORTHWOOD 1

SATURDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2021

KICK-OFF 3.00PM

PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

**The Woods new-look side, under new management and with eight changes from the previous weekend, pulled off their first away Isthmian League win for nearly two years.**

Only Daniel Purdue, Matt Surmon and James Gurteen kept their places in the starting line-up with six debutants plus two former Northwood defenders Andy Lomas and Tommy Boxer returning after previous spells.

And it was the Woods who were quickly on the front foot against a Chipstead side who boasted an unbeaten home record this season.

There had already been three forays into the final third, mainly involving Ryan Young, with one Keagan Cole free-kick being nodded well wide by Boxer, when the

visitors took a ninth minute lead.

Teddy Stacey played a ball into the feet of striker Sydney Ibie and he started his spell with the Woods with a quick turn of his marker before steering a fine strike into the top corner of the net, giving the Chips goalkeeper Matthew Kerbey, on loan from Sutton United, no chance.

Chipstead were struggling to get a foothold in the game with the Woods pressing well throughout the team and striker Andy Kabuikosomo picked up the first yellow card of the game for a late challenge on Cole after eighteen minutes.

It took twenty eight minutes for the Chips to finally threaten as first Dan Moody and then Kieran Lavery fired shots in from the left but both were wide of the far post.

But it was the Woods who finished the half strongly. Ibie's run and cutback almost set up Young but a defender just intercepted for a corner and then Lomas got forward for a shot that flew only just over the bar.







The home side knew they needed to change things and they made a double-substitution to begin the second-half. But it was still Northwood who were on top as another driving run from Lomas set up Stacey and his excellent strike had Kerbey flying across goal to tip the ball against the post and wide.

The context of the game changed soon after though as the Referee rather harshly showed Boxer two yellow cards in the space of ninety seconds, the first for taking too long over

taking a free-kick and the second for a minor foul and suddenly it was ten men for the last half hour.

Young was sacrificed to get Pablo Velasco on to bolster the defence with Surmon moving back into the centre

and within a few minutes Chipstead threatened with Kabuikosomo's header being comfortably saved by Purdue.

But the defence wouldn't be breached as it stayed solid to repel anything the Chips had to offer with just a couple of scares. Purdue earned his clean sheet with a great reflex save to deny Kabuikosomo again and a very late free-kick which was allowed to bounce in the six-yard box before finally being cleared.

A great start for the new regime and the Woods are back off of the bottom of the table.

**NORTHWOOD:** Purdue, Surmon, Lomas, Cole, Boxer, Gurteen, Young, Stacey, Ibie, Jackson, Stewart  
Subs: Esposito, J Ehui (for Ibie 87m), Petch, Velasco (for Young 64m), Shrowder (for Jackson 82m)

Goal: Ibie

Yellow Card: Surmon; Red Card: Boxer (2 Yellows)

Attendance: 75





# YESTERDAY TODAY

27 NOVEMBER IN YEARS GONE BY... WITH **KEN GREEN**

## 1971

MIDDLESEX LEAGUE

**BELL PUNCH VICTORIA 2 NORTHWOOD 2**

This game started at a furious pace with the Woods doing all the attacking. Paddy Coburn and Steve Senior looked in fine form and their combination had the home defence at full stretch.

As happens when one team attacks non-stop, they tended to leave gaps at the back, and the Woods' defence, which has struggled recently, let them down again. A corner was swung over, and as six defenders watched, Victoria's lone attacker headed home.

Steve Pearce (pictured) set up the equaliser when he beat two players to give Steve Senior his goal.

Although well in control, Woods' defence often looked likely to submit to the quick break, and when a long clearance was played downfield, two Woods defenders completely missed the ball, and the home side's inside-forward had a simple task to score.

Paddy Coburn almost snatched the equaliser on two occasions and Barry Gould soared to head a great effort just over. When a defender tried to induce Gould to give away a throw-in near the home side's corner flag he simply slipped the ball through his legs to Pearce. He in turn crossed to Senior, who continued his goal-scoring form with a line volley.

Northwood should have had a winner in the last few minutes as they attacked furiously. Coburn had an effort blocked and Ian Harvey instantly killed the rebound, dummied the 'keeper, and rolled the ball goalward. But somehow a defender appeared from nowhere and cleared a certain goal.

**Northwood:** R Byrne, Harding, Madigan, Dibbens, Taylor, Burt, Harvey, Gould, Pearce, Coburn, Senior

## 1976

MIDDLESEX LEAGUE

**MILL END 1 NORTHWOOD 1**

Gary Cooper scored a brilliantly taken goal late in the game to give Northwood a good away point against Middlesex League leaders Mill End. Cooper had scored in both his games for the Woods since he re-joined them from Harefield United, and he has formed an effective strike force with Martin Ellis and Roger Livingstone.

Northwood were served a shock before Saturday's game when their ever-present goalkeeper Les Currell broke down with an ankle injury and Dave Russell had to take over. But Mill End took the lead before any of the Northwood side had

time to settle. A corner was only half cleared by the Woods' defence and Mill End's full-back Miles headed the ball in. The goal set Northwood into action, and Junior Jones had two good shots saved, and then had a header from three yards go just wide of the upright.

Northwood had gained control of the midfield and Gould and Merison were dominant in the defence, while full-backs Harman and Heslop gave little away.

But Mill End were not prepared to give an inch, either, although Jones had one startling run from deep in his own penalty area to well into the Mill End half but his final pass went astray. Northwood were confident that the goal would come, but they had to wait until six minutes from time. Coburn found the gap to squeeze a pass to Cooper and he took his chance majestically. The keeper came off his line and Cooper hit a perfect lob over his head and into the net.

**Northwood:** Russell, Heslop, Gould, Merison, J Harman, Tidd, Coburn, Jones, Ellis, Cooper, Livingstone. Sub. R Harman.

## 1993

DIADORA LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

**NORTHWOOD 0 BRACKNELL TOWN 5**

Northwood completed a disastrous week when, having crashed out of the FA Vase in midweek, they were humbled at home in the Diadora League four days later.

After just three minutes Rob Holland laid off the ball to Steve Payton and in nipped Alan Shields to gain possession and put





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third placed Bracknell in front. Woods' keeper Rick Murphy, under pressure, saved well before Shields hit a post from close range.

Northwood's best moments came early in the second half but Shields netted his second goal after the home defence had given the ball away.

Jerome Boadu then lost the ball in midfield for David Hobbs to make it 3-0, and another early Christmas present from the defence allowed Justin Day to make it four. Day then completed a miserable day for Woods by scoring the fifth.

**Northwood:** Murphy, McAuliffe, Brayshaw, Delicata, Holland, Payton, Matthews, Billins, Beattie, Schwartz, Boadu.  
**Subs:** Vincent, Bennett.

## 2004

### MIDDLESEX CHARITY CUP FIRST ROUND BEDFONT 0 NORTHWOOD 1

A splendid 76th minute, 25-yard strike from Danny Yeoman (pictured) lit up this county cup tie. Boss Mick Harvey fielded a strong side, with the former Nationwide Conference pair of Warren Patmore and Ben Abbey starting up front. An early one-two between Patmore and Richard Morton led to the striker blasting over whilst the latter himself also skied an effort over the bar after fourteen minutes. The hosts threatened in patches with Adam Willis making some intelligent runs, although it was the visitors who had the better of a scrappy first half.



Lee O'Leary, on his starting debut, and Morton were combining well in midfield, and after 25 minutes the Woods should have taken the lead. Morton made a tremendous tackle in midfield before threading a defence splitting ball through to Abbey. The nippy striker danced around the onrushing goalkeeper, but his shot lacked any real pace and was cleared off the line. This let off seemed to spur on the

hosts and they had their best spell of the match just before the half-time whistle, culminating in a neat move which ended when Dayo Olufermi sliced a chance wide.

Bedfont started the second half brightly with Dean Lindsay parrying an early shot. But the crucial breakthrough came with about fifteen minutes to go. Patmore initiated a knock down into the path of Danny Yeoman, and the midfielder brought the ball forward a couple of yards before unleashing a majestic strike into the top corner.

