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IAN'S INSIGHT

WITH NORTHWOOD FC CHAIRMAN, **IAN BARRY**



Good afternoon and welcome to The Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium for today's Pitching In Isthmian League fixture. We welcome all associated with our visitors from Hanwell Town FC and trust they enjoy their short stay here.

Firstly, I'm hoping you're reading these notes as it means the game is on today, as at the time of writing, we are only hearing of a further 'lockdown'... sorry, circuit breaker!

A slight disappointment here against Thatcham Town last Saturday when we conceded a late winner, when a draw looked inevitable, but we switched off and paid the price. We certainly need to vastly improve our home form in our quest for survival this season, as our away form of late has been nothing short of fantastic!

I arranged a small Christmas drink in the clubhouse last Sunday as a way of getting our people together before Christmas, potentially before we could possibly have to close again and as my way of saying 'thank you' to those who help us be the club we are today. Whilst the small turnout was understandable and slightly disappointing, thanks to those who came along and I hope you had a good time.

Never one personally to make resolutions, as I believe you shouldn't have to wait for a date to change things, we certainly have survival as our mission initially, with a view to progressing the club in the background and to this effect, I have some potentially exciting plans going forward, improving us even further.

To our supporters, I thank you all for your often unconditional support and we all hope you stay safe. Again, if you ever need anything, no matter how small, we are always here to help where we can.

We all hope you have had a good Christmas and we wish you a very Happy New Year. This can also be a difficult time of year for many and those who have passed are always in our thoughts and prayers.

Enjoy the game today and see you again in the New Year.

Up the Woods!

ian

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DIRECT FROM THE
THE MANAGEMENT
WITH HEAD COACH, BEN BUKOWSKI

Firstly, I would like to wish everyone at the club a Merry Christmas. I hope everyone has been able to celebrate with their family and friends.

From all of the playing staff we appreciate your support during this difficult time.

On the back of a positive week off the pitch and two strong away wins on the pitch, I was really disappointed to be on the end of another loss at home last Saturday.

My message to the players was that we cannot be the team that only wins away. Our home form is something that we are focused on improving.

Saturday's game against Thatcham Town was a game that could have gone either way in my opinion and a draw may have been a fair reflection on the game.

What disappointed me the most was the manner in which we lost the game.

Set pieces at any level of football are crucial and you cannot afford to switch off, especially in the last five minutes of a match.

Having shown great resilience in the last couple of weeks it was a tough one to take so late on in the game.

As a management team this is something we will address and will not stop working hard until we get it right.

We know we still have a lot of work to do but there are also plenty of positives to come out of the last month that we have been in charge of taking the club forward.

I am hoping the fans can see that we have been working hard to improve the team and position that we find ourselves in.

Today is another chance for us to get that home win on the board which we can hopefully build on after the Christmas period.

Over this week we have tried hard to keep improving the squad and are always looking to add quality to the group.

We have also looked secure the long-term services of players on dual registration who are wanting to buy into our plan for the club.

We will need your support more than ever from now until the end of the season!

Merry Christmas again and from myself, my management team and all the playing staff have a Happy New Year in 2022.

Up The Woods!

Ben





WOODS OUTLOOK

WITH ALAN EVANS

WELCOME TO THE GEORDIES

With these notes being written over a week ago, we can only hope that everyone enjoyed a pleasant Christmas break, that the Country kept a lid on the latest outbreak of the virus that has plagued our lives in the last two years and that it's all systems go for this afternoon's Bank Holiday Monday holiday fixture. Hopefully, today's Middlesex derby game will have attracted a large crowd to the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium today and we extend a warm welcome to everyone connected with our long-time friends and rivals Hanwell Town FC who we have met up with more times than any other club in our history.

Our visit to the Powerday Stadium back on the August Bank Holiday Monday produced a close contest. Ismael Ehui gave us a 1-0 half-time lead but Hanwell hit back with two goals in three minutes through Jack Hutchinson and Dwayne Duncan early in the second-half to take a narrow 2-1 victory.

After good showings in the last two curtailed seasons, the Geordies have been amongst the favourites for a promotion push but they haven't quite shown the form required for that at what is now the halfway stage of the campaign having lost to the teams around them near the top of the table with defeats against Basingstoke Town, Uxbridge, Chertsey Town and, last weekend, Bracknell Town. It leaves them nineteen points adrift of those runaway leaders Bracknell (with two games in hand) but they are certainly still close enough to challenge for the play-off places from their current position of seventh and they will be looking to bounce back to winning form this afternoon.

Hanwell Town are of course managed by two men who are well-known to us as ex-Northwood players Chris Moore and Wayne Carter are joint managers of the Geordies and have done really well since being recruited after cutting their teeth at Egham Town. They also have another former Woods favourite in Paul Riordan looking after their goalkeepers at the club. The side also has two former Northwood players appearing regularly in Jack Hutchinson, a former Woods youth teamer who made his first-team debut some eleven years ago and went on to make almost 50 appearances, plus George Nicholas who made over 100 appearances in a three-year spell at the club. We welcome all these

ex-Woods back to the club today.

In the severely curtailed 2020/21 season, we met just once and that was back at Hanwell in October 2020 and that match ended in another tight 1-1 draw. Hanwell took the lead through Ogo Obi just before half-time but soon after the restart, George Isaac levelled for the Woods.

The previous season saw only the home game played and our opponents won that won 3-1. The opening goal, scored by Gareth Chendlik had controversy about it, Alex Witham levelled from the penalty-spot but then Kieron Cathline headed in a corner seconds before half-time. A sending-off for Andrew Tirivanhu left the Woods with ten men for much of the second-half and Harvey Killeen eventually added a third that killed off the game.

Today's game has been kindly sponsored by Gerry Pimm and the Match-Ball has been sponsored by Andy Easton. Both are here with friends in the Boardroom today and we hope they enjoy their day.



SUPPORTING SHELTER - #NOHOMEKIT

We are delighted to support the Charity Shelter this afternoon by way of wearing our change kit rather than our usual All Red home kit. So, it's Come on the Blues this afternoon! More details on the campaign can be found elsewhere in today's programme.

LEAGUE AND CUP NEWS

Having regained our form in a series of away matches, last Saturday's home game against Thatcham Town provided more head scratching as we were unable to transfer that success back here at the Fenton Civil Engineering Stadium. It's clearly where we need to improve if we are to get clear of the danger zone which is pretty big this year with so few points covering the bottom half of the table.

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Thatcham, managed by former Woods boss Jamie Leacock, stole all three points with a late header at a corner and a draw may have been a fairer result but the Woods rarely looked fluent and hardly tested the visiting goalkeeper. It was the first of three consecutive home games that are forecast with today's the second and a match-up with second from bottom side Chalfont St Peter then scheduled for next Monday afternoon. We need to start picking up home points soon. We do thank all our supporters for your continued support at our home matches. There was a crowd of 179 at the Thatcham game which was our biggest of the season.

PLAYER NEWS

Daniel Purdue remained side-lined with a hip injury last week but it is hoped he will be back available for selection today. We also lost Carl Stewart due to a recall from his parent club Beaconsfield Town on the morning of the match which was unfortunate. On the plus side, the game saw the introduction of Alex More as a substitute for his debut. Alex is based at RAF Northolt and has only been playing representative football over the last few years. He has been training with us for a while but needed International Clearance – he last played in Scotland – which has only recently come through. We welcome Alex to the club. Also on the bench was another new recruit in Sam Cahill who recently had a summer playing University "Soccer" for Costal Bend College in Beeville, Texas in the USA.

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 still not too late as there are savings to be made even this far into the season (with 10 home games still to play) and for a short while yet. 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.

