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THE WOODS

NORTHWOOD FC V BEDFONT SPORTS
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Isthmian League Division Two runners-up: 2000

Isthmian League Division Three promotion: 1997

Isthmian League Cup winners: 2002

Isthmian Charity Shield winners: 2002

Isthmian Associate Members Trophy winners:

1993, 2000

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Middlesex Senior Cup finalists: 2000, 2002,

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Middlesex Junior Cup winners: 1938

Middlesex Junior Cup finalists: 1935, 1936

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London Spartan League Premier Division runners-up: 1990

London Spartan League Cup winners: 1990, 1992

Hellenic League Division One champions: 1979

Hellenic League Premier Division Cup finalist: 1982

Hellenic League Division One Cup winners: 1979

Middlesex League Premier Division champions: 1978

Middlesex League Premier Division runners-up: 1972, 1977

Middlesex League Challenge Cup winners:

1975, 1977, 1978

Harrow, Wembley & District League champions:

1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1948, 1949

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NORTHWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB
would like to take this
opportunity to wish everyone a
very **Happy and Prosperous
New Year** and thank you all for
your support this evening.

Should tonight's game end in a draw after ninety minutes then we will go straight into a penalty shoot-out to determine who goes through into the last four of the Middlesex Senior Challenge Cup.

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IAN'S INSIGHT

WITH NORTHWOOD FC CHAIRMAN, **IAN BARRY**



**GOOD EVENING
AND WELCOME TO
THE FENTON CIVIL
ENGINEERING STADIUM
FOR THIS MIDDX
FA SENIOR CUP TIE.**

We extend our welcome to our visitors from Bedfont Sports FC and trust they enjoy their short stay here.

Firstly, I'd like to wish all of you a very Happy New Year and trust that you were all able to see in the New Year as you wished and of course able to see loved ones at Christmas this year. Let's hope this year is an improvement on the previous two, in many ways.

Writing before our trip to Westfield on Saturday, league points are obviously our priority now and with a couple of disappointing results in our last couple of games, tonight gives us the opportunity to progress to a semi final, but also to build confidence for a fairly tough run of upcoming fixtures.

The Middx Senior Cup has been won by us twice in our history and during my time here and the final is

always a great event at the end of the season. So, tonight is important for those reasons and whilst the weather has turned somewhat, we hope the game is on and our support is at the level it has been this season; which has been great to see and very much appreciated.

We were all disappointed to learn that our game here last Monday against Chalfont was postponed due to covid issues in the Chalfont camp and we await a new date from the League for this important fixture.

Enjoy the game this evening.

**Up the Woods!
Ian**

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WOODS OUTLOOK

WITH ALAN EVANS

Welcome to the Eagles

Welcome back to the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium for our first home game of 2022 and may I take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

Our opponents this evening for this Middlesex Senior Challenge Cup quarter-final tie are our divisional rivals Bedfont Sports FC and we hope that everyone connected with our visitors enjoys their short stay here at the Woods.

Bedfont Sports have enjoyed another pretty good season so far, beginning their campaign really well as by the second week of November they had only suffered the one league defeat (away at Bracknell Town) and had also enjoyed an FA Cup run that took them past Herne Bay, Spelthorne Sports, Dulwich Hamlet and Sholing before losing narrowly 0-1 at home to Kidderminster Harriers.

They have dropped just outside the play-off places with their results since then and it is their form away from home that has been mainly responsible for that with recent defeats at play-off seeking Middlesex rivals Hanwell Town and Uxbridge while they were also held to a draw by South Park and lost their unbeaten home league record when beaten 4-1 by Basingstoke Town.

Our own trip to the Recreation Ground came on November 6th and a 2-0 defeat – goals from Connagh Wilks and Charlie Postance – extended our long losing run to nine league games and brought to an end Ben Murray's stint as Woods Manager. Our return game here at Northwood is due to be played at the end of February.

Our two clubs never met last season at all but the previous curtailed season of 2019/20 saw us play no less than four times.