After 81 minutes Gavin Hart gave Hale an excellent chance to make the game safe, but his shot was saved easily by home goalie, Pearce, who immediately launched the ball downfield. The Woods defence hesitated, and Willis was left with a clear run on goal but he placed the ball wide of the advancing Lindsay but also past his right-hand upright. Hale could have extended the lead in the final minute but shot straight at Pearce..

**Northwood:** Lindsay, Reeks, Dennison, Smith, Evans, O'Leary (Moore), Morton, Clark (Hale), Patmore, Abbey (Hart), Yeoman.

## 2018

### BOSTIK ISTHMIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1 SOUTH CENTRAL BEDFONT SPORTS 3 NORTHWOOD 0

Northwood suffered their first reverse in the league under the stewardship of caretaker manager Scott Dash as they came out second best on the 3G pitch at Bedfont Sports Ground.

The home side opened the scoring on 36 minutes, Charlie Postance powering his header beyond Sheldrick after he latched onto Tim Pitt's delicious cross with the Woods keeper caught in no-man's land.

Northwood almost posted an immediate response as Ofosu's cross agonisingly missed the head of Stevens with the goal at his mercy. Sheldrick was called into action immediately after the restart as he tipped a Postance free-kick over the bar. But the Woods stopper was left helpless on 47 minutes as Postance headed home his second of the evening with the visitors betraying their prevailing weakness at defending corners.

With the Woods pushing to get a goal back, a Bedfont break-away led to Postance falling in the box under a challenge from Sam Jenkins with substitute David Pitt stepping up to dispatch the 89th minute penalty kick to seal the win for the hosts.

**Northwood:** Sheldrick, Jenkins, Cooper, Gosling (Conrad-Lucan), Tring, Pearce, Stevens (Asumadu-Sakyi), Pett, Pattie, Ofosu, Worrell (Holland).





## WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS... **ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)**

**FOR MANY YEARS, IT WAS ASSUMED THAT ASHFORD TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB WAS FORMED IN 1964. HOWEVER, SUBSEQUENT RESEARCH INDICATED THE CLUB WAS FORMED IN 1958 AS ASHFORD ALBION AND FIRST COMPETED IN THE HOUNSLOW & DISTRICT LEAGUE.**



**Albion won two consecutive promotions to reach the Premier Division of the Hounslow League and were still competing at this level when the club changed its name to Ashford Town in 1964.**

It was at this time that the club adopted its distinctive Tangerine & White colours. The club endured a difficult first campaign as the Town club and withdrew from the Premier Division, assuming the Reserve Team's place in Division Two.

Having rebuilt the club with a very young team, Ashford Town rapidly advanced back through the divisions of the Hounslow & District League, absorbing Staines Youth Club FC. on the way.

Several individuals from that era have remained with the Club and now form the backbone of the Committee.

The Club was elected to the Surrey Intermediate League (Western) in 1967 and promoted at the end of their first season.

The Ash Trees were League Cup finalists in 1970-71 and League runners-up in 1972-73. In 1974-75, Ashford enjoyed their best season under the management of ex-Fulham player Frank Reid, winning the League by three points from perennial contenders Merrow.

Prior to season 1982-83 an invitation was extended by Surrey County FA to become founder members of the Surrey County Premier League.

Ashford played their first match in the new league on 4 September 1982, drawing 0-0 away to Farleigh Rovers.

Almost from its foundation, the Club had aspirations to acquire its own ground and after one or two disappointments, this was achieved in August 1985, when



a long lease was signed with Spelthorne Borough Council, enabling the Club to move to its present home at Short Lane, Stanwell.

From what was nothing more than a field, the facilities were quickly developed, with the first match at Short Lane taking place in February 1986, following two postponements for snow.

Floodlights were erected in September 1995, whilst the pitch is railed all round and partly walled, with standing covered accommodation, plus a purpose built 150-seater stand, built in 1998.

An additional 100 seats were installed on the opposite side of the ground to this stand in 2006, after the club won promotion to the Isthmian League Premier Division.

Runners-up spot in the Surrey Premier League was secured and with it the opportunity to enter senior football, as members of the Combined Counties League, senior status having been granted in May 1990.

It was at this point that the club changed its name to Ashford Town (Middlesex) FC, to avoid confusion with the Kent club of the same name.

During its ten-year membership of the Combined Counties League, the Club never finished below sixth place, and after finishing 3rd and 2nd in seasons 1992-93 and 93-94,

it went on to win the League Championship for four successive seasons.

It was a relative disappointment to only come 4th in 1998-99, even though the Club won the League Cup but a 5th championship in just six seasons was secured in 99-00, along with the Middlesex Charity Cup, the first ever senior county cup honour.

With the ground up to the required standard, Ashford took their place in the Isthmian League for season 2000-01 and by finishing in third place, secured promotion to Division Two at the first attempt.

In 2004, the pitch was completely relaid to include both irrigation and drainage systems, at a cost of around £50,000, mostly financed by the Football Stadia Improvement Fund.

The Club embarked upon new adventures in season 2004-05 in the Southern League for the first time, having been transferred over as a result of a restructure of the National League System.

The Fourth Qualifying Round of the FA Cup was reached for the first time and Mark Butler, renowned goal scorer in his day with Aldershot Town, Staines Town and others was promoted from Assistant Manager to Manager following the resignation of Nathan Wharf in December 2004.





The play-offs were reached but resulted in a narrow defeat at Evesham United after extra time. In 2005-06, Ashford went one better, finishing second in Division One West of the Southern League, to secure promotion to Step 3.

This brought about a return to the Isthmian League for season 2006-07 and saw Ashford competing at their highest ever level.

The season brought consolidation of the new status with the added bonus of reaching and winning the Isthmian League Cup Final when Ashford triumphed 4-1 over Dover Athletic at Bromley.

Ashford built on this success, rallying from the foot of the table in November 2007 to narrowly miss a place in the promotion play-offs at the end of the 2007-08 season and the 2008-09 season saw Ashford begin the campaign in electrifying form, winning their opening six matches to top the table.

Mark Butler's side followed this up with a fantastic FA Cup run which saw them come agonisingly close to eliminating Forest Green Rovers in the Fourth Qualifying Round at Short Lane.

Ashford endured a difficult winter, which saw them flirt with relegation, before a late resurgence saw the side safely into mid-table.

The cup competitions added much adventure to the season, as Ashford followed up their exploits in the FA Cup with runs to the semi-finals of both the Middlesex Senior and Isthmian League Cups and end their campaign by defeating Conference Premier outfit Woking 3-2 at Metropolitan Police to win the Surrey Senior Cup.

The 2009-10 season saw Ashford make a reasonable start to the campaign, but the Ash Trees were shocked when manager Mark Butler tendered his resignation on Friday 23rd October, in order to take up the Manager's role at Margate, who were struggling at the foot of the table.

Ashford appointed former Leicester City and Bradford City midfielder Jamie Lawrence as his replacement, and the Jamaican international immediately led his new charges on a twelve-match unbeaten run.

However, issues off the pitch were causing problems for the club and a number of players, including leading goalscorer Byron Harrison left for Carshalton Athletic, where Mark Butler had accepted a coaching role after leaving Margate, where he had been in charge for just three months.

Ashford found scoring a problem after Harrison left and a dreadful run of form saw them go from the fringe of the play-off zone to battling relegation.

Ashford went into their final match knowing a win would almost guarantee survival but a heavy defeat led to relegation.

During the summer of 2010, the club were initially placed in the Central Division of the Southern League but were then offered the chance to remain at Step Three of the non-league pyramid.

However, as this offer was as a direct replacement for defunct Southern League side Merthyr Tydfil, the decision was made that the vast increase in travelling would be too great a burden for the club and the club elected to remain in the Central Division.

During this time, Bob Parker stepped down from his role as Chairman after twenty-eight years in the role. The club's home ground was renamed the Robert Parker Stadium in honour of Bob, who remains at the club as President.

Lawrence resigned as Manager in June 2011 and the club immediately appointed his assistant, Paul Burgess, to take the helm after more than 21 years at the club, including 683 First Team appearances.