UNDER-18S

The Under-18s remain bottom of the table after a much better performance against Camberley Town recently. They led early and then pulled back to level at 2-2 by half-time before eventually going down 4-2 which completed a double for the Surrey side, having won 4-3 at Camberley earlier in the season. They take a short break now but are scheduled to return to action on Monday 10th January away at league leaders Bedfont Sports and then the following week will meet Uxbridge again in the quarter-finals of the Middlesex Senior Youth Cup. After three defeats against Uxbridge already this season, the Woods will be hoping for fourth time lucky!

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 last month! They don't currently have a home game scheduled here at the Club though they are likely to be playing at home on Saturday 8th January, that fixture is not confirmed at the time of writing. We have recently extended our agreement with Spartans to continue playing here next season.

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

With our scheduled New Years' Day game away at Whyteleafe cancelled when the Surrey side pulled out of the League at the start of the season, we get a bit of a rest while other are in action. But we are back at home just a couple of days later, one week today, for the visit of Chalfont St. Peter. It will be an important fixture for both sides so please do try to get down for the game and bring family and friends to show your support.

Monday 3rd January

Northwood v Chalfont St Peter
Isthmian League – 3pm

Enjoy the game this afternoon and I wish you all a Very Happy, Healthy and Successful New Year in 2022.



MATCH REPORT

BY ROBIN PIPER

NORTHWOOD 0 THATCHAM TOWN 1

SATURDAY 18 DECEMBER 2021

KICK-OFF 3.00PM

PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH

CENTRAL DIVISION

Northwood's poor run of home results continued as they were denied a deserved share of the spoils by conceding a late goal at home to a Thatcham Town outfit managed by former Woods boss Jamie Leacock.

Woods pre-match plans were disrupted after key midfielder Carl Stewart was recalled by parent club Beaconsfield Town on the morning of the game which meant Matteo Esposito was promoted to the starting line-up, the only change from the previous week's win at Binfield.

In front of a bumper crowd, the contest started at a brisk pace and the visitors spurned a wonderful opportunity to take the lead as Alex Miller scuffed his

close-range effort as he looked to convert Harvey Harry's low cross. At the other end, Micah Jackson wasn't far away with an audacious lob which narrowly cleared the woodwork.

The Kingfishers maintained their bright start as they forced a couple of corners, but the well organised Northwood backline were dealing well with the threat and goalkeeper Dan Hosier remained untroubled.

Woods began to find their attacking rhythm as the half wore on, Sydney Ibie seeing his shot on the turn from the edge of the box fly wide of the upright before Esposito might have done better as he created space in the box but seemed to hesitate with the goal at his mercy and his shot was blocked by 'keeper Jack Hopwood.

Hosier was finally called into action as he comfortably dealt with an effort from Cameron Rohart-Brown. But Woods were soon back on the offensive as a clever Teddy Stacey pass released Jackson whose cross shot just evaded Ryan Young at the far post.





With half-time approaching, there were a couple of opportunities for both teams as Daniel Fosu went close for the visitors with a volleyed attempt from outside the box while James Gurteen saw his half-volley from a corner fly wide of the Thatcham goal.

Woods were quickly out of the blocks upon the resumption, Ibie causing alarm in the Kingfishers' defence as he chased a Jackson through-ball, before the ball was finally cleared. And Jackson was involved once more as he had two bites at the cherry in the Thatcham box as his initial shot was charged down before the follow up effort curled narrowly over the crossbar.



The visitors responded with Harry heading narrowly over from a corner before Hosier produced a flying save to keep out a rasping shot from Glenn Kusel-Gabriel. And as the play flowed from end to end, Jackson teed up Ibie for a long range shot which flew over the woodwork.

Northwood made a change on the hour with debutant Alex More replacing Esposito as the hosts continued to search for the elusive goal and they weren't far away as Sam Jenkins made a strong run into the box before squaring the ball which just failed to reach the on-rushing Young.

And Young had an opportunity moments later but his snapshot flew the wrong side of the upright.

Both sides were striving for the winning strike, Jackson firing in another shot from distance before the impressive Hosier produced another stunning save to divert Harry's fiercely struck shot over the bar.

But the deadlock was finally broken in the 85th minute as Thatcham skipper Joshua Edwards bundled the ball home from a corner to silence the home crowd.

Northwood desperately tried to retrieve the situation, having their appeals for a penalty ignored as Jenkins fell in the box. And with the contest moving into added time, Ibie had a close-range shot blocked by a lunging Edwards before Gurteensaw his shot palmed away by Hopwood following a lofted free-kick into the box – the final action on a frustrating day for the Woods.



NORTHWOOD: Hosier, Surmon, Jenkins, Cole, Boxer, Gurteen, Young, Stacey, Ibie, Jackson, Esposito (More 65)
Subs not used: Cahill, Constantinou, Batten, Lomas
Yellow Cards: Jenkins, Ibie; **Attendance:** 179

YESTERDAY TODAY

18 DECEMBER IN YEARS GONE BY... WITH **KEN GREEN**

1971

MIDDLESEX LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

RUISLIP TOWN 2
NORTHWOOD 5

Northwood climbed to the top of the Middlesex League following this workmanlike win over neighbours Ruislip Town. The Woods started the match as though they hadn't heard of Christmas goodwill. They tore into the opposition, and although the muddy pitch prevented good football, their strikers battled well in the conditions.

Paddy Coburn was a real thorn in the home side, but it was ex-Ruislip Town strikers Steve Senior and Barry Wanless who started the goal spree.


1971

The first came after six minutes as Steve Pearce ran from his own half, and played a great ball to Senior, who crossed, and Wanless rose to head a fine goal.

Then after 18 minutes Coburn showed superb control as he ploughed past two men before hammering over a low cross. Senior swept into the six-yard box and hammered in a great volley.

Barry Gould had an excellent game in midfield alongside Willie Burt, and John Myers was masterful in the back four, as Woods sought to add to their tally before half-time.

In fact, Ruislip netted a shock goal after the break when Rothwell headed in from a corner. But before Ruislip could get back into the game, Wanless (pictured) scored a magnificent goal when he beat three men before firing home a vicious drive from an acute angle.

After this the game deteriorated, the mud spoiling things, Ian Harvey suffering as his neat touches were getting stuck! Town pulled another goal back, but then Harvey was pulled down following a neat move, and he scored from the free-kick. Before the end Barry Wanless took the chance to grab goal number five.

Northwood: R Byrne, Harding, Myers, Gould, Wickison, Burt, Harvey, Pearce, Coburn, Wanless, Senior, sub. Roberts.

1976

RICKMANSWORTH CHARITY CUP SEMI-FINAL

NORTHWOOD 4
BOVINGDON 1

Northwood reached the final of the Rickmansworth Charity Cup for the first time with a 4-1 win over Herts League side Bovingdon.

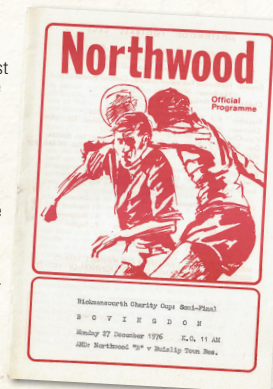
Although Bovingdon were first off the mark, Northwood took a 2-1 lead through Norman Heslop and Junior Jones.

But with the Woods in front, the game was in danger of being abandoned as Bovingdon fans continually disrupted play. The future of the match was in the balance when a Northwood player was struck as he tried to take a throw-in.

The game was at a tense enough point, with Bovingdon hammering away for an equaliser. Jones' goal for Northwood made it 3-1 and eased the tension.

A fourth, a deflection following a shot from Roger Livingstone sealed it.

Northwood: Currell, Heslop, Harman, Merison, Gould, Tidd, Hester, Jones, Ellis, Curran, Livingstone.