The Woods won a League Cup group match at Bedfont Sports 3-2 in September but our opponents then swung fortunes their way. We lost 4-1 at The Recreation Ground in our league game, then 1-0 in the Middlesex Senior Cup quarter-final at Bedfont in January before the Eagles also won 5-2 here at Northwood to complete a league "double" in what was then Manager Rob Ursell's first game in charge.

League and Cup News

Our tough home game against Hanwell Town on the Christmas Bank Holiday Monday brought an excellent crowd of 255 to the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium which was the biggest here at Northwood since the visit of AFC Rushden & Diamonds back in April 2018.

Sadly, it also brought another home defeat – our eighth Isthmian loss in succession here at Northwood – as Hanwell strengthened their play-off prospects with a 3-0 win.

It was a fairly entertaining game for the large crowd though with the Woods actually dominating the opening half-hour but the lads were unable to get the breakthrough they needed with what would have been a rare Andy Lomas goal being ruled out by a very tight offside decision.

Luck was certainly in the visitors favour just before the break too as Dan Hosier made a fine save to block a shot from Tom Collins only for the ball to ricochet back into the striker's path for a tap-in. The second-half saw Hanwell soon add a second and it was always going to be a tall order from there onwards.

We then sadly saw our home game against Chalfont St Peter, scheduled for the following Monday, postponed by our visitors due to a number of positive Covid cases in their squad.

It means that key game will be rescheduled by the League but there is no news on when that date will be at the time of writing. These notes had to be penned prior to Saturday's visit to Westfield so we can only hope that our winning form on our travels continued.

After tonight's Senior Cup game, we also face a quarter-final in the Middlesex Charity Cup next month with an away tie at Combined Counties League side CB Hounslow who we will be meeting for the first-ever time. That's scheduled for Tuesday 22nd February 2022.

Player News

Daniel Purdue should be back available for selection this evening after his hip injury and a few other players have been struggling with knocks in recent weeks including Joakim Ehui who is still a few games short of making his 200th appearance for the club.

We did add two more important players to the squad just before Christmas. One of those, Kyal Williams, made his debut from the bench in the Hanwell Town game and quickly impressed with a few pacy runs and hopefully this youngster will settle to this level of football as the season progresses. He joins us from Kings Langley where he has made a handful of appearances at Step 3 but he has more recently enjoyed an excellent spell "on loan" at Oxhey Jets where he impressed and netted 12 goals in 17 appearances for our near-neighbours at Step 5. Kyal is

with us through to the end of the season and we welcome him to the Woods.

Also, the more experienced 29-year-old striker Josh Helmore has joined the Woods from fellow South-Central Division club Binfield where he has netted seven times in sixteen league appearances this season and was in double-figures for all games.

Josh had previously played for Thatcham Town and was with both clubs when they reached their respective FA Vase Finals in recent years.

He was unavailable for the Hanwell Town game but should be involved in the squad tonight and we also welcome Josh to the club.

Sydney Ibie is unavailable due to a previous suspension picked up in a Herts Senior Cup game during his spell at Potters Bar Town.

Top Value Season Tickets

January will be the last month that our Season Tickets will remain available.

As at today, we have just eight home games left to play which would cost you £80 if you come to each game, while you can purchase a Season Ticket still for £45.00 so still make a reasonable saving. Go to the website 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.

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. We have had two recent new sponsors with Danny Purdue kindly sponsoring Daniel Purdue while Pete Reynolds is the new sponsor for Ryan Young. Thanks to both for their support of the club.

Farewell to 2021

We haven't really been able to do our usual in-depth review of the calendar year in the last couple of years with it being curtailed both times but, for what it is worth, here is a brief synopsis of the football played by the Woods over the past year – Note wins and defeats on penalties in Cup games are considered wins or defeats rather than draws:

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	16	4	1	11	17	35
Away	11	5	1	5	20	20
Total	27	9	2	16	37	55

Goalscorers 2021

7-Shakeel Morris. 4- Ismael Ehui, Micah Jackson. 3-Sydney Ibie.