Ashford finished the season strongly, winning two Cup Finals in 48 hours. In the Middlesex Charity Cup Final, the Ash Trees were 3-0 down to Northwood after 48 minutes before substitute Kofi Lockhart-Adams scored four times to put his team ahead.

The game finished 4-4, with Ashford winning the penalty shoot-out 4-2. Two days later, Ashford defeated Badshot Lea 3-1 to add the Aldershot Senior Cup to the cabinet.

The 2012-13 campaign saw Ashford reach the Final of the Middlesex Senior Cup against near-neighbours Staines Town.



**MATT BUNYAN**

For 2017-18, what had been the Central Division of the Southern League became the East Division.

Awful weather made for a difficult season for all clubs and contributed to Ashford's campaign petering out into a mid-table finish.

A new reorganisation of the National League System sees the club move back into the Isthmian League as members of the South Central Division for 2018-19.

That season was another mid table finish with us also through to the Final of the Middlesex Charity Cup although just losing out to Uxbridge.

Murray then decided to stand down after his six-year tenure as first team manager.

The board and team were grateful for the results and hard work he had put in over the years.

Up Stepped Russell Canderton to take the reins (having played nearly 700 games for the club).

The 2019-2020 season is the season that never was. We got part way through the season to then be instructed to go into lockdown due to the Covid Pandemic and the FA decided to expunge the whole season.

Season 2020-21 saw Luke Tufts step in to run the first team squad with Russell Canderton deciding to step down but Tufts never did get the chance to see the season through as The FA decided to curtail this season as well (however still deciding to do the full restructure of the FA pyramid).

However, Ashford were unable to claim the trophy, eventually falling to a 2-0 defeat.

An awful start to the 2013-14 season saw the Ash Trees cut adrift at the foot of the Southern League Central Division and former Youth team manager Ben Murray was appointed Manager and although results did not improve initially, performances and discipline did.

A rally during the final months of the campaign offered hope of a remarkable 'great escape', although relegation was confirmed at North Greenford United.

As a result, Ashford returned to the Combined Counties League.

The Ash Trees first campaign back in the competition saw Ashford finish third, while their second saw Town claim promotion.

The club's return to Step 4 was earned after Ashford finished second in the League, thanks to a remarkable end-of-season run which saw the Tangerines finish the season with 96 points.

This was 10 points behind the Champions, Hartley Wintney, but as 'The Row' did not then have the requisite facilities to play at Step 4, they could not go up.

Ashford's reward was a third brief spell in the Southern League.

A good start to the 2016-17 season allayed any fears that a return to the Central Division would see a repeat of the club's previous struggles, while a genuine highlight of the campaign was a third triumph in the Middlesex Charity Cup. The Final saw Ashford defeat Wealdstone of the National League to claim the magnificent trophy.

**GEORGE SPIERS**





# MATCH REPORT

BY ROBIN PIPER

## NORTHWOOD 1 SOUTH PARK 5

SATURDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2021

KICK-OFF 3.00PM

PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

**Northwood faced an improving South Park in their first league game since the departure of manager Ben Murray, but it was a familiar story as they slumped to another heavy defeat.**

Still under the interim management of coaches George Lavender and Richard Elderfield, Woods featured debutant attacker Mark Simuchimba in their starting line-up, while there were returns to the defence for Adam Cash, James Gurteen and Pablo Velasco.

Woods settled well and they had the first chance of the afternoon as Matteo Esposito's free-kick into the box found Gurteen, but he was unable to get over his header which cleared the South Park crossbar.

But the visitors began to show why they have been climbing the table of late, producing a series of incisive moves with good link-up play between forwards Ibrahim Jalloh and Adam Aziz with the latter being foiled by the legs of Northwood goalkeeper Daniel Purdue when clear on goal.

However, the Sparks weren't to be denied as they took an 11th minute lead after the Northwood defence failed to deal with visiting keeper Mo Otuyo's kick down the middle allowing Jalloh to knock the ball beyond Purdue who was caught in no-man's land.

South Park kept their foot on the gas by forcing a series of corners and went close to extending the lead. Jalloh having a couple of shots charged down while Purdue was on hand to save from both Jalloh and Aziz.

Northwood had a let off as Purdue's miscued throw went straight to Aziz but the attempted curling shot was gratefully gathered by the home stopper. But the hosts were not so fortunate on the 30-minute mark as more poor







defending allowed Aziz to tee-up Charlie Pitcher who made no mistake for the Sparks' second goal of the afternoon.

Shell-shocked Woods were struggling to put any meaningful moves together with a long-range effort from Joakim Ehui which was well wide of the target, the only moment of note before South Park regained their attacking momentum with James Dickson and Pitcher going close.

Northwood were forced into a change on 41 minutes as Gradi Milenge replaced Gurteen in central defence after the latter hobbled off with an ankle injury after Purdue landed on him during a goalmouth scramble.

Woods needed the sanctuary of the dressing room to regroup but unfortunately their half-time cuppas would have had an even more bitter taste as they conceded in added time as Aziz capped a fine first-half with his side's third goal of the afternoon.

The Sparks were immediately on the attack upon the resumption with Purdue keeping out Pitcher's effort. And having survived falling further behind, Woods made a rare foray into the visitor's half with Tecane Shrowder's ball finding Ismael Ehui in the box but his shot on the turn was blocked by a blue shirt.

And Northwood gave themselves a glimmer of hope as they reduced the arrears on 57 minutes, Cash playing a neat one-two with Esposito before feeding Joakim Ehui who shot beyond Otuyo for his second league goal of the season.

Woods made a second substitution as goal scorer Ehui made way for debutant Abioseh Davies with 20 minutes left to play. But it was hard for the substitute to make an impact as South Park threatened again with Purdue producing a smart save to keep out Leon Lalor-Dell's rising shot.

But Purdue was unable to prevent the Sparks from increasing the lead on 73 minutes as Matthew Faithorn headed home a corner with the ball deflecting and looping over the Woods' keeper.

The Woods were looking increasingly disheartened as the visitors threatened more goals with Kevin Rivera spurning a good opportunity. However, the Woods spurned a great chance to add a second goal as Ismael Ehui latched onto Velasco's whipped in cross but the header was at a comfortable height for Otuyo who tipped the effort over the crossbar.

And with the contest moving into stoppage time, South Park completed the rout with a fifth goal; the nature of which summed up Northwood's afternoon - Purdue playing the ball out to Cash who was dispossessed out on the touchline by Jalloh who returned the ball over the stranded keeper and into an empty net to complete his brace and cap another forgettable afternoon for Woods.

**NORTHWOOD:** Purdue, Cash, Velasco, Surmon, Avery, Gurteen, Simuchimba, Esposito, I Ehui, Shrowder, J Ehui

Subs: 12 Davies (for J Ehui 70m), 14 Batten, 15 Petch . 16 Milenge (for Gurteen 41m)

Yellow Cards: Avery, I Ehui, Shrowder; Attendance 140







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# WITH THE YOUNGSTERS

## CUP SUCCESS FOR YOUNG WOODS...

### COCKFOSTERS 3 NORTHWOOD 6

**After the positive display against Bedfont in our last match, the Under-18s went into this Middlesex cup fixture with slightly more confidence.**

A bright start and a fantastic through ball from Mayvin Vigneswaran splitting the defence was finished with ease by Will Robinson after only eight minutes.

Cockfosters started to dictate the game and an equaliser came with twenty minutes on the clock.

The opposition took a stranglehold of the remainder of the first half but against the run of play Oscar John made it 2-1 to the Woods at the break.

Northwood started the second in a much better manner but concentration levels dropped and Cockfosters equalised once again.

With 20 minutes remaining Harry Debenham got his head onto a well delivered free-kick from Kwao Amartefio to make it 3-2 to Northwood.

Changes were made to try and see the game out but with only five minutes left, Cockfosters found the goal to make it 3-3 and the inevitable penalty shoot out to follow.

But not tonight in true cup fashion the twists kept coming. Vigneswaran showed his class with a great solo goal beating two players before slotting past the keeper.

He then completed his brace with a well-worked team move and drilling home the ball.