1986

LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE CUP

WALTHAM ABBEY 3
NORTHWOOD 0

Despite picking up three London Spartan League points before Christmas with a 2-0 win over Corinthian Casuals thanks to goals from John Powell and Steven Long, the Woods crashed out of the London Spartan League Cup in this game when they went down 3-0 in a replay at Waltham Abbey.

Woods were well in contention in the first half which ended goalless, but the beginning of the end came when Les Brower recklessly raced 20 yards to hack down Holloway in the area when there was no danger. Holloway scored from the spot and Woods fell apart.

Holloway added a second goal soon after and Smith completed Northwood's misery.

Northwood: Toogood, Mount, Brower, Revell, Ash, Stagg, Powell, McPherson, Long, Davies, Thomas.

1993

DIADORA LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

NORTHWOOD 0
FLACKWELL HEATH 1

The Woods slumped to a very disappointing home defeat, and missed a string of first half chances; these cost Northwood dearly, with Tim



Vincent, Martin Randall and Danny Buckley (pictured) all missing out. Woods dominated early on, with Kevin Dobson making some fine runs, one of which gave Buckley a chance but his shot went over the bar. The visitors' keeper saved well from Holmes. The Woods defence still looked suspect and after a couple of close shaves, Kerry Robin scored for Flackwell after an attack broke down at the other end.

Some spectators felt Flackwell's Dave Crook was lucky to get only a yellow card for a challenge on Randall when he was clear. But Woods were lucky not to concede a further goal after the break when Robin hit a post.

Eddie Coppinger came on for Tim Vincent and made a difference, going close twice, and then when he did find the net, he had a goal ruled offside.

In the closing stages Buckley was upended in the box but the referee decided it did not warrant a penalty, and a late foul on Bennett saw another Flackwell player booked – but a blank afternoon for the Woods!

Northwood: Murphy, McAuliffe, Dobson, Delicata, Holland, Bennett, Matthews, Vincent (Coppinger), Buckley, Holmes, Randall.

1997

RYMAN LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

NORTHWOOD 0
WEALDSTONE 0

Northwood keeper Lee Carroll was in outstanding form in his side's 0-0 draw against Gordon Bartlett's Wealdstone.

The 20-year-old former Chelsea shot-stopper pulled off a superlative first half save from Dennis Greene, and added to it in the second half with fine stops to deny Fergus Moore and Greene again late on.

But Woods also had their moments in an entertaining encounter against a Wealdstone side on a run of six successive Ryman Division Two wins, Paul Halbert going close on a number of occasions.

Northwood: Carroll, Tobin, Sargent, Williams, Walters, Keadell, Boadu, Gell, Halbert, Hibbert, Holman.

1999

RYMAN LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

NORTHWOOD 7
WINGATE & FINCHLEY 2

The Woods ended the century on a high note with this emphatic win over Wingate & Finchley.



Manager Tony Choules and assistant Bob Webster had the team in for training on the previous day, and it paid off.

On eight minutes Steve Newing hit a mint of a goal to put them on their way, while the visitors went close at the other end, Paul Riordan making at least one fine save.

Scott Fitzgerald hit the second for Northwood on 25 minutes, stabbing home Dave Nolan's cross,

Jason Donlon replied for Wingate five minutes later, but just before the break, Fitzgerald flicked on a James Burgess cross and Nolan made it 3-1. Rene Street added a fourth just after the break from Dave Sargent's cross and Steve Brady then replied for the visitors.

Danny Yeoman soon restored the three-goal advantage, scoring the fifth after the keeper had saved a Chris Gell! rocket.

Danny Butler and Fitzgerald then struck late on to give Northwood a resounding win and round off the 20th century!

Northwood: Riordan, Yeoman, Williams, Butler, Street, Sargent, Nolan, Gell, Newing, Fitzgerald, Burgess. Subs. Yaku, Hart, Sherry.





WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS...

HANWELL TOWN



Hanwell Town was originally founded in 1920 by a team of 'Geordies' working in the area and it is believed that this explains the black and white striped colours which are still used today.

The club were in the London League from 1924 to 1927 and it was in this period that they won their first major honour, sharing with Roxeth and Harrow Old Boys the Middlesex F.A Junior Charity Cup in 1926.

Little else is known about the club before their disbandment at the outset of the second world war.

The club reformed in 1947/1948 playing in the Dauntless League where they climbed up through

the divisions earning promotion in four successive seasons.

Whilst remaining in the Dauntless League with a third eleven, the club switched allegiance to the Harrow Wembley and District League where they remained until 1969/1970.

During their period in the Harrow and Wembley League the club reached eight cup finals in various league and county competitions and each time finished on the losing side.

In 1970/1971 the club gained promotion to the Middlesex County League and in their very first season the club won the League cup, the side being captained by the club's current chairman Bob Fisher.

The club remained in the Middlesex County League throughout the 1970's playing at Ealing Central Sports Ground, their home for over twenty years but in June 1981 they achieved their ambition of obtaining a ground of their own when they moved to the then derelict Reynolds Field, their current home.

Thanks to a small group of volunteers the ground was able to be used from the start of the 1981/1982 season and the club was granted Senior status for the commencement of the 1983-84 season.

This enabled them to join The London Spartan League and they immediately won the Senior Division to gain promotion to the Premier Division where they remained until the amalgamation of the Spartan League with the South Midlands League in 1997/1998.

During this period the club enjoyed considerable cup success winning The London Senior Cup in 1991/1992 and 1992/1993 and being losing finalists in 1993/1994.

They also reached the final of the Spartan League cup in 1993/1994 and after drawing with Willesden Hawkeye at The Valley, home of Charlton Athletic F.C, they were beaten in the replay at the start of the following season.

In 1992/1993 they reached the final of the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup where they lost to Harrow Borough at Uxbridge F.C. after extra time.

They reached the final of the same competition in 2000/2001 when they were again beaten, this time by Ashford Town (Middx).

In 1997/1998, their position of 12th in the League meant that in the first season of the Spartan South Midlands League in 1998/1999 that they would be required to play in the Senior Division.

At the end of the 1997/1998 season Roy Nairn who had managed the side since the 1986/1987 season stood down to be replaced by former player Ray Duffy with Roy continuing his association with the club in a coaching capacity.

The side immediately gained promotion to the Premier Division finishing in runners up spot to Holmer Green.

Both clubs finishing with the same number of points but with Holmer Green boasting a much better goal difference.

Following this promotion the club maintained a top half position in the League table in each season except for one in the following seven seasons.

In 2002/2003 the club won the Premier Division Cup when they beat Harefield United in the final, their first cup success in ten years.

In the same season to celebrate Roy Nairn's twenty years service to the club, Chelsea sent a side to meet the club at the start of the season.

The Town ran out 5-3 winners with two of the goals being scored by Martin Rowlands of Brentford & QPR and Chris Boothe of Farnborough Town, both of whom having started their careers at the club during Roy's period of managership.

The Rowlands's family have very strong links with the club with dad Arthur having played for the club in the 1982/1983 season and since then all five of his sons, Adam, Keith, Martin, Stephen and Anthony have worn the club's colours with Keith now the club's record goalscorer.

In 2004/2005, the club led the Premier Division for much of the season only to suffer a dramatic loss of form in the final weeks of the season which allowed Potters Bar Town to finish as comfortable League winners with the Town in second place.

In season 2005-06 with promotion to level Four a key objective, the club managed to finish in third place just edging out Harefield United on goal difference.

Two thirds of the way through that season Ray Duffy resigned and was replaced as joint managers by his former assistant Danny Vincent and former player Pat Gavin.

Third place enabled Town to win promotion to The British Gas Business Southern League for the 2006/2007 season.

However, Town's stay in the Southern League only lasted one season as they finished second from bottom and were relegated back to the Molten Spartan South Midlands League .