2-Adam Cash, Leo Decabo, Joakim Ehui

1-Milos Ajvazi, Ryan Avery, Tommy Boxer, Yiannis Constantinou, Connor Cullen, William Dupray, Matteo Esposito, Gradi Milenge, Declan Nche, Mo Sahnoun, Teddy Stacey, Ezekiel Williams, Ryan Young.

Spartans Youth (Adult Section)

Our ground sharers managed to notch a 2-0 victory over NPL Firsts in their last home game with two goals scored by Mark Simuchimba who had a one-game spell with the Woods a while back!

They have recently had a bit of a break from fixtures over the holiday period but they were back here at the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium last Saturday and they are back again next weekend against Farleigh Rovers so if you can't make it to the first-team game at Basingstoke Town, why not pop down. We have recently extended our agreement with Spartans to continue playing here next season.

Fixtures at the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium

On Saturday the Woods play away at Basingstoke Town and it will be our first-ever visit to their new ground at the Winklebury Complex which doubles up as the home of the Hampshire FA and is the only other 4G pitches that we still have to play on this season. We are then back here at Northwood for a League game against third-placed Marlow the following weekend.

Saturday 15th January 2022 – Spartans v. Farleigh Rovers – Surrey Premier League – 3pm

Thursday 20th Jan 2022 – Northwood U18s v. Beaconsfield U18s – Isthmian Youth League – 7.45pm