And to complete the rout in the last minute, the Woods were awarded a penalty and Lewis Batten stepped up to make it 6-3 with our final three goals coming in four minutes.

**Team:** Christofi, Batten, Dunstone, Fonseca, Debenham, Woodward (Saphir), Moneke (Tannian), Amartefio, John, Vigneswaran, Robinson (Staszewski).

The Woods are back in action this Thursday night, 2nd December with a visit from Ashford Town (Middx) who have an unbeaten away record.

### LEADING GOALSCORERS

OSCAR JOHN	7
WILL ROBINSON	6
MAYVIN VIGNESWARAN	4

### THE 2021/2022 FIXTURE LIST

Date	Opponents	V	Comp	F-A
Wed 25 Aug	Ashford Town (Middx)	A	IY Lge	3-2
Wed 1 Sep	Uxbridge	A	FAY Cup	1-4
Thu 9 Sep	UXBRIDGE	H	IY Lge	1-4
Thu 23 Sep	Camberley Town	A	IY Lge	3-4
Thu 7 Oct	WEALDSTONE	H	IY Lge	2-1
Thu 21 Oct	HAMPTON & RICHMOND B	H	IY Lge	2-4
Thu 28 Oct	Marlow	A	IY Lge	0-9
Thu 4 Nov	Bedfont Sports	H	IY Lge	3-3
Wed 17 Nov	Cockfosters	A	MCYC	6-3
Thu 2 Dec	ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)	H	IY Lge	
Mon 6 Dec	Uxbridge	A	IY Lge	
Wed 24 Nov	Hayes & Yeading United	A	IY Lge	
Thu 16 Dec	CAMBERLEY TOWN	H	IY Lge	
Mon 10 Jan	Bedfont Sports	A	IY Lge	
Thu 20 Jan	BEACONSFIELD TOWN	H	IY Lge	
Thu 27 Jan	HAYES & YEADING UNITED	H	IY Lge	
Wed 2 Feb	Wealdstone	A	IY Lge	
Wed 9 Feb	Hampton & Richmond B	A	IY Lge	
Thu 17 Feb	MARLOW	H	IY Lge	
Mon 21 Feb	Beaconsfield Town	A	IY Lge	

KEY: IY Lge = Isthmian Youth League; FAY Cup = FA Youth Cup; MCYC Cup = Middlesex County Youth Cup

### LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Bedfont Sports	7	6	1	0	24	4	19
Camberley Town	5	4	0	1	16	7	12
Beaconsfield Town	7	3	1	3	12	15	10
Ashford Town (Middx)	6	3	1	2	10	14	10
Hampton & Richmond B	6	3	0	3	17	16	9
Marlow	7	2	2	3	20	11	8
Wealdstone	9	2	1	6	11	19	7
Hayes & Yeading United	6	2	1	3	7	15	7
<b>NORTHWOOD</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>
Uxbridge	6	2	0	4	14	17	6



# THE JOURNEY AHEAD

DATE	OPPONENT	V	COMP	RES	ATT	FIRST XI					
<b>AUGUST</b>											
Sat 14	Thatcham Town	A	Lge	1-1	147	Joseph	Unsworth	Petch	Noel (63)	Milenge	Avery (53)
Sat 21	<b>BURNHAM</b>	H	FACPR	1-1	124	Joseph	Avery	Petch	Decabo	Linturn (87)	Milenge
Tue 24	Burnham	A	FACPR	4-1	234	Joseph	Avery	Petch	Decabo	Linturn	Milenge
Sat 28	<b>BINFELD</b>	H	Lge	0-3	107	Joseph	Avery	Petch	Decabo	Linturn (60)	Milenge
Mon 30	Hanwell Town	A	Lge	1-2	238	Joseph	Avery	Petch (65)	Noel	Linturn (77)	Milenge
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>											
Sat 04	<b>CHICHESTER CITY</b>	H	FAC1QR	2-3	155	Joseph	Avery	Petch (85)	Decabo	Linturn	<b>MILENGE 1</b>
Sat 11	<b>STAINES TOWN</b>	H	Lge	5-0	89	Joseph	<b>CASH 1</b>	Velasco	<b>DECABO 1</b>	Linturn	Milenge
Tue 14	Marlow	A	Lge	0-1	148	Joseph	Cash	Velasco	Decabo	Surmon	Milenge
Sat 25	<b>UXBRIDGE</b>	H	Lge	1-7	135	Joseph	Cash	Velasco (65)	Decabo (65)	Linturn	Surmon
<b>OCTOBER</b>											
Sat 02	Tooting & Mitcham United	A	Lge	3-7	185	Joseph	Cash (75)	Velasco	<b>DUPRAY 1 (63)</b>	Linturn	Nche
Sat 09	<b>HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN</b>	H	FAT 2QR	0-0**	124	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Nche	Linturn	Avery
Sat 16	<b>SUTTON COMMON ROVERS</b>	H	Lge	2-3	106	Purdue	Cash	Velasco (69)	Nche (61)	Gurteen	Avery (90)
Tue 19	<b>BASINGSTOKE TOWN</b>	H	Lge	0-1	134	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Fearn	Gurteen	Avery
Sat 23	Guernsey	A	Lge	0-2	734	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Nche	Gurteen	Avery
Tue 26	<b>UXBRIDGE</b>	H	MSCR1	1-1***	78	Purdue	Velasco	Palmer (88)	Fearn	Avery (50)	Linturn
Sat 30	<b>BERKHAMSTED</b>	H	FAT 3QR	2-2#	119	Purdue	<b>CASH 1</b>	Palmer	Shrowder	Linturn	Avery
<b>NOVEMBER</b>											
Tue 02	<b>BRACKNELL TOWN</b>	H	Lge	0-2	143	Purdue	Velasco	Palmer	Shrowder	Linturn (59)	Avery
Sat 06	Bedfont Sports	A	Lge	0-2	101	Purdue	Velasco	Palmer	Shrowder (87)	Gurteen	Avery
Tue 09	<b>WEMBLEY</b>	H	MSCR2	2-0	95	Purdue	Batten	Palmer (46)	Surmon (62)	<b>AVERY 1</b>	Milenge (46)
Sat 13	<b>SOUTH PARK</b>	H	Lge	1-5	140	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Surmon	Avery	Gurteen (41)
Sat 20	Chipstead	A	Lge	1-0	75	Purdue	Surmon	Lomas	Cole	Boxer	Gurteen
Tue 23	Hanworth Villa	A	MCCR2	5-2	-	Purdue	Surmon	Lomas	Stewart	<b>BOXER 1</b>	Gurteen
Sat 27	<b>ASHFORD TOWN (MIDD)</b>	H	Lge								
<b>DECEMBER</b>											
Sat 04	Chertsey Town	A	Lge								
Sat 11	Binfield	A	Lge								
Sat 18	<b>THATCHAM TOWN</b>	H	Lge								
Mon 27	<b>HANWELL TOWN</b>	H	Lge								
<b>JANUARY</b>											
Mon 03	<b>CHALFONT ST PETER</b>	H	Lge								
Sat 08	Westfield	A	Lge								
Tue 11	<b>BEDFONT SPORTS</b>	H	MSCOF								
Sat 15	Basingstoke Town	A	Lge								
Sat 22	<b>MARLOW</b>	H	Lge								
Sat 29	Uxbridge	A	Lge								
<b>FEBRUARY</b>											
Sat 05	<b>TOOTING &amp; MITCHAM UNITED</b>	H	Lge								
Sat 12	<b>GUERNSEY</b>	H	Lge								
Sat 19	Sutton Common Rovers	A	Lge								
Sat 26	<b>BEDFONT SPORTS</b>	H	Lge								
<b>MARCH</b>											
Sat 05	Bracknell Town	A	Lge								
Sat 12	South Park	A	Lge								
Sat 19	<b>CHIPSTEAD</b>	H	Lge								
Sat 26	Ashford Town (Middx)	A	Lge								
<b>APRIL</b>											
Sat 02	<b>CHERTSEY TOWN</b>	H	Lge								
Sat 09	<b>WESTFIELD</b>	H	Lge								
Sat 16	Chalfont St Peter	A	Lge								
Sat 23	Staines Town	A	Lge								



Key: Goalscorers: in **bold**; **First Sub**; **Second Sub**; **Third Sub**; **Fourth Sub**; **Fifth Sub**; Yellow Card ; Red Card ; \* Denotes own goal; \*\* Northwood won 4-3 on Pens; \*\*\* Northwood won 3-2 on Pen; # Berkhamsted won 6-5 on penalties; FAC = Emirates FA Cup; FAT = FA Trophy; MSC = Middx Senior Cup; MCC = Middx Charity Cup.