During their stay in the Southern League, Town parted company with the management team of Vincent and Gavin with the reins being taken over by



former player Chris Boothe, who himself resigned at the end of the 2007-08 season.

The club finished in seventh place in the Premier Division of the Molten Spartan South Midlands League in the 2008-09 season and in 12th place in the 2009-10 season.

There was a further change in the managerial team at the start of the 2010-11 season with Boysie Wise departing and Jason Tucker stepping into the role of assistant manager to the club's leading goalscorer Keith Rowlands.

After a very promising start to the season, the side fell away drastically at the end of the season eventually finishing in fifteenth position, the lowest spot that they have occupied since gaining promotion to the division at the end of the 1998-99 season.

The club continued to struggle in the 2011-2012 season and mid way through the season, the club reluctantly accepted the resignations of club stalwarts Rowlands and Tucker. T

hey were replaced by a new managerial team of Tommy Williams and Luke Evans. Despite results improving, the club were unable to climb out of the relegation zone and faced relegation but the demise of clubs at level four, resulted in Town being relieved from relegation.

At the end of the season both Williams and Evans

resigned their managerial roles and the club turned again to Ray Duffy to hold the managerial reins for the 2012-13 season.

He was aided by Mark Adams and Vince Perdue.

The club enjoyed a successful season finishing in 6th position and looked forward to the challenge that a new season would bring. Season 2013-2014 turned out to be the most successful in the club's history as they won The Spartan South Midlands League by a margin of fourteen points over Amphyll Town.

They were beaten just once in their forty two games, drawing six and winning the other thirty five with a goal difference of ninety one, having found the net one hundred and twenty seven times and conceding just thirty six.

They also reached the fifth round of the FA Vase for the first time in their history, losing 3-1 to league rivals Amphyll Town after extra time having had to play their fourth round tie against Ashford Town just thirty six hours previously on the Thursday evening.

Promoted back to the Southern League Central Division, the 2014-15 season proved to be another very successful season for the club as playing at their highest ever level and aware that there only previous season as a level Four club had resulted in immediate relegation, they not only held their own but finished in seventh place, just outside of the

play offs.

They also reached the final of The Middlesex Senior Cup for the first time in their history, a penalty in the final minutes proving to be a 1-0 defeat to Harrow Borough .

Unfortunately, club manager Ray Duffy tendered his resignation at the end of the season so the club started afresh in Season 2015-2016 under the managerial reins of Phil Granville, a former player and manager of Uxbridge FC and more recently manager at Harefield United.

However, things did not work out as expected and Granville was relieved of his duties at around Christmas and Duffy, fresh from his break, returned to take up the reins.

It proved to be a stressful run in to the end of the season and only two 1-0 wins in the space of forty eight hours against Uxbridge and Ware respectively prevented the club from being relegated.

With the management team having had the time to rebuild the squad over the close season, the 2016/17 season proved to be one in which the club held a relatively comfortable mid table position throughout and hopes are high that the 2017/18 would see the club finish higher up the table.

However it was not to be with the club finishing too close to the bottom of the table for comfort.

At the end of the season, manager Ray Duffy who had been involved in 997 games for the club as either a player or a manager tendered his resignation and the club commence the 2019/20 season with joint managers in Chris Moore and Wayne Carter.

Since arriving at Reynolds Field, the club have steadily improved the facilities with the installation of floodlights in 1989 , the erection of a small stand and more recently, thanks to a grant from The Football Foundation, the erection of a stand and toilets for disabled persons.

During 2005-2006 to ensure that the club met The Football Association's ground grading requirements, the seating capacity of the stand was extended to 180 seats and covered terracing

was erected behind one of the goals.

That this work was possible was entirely due to the generosity of the club's president Dave Iddiols and the club's then sponsor Gowing & Pursey Ltd.

Tottenham Hotspur led by Republic of Ireland international and current Brighton and Hove Manager Chris Hughton and managed by former England goalkeeper Ray Clemence were Town's first opponents under lights and since then Spurs again, Chelsea, Brentford and QPR have all played games on the ground.

At the end of the 2004/2005 season club chairman Bob Fisher was awarded a medallion by The Football Association in recognition of his fifty years service to the club and very recently, Bob, completed sixty years service at the club, a remarkable achievement, which was recognised by the club in naming the stand after him

The club have a thriving Youth Section and this season will be fielding over 20 Youth sides.

Both the Senior Club and Youth section has achieved charter standard and are highly regarded in the county and the local community.

The club have been enormously fortunate over the years to have benefited by the commitment and effort of so many to ensure that the club survived and prospered.

There are too many to name them all but special mention should be made of the Conn family, Jim, Mike and Jack, the Haynes family, Les, Stan and Reg, the Rowlands family, the Swift family, Bob, Stuart and Kenny, Sam Kelso, Phil Player, John Wake. Phil Scott, Roy Nairn, Ray Duffy and of course Dave Iddiols but no history of Hanwell Town would be complete without a mention of the club's secretary from its reformation in the 1940's to 1988, Ron Walker.

Without a home ground of their own for the majority of this period, Ron's total dedication and commitment meant that the club were able to keep going whilst many around them folded.

Until he passed away at the age of 90 in November 2011, Ron continued in his role of trustee to take a keen interest in the club's fortunes.

THE JOURNEY AHEAD

DATE	OPPONENT	V	COMP	RES	ATT	FIRST XI					
AUGUST											
Sat 14	Thatcham Town	A	Lge	1-1	147	Joseph	Unsworth	Petch	Noel (63)	Milenge	Avery (53)
Sat 21	BURNHAM	H	FACPR	4-1	124	Joseph	Avery	Petch	Decabo	Lintum (87)	Milenge
Tue 24	Burnham	A	FACPRR	4-1	234	Joseph	Avery	Petch	Decabo	Lintum	Milenge
Sat 28	BINFELD	H	Lge	0-3	107	Joseph	Avery	Petch	Decabo	Lintum (60)	Milenge
Mon 30	Hanwell Town	A	Lge	1-2	238	Joseph	Avery	Petch (65)	Noel	Lintum (77)	Milenge
SEPTEMBER											
Sat 04	CHICHESTER CITY	H	FAC10R	2-3	155	Joseph	Avery	Petch (85)	Decabo	Lintum	MILENGE 1
Sat 11	STAINES TOWN	H	Lge	5-0	89	Joseph	CASH 1	Velasco	DECABO 1	Lintum	Milenge
Tue 14	Marlow	A	Lge	0-1	148	Joseph	Cash	Velasco	Decabo	Surmon	Milenge
Sat 25	UXBRIDGE	H	Lge	1-7	135	Joseph	Cash	Velasco (65)	Decabo (65)	Lintum	Surmon
OCTOBER											
Sat 02	Tooting & Mitcham United	A	Lge	3-7	185	Joseph	Cash (75)	Velasco	DUPRAY 1 (63)	Lintum	Nche
Sat 09	HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN	H	FAT 20R	0-0**	124	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Nche	Lintum	Avery
Sat 16	SUTTON COMMON ROVERS	H	Lge	2-3	106	Purdue	Cash	Velasco (69)	Nche (61)	Curteen	Avery (90)
Tue 19	BASINGSTOKE TOWN	H	Lge	0-1	134	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Fearn	Curteen	Avery
Sat 23	Guernsey	A	Lge	0-2	734	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Nche	Curteen	Avery
Tue 26	UXBRIDGE	H	MSCR1	1-1***	78	Purdue	Velasco	Palmer (88)	Fearn	Avery (50)	Lintum
Sat 30	BERKHAMSTED	H	FAT 30R	2-2#	119	Purdue	CASH 1	Palmer	Shrowder	Lintum	Avery
NOVEMBER											
Tue 02	BRACKNELL TOWN	H	Lge	0-2	143	Purdue	Velasco	Palmer	Shrowder	Lintum (59)	Avery
Sat 06	Bedfont Sports	A	Lge	0-2	101	Purdue	Velasco	Palmer	Shrowder (87)	Curteen	Avery
Tue 09	WEMBLEY	H	MSCR2	2-0	95	Purdue	Batten	Palmer (46)	Surmon (62)	AVERY 1	Milenge (46)
Sat 13	SOUTH PARK	H	Lge	1-5	140	Purdue	Cash	Velasco	Surmon	Avery	Curteen (41)
Sat 20	Chipstead	A	Lge	1-0	75	Purdue	Surmon	Lomas	Cole	Boxer	Curteen
Tue 23	Hanworth Villa	A	MCCR2	5-2	41	Purdue	Surmon	Lomas	Stewart	BOXER 1	Curteen
Sat 27	ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)	H	Lge	0-3	138	Purdue	Velasco (58)	Lomas	Cole	Surmon	Curteen
DECEMBER											
Sat 04	Chertsey Town	A	Lge	4-2	368	Purdue	Jenkins	Lomas	Cole (88)	Boxer	Curteen
Sat 11	Binfield	A	Lge	1-0	164	Hosier	Jenkins	Surmon	Cole	Boxer	Curteen
Sat 18	THATCHAM TOWN	H	Lge	0-1	179	Hosier	Surmon	Jenkins	Cole	Boxer	Curteen
Mon 27	HANWELL TOWN	H	Lge								
JANUARY											
Mon 03	CHALFONT ST PETER	H	Lge								
Sat 08	Westfield	A	Lge								
Tue 11	BEDFONT SPORTS	H	MSCQF								
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								