Saturday 22nd January 2022 – Northwood v. Marlow – Isthmian League – 3pm

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

Alan

THE JOURNEY AHEAD

DATE	OPPOSITION	V	COMP	RES	ATT	STARTING XI									
AUGUST															
Sat 14	Thatcham Town	A	Lge	1-1	147	Joseph	Unsworth	Petch	Noel (63)	Milenge	Avery (53)	MORRIS 1	Ayres		
Sat 21	BURNHAM	H	FACPR	1-1	124	Joseph	Avery	Petch	Decabo	Linturn (87)	Milenge	MORRIS 1 (87)	Nche (74)		
Tue 24	Burnham	A	FACPRR	4-1	234	Joseph	Avery	Petch	Decabo	Linturn	Milenge	MORRIS 1	NCHE 1		
Sat 28	BINFIELD	H	Lge	0-3	107	Joseph	Avery	Petch	Decabo	Linturn (60)	Milenge	Morris	Nche		
Mon 30	Hanwell Town	A	Lge	1-2	238	Joseph	Avery	Petch (65)	Noel	Linturn (77)	Milenge	Morris	Nche		
SEPTEMBER															
Sat 04	CHICHESTER CITY	H	FAC1QR	2-3	155	Joseph	Avery	Petch (85)	Decabo	Linturn	MILENGE 1	Morris	Nche		
Sat 11	STAINES TOWN	H	Lge	5-0	89	Joseph	CASH 1	Velasco	DECABO 1	Linturn	Milenge	MORRIS 1 (80)	Nche		
Tue 14	Marlow	A	Lge	0-1	148	Joseph	Cash	Velasco	Decabo	Surmon	Milenge	Morris	Nche		
Sat 25	UXBRIDGE	H	Lge	1-7	135	Joseph	Cash	Velasco (65)	Decabo (65)	Linturn	Surmon	MORRIS 1	Nche		
OCTOBER															
Sat 02	Tooting & Mitcham United	A	Lge	3-7	185	Joseph	Cash (75)	Velasco	DUPRAY 1 (63)	Linturn	Nche	MORRIS 1	Ayres		
Sat 09	HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN	H	FAT 2QR	0-0**	124	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Nche	Linturn	Avery	Morris	Ayres (90)		
Sat 16	SUTTON COMMON ROVERS	H	Lge	2-3	106	Purdue	Cash	Velasco (69)	Nche (61)	Gurteen	Avery (90)	MORRIS 1	Ayres		
Tue 19	BASINGSTOKE TOWN	H	Lge	0-1	134	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Fearn	Gurteen	Avery	Morris	Ayres		
Sat 23	Guernsey	A	Lge	0-2	734	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Nche	Gurteen	Avery	Morris	Esposito		
Tue 26	UXBRIDGE	H	MSCR1	1-1**	78	Purdue	Velasco	Palmer (88)	Fearn	Avery (50)	Linturn	J Ehui	Nche		
Sat 30	BERKHAMSTED	H	FAT 3QR	2-2*	119	Purdue	CASH 1	Palmer	Shrowder	Linturn	Avery	J Ehui (88)	Ayres (90)		
NOVEMBER															
Tue 02	BRACKNELL TOWN	H	Lge	0-2	143	Purdue	Velasco	Palmer	Shrowder	Linturn (59)	Avery	J Ehui (65)	Ayres (44)		
Sat 06	Bedfont Sports	A	Lge	0-2	101	Purdue	Velasco	Palmer	Shrowder (87)	Gurteen	Avery	Esposito (72)	Nche		
Tue 09	WEMBLEY	H	MSCR2	2-0	95	Purdue	Batten	Palmer (46)	Surmon (62)	AVERY 1	Milenge (46)	Jenkins	J Ehui		
Sat 13	SOUTH PARK	H	Lge	1-5	140	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Surmon	Avery	Gurteen (41)	Simuchimba	Esposito		
Sat 20	Chipstead	A	Lge	1-0	75	Purdue	Surmon	Lomas	Cole	Boxer	Gurteen	Young (67)	Stacey		
Tue 23	Hanworth Villa	A	MCCR2	5-2	41	Purdue	Surmon	Lomas	Stewart	BOXER 1	Gurteen	Young	STACEY 1 (59)		
Sat 27	ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)	H	Lge	0-3	138	Purdue	Velasco (58)	Lomas	Cole	Surmon	Gurteen	Young	Stacey		
DECEMBER															
Sat 04	Chertsey Town	A	Lge	4-2	368	Purdue	Jenkins	Lomas	Cole (88)	Boxer	Gurteen	YOUNG 1 (76)	Stacey		
Sat 11	Binfield	A	Lge	1-0	164	Hosier	Jenkins	Surmon	Cole	Boxer	Gurteen	Young (87)	Stacey		
Sat 18	THATCHAM TOWN	H	Lge	0-1	179	Hosier	Surmon	Jenkins	Cole	Boxer	Gurteen	Young	Stacey		
Mon 27	HANWELL TOWN	H	Lge	0-3	255	Hosier	Jenkins (86)	Lomas	Cole	Boxer	Gurteen	Constantinou (63)	Stacey		
JANUARY															
Sat 08	Westfield	A	Lge												
Tue 11	BEDFONT SPORTS	H	MSCOF												
Sat 15	Basingstoke Town	A	Lge												
Sat 22	MARLOW	H	Lge												
Sat 29	Uxbridge	A	Lge												
FEBRUARY															
Sat 05	TOOTING & MITCHAM UNITED	H	Lge												
Sat 12	GUERNSEY	H	Lge												
Sat 19	Sutton Common Rovers	A	Lge												
Tue 22	CB Hounslow	A	MCCR3												
Sat 26	BEDFONT SPORTS	H	Lge												
MARCH															
Sat 05	Bracknell Town	A	Lge												
Sat 12	South Park	A	Lge												
Sat 19	CHIPSTEAD	H	Lge												
Sat 26	Ashford Town (Middx)	A	Lge												
APRIL															
Sat 02	CHERTSEY TOWN	H	Lge												
Sat 09	WESTFIELD	H	Lge												
Sat 16	Chalfont St Peter	A	Lge												
Sat 23	Staines Town	A	Lge												
TBC	CHALFONT ST PETER	H	Lge												



FIXTURES & RESULTS 2021-22 SEASON

Key: Goalscorer(s) in **Bold**; Sub 1 ●, Sub 2 ●, Sub 3 ●, Sub 4 ●, Sub 5 ●, Yellow Card ●, Red Card ●, * 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.