# FIXTURES & RESULTS 2021-22 SEASON

					SUBSTITUTES						
<b>MORRIS 1</b>	Ayres	<b>Chidyausiku (46)</b>	Esposito	Williams	<b>I Ehui (46)</b>	Surmon (53)	Decabo (63)	Coles	Nche		
<b>MORRIS 1 (87)</b>	<b>Nche (74)</b>	I Ehui	Ayres	Esposito	<b>Williams (74)</b>	Surmon (87)	Coles (87)	Unsworth	Noel		
<b>MORRIS 1</b>	<b>NCHE 1</b>	<b>I EHUI 1 (90)</b>	<b>Ayres (81)</b>	<b>Esposito (87)</b>	<b>WILLIAMS 1 (81)</b>	Surmon (87)	Coles (90)	Unsworth	Noel		
Morris	Nche	I Ehui	<b>Ayres (75)</b>	<b>Esposito (64)</b>	<b>Coles (64)</b>	Noel (75)	Surmon (60)	Williams	J Ehui		
Morris	Nche	<b>I EHUI 1 (65)</b>	Esposito	Williams	<b>Unsworth (65)</b>	<b>Coles (65)</b>	Surmon (77)	Akunide	J Ehui		
Morris	Nche	<b>I EHUI 1 (69)</b>	Ayres	<b>Williams (80)</b>	<b>J Ehui (69)</b>	<b>Coles (80)</b>	Surmon (85)	Akinode	Noel	Unsworth	Esposito
<b>MORRIS 1 (80)</b>	Nche	<b>J EHUI 1 (73)</b>	Ayres	<b>Esposito (28)</b>	Surmon (28)	<b>SAHNOUN 1 (73)</b>	Williams (80)	Coles	Petch		
Morris	Nche	<b>J Ehui (57)</b>	<b>Ayres (82)</b>	<b>Esposito (89)</b>	<b>Sahnoun (57)</b>	<b>Petch (82)</b>	Linturn (89)	Avery	Matthew		
<b>MORRIS 1</b>	Nche	<b>Cullen (65)</b>	Ayres	Dupray	<b>Coles (65)</b>	<b>Esposito (65)</b>	<b>Palmer (65)</b>	Sahnoun	Avery		
<b>MORRIS 1</b>	Ayres	<b>CULLEN 1 (75)</b>	Esposito	Decabo	<b>Palmer (63)</b>	<b>Coles (75)</b>	<b>Avery (75)</b>	Surmon	Sahnoun		
Morris	<b>Ayres (90)</b>	<b>I Ehui (76)</b>	Decabo	<b>Palmer (68)</b>	<b>Coles (68)</b>	<b>Matthews (76)</b>	<b>Esposito (90)</b>	Surmon	Dupray	Petch	
<b>MORRIS 1</b>	Ayres	I Ehui	<b>DECABO 1</b>	Palmer	<b>Esposito (61)</b>	<b>Jenkins (69)</b>	<b>Petch (90)</b>	Surmon	Linturn		
Morris	Ayres	<b>I Ehui (66)</b>	Decabo	<b>Palmer (83)</b>	<b>Coles (66)</b>	<b>Nche (83)</b>	<b>Esposito</b>	Surmon	Linturn		
Morris	Esposito	Ajvazi	<b>Decabo (84)</b>	<b>Palmer (79)</b>	<b>J Ehui (79)</b>	<b>Sahnoun (84)</b>	<b>Coles</b>	Surmon	Linturn		
J Ehui	Nche	<b>AJVAZI 1</b>	Decabo	<b>Coles (68)</b>	<b>Surmon (50)</b>	<b>I Ehui (68)</b>	<b>Batten (88)</b>	Esposito	Joseph		
J Ehui (88)	<b>Ayres (90)</b>	<b>Ajvazi (90)</b>	Decabo	<b>I EHUI 1</b>	<b>Coles (88)</b>	<b>Esposito (90)</b>	<b>Petch (90)</b>	Surmon	Gurteen	Velasco	Joseph
J Ehui (65)	<b>Ayres (44)</b>	Ajvazi	Decabo	I Ehui	<b>Esposito (44)</b>	<b>Surmon (59)</b>	<b>Nche (65)</b>	Petch	Joseph		
<b>Esposito (72)</b>	Nche	<b>Ajvasi (72)</b>	Decabo	I Ehui	<b>J Ehui (72)</b>	<b>Milenge (72)</b>	<b>Petch (87)</b>	Surmon	Joseph		
Jenkins	J Ehui	I Ehui	Shrowder	Stewart	<b>Nche (46)</b>	<b>ESPOSITO 1 (46)</b>	<b>Petch (62)</b>	Joseph			
Simuchimba	Esposito	<b>I Ehui</b>	Shrowder	<b>J EHUI 1 (70)</b>	<b>Milenge (41)</b>	<b>Davies (70)</b>	<b>Batten</b>	Petch			
<b>Young (67)</b>	Stacey	<b>IBIE 1 (87)</b>	<b>Jackson (82)</b>	Stewart	<b>Velasco (67)</b>	<b>Shrowder (82)</b>	<b>J Ehui (87)</b>	Esposito	Petch		
Young	<b>STACEY 1 (59)</b>	<b>JACKSON 2</b>	<b>Esposito (77)</b>	<b>J Ehui (67)</b>	<b>CONSTANTINOU 1 (59)</b>	<b>Petch (67)</b>	<b>Shrowder (77)</b>	Batten	Cole		



# CLASSIC CLASH

WITH KEN GREEN

## NORTHWOOD 4 ASHFORD TOWN 4 (2-4 PENS)

In this column we look back at a previous meeting with today's visitors Ashford Town (Middx). The clubs had met twice in the Evo-Stik League, each winning their respective home games, when they met at Grosvenor Vale in the final of the Middlesex Charity Cup on Monday 7th May 2011. The match merits the "Classic" title despite the ultimate outcome...

Ashford substitute Kofi Lockhart-Adams proved the hero of this Final tie at Wealdstone's ground, scoring four times in 26 second half minutes to turn the game on its head after the Woods had cruised into a three-goal lead.

The Ash Trees started quickly, with Ed Thomas feeding Alex Duffy down the left and his cross was headed wide by the diminutive striker Pietro Palladino. Shortly after this Mark Bitmead blasted over but Northwood soon began to make inroads themselves. Wayne O'Sullivan led the charge, forcing a corner from which he centred and a header was flicked wide. Then, after 16 minutes, Oliver Hawkins was fouled twenty yards from goal and O'Sullivan flighted in a superb free-kick which skipper Lee Grant headed on and past goalkeeper Paul McCarthy for his first goal in Northwood colours.

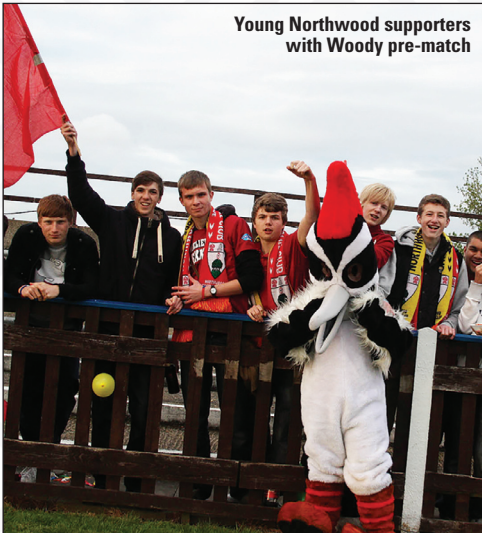
Romaine Walker was also testing the Ashford defence and latched onto a ball from O'Sullivan to get into the box and knock in a deflected cross which McCarthy took well.