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				
MORRIS 1	Ayres	Chidyausiku (46)	Esposito	Williams	I Ehui (46)	Surmon (53)	Decabo (63)	Coles	Nche
MORRIS 1 (67)	Nche (74)	I Ehui	Ayres	Esposito (87)	Williams (74)!	Surmon (87)	Coles (87)	Unsworth	Noel
MORRIS 1	NCHE 1	I EHU1 1 (90)	Ayres (81)	Esposito (87)	WILLIAMS 1 (81)	Surmon (87)	Coles (90)	Unsworth	Noel
Morris	Nche	I Ehui	Ayres (75)	Esposito (64)	Coles (64)	Noel (75)	Surmon (60)	Williams	J Ehui
Morris	Nche	I EHU1 1 (65)	Esposito	Williams	Unsworth (65)	Coles (65)	Surmon (77)	Akunide	J Ehui
Morris!	Nche	I EHU1 1 (69)	Ayres	Williams (80)	J Ehui (69)	Coles (80)	Surmon (85)	Akinode	Noel
MORRIS 1 (80)	Nche	J EHU1 1 (73)	Ayres	Esposito (28)	Surmon (28)	SAHNOUN 1 (73)	Williams (80)	Coles	Petch
Morris	Nche	J Ehui (57)	Ayres (82)!	Esposito (89)	Sahnoun (57)	Petch (82)	Linturn (89)	Avery	Matthew
MORRIS 1	Nche	Cullen (65)	Ayres	Dupray	Coles (65)	Esposito (65)	Palmer (65)	Sahnoun	Avery
MORRIS 1	Ayres	CULLEN 1 (75)	Esposito	Decabo	Palmer (63)!	Coles (75)	Avery (75)	Surmon	Sahnoun
Morris	Ayres (90)	I Ehui (76)	Decabo	Palmer (68)	Coles (68)	Matthews (76)	Esposito (90)	Surmon	Dupray
MORRIS 1	Ayres	I Ehui	DECABO 1	Palmer	Esposito (61)	Jenkins (69)	Petch (90)	Surmon	Linturn
Morris	Ayres	I EHU1 (66)	Decabo	Palmer (83)	Coles (66)	Nche (83)	Esposito	Surmon	Linturn
Morris	Esposito	Ajvazi	Decabo (84)	Palmer (79)	J Ehui (79)	Sahnoun (84)	Coles	Surmon	Linturn
J Ehui	Nche	AJVAZI 1!	Decabo	Coles (68)	Surmon (50)	I Ehui (68)	Batten (88)	Esposito	Joseph
J Ehui (88)	Ayres (90)	Ajvazi (90)	Decabo	I EHU1 1	Coles (88)	Esposito (90)	Petch (90)	Surmon	Gooseen
									Joseph
J Ehui (65)	Ayres (44)	Ajvazi	Decabo	I Ehui	Esposito (44)	Surmon (59)	Nche (65)	Petch	Joseph
Esposito (72)	Nche	Ajvasi (72)	Decabo	I Ehui	J Ehui (72)	Milenge (72)	Petch (87)	Surmon	Joseph
Jenkins	J Ehui	I Ehui	Shrowder	Stewart	Nche (46)	ESPOSITO 1 (46)	Petch (62)!	Joseph	
Simuchimba	Esposito	I Ehui!	Shrowder!	J EHU1 1 (70)	Milenge (41)	Davies (70)	Batten	Petch	
Young (67)	Stacey	IBIE 1 (87)	Jackson (82)	Stewart	Velasco (67)	Shrowder (82)	J Ehui (87)	Esposito	Petch
Young	STACEY 1 (59)	JACKSON 2!	Esposito (77)	J Ehui (67)	CONSTANTINOU 1 (59)	Petch (67)	Shrowder (77)	Batten	Cole
Young	Stacey	Ibie (79)	Jackson (81)	Stewart	Batten (58)	Constantinou (79)	J Ehui (81)	Esposi	Petch
YOUNG 1 (76)!	Stacey!	IBIE 2	JACKSON 1 (82)	Stewart!	J Ehui (76)	Surmon (82)	Constantinou (88)!	Esposito	Petch
Young (87)	Stacey	Ibie	JACKSON 1	Stewart	Constantinou (87)	Esposito	J Ehui	Petch!	Batten
Young	Stacey	Ibie!	Jackson	Esposito (65)	More (65)	Cahill	Constantinou	Batten	Lomas





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WITH THE **YOUNGSTERS** WOODS WIPED OUT...

NORTHWOOD 2 CAMBERLEY TOWN 4

After the horror show away at Uxbridge in the previous fixture, five changes were made to the starting line up at home to Camberley Town.

A much-improved performance was needed and after only ten minutes Will Robinson got us off to a great start after running through one on one with the keeper and coolly slotting the ball past him.

Again, we should have pushed onwards and upwards but it was only a matter of time before our opponents had equalised and then very quickly gone in front with two goals in the space of ten minutes.

We really needed a response now and just before half time Oscar John ran onto a good ball from debutant Gradi Nkalu and from an acute angle finished well into the bottom corner of the net.

The second half started well and the Woods had a couple of half chances but against the run of play Camberley went up the other end and punished us with a good goal.

At this point and with thirty minutes to go, the visitors took control of the game and made sure of the three points with a fourth goal.

All in all, a much better performance but still a scoreline that's left the side deflated.

Team: Christofi, Batten, Dovie, Fonseca (Woodward), Debenham, Nkalu, Wilson (Staszewski), Baayou, John, Moneke (Dunstone), Robinson.

The Woods take a break over the Christmas and New Year period with their next fixture scheduled for away to league leaders Bedfont Sports on Monday 10th January 2022.

They play at home to Uxbridge in the Middlesex Senior Youth Cup quarter-final the following week on Thursday 20th January.