		Subs							
Chidyausiku (46) ●	Esposito	Williams	I Ehui (46) ●	Surmon (53) ●	Decabo (63) ●	Coles	Nche		
I Ehui	Ayres	Esposito	Williams (74) ●	Surmon (87) ●	Coles (87) ●	Unsworth	Noel		
I EHUI 1 (90) ●	Ayres (81) ●	Esposito (87) ●	WILLIAMS 1 (81) ●	Surmon (87) ●	Coles (90) ●	Unsworth	Noel		
I Ehui	Ayres (75) ●	Esposito (64) ●	Coles (64) ●	Noel (75) ●	Surmon (60) ●	Williams	J Ehui		
I EHUI 1 (65) ●	Esposito	Williams	Unsworth (65)	Coles (65) ●	Surmon (77)	Akunide	J Ehui		
I EHUI 1 (69) ●	Ayres	Williams (80) ●	J Ehui (69) ●	Coles (80) ●	Surmon (85) ●	Akinode	Noel	Unsworth	Esposito
J EHUI 1 (73) ●	Ayres	Esposito (28) ●	Surmon (28) ●	SAHNOUN 1 (73) ●	Williams (80) ●	Coles	Petch		
J Ehui (57) ●	Ayres (82) ●	Esposito (89) ●	Sahnoun (57) ●	Petch (82) ●	Linturn (89) ●	Avery	Matthew		
Cullen (65) ●	Ayres	Dupray	Coles (65) ●	Esposito (65) ●	Palmer (65) ●	Sahnoun	Avery		
CULLEN 1 (75) ●	Esposito	Decabo	Palmer (63)n ●	Coles (75) ●	Avery (75) ●	Surmon	Sahnoun		
I Ehui (76) ●	Decabo	Palmer (68) ●	Coles (68) ●	Matthews (76) ●	Esposito (90) ●	Surmon	Dupray	Petch	
I Ehui	DECABO 1	Palmer	Esposito (61) ●	Jenkins (69) ●	Petch (90) ●	Surmon	Linturn		
I Ehui (66) ●	Decabo	Palmer (83) ●	Coles (66) ●	Nche (83) ●	Esposito	Surmon	Linturn		
Ajvazi	Decabo (84) ●	Palmer (79) ●	J Ehui (79) ●	Sahnoun (84) ●	Coles	Surmon	Linturn		
AJVAZI 1 ●	Decabo	Coles (68) ●	Surmon (50) ●	I Ehui (68) ●	Batten (88) ●	Esposito	Joseph		
Ajvazi (90) ●	Decabo	I EHUI 1	Coles (88) ●	Esposito (90) ●	Petch (90) ●	Surmon	Surmon	Velasco	Joseph
Ajvazi	Decabo	I Ehui	Esposito (44) ●	Surmon (59) ●	Nche (65) ●	Petch	Joseph		
Ajvasi (72) ●	Decabo	I Ehui	J Ehui (72) ●	Milenge (72) ●	Petch (87) ●	Surmon	Joseph		
I Ehui	Shrowder	Stewart	Nche (46) ●	ESPOSITO 1 (46) ●	Petch (62) ●	Joseph			
I Ehui	Shrowder	J EHUI 1 (70) ●	Milenge (41) ●	Davies (70) ●	Batten	Petch			
IBIE 1 (87) ●	Jackson (82) ●	Stewart	Velasco (67) ●	Shrowder (82) ●	J Ehui (87) ●	Esposito	Petch		
JACKSON 2 ●	Esposito (77) ●	J Ehui (67) ●	CONSTANTINOU 1 (59) ●	Petch (67) ●	Shrowder (77) ●	Batten	Cole		
Ibie (79) ●	Jackson (81) ●	Stewart	Batten (58) ●	Constantinou (79) ●	J Ehui (81) ●	Esposi	Petch		
IBIE 2	JACKSON 1 (82) ●	Stewart ●	J Ehui (76) ●	Surmon (82) ●	Constantinou (88) ●	Esposito	Petch		
Ibie	JACKSON 1	Stewart	Constantinou (87) ●	Esposito	J Ehui	Petch	Batten		
Ibie	Jackson	Esposito (65) ●	More (65) ●	Cahill	Constantinou	Batten	Lomas		
Ibie	Jackson (90) ●	Stewart	Williams 63 ●	Batten (86) ●	Cahill (90) ●	Purdue			