After 25 minutes a quick break saw Spencer Bellotti slip and excellent ball into the path of Hawkins but as he was about to shoot, he was denied by a timely Jack Mullan interception who just got a foot in to prevent a possible goal.

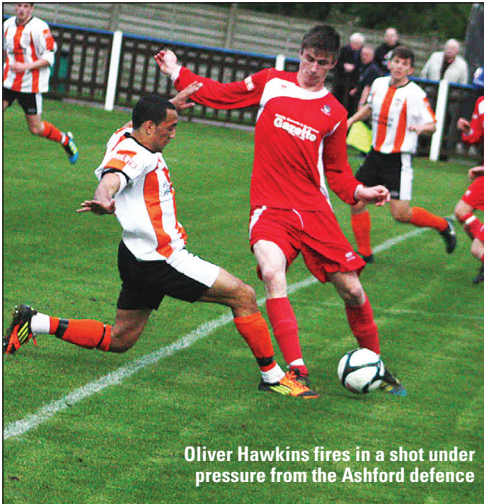
Ashford rallied and after Harry Knock had blasted a shot well wide of the target, a corner tested Northwood goalkeeper Mitch Swain for the first time. He punched clear but only to the edge of the box and Dan Brown perhaps should have done better than just return the ball back into his hands. Just a minute later, Ashford were



Young Northwood supporters with Woody pre-match



Bamboozling footwork from Romaine Walker



**Oliver Hawkins fires in a shot under pressure from the Ashford defence**

which Fowler had to cut out with a timely clearance. However, the Woods still looked good on the break and another clever run and cross from O'Sullivan saw Senior slide in at the near post and he was just inches away from the required touch.

After 76 minutes Craig White won an important tackle just outside the box and burst through on goal. He unselfishly knocked it to his left to an unmarked Senior, who looked certain to score but his low strike hit McCarthy on the foot, cannoned off another defenders leg and then was scrambled off the line by a last-gasp clearance from Russell Canderton. It should have been game over at that stage but just three minutes later Ashford drew level. The referee played advantage after a foul on the halfway line as a ball released Brown down the right. He raced through and knocked in a dangerous cross which saw Lockhart-Adams neatly flick a shot past Swain and complete an excellent hat-trick.

It really was end-to-end stuff as Grant headed an O'Sullivan corner straight at McCarthy a minute later, but the onus was with Ashford and after Brown had seen his powerful shot come back off a post, they stunned the Woods with a fourth goal to take the lead. It was the two substitutes that produced the magic moment as Kazi lifted a neat ball over the defence and the ultra-confident Lockhart-Adams was straight through to skip past Swain and fire his side ahead.

The Woods gambled again by replacing defender Fowler with teenage midfielder Jack Hutchinson, and within a minute they were back on level terms. Once again it was O'Sullivan who supplied the cross from the right and when Senior's shot on the turn was pushed out by McCarthy, Walker dived in swiftly to head home the rebound. By now it was clear that anything could happen in the final few minutes and Ashford almost snatched it again when Kazi's run and shot was cleared off the line by Frempong and then a follow-up effort was well saved by Swain in goal.

A minute later Ursell tested McCarthy with a low but accurate shot towards the bottom corner and the Ashford 'keeper was across to save well and it was Northwood who had the last effort on goal deep into stoppage-time. Senior, looking to make amends for his earlier miss, seized on a loose ball in the box and hit a powerful and possibly goalbound shot but the ball struck John Christian and rebounded away.

So the game proceeded straight to a penalty-spot shoot-out, and it was Ashford who kicked things off with Ashley Lodge firing his side ahead clinically. O'Sullivan levelled things up for the Woods, despite McCarthy getting a hand to his shot high to the 'keepers left. Brown kept the Ash Trees in front with another well-taken spot-kick and then McCarthy turned the tie Ashford's way, diving to his right to deny Hutchinson's low strike.

There was no respite for Northwood as Duffy fired in a third but then Frempong showed his experience by scoring coolly for the Woods. It was 3-2 and still advantage to Ashford who then went further ahead when man of the moment Lockhart-Adams comfortably beat Swain for a fifth time. Walker had to score to keep Northwood's hopes of a first-ever Middlesex Charity Cup success alive but McCarthy guessed right and kept out his effort to win the cup for Ashford Town.

**Northwood:** Mitch Swain, Kwasi Frempong, Scott Raper, Lee Grant, Liam Fowler (Jack Hutchinson 84m), John Christian, Wayne O'Sullivan, Craig White, Spencer Bellotti (Rob Ursell 58m), Oliver Hawkins (Garry Senior 64m), Romaine Walker

**Ashford:** Paul McCarthy, Josh Andrew, Ed Thomas, Russell Canderton, Jack Mullan, Harry Knock, Mark Bitmead (Samad Kazi 62m), Ashley Lodge, Dan Brown, Pietro Palladino (Kofi Lockhart-Adams 46m), Alex Duffy

presented with a free-kick just outside the box and Bitmead drove the ball at the wall with the referee turning down appeals for handball while Duffy fired well over from the rebound.

The Woods then grabbed a second goal after 39 minutes with a swift counter-attack. Once again it was O'Sullivan who made the attacking run from deep and he sliced open the defence to play a ball into the path of Hawkins who took one touch and then fired past the oncoming McCarthy.

There was almost a third goal just before the break when Bellotti broke through and saw the opportunity to chip a shot over McCarthy but the ball just cleared the crossbar and nestled on the roof of the net. But Northwood didn't have to wait too long for that "killer" third goal after the restart, and it was O'Sullivan who again continued with his own Man of the Match performance as his direct run took him past three defenders before squaring a pass across for Hawkins to score his second with a simple tap-in.

Still Northwood pushed forward and after 56 minutes it was Walker's turn to twist and turn his way into the box and his shot across goal was tipped just wide of the post by McCarthy at full stretch. Gary Meakin made his first substitution after 58 minutes, replacing Bellotti with the mercurial Rob Ursell but just a minute later the Ash Trees pulled a goal back when a scramble in the goalmouth saw Lockhart-Adams, who had been introduced for Palladino at half-time, back-heel the ball towards goal and it crept over the line.

Four minutes later Hawkins went close to completing a hat-trick when a sharp turn and shot flashed just over the bar but it also saw the Woods top scorer down with cramp and he limped off to be replaced by Garry Senior. Ashford replaced Bitmead with Somad Kazi at the same time and, for the first time, began to look the more threatening. This paid off after 72 minutes when Kwasi Frempong's misplaced pass gifted Ashford possession and when a quick pass put Lockhart-Adams down the left in space, the youngster cut in past Liam Fowler and blasted in a shot that crashed in off the underside of the crossbar.

Suddenly, it was game on again, and Ashford had the bit between their teeth with Kazi making a speedy run and cross from the right





# TODAY IN THE PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE

## TODAY'S FIXTURES

### PREMIER DIVISION

Bognor Regis Town vs Hornchurch  
 Carshalton Athletic vs Leatherhead  
 Corinthian Casuals vs Brightlingsea Regent  
 Horsham vs Margate  
 Merstham vs East Thurrock United  
 Wingate & Finchley vs Lewes

### SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

Bedfont Sports vs Basingstoke Town  
 Chalfont St Peter vs Bracknell Town  
 Guernsey vs Chertsey Town  
 Northwood vs Ashford Town (Middx)  
 Staines Town vs Sutton Common Rovers  
 Thatcham Town vs Chipstead

### NORTH DIVISION

Aveley vs Witham Town  
 Barking vs Stowmarket Town  
 Basildon United vs Romford  
 Dereham Town vs Coggeshall Town  
 Hashtag United vs Grays Athletic  
 Hullbridge Sports vs AFC Sudbury  
 Tilbury vs Heybridge Swifts