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
Mon 6 Dec	Uxbridge	A	IY Lge	0-13
Thu 16 Dec	CAMBERLEY TOWN	H	IY Lge	2-4
Mon 10 Jan	Bedfont Sports	A	IY LGE	
Thu 20 Jan	UXBRIDGE	H	MCY CUP	
Thu 27 Jan	HAYES & YEADING UNITED	H	IY LGE	
Wed 2 Feb	Wealdstone	A	IY LGE	
Wed 9 Feb	Hampton & Richmond Borough	A	IY LGE	
Thu 17 Feb	MARLOW	H	IY LGE	
Mon 21 Feb	Beaconsfield Town	A	IY LGE	
Thu 3 Mar	ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX)	H	IY LGE	
Wed 9 Mar	Hayes & Yeading United	A	IY LGE	
TBA	BEACONSFIELD TOWN	H	IY LGE	

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

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Bedfont Sports	11	8	2	1	37	8	26
Beaconsfield Town	11	6	1	4	28	21	19
Camberley Town	9	5	2	2	24	15	17
Uxbridge	9	4	1	4	32	21	13
Ashford Town (Middx)	8	4	1	3	12	17	13
Marlow	10	3	3	4	24	18	12
Hampton & Richmond B	9	4	0	5	22	27	12
Hayes & Yeading United	8	3	1	4	13	18	10
Wealdstone	12	2	2	8	14	33	8
NORTHWOOD	9	2	1	6	16	44	7

TEN TO TACKLE

01. Ellen White recently became the record goalscorer for the England Women's team but which club side does she play for?
02. In which year did Ipswich Town win the UEFA Cup?
03. Which Asian country's national team are known as The Brave Gentlemen?
04. What is the purpose of the arc that is marked outside the penalty area?
05. Which Football League club are undefeated in 31 European competitive home cup matches?
06. Which European club are known as Los Meringues?
07. For which country did Birmingham City's Jeremy Bela play in a 2022 World Cup qualifier?
08. Which non-League club knocked Bolton Wanderers out of this season's FA Cup?
09. What nationality is new Rangers FC manager, Giovanni van Bronckhorst?
10. Which non-League club's nickname is The Gingerbreads?

JEREMY BELA



ANSWERS...
1. Manchester City, 2. 1981, 3. Jordan, 4. To prevent encroachment by less than ten yards when a penalty is struck, 5. Ipswich Town, 6. Real Madrid, 7. Angola, 8. Stockport County, 9. Dutch, 10. Grantham Town.



TODAY IN THE PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE

PREMIER DIVISION

Bognor Regis Town vs Worthing
 Bowers & Pitsea vs Bishop's Stortford
 Brightlingsea Regent vs East Thurrock United
 Cheshunt vs Enfield Town
 Cray Wanderers vs Margate
 Folkestone Invicta vs Merstham
 Horsham vs Lewes
 Kingstonian vs Corinthian Casuals
 Potters Bar Town vs Hornchurch
 Wingate & Finchley vs Haringey Borough

SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

Ashford Town (Midd) vs Staines Town
 Basingsstoke Town vs Thatcham Town
 Bracknell Town vs Binfield
 Chertsey Town vs Westfield
 Chipstead vs South Park
 Marlow vs Chalfont St. Peter

NORTHWOOD VS HANWELL TOWN

Sutton Common Rovers vs
 Tooting & Mitcham United
 Uxbridge vs Bedfont Sports

NORTH DIVISION

Aveley vs Grays Athletic
 Barking vs Romford
 Basildon United vs Great Wakering Rovers
 Brentwood Town vs Hashtag United
 Bury Town vs Stowmarket Town
 Canvey Island vs Tilbury
 Coggeshall Town vs AFC Sudbury
 Dereham Town vs Felixstowe & Walton United
 Maldon & Tiptree vs Heybridge Swifts
 Witham Town vs Hullbridge Sports

SOUTH EAST DIVISION

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

The lads celebrate our recent victory away at Binfield



PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Bracknell Town	17	15	1	1	44	7	46
Chertsey Town	15	10	4	1	39	1	34
Basingsstoke Town	16	10	3	3	31	22	33
Uxbridge	14	9	4	1	29	13	31
Bedfont Sports	15	9	3	3	33	18	30
Marlow	13	9	2	2	23	6	29
Hanwell Town	15	8	3	4	34	22	27
Binfield	16	8	3	5	30	23	27
South Park	16	6	4	6	33	25	22
Ashford Town (Middx)	17	6	1	10	27	31	19
Tooting & Mitcham United	17	6	1	10	24	28	19
Thatcham Town	17	4	6	7	22	30	18
Westfield	16	3	7	6	19	21	16
Chipstead	16	3	5	8	24	29	14
NORTHWOOD	18	4	1	13	20	4	13
Sutton Common Rovers	16	4	1	11	21	51	13
Guernsey	12	3	2	7	20	28	11
Chalfont St Peter	17	3	2	12	17	42	11
Staines Town	17	3	1	13	18	49	10

CLASSIC CLASH

WITH KEN GREEN

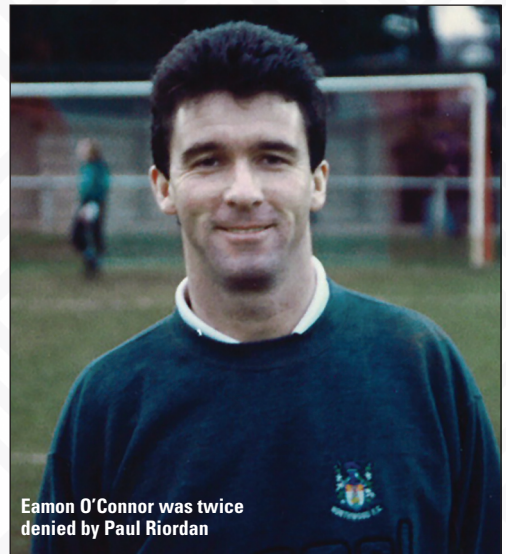
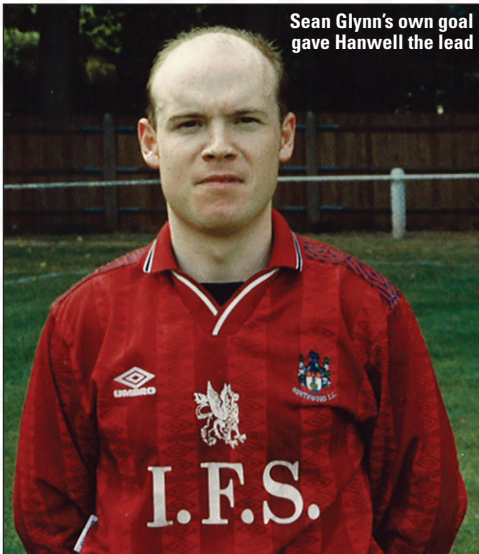
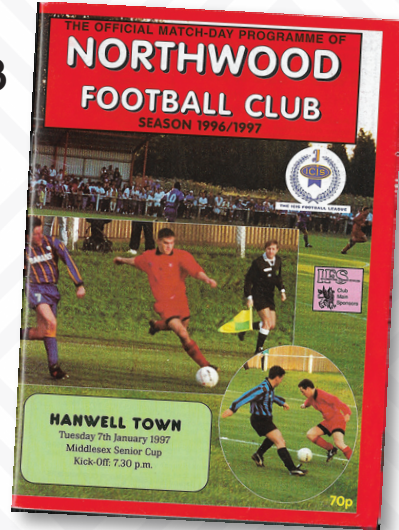
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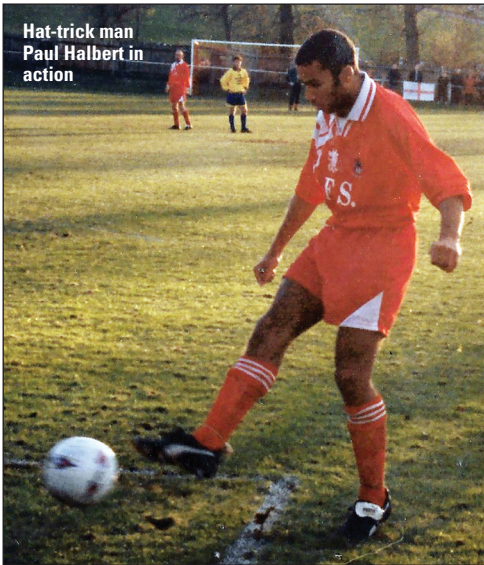
In this column we look back at a previous meeting with today's visitors Hanwell Town. The clubs have met over 70 times since the first time, a Middlesex Junior Cup tie in 1951. This afternoon we look at a Middlesex Senior Cup second round game on Tuesday 7th January 1997...

Prolific striker Paul Halbert grabbed a last-gasp equaliser on his way to a hat-trick as Icis League Division Three Woods sneaked past Spartan League Hanwell Town in the Middlesex Senior Cup.

The visitors went 1-0 up in the 22nd minute when a long ball by Hanwell's Jason Delicata was turned past Northwood keeper Lee Carroll by Sean Glynn for an own goal.

Hanwell keeper Paul Riordan made a couple of fine stops to deny Eamon O'Connor before Woods drew level on 42 minutes. A well worked move involving O'Connor and Lawrence Holmes ended with Halbert firing into the top corner.





Hat-trick man Paul Halbert in action

by Robbie Johnson was seized upon by the hungry striker, who beat the keeper and fired home. The hat-trick took Halbert's goal tally to 23 for the season.

Woods went into the break behind as Keith Rowlands set up Darren Applin to run through and slot past Carroll.

Northwood: Lee Carroll, Paul Webb (Elroy Richardson 69m), Kevin Dobson, Dave Walters, Sean Glynn, Eamonn O'Connor (Terry Benning 89m), Colin Robinson, Chris Gell, Paul Halbert, Lawrence Holmes, Jerome Boadu.

Hanwell Town: Paul Riordan, Graham Byrne, Mark Thompson, Jason Delicata, Peter McGlasson (Micky Rae 48m), Francis Siziba, Ray Duffy, Darren Applin, Ciaran Ryder (Nigel Farquharson 70m), Robbie Johnson, Keith Rowlands.

But Woods still went into the break behind as Keith Rowlands set up Darren Applin to run through and slot past Carroll.

Hanwell contained the home side well in the second half, but were undone in the final minute. After Halbert went close, the home side levelled from the resulting corner. Hanwell failed to clear, and Halbert's header could only be helped in by a defender.

Two minutes into extra-time, Woods went in front for the first time as a great cross to the far post was fired in by substitute Elroy Richardson.

But Hanwell were not finished as Delicata forcefully headed past Carroll to tie up the scores again six minutes later. Then Delicata turned from hero to villain as his clearance struck one of his team-mates past Riordan to put Steve Emmanuel's boys back in front.

In the second period of extra-time, Dave Walters hit the post and Halbert forced Riordan into more heroics.

But Halbert was not to be denied his third hat-trick of the season five minutes from time. A poor back pass



Dave Walters hit the post in extra time

Photos courtesy of Paul Evans

#NO HOME KIT



WHY NOW?

Homelessness has risen dramatically over the last decade. The pandemic has shown us the importance of having a safe home like never before - yet more than 180,000 households have been made homeless since March 2020. With a tough winter ahead even more people could lose their homes. Shelter's frontline services are working harder than ever to help people find and keep a home this Christmas, but we can't do it alone.

WHY FOOTBALL?

Whether watching from the terraces or gathered round the living room TV, football understands what home means. Home gives all fans a sense of identity, belonging and, above all, community. The players on the pitch may change, but the feelings of home are what keep us coming back to football week after week, season after season.

Shelter believes home means everything too. Access to a safe and secure home is what gives us all the foundation for a happy life. But for too many people, this basic human need is denied or under threat. Football's position in society makes it the perfect ally in fighting for the thousands of people without anywhere to call home today.

WHAT IS #NOHOMEKIT?

This is a simple idea that anyone in football can be involved in. All we're asking is for the football community to come together for the Boxing Day round of fixtures, ditch their home shirt, and instead wear an away or third kit, in a powerful act of support and solidarity.

HOW CLUBS CAN GET INVOLVED?

Whether playing at home or away, we're inviting clubs at all levels to get involved and commit to wearing a non-home kit for the Boxing Day round of fixtures, as well as lending the campaign their voice on social media. There are further opportunities for campaigning and fundraising available, so we'd encourage any interested clubs not already signed up to contact the team by emailing nohomekit@shelter.org.uk

HOW FANS CAN GET INVOLVED?

The first way is to use your influence as a fan to ask your club to get involved. Then for your club's Boxing Day fixture, whether your club is involved or not, we want all fans to ditch their home colours and (where possible) wear their favourite away or third kit.

There is also the option to donate to Shelter through its website or by text message for those that can afford to. Just visit shelter.org.uk/nohomekit or text 'HOME' to 70455 to donate £5*. Think of it like non-uniform day at school: you wear something to show your support and donate a few pounds to the cause.

AIMS OF CAMPAIGN

- Raise awareness of the scale of homelessness across the country
- Raise funds to support Shelter's frontline services and its campaigns to end the housing emergency for good.

**Texts cost your standard network rate + £5, and Shelter receive 100% of your donation*

THE NON-LEAGUE PAPER



ESSENTIAL READING FOR FOLLOWERS OF THE NATIONAL GAME

THE GOLDEN OLDIES!

It was Chris Waddle's 61st birthday on Tuesday and an old video of the maestro scoring a wondergoal in a six-a-side tournament surfaced on twitter.

Receiving the ball while facing his own goal on the edge of his own area, the former England winger flicks the ball over his and his opponent's head.

As the ball drops he shapes to pass, but dummies to keep it at his feet, before setting off up the pitch. When he reaches the halfway line, without breaking stride, he clips the ball with the outside of left foot and sends an arcing shot over the keeper into the (much smaller than usual) goal's top corner. It's a great strike that oozes the class of his professional career.

Now, there's a bit of self-promotion here because Waddle – we are reliably informed – is a regular NLP reader. In the first Lockdown of March 2020 he spoke to my colleague David Richardson about his love for all levels of the game in this country – and still playing.

Only a few weeks earlier he scored a trademark stunner for Long Bennington Veterans FC, of the East Midlands Veterans League Conference East, against Bottesford in the Olivia Hinton Trophy.

"I was talking to someone the other day about music and I asked why does Rod Stewart or Mick Jagger and The Rolling Stones keep touring?" Waddle told David. "They must be so secure money-wise, why do they still do it? They said, 'Well why do you still play football?'. Because I love it and my friend said, 'well, there's your answer'."

Waddle admitted back then that he may turn to walking football instead – another fantastic way for people who don't quite have the legs for the running anymore, but still have the thirst for a competitive game and, perhaps most importantly, the social interaction and camaraderie with others.

A big shame of the Covid interrupted seasons were the young players robbed of a season in their careers.

But for players at the end of their time it was probably worse as they weren't able to hang up the boots on their own terms. Some weren't able to take that last applause of appreciation as they left the pitch.

JAMIE CURETON



Sprinkled around Non-League football are the Golden Oldies still turning out each Saturday. The Peter Pans who aren't giving it up while they still feel good.

Jefferson Louis is 42 but recently signed for North Leigh and getting on the scoresheet. Barry Hayles is assistant at Merstham but has his run outs, while Paul Brayson is still knocking in the goals for Newcastle Benfield aged 42.

Jamie Cureton is 46 and playing for Enfield, where he is also manager. In recent years he's talked about how looking after his body in the latter stages of his pro days has helped him enjoy more than a decade of playing long after others have to retire.

Former Ipswich Town winger Carlos Edwards, 43, can be spotted in Isthmian Division One North Bury Town's midfield.

In the National League South, Keith Emmerson is still going strong at 38. His day job as a PT for the Army probably helps!

Crusaders boss Danny Robinson recently told me about his importance to their dressing room and his leadership qualities although joked, "He's in his... what's past twilight of a career?"

Perhaps we should do a Golden Oldies Team of the Season this year.

Drop us a line if there's anyone at your club who should make the cut.

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ROLL CALL

2021-22 SEASON | WOODS CAREER | WOODS DEBUT

Up to 26th December 2021 * = No longer with Club	SEASON 2021/2022										WOODS CAREER RECORD				WOODS Debut			
	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE			CUP COMPETITIONS				TOTALS			LEAGUE		CUPS			OVERALL		
	Starting	Ak Sub.	Total	Goals	Starting	As Sub.	Total	Goals	Games	Goals	Lege Games	Goals	Cup Games	Goals		Total Games	Total Goals	
*Melos	Ajzay	3	0	3	0	2	0	2	1	5	1	3	0	2	1	5	1	Gurnsey (A) Oct '21
*Ryan	Avery	9	1	10	0	7	0	7	1	17	1	10	0	7	1	17	1	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
*Matt	Ayres	9	0	9	0	5	0	5	0	14	0	9	0	5	0	14	0	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
Lewis	Batten	0	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	3	0	Uxbridge (H) Oct '21
Tommy	Boxer	4	0	4	0	1	0	1	1	5	1	8	1	3	1	11	2	Arlesey Town (A) Aug '17
*Adam	Cash	8	0	8	1	2	0	2	1	10	2	8	1	2	1	10	2	Staines Town (H) Sept '21
*Joe	Chidyausiku	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
Keagan	Cole	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	0	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
*Sam	Colles	0	5	5	0	1	5	6	0	11	0	5	0	6	1	11	0	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
Yianni	Constantinou	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	1	4	1	10	0	3	1	13	1	Chalfont St Peter (H) Dec '19
*Connor	Cullen	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	1	0	0	2	1	Uxbridge (H) Sept '21
Abioseh	Davies	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	South Park (H) Nov '21
*Leo	Decabo	10	1	11	2	6	0	6	0	17	2	11	2	6	0	17	2	Burnham (H) Aug '21
*William	Dupray	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	1	0	0	2	1	Uxbridge (H) Sept '21
Ismail	Ehul	7	1	8	1	6	1	7	3	15	4	33	12	11	6	44	18	Daventry Town (A) Sept '14
Joakim	Ehul	4	5	9	2	4	1	5	0	14	2	156	6	41	1	197	7	Slough Town (A) Aug '13
Matteo	Esposito	10	4	14	0	3	3	6	1	20	1	14	0	6	1	20	1	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
CJ	Fearn	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	Basingstoke Town (H) Oct '21
*Pablo	Gonzalez-Velasco	11	1	12	0	2	0	2	0	14	0	12	0	2	0	14	0	Staines Town (H) Sept '21
James	Gurteen	10	0	10	0	1	0	1	0	11	0	12	0	1	0	13	0	Uxbridge (A) Sept '17
Daniel	Hosier	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	Birfield (A) Dec '21
Sydney	Ibible	5	0	5	3	0	0	0	0	5	3	5	3	0	0	5	3	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Micah	Jackson	5	0	5	2	1	0	1	2	6	4	5	2	1	2	6	4	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Sam	Jenkins	3	1	4	0	1	0	1	0	5	0	33	3	8	0	41	3	Kings Langley (H) Sept '18
Montel	Joseph	7	0	7	0	3	0	3	0	10	0	27	0	8	0	35	0	Marlow (A) Aug '16
*Arnold	Linturn	6	1	7	0	6	0	6	0	13	0	7	0	6	0	13	0	Burnham (H) Aug '21
Andy	Lomas	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	89	1	24	0	113	1	Kettering Town (A) Aug '14
Imani	Matthews	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	Haywards Heath (H) Oct '21
*Gradi	Millenge	5	2	7	0	4	0	4	1	11	1	20	2	6	1	26	3	Bedford Town (H) Nov '16
Alex	More	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	Thatcham Town (H) Dec '21
*Shakeel	Morris	10	0	10	5	4	0	4	2	14	7	10	5	4	2	14	7	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
*Declan	Niche	9	2	11	0	5	1	6	1	17	1	23	0	8	1	31	1	Malden & Tipreze (H) Oct '17
*Tristan	Noel	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	Ware (H) Feb '20
*Giovanni	Palmer	5	2	7	0	4	0	4	0	11	0	7	0	4	0	11	0	Uxbridge (H) Sept '21
Aaron	Petch	3	3	6	0	2	4	6	0	12	0	6	0	6	0	12	0	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
Daniel	Purdue	9	0	9	0	5	0	5	0	14	0	9	0	5	0	14	0	Haywards Heath (H) Oct '21
Mo	Sahnoun	0	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	3	1	0	0	3	1	Staines Town (H) Sept '21
*Tecane	Showder	3	1	4	0	2	1	3	0	7	0	4	0	3	0	7	0	Berkhamstead (H) Oct '21
*Mark	Simuchimba	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	South Park (H) Nov '21
Teddy	Stacey	5	0	5	0	1	0	1	1	6	1	5	0	1	1	6	1	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Carl	Stewart	4	0	4	0	1	0	1	0	5	0	4	0	1	0	5	0	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Lindell	Stewart	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	Wembley (H) Nov '21
Matt	Surmon	7	6	13	0	2	4	6	0	19	0	13	0	6	0	19	0	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
*Tom	Unsworth	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
*Ezekiel	Williams	2	1	3	0	1	2	3	1	6	1	3	0	3	1	6	1	Thatcham Town (A) Aug '21
Ryan	Young	5	0	5	1	1	0	1	0	6	1	5	1	1	0	6	1	Chipstead (A) Nov '21



LEADER OF THE PACK

WITH CLUB CAPTAIN – KEAGAN COLE A week of ups and downs...

On the Tuesday we had our first "team night out" together. A Christmas team meal. An evening full of Christmas jumpers, hats, secret Santa and banter, something that I, both as a player and as part of the management, strongly believe helps with a huge percentage of what happens on the pitch.

A week where everyone has begun to struggle with illness both, within the playing camp and throughout our families, which forced a handful of players to miss training on the Thursday as precaution whilst waiting for test results.

Regardless, our performance on the Saturday was simply not good enough. We turned up for no more than twenty five minutes but had the chances to win the game but also, on the other hand gave up enough chances to lose a game.

Set pieces at any level are so important to both winning or losing a game of football and to switch off so late in the game and go 1-0 down was frustrating.

We are determined to put in a performance that echoes our recent away wins, and we are entirely focused as a group to do so.

We feel more together, and I'm confident that the performances will come and the points will follow.

I hope everybody had a merry, merry Christmas.

"Up the Woods!"

Keags



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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.

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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.

AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP**AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****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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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**ROBIN PIPER****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).

STEVE LLOYD**AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****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**ROBIN PIPER****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.

AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP**AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****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.

AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP**AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****KEAGAN COLE**

Keagan arrived at Northwood in a player-coach role in November 2021 having skippered 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.

THE VOSPER BOYS**AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****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.

STEVE, RICHARD, DAVID & PAUL**AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****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.

LONDON WATCH DRAWS LTD**GRAHAM MANN****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.

LOGSLIFT WAREHOUSE SYSTEMS LTD**AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****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.

AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP**AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****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.

GRAHAM MANN**AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP****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 EHUI**

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.

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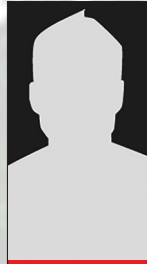


RYAN YOUNG

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 MORE

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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