MATCHREPORT



BY ROBIN PIPER

NORTHWOOD 0 HANWELL TOWN 3

MONDAY 27 DECEMBER 2021

KICK-OFF 3.00PM

PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE

SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

Once again it was not 'home sweet home' for Northwood as their long losing streak at the Fenton continues.

Having survived two pitch inspections following the recent heavy rain, the local derby went ahead in front of a bumper festive crowd.

Northwood went into the game with a number of the squad missing due to injury and Covid restrictions, setting up with a new formation which saw skipper Keagan Cole

deployed as sweeper in a three-man defence with Andy Lomas and Carl Stewart returning to the starting line-up.

The Woods started well as Hanwell keeper Hugo Sobte kept out a long-range effort from Yiannis Constantinou before Micah Jackson saw his low shot saved.

And Northwood maintained their bright start as Jackson's mazy run ended with his shot being deflected behind for a corner while Sam Jenkins saw his effort clear the bar after Jackson's free-kick on the edge of the box rebounded off the Hanwell wall.

Having dealt with the early pressure from Northwood, the visitors began to find some attacking momentum, Cole making a timely clearance from Dan Carr's cross into the six-yard box before the referee waved away vociferous appeals for a penalty as Woods looked to clear their lines following a Tom Collins miscue.

The Geordies were looking increasingly threatening



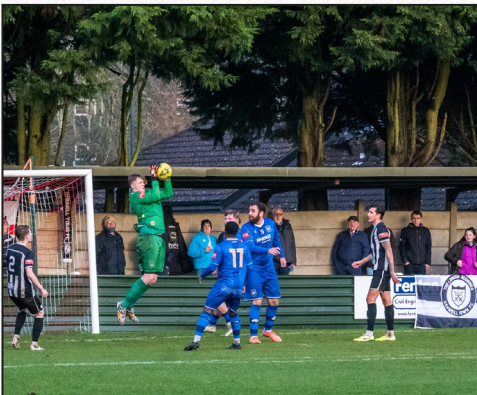


as Collins dragged his shot wide following a quick break while Carr's shot from the edge of the box narrowly cleared the Northwood bar.

However, the contest turned on two crucial moments in the last five minutes of an entertaining opening period – Woods being denied the lead by a questionable offside flag as Andy Lomas converted from Jackson's clever through-ball before Collins gave Hanwell the lead on 44 minutes after keeper Dan Hosier had saved his initial effort following Tomas Siemenczuk's ball over the top.

Northwood needed a swift response in the second-half but their task became more difficult as Hanwell increased their lead on 55 minutes, Woods failing to defend a floated free-kick into the box with Calum Duffy ghosting in unchallenged to head the ball home.

The Woods regrouped as they looked for a way back into the contest and they gave Hanwell a little reminder



of their threat as Teddy Stacey released Jackson whose cross-shot was clawed away by Sobte.

Northwood made a change on 63 minutes as Constantinou was replaced by debutant Kyal Williams to give some fresh impetus to the Woods attack.

However, the contest was effectively over on 66 minutes as Collins grabbed his second of the afternoon with a simple, close-range finish.

Northwood continued to search for something out of the game with Williams earning a free-kick on the edge of the box, Sobte dealing with Jackson's effort before Tommy Boxer headed narrowly wide from a Lomas cross.

Meanwhile, Sam Jenkins made way for Lewis Batten in the right wing-back berth.

However, the Geordies squandered the opportunity to put a more uneven slant on the scoreline as Hosier produced a superb save to keep out Ogi Obi's penalty kick after Trevan Robinson was upended in the box.