### SOUTH EAST

Ashford United vs VCD Athletic  
 Corinthian vs Chichester City  
 East Grinstead Town vs Sittingbourne  
 Faversham Town vs Sevenoaks Town  
 Haywards Heath Town vs Hastings United  
 Herne Bay vs Burgess Hill Town  
 Lancing vs Hythe Town  
 Phoenix Sports vs Three Bridges  
 Ramsgate vs Cray Valley PM  
 Whitehawk vs Whitsable Town

### BUILDBASE FA TROPHY – SECOND ROUND

(Games involving Isthmian League clubs only)  
 Binfield vs Truro City  
 Bishop's Stortford vs Leiston  
 Braintree Town vs Potters Bar Town

Brentwood Town vs Dulwich Hamlet  
 Canvey Island vs Tonbridge Angels  
 Chelmsford City vs Cheshunt  
 Chippenham Town vs Uxbridge  
 Cray Wanderers vs Ebbsfleet United  
 Felixstowe & Walton United vs AFC Telford United  
 Hanwell Town vs Enfield Town  
 Hartley Wintney vs Folkestone Invicta  
 Worthing vs Dorking Wanderers

## PLAYING TOMORROW

### BUILDBASE FA TROPHY SECOND ROUND

Kingstonian vs Farnborough



## PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Bracknell Town	13	11	1	1	30	6	34
Uxbridge	12	9	2	1	27	11	29
Bedfont Sports	12	8	3	1	30	10	27
Basingstoke Town	12	8	2	2	25	19	26
Chertsey Town	11	7	4	0	29	15	25
Hanwell Town	12	7	2	3	30	18	23
Marlow	11	7	2	2	16	6	23
Binfield	13	7	2	4	27	20	23
South Park	13	6	3	4	32	19	21
Thatcham Town	14	3	5	6	20	28	14
Chipstead	13	3	4	6	22	23	13
Westfield	12	2	5	5	15	18	11
Tooting & Mitcham United	13	3	1	9	20	26	10
Ashford Town (Middx)	13	3	1	9	18	27	10
Sutton Common Rovers	13	3	1	9	16	40	10
Guernsey	8	2	2	4	12	16	8
Chalfont St Peter	13	2	2	9	12	35	8
<b>NORTHWOOD</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>7</b>
Staines Town	12	2	1	9	14	37	7



# MATCH REPORT

BY ALAN EVANS

## HANWORTH VILLA 2 NORTHWOOD 5

TUESDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2021

KICK-OFF 7.45PM

MIDDLESEX SENIOR CHARITY CUP



**The Woods followed up Saturday's League win with a fairly comfortable victory in the Middlesex Charity Cup on Tuesday night, bagging five goals alongside a dominant performance.**

The home side, clearly concentrating on their promotion challenge in the Combined Counties League this season after their unbeaten start, rested many of their usual starting squad and the Woods took full advantage by being on the front foot from the start.

The Woods had to do without Saturday's goal hero Sydney Ibie, suspended for three County Cup games after a red card in a Herts Senior Cup game last month, while Keagan Cole rested a niggler. In came Matteo Esposito and Joakim Ehui while Micah Jackson was moved into the central striker's position.

Teddy Stacey went close after just six minutes when latching onto a defensive mistake but he chipped the ball wide of the far post. Just five minutes later, Esposito made inroads from the right and cut the ball back for Jackson who blasted a shot into the top corner for a fine finish and his first for the club.

The Woods notched a second goal within two minutes. This time it was Ryan Young with the good approach work. He found Ehui in front of goal and his mishit shot fell kindly to Stacey who tapped home for his first Northwood goal.

Villa were struggling to get a foothold in the game as the Woods defence looked solid but there were no significant efforts on goal until the 36th minute when Jackson showed excellent skills to get past his marker and then score his second of the game with a low strike that gave goalkeeper Alex Brown no chance.

It was almost a fourth two minutes later as Stacey beat his man on the left and shot powerfully towards goal but Brown did well to get a touch onto the bar and the ball was cleared. Totally against the run of play, the Villains then pulled a goal back after 40 minutes as a rare switch off allowed Jordan Ellis to cut in from the left and even though he scuffed his shot, it was enough to wrongfoot Carl Stewart on the line who was unable to clear as the ball trickled in.

Stacey, with a quickly taken direct free-kick, and then Ehui both saw efforts just clear the bar as the Woods maintained their 3-1 lead into the break.

Jackson missed out on a great chance for a hat-trick after 52 minutes when a great ball from skipper Andy Lomas put him through on goal. He skipped past the keeper but with just a defender to avoid, he skied his shot.

Villa started to rally after this with Daniel Purdue saving from Ellis and just after the home side made a double substitution which brought on two more experienced players, they did narrow the deficit as Ben Merson headed home a deep cross on 66 minutes.

Yiannis Constantinou had already replaced Stacey and then Ehui and Esposito were substituted for Aaron Petch and Tecane Shrowder and it was enough to see the Woods back in control. After 81 minutes a young corner was knocked back across by James Gurteen and fellow centre-back Tommy Boxer poked the ball home from six yards.

Villa had a player sin-binned on 84 minutes – a rule being trialled in the Charity Cup this season – leaving them with ten men for the rest of the game and Petch forced Brown into a fine save soon after but it was just into stoppage-time that the Woods hit a fifth. Young was the provider again, dancing in from the right and finding Constantinou who hooked a shot into the bottom corner for his first Woods goal.

**Northwood:** Purdue, Surmon, Lomas, Stewart, Boxer, Gurteen, Young, Stacey, Jackson, Esposito, J Ehui

Subs: Batten, Cole, Petch (for Ehui 67m), Constantinou (for Stacey 59m), Shrowder (for Esposito 77m)

Yellow Card: Jackson; Attendance: Not Known as yet





# LEADER OF THE PACK

WITH CLUB CAPTAIN – KEAGAN COLE

I'd like to start by thanking each and every individual who travelled on Saturday away to Chipstead FC to support us. As I write this on the Sunday after that fixture, the past week has been a tireless one for everyone at the club and it couldn't have ended much better than three points and a clean sheet.

From minute one, as a team we worked industriously which led to us taking an early lead through an unstoppable strike from Sydney Ibie.

Due to a unfortunate combination of two soft but silly yellow cards we were forced to play the last thirty minutes with ten men - that in itself was a challenge for everyone on the pitch. But we managed to drag each other through and come out the other side with a clean sheet and more importantly the three points.

There's still a lot of work to be done but Saturday was a great start to our journey and long may that continue.

On a person note, I am extremely happy to be apart of the management team alongside captaining the team.

We will give our all at each training session and on a matchday which will hopefully help us build some momentum to climb the table. Again - Thank you for your support.

Please do not hesitate to approach and introduce yourself to me.

Up the Woods!

Keags





# NORTHWOOD FC

## PLAYER PROFILES & PLAYER SPONSORSHIP 2021-22 SEASON

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**DANIEL PURDUE**

21-year-old goalkeeper made his debut for the Woods in October 2021 in the FA Trophy against Haywards Heath Town. The youngster came up through the ranks at Hendon and remains registered for the Southern Premier side as well as for Hampton & Richmond Borough. Also had short spells with Chalfont St Peter and Harrow Borough.

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**MONTEL JOSEPH**

24-year-old goalkeeper who has returned to the club for a third spell. He originally signed in 2016 from Boreham Wood having been released by Bristol City. He impressed in that spell which ended when Montel went off to the Caribbean to represent Trinidad & Tobago as an International. He also played on the Island for Central FC. He played one game in 2017/18 for the Woods but has since been playing for Wembley and Barking

**DENNIS GOULDING  
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**JUAN PABLO GONZALEZ VELASCO**

Pablo is a 22-year-old Colombian-born attacking full-back who was at Brentford and Tottenham as a youth before playing in Spain for CD Lugo and then Bulgaria for FC Pirin. On returning to England, he played a game for Edgware Town and has now joined the Woods, though is also dual-registered with Hendon FC.

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**SAM JENKINS**

Sam originally joined the club in July 2018 having previously been at Harpenden Town. He won the Managers Player of the Year award at the end of that season but joined Chesham United where he has remained ever since. Injury issues has led to a couple of dual-registered spells back at the Woods on a couple of occasions, the latest in October 2021.

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**MATT SURMON**

Matt is an assured central defender despite being only 21 years old and joins the club from FC Deportivo Galicia. He has also played at Ashford Town (Middx) and Windsor.

ROBIN PIPER

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**LEWIS BATTEN**

Young, 17-year-old defender who has played for the Woods Under-18s over the past two seasons and looks to have a promising future with the club with a couple of first-team appearances already under his belt.

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**ANDY LOMAS**

The experienced 31-year-old left-back returned to the Woods in a Player-Coach role in November 2021. He first arrived at Northwood Park in August 2014, following a season at Walton & Hersham where he had been Player of the Year. Prior to that he played and skippered local side Oxhey Jets. Andy was virtually ever-present over the next two seasons, making over 100 appearances, being part of the Middlesex Senior Cup success in 2016 and enjoying a clean sweep of Player of the Year awards that same year. He then moved up to join Harrow Borough, spent a few games back on loan at Northwood the following season and then moved to Potters Bar Town where he spent another four successful years.

ROBIN PIPER

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**AARON PETCH**

20-year-old left-sided defender or winger who joined the Woods from Bedford-Sports in the summer of 2021 having also previously played for Ashford Town (Middx).

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**TOMMY BOXER**

Vastly experienced 30-year-old central defender who has signed for the Woods for a second spell in November 2021. He had previously played a handful of games in the 2017/18 season after spells with Cockfosters, Hoddesdon Town, Hatfield Town and Potters Bar. He's much-travelled since – Mildenhall, St Neots, Biggleswade Town and St. Ives Town – and joins the Woods after a short spell with Chalfont St. Peter.

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**JAMES GURTEEN**

James was previously with the Woods as an 18-year-old in 2017 and made a couple of appearances but returned in October 2021 on dual-registration from Kings Langley. In the meantime, the 22-year-old central defender has also appeared for Rayners Lane, Aylesbury United, Broadfields United and Southall.

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### KEAGAN COLE

Keagan arrived at Northwood in a player-coach role in November 2021 having skipped Potters Bar Town at Step 3 and after a short spell with Walthamstow FC. Prior to that he came up through the youth ranks at Hendon to become the youngest player to make over 100 appearances for Hendon.

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### CARL STEWART

- Former Watford youth midfielder Carl Stewart signed on a dual-registration basis from Beaconsfield Town in November 2021. Carl is a 24-year-old who was also at Udinese as a youngster and then played in Poland for Zagłębie Sosnowiec. He has also had short spells at Oxford City, Banbury United, Bedford Sports, Wingate & Finchley and most recently, Marlow.

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### TECANE SHROWDER

Promising young 18-year-old midfielder, Tecane joined the Woods in October 2021 on a months' loan from National League side Wealdstone. He had previously had a similar spell with Kings Langley and has shown some consistent form for the Woods.

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### MATTEO ESPOSITO

Matteo is a 22-year-old attacking midfielder player who joined Northwood in the summer of 2021 having played for Royston Town last season. Has previously played at Cockfosters and Oxhey Jets.

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### TEDDY STACEY

24-year-old Teddy joins us from Hadley FC. He was at Tottenham as a youth and then went to the US where he represented, ironically, Northwood College in Michigan as well as playing for Greater Lowell Rough Diamonds. He's a versatile player who can play in defence or midfield and he will be working hard to make his mark at the higher level.

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### JOAKIM EHUI

30-year-old brother to Ismael, Joakim has also returned to Northwood for a third spell and is now fast approaching 200 appearances for the club. Born in Lille, France Joakim was also at Fulham as a youngster and has also played for St. Albans City, Harrow Borough, Harlow Town, Hayes & Yeading, Potters Bar, Aylesbury, Chalfont St. Peter and Broadfields United.

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### YIANNIS CONSTANTINOU

A former West Ham youth player, Yiannis is a 21-year-old attacking midfielder player who joined the Woods in November 2021 for a third spell at the club. Originally signed on dual-registration with Potters Bar in 2019, he now joins on dual-registration with Egham Town. He has also played for Staines Town.

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### MICAH JACKSON

Micah is an attacking midfielder who was recruited from Enfield Borough FC in November 2021, where he has played his football for the last three seasons. This season he had netted 8 times in 14 appearances before his transfer. Prior to that he had a short spell at Cockfosters. He will be looking to establish himself at the higher level.

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**SYDNEY IBIE**

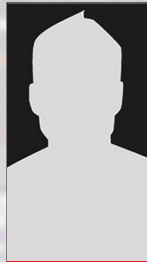
Dutch-born striker who also joined the Woods from Potters Bar Town in November 2021, where he had made a handful of appearances both this season and at the back of last season while also having a short spell with Beaconsfield Town. The tall forward started out at Hemel Hempstead Town and had loan spells with Welwyn Garden City, Aylesbury United, Wantage Town and Chalfont St Peter where he netted four times in nine appearances. The 21-year-old will be looking to impress back at Step 4 with the Woods and he netted on his debut.

**JOHN JOYCE****AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****ISMAEL EHU**

Experienced striker, 34-year-old Ish has rejoined the Woods for a third spell some seven years after his first successful spell when he netted 14 goals in 29 appearances. French-born, Ismael played a few games for Scunthorpe United in the Football League while on loan from Fulham before playing abroad in Cyprus and Belgium, latterly for FC Montegnée. He moved to Hayes & Yeading, Hendon and Flackwell Heath before a second spell at Northwood and has since played for Chalfont St. Peter, Potters Bar, Hanwell Town, North Greenford and Broadfields United.

**ANDY EASTON****AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****RYAN YOUNG**

The 26-year-old joined the Woods in November 2021 from Potters Bar Town where he has been since 2019 and brought plenty of pace to the front-line. Ryan started out in the Academy at QPR and has also played for Dunstable Town, Berkhamsted, Stotfold and Aylesbury FC.

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Alex joined the Woods in November 2021 having been playing representative football for the RAF where he is based at Northolt. The 24-year-old left-sided midfielder or winger played for Albion Rovers in his younger days.

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# ON THE FIELD



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MANAGER: LUKE TUFFS  
 ASSISTANT MANAGER: DEAN GREENWOOD  
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	PLD	SUB	GLS		PLD	SUB	GLS
DANIEL PURDUE	■	■	■	PAUL MCCARTHY	■	■	■
MONTEL JOSEPH	■	■	■	SHAY HONEY	■	■	■
JUAN PABLO GONZALEZ VELASCO	■	■	■	ALEX DUFFY	■	■	■
SAM JENKINS	■	■	■	HARRY WOODWARD	■	■	■
MATT SURMON	■	■	■	YOUEL EMMANUEL	■	■	■
LEWIS BATTEN	■	■	■	SAM HUMPHREYS	■	■	■
ANDY LOMAS	■	■	■	GEORGE SPIERS	■	■	■
AARON PETCH	■	■	■	DYLAN IVE	■	■	■
TOMMY BOXER	■	■	■	RHYS PAUL	■	■	■
JAMES GURTEEN	■	■	■	CLYDE OBDO	■	■	■
KEAGAN COLE	■	■	■	SIAO BLACKWOOD	■	■	■
CARL STEWART	■	■	■	CONNOR CULLEN	■	■	■
TECANE SHROWDER	■	■	■	DALE BURNHAM	■	■	■
MATTEO ESPOSITO	■	■	■	DAN BROWN	■	■	■
TEDDY STACEY	■	■	■	AARON MCLEISH	■	■	■
JOAKIM EHUI	■	■	■	MATT BUNYAN	■	■	■
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MICAH JACKSON	■	■	■	SEAN BRADLEY	■	■	■
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ALEX MORE	■	■	■	GEORGE FRISE	■	■	■

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 ASSISTANT REFEREES:  
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 ELLIOTT MAYER

### NEXT UP AT HOME

THATCHAM TOWN FC  
 SATURDAY 18 DECEMBER 2021  
 KICK-OFF 3.00PM  
 PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE  
 SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

### ON THE ROAD

CHERTSEY TOWN FC  
 SATURDAY 4 DECEMBER 2021  
 KICK-OFF 3.00PM  
 PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE  
 SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