There was still time for Woods to introduce a second debutant as Sam Cahill replaced Jackson for the final minutes and they went close to grabbing a consolation as Sydney Ibie and Williams saw shots deflected wide, but it wasn't to be for unlucky Northwood.



NORTHWOOD: Hosier, Jenkins (Batten 86), Lomas, Cole, Boxer, Gurteen, Constantinou (Williams 63), Stacey, Ibie, Jackson (Cahill 90), Stewart

UNUSED SUBSTITUTES: Purdue

Yellow Cards Stacey

Attendance 255

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THE MIDDLESEX

SENIOR CHALLENGE CUP



After two previous County Cup successes here at the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium over Uxbridge and Wembley we have been lucky enough to be drawn at home again for this evening's quarter-final match-up against our Isthmian South Central Divisional rivals Bedfont Sports FC.

All the four quarter-finals are scheduled to be played either tonight or next Tuesday as the eight remaining clubs battle for a place in the last four. The full results and fixtures for the competition so far are listed here:

First Round:

1. Ashford Town (Middx) 6 North Greenford United 2
2. Hanworth Villa 1 Wingate & Finchley 7
3. Northwood 1 Uxbridge 1 (Northwood won 3-2 on penalties)
4. St. Panteleimon 2 Brentford B 4
5. Southall 1 Hayes & Yeading United 2
6. Spelthorne Sports 2 Edgware Town 1
7. Staines Town 0 Broadfields United 1
8. Wembley 5 CB Hounslow United 0

Second Round:

1. Ashford Town (Middx) 4 Wingate & Finchley 3
2. Brentford B 11 Broadfields United 0
3. Enfield Town 1 Bedfont Sports 1
(Bedfont won 4-3 on penalties)
4. Hampton & Richmond Borough 4 Harrow Borough 1
5. Hayes & Yeading United 1 Barnet 2
6. Hendon 1 Hanwell Town 2
7. Northwood 2 Wembley 0
8. Spelthorne Sports 2 Harefield United 1

Quarter-Finals:

1. Ashford Town (Middx) v. Barnet (11/1/22)
2. Brentford B v. Hanwell Town (at Hanwell 18/1/22)
3. Hampton & Richmond Borough v. Spelthorne Sports (11/1/22)
4. Northwood v. Bedfont Sports (11/1/22)

The Middlesex Senior Challenge Cup competition is the most prestigious cup competition played in Middlesex with the history of the tournament dating back to 1888/89 (this is the 128th year) and the first winners being Clapton which was at that time part of an extended County of Middlesex which stretched through to what is now East London.

The most successful club in the competition over its long history is Hendon who have won the Senior Cup fifteen times in various guises; firstly, as West Hampstead FC, then as Golders Green and, after 1956 onwards, as Hendon FC. They most recently won the Cup in 2018, in a penalty shoot-out against Staines Town following a 0-0 draw and they are one of six

different sides who have won the Senior Cup in the last six completed seasons. Hanwell Town won the competition last season for the first-ever time and prior to that Brentford B won in 2019, Hampton & Richmond Borough in 2017, Northwood in 2016 and Harrow Borough in 2015.

Since the turn of the Century, the winners of the Middlesex Senior Cup have been as follows:

5 Hampton & Richmond Borough
4 Hendon
3 Staines Town
2 Northwood
1 AFC Hayes, Brentford B, Hanwell Town, Harrow Borough, Uxbridge, Yeading

Of the eight clubs remaining in the competition this season, four have won the Senior Cup in that twenty-year period. Three of them - Ashford Town (Middlesex), tonight's visitors Bedfont Sports and Spelthorne Sports have ever won the competition while Barnet, who haven't entered much in past decades, last won the tournament back in 1933 when they beat Staines Town to record a second successive victory having also beaten Park Royal the previous season.

Northwood in the Senior Cup

That victory over Enfield Town in 2016 was the Woods second success in the Middlesex Senior Cup, having previously defeated Hayes in the 2007 tournament (on penalties following a 1-1 draw after-extra-time). Prior to that, Northwood had been beaten in two earlier finals. The first of those came in 1999/2000 when then Conference side Hayes edged the game 2-0 and then two years later in 2002, it was Hendon that defeated the Woods 4-2 after-extra-time.

The competition is open to all Middlesex clubs down to Step 5 of the non-League Pyramid structure and the Woods first competed in the competition when they were finally granted Senior Status as

a club. Our first opponents were Wembley who won that first round tie 4-0 here at Northwood Park. It wasn't until 1987/88 that Northwood won their first game in the competition – a narrow 1-0 victory over Viking Sports. The first extended run in the Senior Cup was in 1991/92 – the season that the Woods were promoted as Champions of the London Spartan League – with wins over Southall, Bedfont and Uxbridge before a narrow 2-1 defeat against Wembley in the semi-final. Northwood were also defeated in another two semi-finals – in 1997 against Yeading and in in 1999, with Wembley again the victors – before that first Final in 2000 which had seen a 1-0 semi-final victory at Hendon. For the second Final defeat in 2002, Uxbridge were thrashed 6-2 in the semi-final, the Woods equal highest scoring win in the competition.

Since then, the Woods lost a 2006 semi-final at Hampton & Richmond Borough 1-0, beat Wingate & Finchley 2-1 the following year on the way to winning the competition for the first time, lost to Hendon 3-0 in the semi-final the very next season and then 2-0 to Uxbridge in the last four in 2010. In 2013, we played out a 0-0 draw with Ashford Town (Middx) but then lost 5-4 on penalties to miss out on that final. When we won the Senior Cup in 2016, we had defeated Staines Town 2-0 in the semi-final.

The Full Record (1983 – 2022 to date):

P	W	D	L	F	A
85	48	3	34	143	130



CELEBRATION TIME

The 'Woods' celebrate our Senior Cup success against Hayes back in 2007

ON THE FIELD



NORTHWOOD

DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL..... STEVE RINGROSE
 HEAD COACH..... BEN BUKOWSKI
 COACH..... RICHARD ELDERFIELD
 PHYSIO..... DAN DAGGETT
 COLOURS..... RED



BEDFONT SPORTS

MANAGER..... PAUL JOHNSON
 COLOURS..... BLUE & WHITE

	PLD	SUB	GLS
DANIEL PURDUE (GK)			
DAN HOSIER (GK)			
SAM JENKINS			
MATT SURMON			
LEWIS BATTEN			
ANDY LOMAS			
AARON PETCH			
TOMMY BOXER			
JAMES GURTEEN			
KEAGAN COLE			
CARL STEWART			
MATTEO ESPOSITO			
TEDDY STACEY			
JOAKIM EHUI			
YIANNIS CONSTANTINOU			
MICAH JACKSON			
SYDNEY IBIE			
RYAN YOUNG			
ALEX MORE			
KYAL WILLIAMS			
SAM CAHILL			
JOSH HELMORE			



MATTIE PIERSON			
KEVIN DIOMANDE			
CONNAGH WILKS			
LEWIS PEGG			
JOSEPH MORRISON			
AZEEZ ALABI			
ALBIE SHEEHAN-COZENS			
LEWIS FLATMAN			
JORDAN IRELAND			
JOE JACKSON			
USMAN LALUSTANI			
JORDAN ESPRIT			
EZEKIEL BADEMOSI			
DARRYL SANDERS			
MAX WEBB			
RICKY WELLARD			
ALFIE LAL			
JONATHAN TADAFE			



OFFICIALS

REFEREE **DANIEL SIMPSON**
 ASSISTANT **THOMAS HEALEY**
 ASSISTANT **JOSEPH CASEY**

NEXT UP AT HOME

MARLOW
 SATURDAY 22ND JANUARY 2022
 KICK-OFF 3.00PM
 PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE
 SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

ON THE ROAD

BASINGSTOKE TOWN
 SATURDAY 15TH JANUARY 2022
 KICK-OFF 3.00PM
 PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE
 SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION