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IAN'S INSIGHT

With Woods Chairman, Ian Barry



Good afternoon and welcome to today's Isuzu FA Trophy match.

We welcome newly promoted Hanworth Villa FC and trust they enjoy their time here.

Having had no fixture last Saturday, I tried to take the day off from football, but you can't help checking results and goals going in, no matter how hard you try!

I was envious of Westfield winning at Ashford, as I can't help but think that we've missed an excellent opportunity this season to make good progress in the cup, despite the strange way the draw worked out for us.

On a more positive note, we are top of the table as it stands and the game against Southall was similar to most that we have had this season, with us having less of the

play but by far the better chances and on this occasion, we ended up comfortably winning the game.

A bumper crowd of 228 saw us win that derby fixture and we have got to keep spreading the word that 'The Woods' is the place to be now.

Another new addition should hopefully be up and running in the ground next week, with our new catering facility converted from a horse box and now near the turnstiles, which means everyone can have easy access to it.

The ground and facilities are now excellent and it was a genuine pleasure to see many Southall players taking photos of the pitch upon arrival and hearing their compliments.

Next Saturday, we officially open the newly installed 'Pat Byrne Memorial Stand' so please be sure to arrive early for that one as games against Chertsey are always busy, due to their large following.

It will be a poignant day for us all, as we remember Pat and the man he was, what he done for the club for over 65 years and all the friendships he formed in that time.

The stand is a permanent reminder of him and I personally am very proud to have this in the stadium.

Today is another chance to make progress in the 'non-League FA Cup' as I call it and whilst teams at our level are the lowest ranked in the competition, we can still have a good run if we play to our potential.

Enjoy the game today.

Up the Woods!

Ian

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Direct from the Management

HEAD COACH BEN BUKOWSKI

Good afternoon, Woods fans,

I am sure you are all as excited as I am to be back today after a short break that has felt like a very long time.

The positive part of the break we have just had is that we have sat at the top of the table since our win against Southall.

The pause in competitive games is something I feel we needed but was not wanted on our part.

Obviously, momentum is key at this stage of the season and when you are winning games, you do not want them to stop.

I have been extremely impressed with the resilience our side has shown during recent games against Westfield and Southall.

At times we have to dig in deep and show great character when defending.

It is clear that we've seen a purpose in our game management and decision making when under pressure in recent games and I think it shows how experienced this squad is.

Of course, there are areas for improvement which we will continue to analyse and work on during our training nights and this squad can only get better.

Today gives us a chance at another cup competition which we will take seriously and give maximum effort to progress in.

The FA Trophy is another competition which is important for non-League clubs up and down the country and our focus is to continue our strong league start and apply it to this cup.

Hanworth Villa will be looking to impress this year in

our league having come up as unbeaten champions last season, they have a fantastic squad which I am sure will do well.

I would like to welcome their management team, players and fans today and look forward to competing with them on the pitch.

As mentioned before in my programme notes, our physio team are working hard to ensure players recovery and return to full fitness is monitored.

The work that goes on behind the scenes is as professional as you will find at this level.

Teddy Stacey and Romario Jonas are continuing with their rehab following injury and doing all they can to get back onto the training pitch.

As always, my thanks go out to the Woods fans who continue to support us at home and away.

The support at the most recent Southall game was brilliant, a crowd in the 200's is something we hope can continue moving forward.

I want to ensure that there is a true connection between management staff, playing staff, club staff and fans.

My message to the players since our first pre-season game has been clear.

No team is successful with 11 players.

A successful team consists of a squad, management and more importantly fans and club staff who keep everything ticking over.

I am really starting to see that and long may it continue. Up the Woods!

Ben

WOODS OUTLOOK

It's FA Trophy time

A warm welcome back to the Skyline Roofing Stadium for this afternoon's Isuzu FA Trophy tie against our fellow Isthmian League divisional rivals Hanworth Villa who, as unbeaten Champions of the Combined Counties League last season, will be playing their first-ever game in the competition.

There are new sponsors for the FA Trophy this season with Isuzu replacing Buildbase and we thank them for being the latest sponsors to lend their name to the top cup competition specifically for non-League clubs.

This is the third season where there are no replays in the qualifying competition with all games level at 90 minutes not even going to extra-time – a draw means straight to a penalty shoot-out. This is something that the Woods have been given plenty of practice of over the last two seasons with all four of our FA Trophy ties being settled by penalty-kicks. We have edged games against Basildon United and Haywards Heath before losing to Basildon United and Berkhamsted over the last two campaigns.

It is eight years since we managed to battle through two rounds of the competition and thirteen years since the only occasion that we successfully got through three rounds of the FA Trophy in the 22 years that we've been playing in the competition. It's a tough tournament for sure!

The winners of this afternoon's tie will be at home as a reward against whoever comes through the all-Isthmian South-East tie between Ramsgate (currently third place) and last season's FA Vase finalists Littlehampton Town (currently fifth).

Hanworth Villa arrive here today on the back of going out of the FA Cup last weekend, losing a tough away game at Ashford United – the Isthmian South East side are also mid-table Step 4. They had beaten Abbey Rangers 3-0 away and defeated Chertsey Town 2-1 in the previous rounds. In the League they have been restricted by drawing three of their four games so far but they have been creditable points away at Uxbridge and Chertsey Town as well as at home to Ashford Town (Midx). Their only league defeat – their first since 2020 – was a 0-4 loss at home to Basingstoke Town which has strangely been the Hampshire club's only league victory to date in a disappointing start.

It's quite a while until we meet up with Hanworth Villa in the league as they provide us with our Bank Holiday opposition. Here on New Years' Day Monday and then away at Villa on Easter Monday.

League form continues

Two games over the August Bank Holiday weekend brought the Woods further success with six valuable points and a place at the top of the South-Central Division table. Firstly, we travelled to league leaders Westfield who had surprised many with impressive 4-0 wins over two highly-fancied sides in Leatherhead and Basingstoke Town but notched an impressive 3-1 success with all the goals coming in the first-half. Ronan Hutchins, Sydney Ibie and Keagan Cole notched for the Woods after falling a goal behind early in the game. Then, 48 hours later on the Monday afternoon, we entertained Southall in front of a bigger than usual crowd and kept a rare clean sheet in a 2-0 victory thanks to a Josh Helmore strike and a Luke Tingey header – his first goal for the club.

Winning the opening four league games of the season equals the start we made to the 2015/16 season when we defeated Arlesley Town, North Greenford United, Royston Town and Petersfield Town. After that we went five matches without a win so hopefully, we can improve upon that record. Our next home game is back here at the Skyline Roofing Stadium next Saturday when we take on Chertsey Town, now managed by former Woods favourite Wayne Carter.

Manager of the Month Award

We are delighted to hear that the Woods run of League success in August has resulted in Steve Ringrose and Ben Bukowski being rewarded with the Vita Risk Solutions Manager of the Month award. It's the first time that the club have received such an accolade for quite some time (even I can't remember the last time)! Congratulations to them both, their coaching team and the whole squad on the achievement and let's hope we can build on that in the months to come too.

Other Cup News

Other Cup draws took place a few weeks ago. In the Velocity Isthmian League Cup, the Woods, with a bye in the First Round, have been drawn away to Walton &

Hersham in the second round with the deadline to play the game being mid-October – no date has been set for that as yet but the 18th looks favourite.

In the Middlesex Senior Cup, we will play now familiar opponents in Ashford Town (Middlesex) here at the Skyline Roofing Stadium and that date is fixed as Tuesday 11th October 2022. Like most teams in the competition, we have been given a bye to the Second Round of the Middlesex Charity Cup but the draw for that round hasn't been made as yet.

Season Tickets – Get yours now!

Many of you have already kindly renewed your Season Tickets once again and taken advantage of the huge discount available, able to gain entrance to every home Isthmian League game for the price of just £49.00. We've only played two League games so far so there is still plenty of advantage in getting a Season Ticket now and receive it in time for our next home game against Chertsey Town next Saturday. There is an on-line link to pay from the website or, by all means pay cash to me this afternoon! They Season Ticket also get you access to all the Under-18s home games in the Isthmian Youth League. They don't count however, for any Cup fixtures including today!

Player Sponsorships

All the current squad are available for both kit and tracksuit sponsorships. Michael Payne has very kindly already sponsored the management team of Steve, Ben, Richard and Dan while other players have been snapped up by the club's 1926 Members whose Season Ticket also includes a Player Sponsorship and a Match Sponsorship which includes Boardroom Hospitality for four people at one match during the season. You too can become a 1926 Member - £149.00 via the website link. We have room for just a few more if you are interested.

Woods Past Programmes

Woods supporter Paul Evans is disposing of his Northwood FC programme collection which runs from around 1988 through to 2005. If any current Northwood supporter would like to receive these and start their own programme collection, please let me know and I'll put you in touch.

Under-18s

Ryan Young's new-look side came through their opening game in the FA Youth Cup last week with a superb 4-1 victory at Uxbridge with Fabjan Toci netting a hat-trick. They will now play away at Hemel Hempstead Town this coming week but at the time of writing we are not sure what night (or at what venue) this game will be played. We

were also due to play our first home game last Thursday night but this was postponed as our opponents – Ashford Town (Middx) have withdrawn from the league. Two others – Slough Town and Marlow have also advised they are withdrawing which leaves the division very short of teams at present. We've not heard from the League as yet what the plan is!

Our tenants - Spartans Youth FC

Our tenants are away to third-placed Berks County FC this afternoon in a Combined Counties League game but don't have any other fixtures arranged at the time of writing. They currently sit in twentieth place in the league table (of 21) with only CB Hounslow below them; though they have played three more fixtures than Spartans who have one point from their five games to date.

Coming Up...

We're back in action here at Northwood next Saturday with a home game against Chertsey Town who are in third place in the table and still unbeaten but having drawn three of their five matches played so far. Chertsey usually bring plenty of away support so it would be good to have plenty of support for the Woods for what should be a tough test for our squad.

Next Fixtures at the Skyline Roofing Stadium

Saturday 17th September

Woods V Chertsey Town

Isthmian League South-Central Div

3pm

Enjoy the game this afternoon, thanks for your support once again and see you all soon.

Alan





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LEADER OF THE PACK

With Player Coach, Andy Lomas, filling in for Keags!

Good afternoon everyone and welcome back to the Skyline Roofing Stadium after a two week break.

It's very rare at this level of football to have a Saturday 'off', so the players took full advantage by organising a team social event in London last weekend.

I won't go into the details as Steve and Ben may be reading this, all I will say is there was absolutely no alcohol consumed and every player acted like the consummate professional!

These sorts of team bonding events are so important throughout the season, it was fantastic to see every single player make the effort which all helps to build a great team spirit within the dressing room.

As I write these notes, Steve and Ben have just been announced as joint 'Managers of the Month' for August.

Richly deserved, and a testament to all of the hard work the management team put in over the summer to ensure we hit the ground running.

Four league wins in four is a great start, but everyone is fully aware that we have greater challenges to come and that we must continue to improve as the season unfolds.

The one blot on our copy book remains that pesky FA Cup defeat,

I know the players and management team are still hurting from that loss, but today is an excellent opportunity to put that to bed and progress in the FA Trophy.

This competition is another opportunity to earn some vital prize money for the club, whilst also allowing us to dream of the 'big draw' in five or six rounds time.

I have some wonderful memories from this competition throughout my career, and I know the whole team will be treating this match with the utmost importance.

We are prepared for a very tough game today, having watched Hanworth Villa a couple of times this season already we fully expect them to be in and around the top six come May.

They recruited excellently in the summer and we know that we will have to be at our best today to win the match.

I hope you enjoy the game - see you in the bar after for a drink and a catch up

Andy



ON THIS DAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

By Ken Green

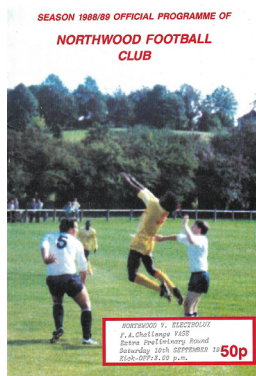
There have previously been a dozen games on this date; the results and details of these are shown below, and I take a look at three matches in more depth.

Date	Venue	Competition	Opponents	Result	Goalscorers	Att
Sat 10 Sep 1932	H	Harrow & District Lge Premier	WM. GEIPEL'S	L 5-6	Gill 2, Taylor 2, T Bell	
Sat 10 Sep 1977	H	Middx League	BEDFONT	W 4-1	Ellis 2, Livingstone, Harvey	
Sat 10 Sep 1983	A	FA Vase ExPrelim	Bury Tow n	W 2-1	Nelham, Ellis	
Tue 10 Sep 1985	A	London Spartan Premier	Yeading	W 1-0	Payne	
Sat 10 Sep 1988	H	FA Vase ExPrelim	ELECTROLUX	W 3-1	Blackman 2, Pacquette	
Tue 10 Sep 1991	A	London Spartan Premier	Beaconsfield United	W 4-1	Findley 3, Blackman	
Sat 10 Sep 1994	H	FA Cup 1Q	ERITH & BELVEDERE	W 3-0	Ponnou, Holmes, Morris	
Tue 10 Sep 1996	A	Isthmian Lge Cup round 2	Banstead Athletic	L 1-3	Holmes	62
Tue 10 Sep 2002	H	Isthmian Charity Shield	GRAVESEND & NORTHFLEET	W 4-2	Fitzgerald 2, Moore, Hart	176
Sat 10 Sep 2005	H	FA Cup 1Q	MARCH TOWN UTD	W 3-0	Kirkland, Moore 2	141
Sat 10 Sep 2011	H	Southern League Div 1 SC	ST NEOTS TOWN	W 4-1	Senior 2, O'Sullivan, Lansiquot	151
Sat 10 Sep 2016	A	Southern League Div 1 C	AFC Dunstable	L 1-3	Debattista	56

1988 Woods 3 Electrolux 1

The visitors, a well organised works side from the Premier Division of the South Midlands League, were worthy opponents in this exciting FA Vase match. Fast paced and highly entertaining, Woods took the lead after 30 minutes when Malcolm Bennett's cross was forced home by Henry Pacquette.

The visitors, however, gave keeper John Toogood some difficult moments. With Alan Figg and Micky Freeman working hard in midfield, goal chances for Woods became more frequent.



Unfortunately the good build-ups were not capitalised upon and

the score at half time was only 1-0. Garfield Blackman hit a cracking 25 yard shot straight after half-time to put Woods territorial advantage into perspective.

Cooper for the visitors reduced the arrears with a superb 20 yard cracker. But Woods' Blackman settled the score when he turned on a sixpence and beat the keeper from 15 yards.

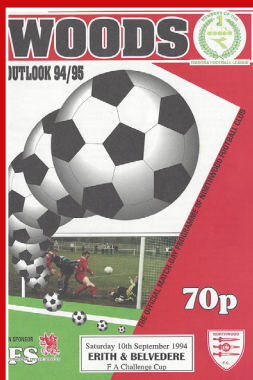
Northwood: John Toogood, Bob Wright, Steve Revell, Mick Freeman, Neil Lane, Henry Pacquette, Alan Figg, Malcolm Bennett, Darren Colwill, Garfield Blackman, Rob Eccles. Subs: Tony Rich, Paul Cooper.



1994 Woods 3 Erith & Belvedere 0

Northwood recorded a comfortable victory in the FA Cup, and although the first half was goalless, both goalkeepers were in action in a closely contested 45 minutes, Lawrence Holmes twice testing Glen Stapley and Kevin Beckles, at the other end, diving at the feet of Wade Falano, cutting out crosses from Sean Devine and making a great save from Jed Nohilly.

Woods had Rod Roman and young Kevin Dobson in great form, and Peter Davey going close just before the break.



Northwood went in front early in the second half when Richard Hylton found Andy Dale, who crossed for

Tony Ponnou to take his chance in style. And it was not long before a super ball from Daren Morris found Holmes, who volleyed home a tremendous second goal.

Beckles had to make a great save from Sean Devine to maintain the two-goal advantage, but with seven minutes left a good cross fell to Daren Morris, who scored at the second attempt after his first shot came back off the bar.

Northwood: Kevin Beckles, Andy Dale, Kevin Dobson, Rod Romain, Matt Allen, Steve Payton, Peter Davey, Tony Ponnou, Richard Hylton, Lawrence Holmes, Daren Morris, subs. Chris Gell, Jerome Boadu, Paul Henderson.

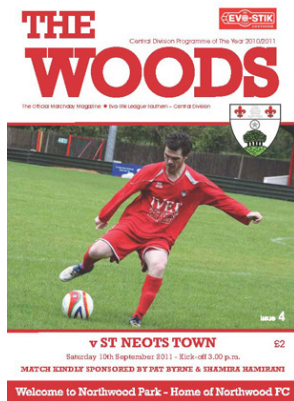
2011 Woods 4 St Neots Town 1

The Woods enjoyed a comprehensive victory over second-placed St. Neots Town, and they made a promising start with Oliver Hawkins getting on the end of a three man move in just the third minute but his shot lacked the power to beat goalkeeper Michael Duggan. It was after 10 minutes that Northwood took the lead. Hawkins got his head to a corner which was blocked on the line, but the ball came back out to James McCluskey who cleverly slipped it to Garry Senior and he spun to fire home from close-range; his first goal of the season.

The Saints were stung into action and levelled things up on 13 minutes when Dan Jacob raced onto a ball down the middle, skipped past Liam Fowler and coolly slotted home with precision. The blistering start continued, and the Woods were back in front within a minute as Senior

doubled his own personal tally with a near-post finish.

Northwood started to dominate the midfield, and the visitors were



mainly restricted to long-range efforts, though Chris Hope did steer a free header wide when getting on the end of a deep corner but Northwood grabbed an important

third goal before the break. After 41 minutes White broke quickly and Hawkins flicked on his ball into the path of Wayne O'Sullivan, who steered a shot past Duggan.

Duggan kept his side in the game with a solid save from O'Sullivan after 62 minutes and the match continued to entertain as both sides played attacking football. Two Woods substitutes combined well to wrap up the victory in the final minute. Jonathan Constant raced down the right and sent over an inviting cross which eluded the Saints defence but found Aaron Lansiquot, who raced in to hit a controlled volley into the roof of the net.

Northwood: Sean Thomas, Danny Dyer, Ronayne Marsh-Brown, Peter Lyall, Liam Fowler, James McCluskey, Romaine Walker (Jonathan Constant 70m), Craig White, Oliver Hawkins, Garry Senior (Aaron Lansiquot 80m), Wayne O'Sullivan (Jack Hutchinson 80m)

MATCH REPORT



NORTHWOOD 2

SOUTHALL 0

Monday 29th August 2022

Kick-Off 3.00



Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division

Team: McCorkell, Jenkins (Budden 81 mins), Lomas, Cole (C. Stewart 69 mins), Tingey, Gurteen, Hutchins, Alexander-Greenaway, Helmore (L> Stewart 84 mins), Ibie, Pepaj

Unused Substitutes: Gallagher, Kalu

Goals: Helmore 41m, Tingey 74m

Yellow Cards: Cole, Jenkins, Gurteen

Attendance: 228

Northwood rounded off a successful weekend as they maintained their 100% start to the league season with a hard-fought win over their Middlesex rivals in front of bumper crowd at the Skyline Roofing Stadium.

There was one change to the Woods team from Saturday's win over Westfield, midfielder Ergys Pepaj coming in for his first start with Carl Stewart taking his place on the bench.

Northwood settled well as they forced an early corner and they had a great chance to open the scoring as a swift interchange between Josh Helmore, Sydney Ibie and Keagan Cole created an opening for Ronan Hutchins who dragged his shot wide of the far post.

Southall looked to gain some attacking momentum and they were awarded a free-kick from which a Ben Tricker header was comfortably dealt with by Woods goalkeeper Andrew McCorkell.

Northwood began to gain the ascendancy with a series of incursions into Southall territory - visiting keeper Michael Edegbé clawing away a Cole effort with Pepaj's follow up from the edge of the box narrowly clearing the crossbar before Sam Jenkins broke forward to feed Helmore whose deflected shot on the turn was gathered by Edegbé.

The Woods continued to ask questions of the Southall rear-guard with a testing cross from Andy Lomas being headed behind with Cole waiting to pounce, James Gurteen heading wide from the Ronan Hutchins corner that followed.

Having resisted the Northwood pressure, Southall began to enjoy some possession and Bruno Tavares had two bites at the cherry as both shots were charged down by the Woods backline.

However, the visitor's progress was halted as Northwood opened the scoring on 41 minutes, Sydney Ibie wriggling free in the box before squaring to Helmore who was perfectly placed to apply the finish for his first league goal of the season.

Southall responded well by forcing a number of corners which they failed to take advantage of, former Northwood man Louis Stead having a shot blocked after one of the set plays.

The Woods were the first to show after the break as they forced a couple of corners of their own, Tingey's header from Hutchins' delivery being deflected behind before the latter combined with Helmore and sent a shot narrowly wide of the target.

But Southall visibly upped their tempo as they proceeded to enjoy their best spell of the game, Arel Amu having a couple of headers which failed to hit the target while another former Wood, Luke Heneghan, sent a long-range shot over the target before a free-kick from the same player was blocked by the Northwood defence.

The visitors continued to probe; the Woods defence offering a firm resistance with Gurteen leading by example as he cleared Stead's effort after McCorkell had got a glove to the shot before Heneghan was off target with a volley following another corner.

Northwood gradually regained some attacking momentum, Helmore teeing up Hutchins whose shot was charged down before the latter returned the favour with Helmore's shot receiving the same treatment from a Southall defence which was being well marshalled by former Woods skipper Carl Pearce.

Northwood made their first change on seventy minutes as Cole made way for Carl Stewart, Pepaj, who was

enjoying a fine game in the Northwood midfield, pushing forward.

And Woods' search for a second goal duly arrived on seventy three minutes as a driven corner from Hutchins was met perfectly by Tingey who powered a bullet header into the opposite corner for his first goal in a red shirt.

Southall used their full quota of substitutes as they

looked for a way back into the contest while James Bud-den and Lindell Stewart replaced Jenkins and Helmore for Northwood.

But there was to be no further drama at either end as Woods comfortably saw out the remainder of the contest to consolidate their pole position in the table.



CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Welcome our new sponsors

Northwood Hygiene Products, kit sponsors for the last three years under their Rhino brand, were always going to be a hard act to follow but from this week the Club have five Companies that have become special Patrons and will be sharing the Main Sponsorship of Northwood Football Club this season.

A draw was made to decide who won which prize and those prizes have been allocated as follows:



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Our thanks to Paul and Lucy Barnes whose Company are based in Sandy Lane, Northwood and kindly responded to our emails to local businesses to help in this way. They are very excited to be on board and Lucy said "Amazing news! We are all extremely excited to have found out the results from the prize draw!"



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Our sincere and grateful thanks to all these Companies for supporting the Club. It is very much appreciated.

The Kits are now on order but it may be some time before they arrive so in the meantime, we continue to promote the Rhino! All five companies will also have an advertising presence shortly on pitch-perimeter boards around the ground, in the match-day programme and on the media screen inside the clubhouse. They will also be invited down to the ground for matchdays with Season Tickets and VIP Days. Please make use of all of these Companies that have supported the Club just when we needed it, whenever the opportunity arises.

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10 TO TACKLE

OUR TEN TO TACKLE IS A LITTLE DIFFERENT
THIS WEEK AS WE ASK THE QUESTION

WHO AM I?

1. I made my international debut for Brazil in 1993 and scored in the game. I played in two World Cup Finals and my club career saw me play in Brail, Italy, Angola, Spain, Greece and Uzbekistan?
2. I've played in Germany, Italy, Austria and France. I have won Serie A and scored the first ever Golden Goal in international football?
3. I have played in the Conference, League Two, League One, Championship, Premier League, the UEFA Cup, Champions League and the World Cup?
4. I was the first Liverpool player to win the Ballon d'Or. I scored forty goals for my country and have played in England and Spain
5. I was originally a striker before becoming a defender. I played eleven seasons for the same club before managing them. I've won two Bundesliga titles and a Champions League.
6. I have played for Chelsea and spent time playing in Turkey. I've been crowned African Footballer of the Year, four times, and the Africa Cup of Nations twice.
7. I have won league titles in Italy, Germany, Portugal and Austria. I also won the European Cup both as a player and as a manager.
8. I am the manager who first named David Beckham as England captain.
9. I've won the World Cup and European Championship at international level and I won the Champions League on two occasions as manager of two different clubs.
10. I've worn numbers 7, 12, 8 an 9 in my career playing my football across England, Spain, Italy and Portugal



ANSWERS 1. Rivaldo, 2. Oliver Bierhoff, 3. Steve Finnan, 4. Michael Owen, 5. Jürgen Klopp, 6. Samuel Eto'o, 7. Giovanni Trapattoni, 8. Peter Taylor, 9. Jupp Heynckes, 10. Cristiano Ronaldo

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PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION TABLE

(Up to & Including)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
NORTHWOOD	4	4	0	0	9	3	12
Binfield	4	3	1	0	8	1	10
Chertsey Town	4	2	3	0	13	4	9
Walton & Hershaw	4	3	0	1	11	6	9
South Park (Reigate)	5	3	0	2	5	8	9
Ashford Town (Middx)	4	2	1	1	5	3	7
Southall	5	2	1	2	8	7	7
Marlow	4	2	1	1	7	6	7
Uxbridge	4	2	1	1	6	5	7
Westfield	4	2	0	2	9	4	6
Sutton Common Rovers	4	2	0	2	6	10	6
Tooting & Mitcham United	4	1	1	2	4	4	4
Basingstoke Town	4	1	1	2	4	6	4
Chipstead	5	1	1	3	5	8	4
Guernsey	4	1	1	2	1	5	4
Hanworth Villa	4	0	3	1	3	7	3
Leatherhead	4	1	0	3	2	8	3
Bedfont Sports	4	0	2	2	0	2	2
Thatcham Town	4	0	2	2	2	5	2
Merstham	4	0	1	3	2	8	1

TODAY'S ISUZU FA TROPHY FIRST ROUND QUALIFYING FIXTURES

(GAMES INVOLVING ISTHMIAN LEAGUE CLUBS ONLY)

Ashford United vs AFC Sudbury
 Barton Rovers vs Chatham Town
 Basildon United vs Lowestoft Town
 Basingstoke Town vs Cirencester Town
 Beckenham Town vs Heybridge Swifts
 Bedfont Sports vs Hashtag United
 Bury Town vs Stowmarket Town
 Chertsey Town vs Uxbridge
 Chichester City vs Faversham Town
 Chipstead vs Waltham Abbey
 Cinderford Town vs Thatcham Town
 East Thurrock United vs Sutton Common Rovers
 FC Romania vs Westfield
 Felixstowe & Walton United vs Burgess Hill Town
 Gorleston vs Coggeshall Town
 Great Wakering Rovers vs Harlow Town
 Hadley vs Sevenoaks Town

Haywards Heath Town vs Southall
 Lancing vs Cray Valley PM
 Littlehampton Town vs Ramsgate
 Maldon & Tiptree vs Ware
 Marlow vs Binfield
 Merstham vs Hythe Town
 Northwood vs Hanworth Villa
 Sheppey United vs Hertford Town
 Three Bridges vs Hullbridge Sports
 Tilbury vs Whitehawk
 Tooting & Mitcham United vs Corinthian
 VCD Athletic vs Grays Athletic
 Walthamstow vs Ashford Town (Middx)
 Walton & Hershaw vs Leatherhead
 Welwyn Garden City vs New Salamis
 Witham Town vs Brentwood Town
 Wroxham vs East Grinstead Town

PLAYING TOMORROW

South Park (Reigate) vs Sittingbourne

Words: Robin Piper

MATCH REPORT

WESTFIELD 1 NORTHWOOD 3

Saturday 27 August 2022

Kick-Off 3.00pm



Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division

Northwood bounced back from their disappointing FA Cup exit to claim the points in this top of the table clash at Woking Park.

There were a number of changes to the Woods team which switched to a flat back four with James Gurteen partnering Luke Tingey in central defence in the absence of James Budden due to work commitments while there was a return from injury for Sam Jenkins at right-back. Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway was restored to the Northwood midfield having recovered from his hamstring problem while Ronan Hutchins resumed his attacking role.

Both sides had early chances to open the scoring in a lively start to the contest, Tingey seeing his header cleared off the line by Harry Carter following a Hutchins corner while Sydney Ibie's progress was thwarted by a combination of goalkeeper Sonny Wheeler and a defender.

At the other end, Bradley Walsh broke clear as he latched onto a long ball from the back but dragged his shot wide.

Ibie, who was a constant threat all afternoon, was almost in on goal again but was denied by a brave block from Wheeler before the Northwood attacker turned provider as he got to the byline but Keagan Cole and Hutchins had their close-range attempts blocked by some brave Westfield defending.

However, the Woods were rocked as they fell behind on 13 minutes after Westfield quickly turned defence into attack as they cleared a Hutchins corner, Samuel Faniyan turning sharply before releasing Troy Walters who squared the ball to Nathaniel Mensah for a simple finish.

Northwood went close to posting an immediate riposte as Cole's quickly taken free-kick found Ibie whose shot from the edge of the box narrowly cleared the home crossbar.

But the visitors were not to be denied with Ibie causing more problems for Westfield as they conceded a free-kick in a central position. Hutchins stepped up to send a delightful, curling effort from 25-yards beyond Wheeler to restore parity on 22 minutes.

The Woods were enjoying territorial advantage as Westfield conceded another free-kick with Gurteen latching onto Cole's delivery to send in a firm header which was safely gathered by Wheeler.



Team: McCorkell, Jenkins, Lomas, Cole Haille 83 mins (Pepaj 80 mins), Helmore, Ibie (L. Stewart 87 mins), C S

Subs:

Unused Substitutes: Gallagher, Kalu

Goals: Hutchins 22m, Ibie (pen) 28m, Cole 45m

Yellow Cards: Helmore, C Stewart

Attendance: 153



, Tingey, Gurteen, Hutchins, Alexander-Greenaway
stewart

And Northwood reinforced their dominance as they took the lead on 29 minutes, Ibie being upended in the box by Luke Elliott before the Woods danger man picked himself to make no mistake from the penalty spot for his sixth strike of the season.

The hosts were now struggling to make much of an impression after their bright start although they did make progress into the Northwood half as Walters saw his shot charged down by Andy Lomas.

But the Woods were soon back on the offensive as Jenkins was crowded out after a surging run into the Westfield box before good play between Hutchins and Ibie had the home defence scrambling as Josh Helmore threatened.

Westfield did have another opportunity on 45 minutes, but Mensah dragged his shot wide from a good position.

And as the clock ticked over into the second minute of added time at the end of an entertaining opening half, Woods extended their lead as Jenkins laid the ball off to Cole, enjoying his afternoon in a freerole behind the front three, who stroked the ball home from the edge of the box for his first goal of the season.

The Woods were given a scare at the start of the second period as Mensah squandered another opportunity as he scooped over from close range. But the visitors responded with a slick move involving Ibie, Hutchins and Jenkins with the latter firing wide of the far upright.

And Jenkins, enjoying a fine game on his return, was involved again as he combined with the impressive Hutchins who played in Helmore, his shot being blocked in the box.

The hosts made a double substitution on the hour and it seemed to have the desired effect as they offered an increased attacking threat, the covering Lomas on hand to clear the danger as Faniyan took the ball beyond Woods keeper Andrew McCorkell before the latter intercepted a low cross-shot from Carter.

Northwood remained a danger on the break and Ibie had a great chance to put the game to bed as he got beyond the home defence, but his shot ended up in the side-netting.

The Woods made a couple of changes as Alexander-Greenaway was replaced by Ergys Pepaj while attacker Nebay Haile made his first appearance following his return to the club as Cole made way.

Westfield were looking increasingly dangerous as they looked to get something in the closing stages, substitute Troy Timothy sending a long-range free-kick over the woodwork before Faniyan's low cross found Mensah who was unable to convert.

Northwood made their final substitution as Lindell Stewart came on for Ibie with three minutes left on the clock, But the action was down the other end as the hosts squandered another gilt-edged opportunity as the ball flew across the face of the Woods goal with no yellow shirt able to apply the finish.

But Woods kept their two-goal cushion intact to maintain their 100% Isthmian record, replacing Westfield at the top of the table and registering their best league start since 2015 when they won their opening four games.

THE WOODS IN 2022/2023

DATE	OPPONENTS	H/A	COMP	F/A	ATT	LINEUP	2	3	4	5	6
AUGUST											
Sat 6	SOUTH PARK REIGATE	H	FACEPR	2-1	128	McCorkell ■ , Jenkins ●	Lomas	Tingey	Budden	Jonas	
Sat 13	TOOTING & MITCHAM UNITED	H	Lge	3-2	154	McCorkell	Tingey	Kalu	Cole	Budden	Gurteen
Wed 17	Bedfont Sports	A	Lge	1-0	111	McCorkell	Jenkins ●	Lomas	Cole	Tingey	Gurteen ■
Sat 20	Ashford Town (Middx)	A	FACPR	2-2	136	McCorkell	Gurteen ■	Lomas	Cole	Budden	Tingey
Tue 23	ASHFORDTOWN (MIDDX)	H	FACPRR	1-3	191	McCorkell	Kalu	Lomas	Tingey ■	Budden	Gallagher
Sat 27	Westfield	A	Lge	3-1	153	McCorkell	Jenkins	Lomas	COLE 1	Tingey	Gurteen
Mon 29	SOUTHALL	H	Lge	2-0	228	McCorkell	Jenkins ● ■	Lomas	Cole ■ ●	TINGEY 1	Gurteen ■
SEPTEMBER											
Sat 10	HANWORTH VILLA	H	FAT1QR								
Sat 17	CHERTSEY TOWN	H	Lge								
Tue 20	Walton & Hershaw	A	Lge								
Sat 24	Isuzu FA Trophy Second Round Qualifying										
OCTOBER											
Sat 1	Ashford Town (Middx)	A	Lge								
Sat 8	MERSTHAM	H	Lge								
Tue 11	Walton & Hershaw	A	VILC								
Sat 15	Basingstoke Town	A	Lge								
Sat 22	THATCHAM TOWN	H	Lge								
Sat 29	CHIPSTEAD	H	Lge								
NOVEMBER											
Sat 5	Uxbridge	A	Lge								
Sat 12	LEATHERHEAD	H	Lge								
Sat 19	Guernsey	A	Lge								
Sat 26	Marlow	A	Lge								
DECEMBER											
Sat 3	SOUTH PARK REIGATE	H	Lge								
Sat 10	Sutton Common Rovers	A	Lge								
Sat 17	BINFIELD	H	Lge								
Mon 26	Southall	A	Lge								
JANUARY											
Mon 2	HANWORTH VILLA	H	Lge								
Sat 7	Tooting & Mitcham United	A	Lge								
Sat 14	BEDFONT SPORTS	H	Lge								
Sat 21	UXBRIDGE	H	Lge								
Sat 28	Leatherhead	A	Lge								
FEBRUARY											
Sat 4	GUERNSEY	H	Lge								
Sat 11	Chipstead	A	Lge								
Tue 14	WALTON & HERSHAM	H	Lge								
Sat 18	Merstham	A	Lge								
Sat 25	ASHFORDTOWN (MIDDX)	H	Lge								
MARCH											
Sat 4	Chertsey Town	A	Lge								
Sat 11	BASINGSTOKE TOWN	H	Lge								
Sat 18	Thatcham Town	A	Lge								
Sat 25	WESTFIELD	H	Lge								
APRIL											
Sat 1	Binfield	A	Lge								
Sat 8	SUTTON COMMON ROVERS	H	Lge								
Mon 10	Hanworth Villa	A	Lge								
Sat 15	South Park Reigate	A	Lge								
Sat 22	MARLOW	H	Lge								



Back Row (L-R): Rahim Jude-Boyd, Teddy Stacey, Riccardo Alexa
Front Row: Ronan Hutchins, Lindell Stewart

Key: Goalscorer(s) in Bold1; Sub 1 ●; Sub 2 ●; Sub 3 ●; Sub 4 ●; Sub 5 ●; Yellow Card 🟡; Red Card 🟥; * Own Goal.

7	8	9	10	11	SUBS	2	3	4	5
HUTCHINS 1	Alexander-Greenaway 🟡	HELMORE1 ●	Ibrie	(C)Stewart ●	Pepaj ●	(L)Stewart ●	Jude-Boyd ●	Gallagher	Curteen
HUTCHINS 1 ●	Alexander-Greenaway 🟡	(L)Stewart	IBIE 2 ● 🟡	(C)Stewart	Pepaj ●	Gallagher ●	Helmore	Jenkins	Jonas
Hutchins ●	Alexander-Greenaway	(L)Stewart 🟡	Ibrie	(C)Stewart	Helmore ●	Kalu ●	Gallagher	Pepaj	Budden
(L)Stewart	Alexander-Greenaway ●	HELMORE 1	IBIE 1	(C)Stewart	Taylor ●	Gallagher	Pepaj	Kalu	Hutchins
Taylor ●	Cole ●	Helmore ●	IBIE 1 🟡	(C)Stewart	Papaj ● 🟡	Hutchins ●	(L)Stewart ●	Curteen	Haile
HUTCHINS 1	Alexander-Greenaway ●	Helmore 🟡	IBIE 1 ●	(C)Stewart 🟡	Pepaj ●	(L)Stewart ●	Gallagher	Haile	Kalu
Hutchins	Alexander-Greenaway	HELMORE 1 ●	Ibrie	Pepaj	(C)Stewart ●	Budden ●	(L)Stewart ●	Gallagher	Kalu



...nder-Greenaway, Sydney Ibrie, Sam Jenkins, Andrew McCorkell, Josh Helmore, Romario Jonas, Luke Tingey, James Curteen.
 ...art, Harry Gallagher, Keagan Cole, Carl Stewart, Andy Lomas, Brandon Kalu, Ergys Pepaj, Dave Taylor.

By Ken Green

WOODS HAT-TRICK HERO



LOUIS STEAD vs DORKING WANDERERS

SATURDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2016

BUILDBASE FA TROPHY PRELIMINARY ROUND

Northwood: Montel Joseph, Alex Nolan, Callum Wright, Mark Burgess (Filipe Anjos), James Budden, Louis Stead, Frankie Jones, James Burgess, Ryan Debattista, Louis Bircham (Joakim Ehui), Luke Heneghan (Myles Stephenson).



Louis Stead scored his first-ever Northwood hat-trick in a Buildbase FA Trophy tie away to Dorking Wanderers – and it was the only time (so far!) that a Woods player has hit three goals in a Trophy match.

And, as we shall see, he might have scored four. . .

Dorking Wanderers have achieved promotion after promotion in recent years – they were in Sussex League Division Three as recently as 2011, when we met in 2016 they were in Ryman Division One South, and this season they have started their first National League campaign.

Dorking had won all six home games prior to this cup-tie and had also won eleven of thirteen matches played all season, so were very much odds-on favourites for this encounter.

Yet they were blown away by Northwood in another excellent first half display.

The home side had the early attacks with Anthony Oaks shooting well over and then Tom Tolfrey forcing goalkeeper Montel Joseph into action, saving comfortably.

The Woods gradually started passing the ball well and after Luke Heneghan had fired one effort into the side-netting, Louis Bircham beat his marker and fired in a low shot which goalkeeper Milan Stojasavljevic got down to well to keep out.

The opening goal came after 22 minutes as Ryan Debattista found Heneghan with a good ball and although he wasn't able to get a shot on goal, the ball ran loose and Louis Stead pounced with a neat curling effort that found the far top corner.

Just a minute later the Woods had doubled the lead as the keeper failed to hold a shot from Bircham and Debattista was on hand to fire home the loose ball.

The Wanderers had an opportunity to pull one back soon after as a good ball dropped neatly for Dean Gunner who had ghosted forward well but he volleyed over the bar from close-range.

They were made to pay. Frankie Jones had a good chance to score but hit his strike across goal and wide but on the half-hour Bircham went for goal again and this time his effort caught a deflection that wrong-footed Stojasavljevic and flew in for a 3-0 lead.

Stead had another effort saved by the keeper soon after but in the final ten minutes of the half Dorking began to rally. Joseph beat out a good strike from the tricky Matt Briggs and after Billy Medlock had skied one effort, a solid shot from Oaks was again well stopped by the Woods keeper.

He could do nothing to stop the home side from reducing the arrears after 41 minutes though as Briggs did well on the right and then chipped a neat ball which was well converted by Medlock. Before the break Briggs curled a shot that was only inches wide of the far post and then Joseph was forced into action again, saving well from Dan Evans.

But after just six minutes of the restart, Jake Hill pushed Debattista in the box right under the nose of the referee and a spot-kick was the result.

Stead stepped up confidently but the keeper dived the right way and kept it out.

It might have been quite a blow but from the resulting corner, the ball was lifted to the

far post where James Burgess headed home a rare goal to restore the three-goal advantage.

It got even better just two minutes later as Nolan combined with Heneghan to slip a great ball through to Stead who slipped the ball past the keeper for his second of the game.

That really should have been all over but the two sides continued to keep the crowd entertained.

The home side pulled a goal back on 68 minutes; Nolan blocked a shot from Jake Beecroft but it ran loose and

Gunner found space to accurately arrow a shot into the bottom corner.

When Medlock notched his second of the game after 75 minutes, there were again a few worried looks amongst the visiting supporters but this time there was no last minute panic as a deep free-kick was headed back across goal by James Budden and a that man Louis Stead forced the ball in for a sixth Northwood goal – his hat-trick, and a perhaps unexpected 6-3 victory.



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Up to 9 th Sept 2022 * - No longer with Club	WOODS CAREER RECORD																	
	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE				CUP COMPETITIONS				TOTALS		LEAGUE		CUPS		OVERALL			
	Start	ASub.	Total	Start	ASub.	Total	Start	ASub.	Total	Games	GS	Leg Games	GS	Cup Games	GS	Total Games	Total Goals	Woods Debut
Ricardo	Alexander-Greenaway	4	0	4	0	2	0	2	0	6	0	5	0	2	0	7	0	Ashford Town (M) (A) Mar '22
Lewis	Baitten										3	0	3	0	6	0	0	Uxbridge (H) Oct '21
Kristian	Belouas										6	0	2	1	8	1	0	CB Hounslow (A) Feb '22
James	Budden	1	1	2	0	3	0	3	0	5	0	61	7	12	0	73	7	Godalming Town (H) Dec '15
Keagan	Cole	4	0	4	1	2	0	2	0	7	1	26	7	6	0	32	7	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Harry	Gallagher	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	Tooting & MU (H) Aug '22
James	Gurteen	4	0	4	0	1	0	1	0	5	0	32	0	6	1	38	1	Uxbridge (A) Sept '17
* Nelaya	Halle	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	17	0	Rushden & Diamonds (A) Nov '17
Josh	Helmore	2	1	3	1	3	0	3	2	6	3	20	10	7	3	27	13	Bedfont Sports (H) Jan '22
Ronan	Hutchins	4	0	4	2	1	1	2	1	6	3	4	2	2	1	6	3	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22
Sydney	Ibrie	4	0	4	3	3	0	3	2	7	5	27	10	4	2	31	12	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Sam	Jenkins	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	45	3	11	0	56	3	Kings Langley (H) Sept '18
Romario	Jonas	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22
Rehim	Jude-Boyd	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22
Brandon	Kalu	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	2	0	1	0	3	0	Tooting & MU (H) Aug '22
Andy	Lomas	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	0	6	0	108	1	30	1	138	2	Kettering Town (A) Aug '14
Andrew	McCorkell	4	0	4	0	3	0	3	0	7	0	6	0	3	0	9	0	Uxbridge (A) Sept '17
Ergys	Pepaj	1	2	3	0	0	2	2	0	5	0	3	0	2	0	5	0	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22
Will	Robinson										4	0	2	0	6	0	0	Westfield (A) Jan '22
Teddy	Stacey										18	3	3	1	21	4	0	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Carl	Stewart	3	1	4	0	3	0	3	0	7	0	26	1	7	0	33	1	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Lindell	Stewart	2	2	4	0	1	2	3	0	7	0	4	0	4	0	8	0	Wembley (H) Nov '21
David	Taylor	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	2	0	6	0	2	0	8	0	Moneyfields (A) Dec '17
Luke	Trngsy	4	0	4	1	3	0	3	0	7	1	16	1	6	0	22	1	Tooting & MU (H) Feb '22
Ryan	Young										17	1	3	0	20	1	0	Chipstead (A) Nov '21





FA YOUTH CUP SUCCESS

Ryan Young's new-look Under-18s recorded a superb away win in the Preliminary Round of the FA Youth Cup ten days ago, coming from behind to notch a 4-1 success at league divisional rivals Uxbridge.

The two sides met at Honeycroft at the same stage last season and that went Uxbridge's way by the same scoreline so when the home side went 1-0 up after 11 minutes, they must have been planning a similar result.

However, just two minutes later, Fabjan Toci, on debut, raced through to level and then developed a closely-fought contest. Toci netted his second of the game just before half-time and Uxbridge, who included first-team squad member Presley Evans in the front-line, rarely looked likely to get back in front in a solid second-half defensive performance from the Woods.

Substitute Jeremy Kwaku-Scholz made certain of victory after 88 minutes before Toci then completed an excellent hat-trick in stoppage-time.

The win has earned the young Woods an away tie at Hemel Hempstead Town this coming week in the first qualifying round.

There has been a bit of a shock in our Isthmian

Team: Bretayne, Payne, Moneke (Bradford), Reade, Clemow, Osborne, Crowder, Mitchell, Toci, Lousley (Kwaku-Scholz), Reid (Casteluber).

League Division with the withdrawal of no less than three clubs including Ashford Town (Middx) who we were due to meet on Thursday night.

With Marlow and Slough Town also reportedly out, it leaves us with only seven teams in the division but at this stage the League have made no suggestions as to how we are going to deal with this problem.



RYAN YOUNG

THE YOUNG ONES

NORTHWOOD UNDER-18S FIXTURES & RESULTS

Date	Opponents	Comp	Result	Scorers
Mon 22 Aug	Bedfont Sports	(A) IYLge	1-4	Crowder
Wed 31 Aug	Uxbridge	(A) FAYCup	4-1	Koci 3, Kwaku-Scholz
Wed 14 Sep	Hemel Hempstead Town	(A) FAY Cup		
Wed 5 Oct	HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH	(H) IYLge		
Wed 2 Nov	BEACONSFIELD TOWN	(H) IYLge		
Tue 22 Nov	Fleet Town	(A) IYLge		
Wed 30 Nov	UXBRIDGE	(H) IYLge		
Mon 12 Dec	Camberley Town	(A) IYLge		
Wed 11 Jan	BEDFONT SPORTS	(H) IYLge		
Wed 25 Jan	Hampton & Richmond Borough	(A) IYLge		
Mon 6 Feb	Beaconsfield Town	(A) IYLge		
Wed 22 Feb	FLEET TOWN	(H) IYLge		
Mon 27 Feb	Uxbridge	(A) IYLge		
Wed 8 Mar	CAMBERLEY TOWN	(H) IYLge		

Key:

IYLge = Isthmian Youth League | FAYCup = FA Youth Cup

MCYCup = Middlesex County Youth Cup

	League Table	PLD	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	G-D
1	Beaconsfield Town	1	1	0	0	7	1	3	6
2	Camberley Town	1	1	0	0	5	0	3	5
3	Bedfont Sports	1	1	0	0	4	1	3	3
4	Uxbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Northwood	1	0	0	1	1	4	0	-3
6	Hampton & Richmond Borough	1	0	0	1	0	5	0	-5
7	Fleet Town	1	0	0	1	1	7	0	-6





THE VISITORS

HANWORTH VILLA

A BRIEF HISTORY

Hanworth Villa, 'The Villains,' was formed in 1976.

In the early years, the team struggled in Division one of the Hounslow & District League, scoring a goal was usually celebrated with a public holiday.

During a close season, following hard work by Jimmy Connors, the team was completely rebuilt and this led to them finishing as Division 1 Champions.

The following season saw the club start an incredible run in the league, which finished 68 matches later, with the 'Villains' winning the Hounslow Premier League and the West Middlesex Divisions one and two championships.

The success continued with Hanworth being elected to the newly formed Middlesex County Football League in 1984/1985.

From 1980 the club had a nomadic existence but in 1997 moved to their current headquarters at Rectory Meadow.

This move led to the formation of Hanworth Villa Sunday and a new reserve team, being an amalgamation of teams from The Sawyers Arms, The Queen Dowager and Feltham Railway Club.

A Chiswick League double in 1992/1993 and a 19-0 Cup Final victory in the National Railways Cup cemented the successful amalgamation.

Following hard work by Dave Brown the club was granted a lease at Rectory Meadow.

At last the team had a permanent home and could set about converting an existing pavilion into a clubhouse, which has become known as the 'Ranch'.

With a permanent base, Villa were also able to concentrate on improving the level of football, and in 2002/2003 a notable performance by the Saturday first team was to

win 'the treble' of the Middlesex County Premier Cup, the Open Cup and the Middlesex County League.

After another Premier League title in 2004/2005, with a record number of points, it was decided to move on and the club were elected to Division 1 of the Combined Counties League in 2005/2006.

It took a while to adapt to the new level of football, but in the second season they managed to win the Challenge Cup.

The following season, 2007/2008, the team managed to successfully defend the Challenge Cup and also narrowly miss out on the league title, finishing a credible second.

However the lack of facilities at the 'Ranch' prevented promotion to the Premier Division.

The club were determined to ensure that the situation should not arise again and with typical determination the committee managed to raise the funds to ensure that floodlights and a spectator stand were installed in time for the 2008/2009 campaign.

The effort was not in vain as once again the team finished second and following a successful ground inspection Hanworth Villa were promoted to the Combined Counties Premier League for the 2009/2010 season.

The debut season was as expected difficult with points being few and far between and it was not until the second half of the campaign that the team came to terms with the standard of football required.

By the end of the season the team had collected enough points to finish 17th, three points clear of relegation.

The first season taught the club a lot and changes were put in place to allow for a more comfortable second sea-

son, in which not only did the team finish in 5th position in the league, but also reached the finals of the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup and the Southern Combination Cup.

Unfortunately they were to lose in both.

The 2011/2012 season will live long in the memory of all concerned at the club as being their most successful in national competition.

In the FA Cup the team, after victories over Shrivensham, Bedfont Sports, Wembley, Aveley and Slough, lined up against AFC Totten for a place in the 1st Round proper, a rare achievement for a team competing at national level 9.

In a very close encounter AFC won 3-2.

In the FA Vase the team reached the 3rd round losing to Herne Bay, one of the beaten semi-finalists that year.

In 2013/2014 the team were successful in achieving a double, in winning both the Middlesex Premier League Cup and the Southern Combination Cup.

At the end of the 2015/16 season the club appointed former Queens Park Rangers and Fulham defender Rufus Brevett as their new manager.

Rufus had previously managed at Arlesey Town and had coached at Banbury United.

Under the Management of Rufus and his team, Bobby Watson, Carl Cleaver and Cliff Angol the team won the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup with a 3 – 2 win over Spelthorne Sports.

It was the second occasion in three years that the team

have won this trophy.

In December 2018, by mutual agreement, Rufus Brevett stepped down as first team Manager with Louis Carder-Walcott, previously Assistant Manager at Westfield FC, being appointed shortly after.

Following a poor run of form at the start of the 2019/20 and with no positive signs of recovery it was, mutual agreement, decided that Louis would step down as Manager of the club.

In November 2019 the position was filled by Simon Haughney and his management team of Paul Thomas and Leon Solomon.

The players responded well to this new team and with the addition of several new signings performed well, despite the distractions of the Covid pandemic.

Not only did they remain unbeaten in the ten matches played during the suspended 2020-21 season, they also set a new club record by progressing to the last 16 of the FA Vase, narrowly losing to Long Eaton United on penalties.

Last season proved to be the greatest in the history of Hanworth Villa FC and, in winning the inaugural Combined Counties North Premier Division and with it promotion to the Isthmian League, the club achieved their highest position in senior football since the formation in 1976.

The most remarkable record of all is, however, that the team remained unbeaten throughout the league season.

VISITORS PEN-PICTURES

Hanworth Villa enjoyed an amazing 2021/22 season, storming to the Combined Counties Premier Division North title by remaining unbeaten throughout their 38 League fixtures.

In fact they had also been unbeaten in the ten matches played the previous season before the pandemic brought it to a close – total record of Played 48

Won 42 Drawn 6 and Lost 0 – quite incredible.

That record finally came to an end when The Villains lost 0-4 at home to Basingstoke Town two weeks ago but they have made a solid start to life at Step 4 as that is their only defeat in their first four league matches to date.

Top Appearances 2021/22:

- 36 - Terry Buss, Sam Merson, Meshach Williams.
- 35 - Michael Kamara.
- 33 - Gagan Samra.
- 32 - Tom Jelley.
- 31 - Jordan Ellis.
- 30 - Theo Crawford, Elliott Simpson.
- 27 - James Fenlon.
- 25 - Ben Merson.
- 23 - Jerome Federico.

Goals 2021/22:

- 33 - Sam Merson.
- 18 - Meshach Williams.
- 15 - Ben Merson,
- 7 - Jordan Ellis.

Some of the leading lights...

Long-serving goalkeeper Terry Buss has completed over 650 appearances for Villa having played for them virtually his whole career after rising through the youth ranks at the club.

A great club servant showing rare loyalty to one club in this day and age.

Top scorer since his arrival at the club from National League South side St. Albans City in the summer of 2020, Sam Merson notched over 30 goals in Villa's Championship-winning side and looks certain to cause problems for defences at Step 4 as he continues to lead the line.

Former Woods striker Meshach Williams was also in great goal-scoring form last season, bagging 18 goals for Hanworth Villa during their incredible unbeaten season.

Meshach joined the Woods in the summer of 2017 from Cockfosters and scored 6 goals in 26 appearances for the club.

He has also had spells with Hatfield Town, Hoddesdon Town, Hanwell Town, Broxbourne, Wingate & Finchley, Egham Town and Fleet Town.

Another ex-Northwood player in the Hanworth Villa ranks is speedy winger Jerome Federico.

A well-travelled player over the years, Jerome had two spells with the Woods, totalling 39 games and scoring 5 goals between 2012 and 2014.

Hanworth Villa have strengthened their squad in preparation for the new campaign at the higher -level with several high-profile recruits.

Defender Tom Bender has become another player to join the club from Step 2 side St Albans City where he had been for over six years, making over 200 appearances and was their vice-captain.

The 29-year-old was with Colchester and Millwall as a youngster and represented Wales at levels up to Under-21. He also played for Dartford and Forest Green Rovers.

Another signing has been defender Luke Ruddick who has been at Hampton & Richmond Borough for the past four years and also captained the Beavers over that time.

His appearances were restricted last season due to injury but a return to full fitness will be a great assistance to the Villa back-line.

Vastly experienced striker Duncan Culley has also joined the Villa cause having played for Bracknell Town and Leighton Town last season; and many top clubs in previous years while Tom Scott has stepped up from former fellow Combined Counties League side Ascot United.

Season	Position	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts
Combined Counties League Premier Division								
2012-2013	9th	42	17	9	16	86	75	60
2013-2014	8th	42	18	10	14	82	64	64
2014-2015	19th	40	12	8	20	58	73	44
2015-2016	7th	42	21	4	17	76	71	67
2016-2017	3rd	44	24	9	11	73	47	81
2017-2018	11th	42	16	10	16	70	77	58
2018-2019	15th	38	13	6	19	54	64	45
2019-2020	5th	29	7	6	16	36	54	27
2020-2021	5th	10	8	2	0	28	10	26
2021-2022	1st (P)	34	30	4	0	91	15	94

HONOURS

- 2002/03 Middlesex County League Champions
Middlesex Federation League Cup Winners
Alec Smith Middlesex County Premier Division Cup Winners
- 2004/05 Middlesex County League Champions
- 2006/07 Combined Counties League Division One Cup Winners
- 2007/08 Combined Counties League Division One Cup Winners
- 2011/12 Southern Combination Cup Winners
- 2013/14 Combined Counties Premier Challenge Cup Winners
Southern Combination Cup Winners
- 2015/16 Middlesex Senior Charity Cup Winners
- 2017/18 Middlesex Senior Charity Cup Winners
- 2021/22 Combined Counties League Premier Division North Champions



Meshasch Williams



Sam Merson

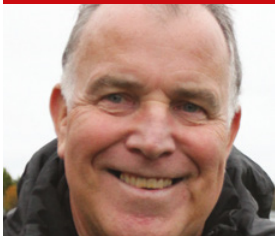


Jerome Federico



Tom Bender

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Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway

The 22-year-old midfielder joined the Woods on a dual-registration basis from Southern Premier side Hendon in March 2022 but only played one game. Ric had previously played at Chalfont St Peter for two seasons, being named Player of the Year in 2019/20. However, he has now signed on permanently for the new 2022/23 season and should bolster the midfield area.

Pete Reynolds

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Kristian Belousas

Kristian is a former Fulham Development attacking player who joined the Woods in February 2022 from Middlesex League side Shepherds Bush FC where he has been a regular goalscorer. The 20-year-old has been called up to Lithuania Under-19 and Under-21 squads in the past and will be looking to make an impression at the higher level. He is dual-registered with Broadfields United for the 2022/23 season

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James Budden

James returned to Northwood in the summer of 2022 for a second spell having previously played from 2015 to 2017, ultimately winning the Player of the Year. Having started off at Hemel Hempstead, Aylesbury and Leverstock Green, he moved on to play Step Three for Hitchin Town and Potters Bar Town and now 30, he brings plenty of experience to the Woods back-line.

David Nolan

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Harry Gallagher

Harry has come late to Saturday non-League football having only started playing last season with Broadfields United having trained with Northwood for much of 2022. Having continued to impress, the 24-year-old has now registered with the Woods for the new season but remains dual-registered at Broadfields United.

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Keagan Arrive

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. Just turned 23 and an inspirational skipper who picked up the Supporters Player of the Year award in 2022.

Frances Wallace

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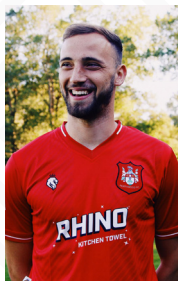


Josh Helmore

Experienced forward Josh moved to the Woods from divisional rivals Binfield FC in November 2022 and enjoyed an excellent season, totalling over twenty goals for both sides. The 30-year-old started out with Reading City and has also played for Gloucester City, Thatcham Town, Berkhamsted and Bracknell Town.

Sean Moore

Jordan Gavaghan Vehicle Finance



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 23-year-old central defender has also appeared for Rayners Lane, Aylesbury United, Broadfields United and Southall. Back for a second season in 2022.

Gerry Pimm

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Sydney Ibie

Dutch-born striker who 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 made a good impression with some crucial goals in his first season.

The Vosper Boys

Rory O'Dwyer



Ronan Hutchins

Ronan is a former Brentford Academy player who has joined the Woods in the summer of 2022 from Hampton & Richmond Borough. Still only 18, attacking-midfielder Ronan was loaned out to Hendon and then Tring Athletic last season and he netted eight goals in 21 games for the Spartan South Midlands League side. He will be looking to establish himself and progress at the higher level this season.

Naomi La Croix & Dwayne Fernandez

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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 stayed for three years, though with injury issues. He came to the Woods on dual-registration several times but has now returned permanently for the new season in 2022 and the 27-year-old will look to add to his 50 plus appearances

Colin Harman

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Rahim Jude-Boyd

Having once been part of the QPR Academy set-up, Rahim came to the Woods after an excellent season playing for Middlesex League side Cricklewood Wanderers and impressed in pre-season with the 22-year-old defender added to the squad for the new season.

Dwayne Fernandez & Naomi La Croix

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Romario Jonas

Romario is a 25-year-old defender who joins the Woods on dual-registration with Hanwell Town in July 2022. He made his name with some impressive performances at Ashford Town (Middx) and earned a move to Step 3 side Hendon where he made almost 50 appearances over two seasons. He has had short spells with Bracknell Town and Chalfont St Peter but was then part of the successful Hanwell side that won promotion through the play-offs back in May.

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Andrew McCorkell

Experienced 24-year-old goalkeeper who had a short spell with the Woods back in 2017 after release from MK Dons where he picked up representative honours in Northern Ireland's Under-19s. He had already made appearances at Hendon and Chesham United. In recent years he has had spells with Beaconsfield, Hayes & Yeading, Chalfont St Peter and, most recently, Bedford Sports before joining Northwood for the new season.

Dennis Goulding

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Andy Lomas

The experienced 32-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. 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. He now has over 130 appearances behind him.

Robin Piper

Robin Piper



Brandon Kalu

Experienced, left-back, Brandon has moved to Northwood having played at Chalfont St Peter and Bedford Sports in recent seasons. The 27-year-old also played for Hillingdon Borough.

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Ergys Pepaj

Albanian-born Ergys joins the Woods in the summer of 2022 having enjoyed a good season playing for Potters Bar Under-23 side. The skilful midfielder is only 20 and will be looking to establish himself in senior football.

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Teddy Stacey

25-year-old Teddy joined 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 enjoyed a fine first season at the higher level, taking the Managers' Player of the Year award

Andy Stacey & Rachel Bafico

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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 25-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. He won the coveted Players' Player of the Year award in 2022 and is back for the new season.

Robin Piper

Robin Piper





Lindell Stewart

Pacy, attacker Lindell had one game for the Woods last season but eventually chose to stay with Windsor where he bagged 16 goals in 30 games at Step 5. The 20-year-old came through the Hanwell Town youth set-up and also played briefly at Harefield United but is back with the Woods for the new season where he will be looking to make the step up.

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Luke Tingey

Luke is an experienced 25-year-old defender who joined the Woods in February 2022 from Isthmian Premier side Potters Bar Town. He started off at the MK Dons Youth Academy and then went on to notch almost 200 games at Step 3 for Hendon FC. He also had a short spell with St Albans City. Back for the 2022-23 season.

Tino Nannavecchia

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David Taylor

Vastly-experienced midfielder, Dave is back to Northwood for a second spell after an injury hit couple of years at Hanwell Town and Harrow Borough. He played a handful of matches for the Woods back in 2018-19 before joining up with Chertsey Town and being part of the squad that won both the FA Vase and the Combined Counties League. Now 28, Dave spent his early seasons with North Greenford and Harrow Borough.

Steve, Richard, David & Paul

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WOODS IN THE FA TROPHY

The FA Trophy remains a fairly new competition for Northwood Football Club as we didn't have the opportunity to enter until promotion from Division Two of the Isthmian League came our way at the turn of the Century.

As members of the First Division, we became entitled to enter non-League's most prestigious cup competition - the FA Challenge Trophy - with success very hard to come by in the six seasons that followed. However, our FA Trophy history now covers twenty-two years and is detailed below.

The full record to date is as shown:

Played 47 Won 17 Drawn 8 Lost 22 Goals scored 71
Goals against 90

Top scorers in the competition:

4-Elliott Buchanan. 3-Ismael Ehui, Niko Muir,
Louis Stead, Lawrence Yaku. 2-Dean Clark, Luke
Heneghan, Mark Hook, Dave Lawrence, Jermaine
Osei, Michael Peacock, Garry Senior, Rob Ursell,
Otis Williams, Yiadom Yeboah. Thirty-six other
players have one goal apiece.

Biggest Victories:

6-3 at Dorking Wanderers in 2016
3-0 at Dartford in 2000

Biggest Defeat:

0-5 v Carshalton Athletic in 2009

The Highlights

2000/2001

Our very first FA Trophy tie came away against Dartford at the home of the then Purfleet FC (now Thurrock) who were the Darts landlords at the time. The Kent side were in the Southern League at the time but struggling and it seemed a good game to kick-off our life in the FA Trophy with. And so it proved. In pouring rain, the Woods notched a comfortable 3-0 victory with goals from Gavin Hart, Lawrence Yaku and Steve Hale seeing us home and into the next round. That, ironically, was against Purfleet - though here at Chestnut Avenue - with the Essex side being members of the Isthmian Premier Division. Paul



Watkins was a late withdrawal, a 'flu victim, so young defender Mark Buchanan was called in for only his third start. Dave Nolan was making his 250th appearance for the Woods against a side that he had once had a loan spell with and he caused Purfleet problems from the start. But the visitors soon took control and it needed strong defending to keep them out. In the final minute of the first-half, Lawrence Yaku floated over a cross and youngster Mark Hook ghosted in to flick home a header. Yaku was then the architect of a crucial second goal after



58 minutes, turning and sprinting away before squaring the ball for Mark Hook to sweep home his second. The Woods missed plenty more chances and when Purfleet pulled a goal back ten minutes from time, they could have proved costly. But Yaku wasn't finished and when Chris Gell's terrific strike came back off the crossbar, the Woods top scorer fired home from the rebound. At that stage no-one was to know that our next FA Trophy victory would be six years away! The draw for the Third Round could have been kinder. Away to Isthmian Premier title-favourites Canvey Island was never going to be easy and when the home side took a seventh minute lead, it was even more of an uphill struggle. However, Northwood dominated the rest of the first-half and should have scored more than once with goalkeeper Ashley Harrison in great form and Lawrence Yaku missing an open goal having done the hard work. Yaku did eventually get on the scoresheet six minutes from time but by then Canvey Island had risen to the occasion and knocked in four more for a final score of 5-1.

2006/2007

The Woods finally broke a five-year long sequence of defeats when they notched a narrow 1-0 victory away at Wingate & Finchley with Yiadom Yeboah scoring the all-important goal early in the first-half. Then came a home game against Winchester City and our first-ever Trophy draw, the match ending 0-0 after 90 minutes. The 4-1 victory in the replay saw us win a second game in the competition for only the second time ever, equalling our achievements in that very first season. The goals mainly came from defenders with Yiadom Yeboah, Dwane Williams, James Shipperley and Danny Murphy on target. The reward was a home game but against Conference South

high-flyers Histon. The original match was postponed twice but eventually took place on a Tuesday night and the Woods made a great stab at notching their best-ever run in the competition. Having shaded the first-half it got even better in the second and when Peter Dean smashed home the opening goal with twenty minutes to play, a giant-killing looked possible. But the visitors showed great spirit and were level soon after before scoring the winner just four minutes from time and deny Northwood a deserved replay.

2007/2008

Mitch Swain made his debut in Northwood's opening FA Trophy game in 2007, away at Sittingbourne, as the Woods triumphed 2-0 with goals from defenders Jazz Rose and Bradley Hewitt. Another away game followed, at AFC Hornchurch and the Woods, having lead through an Elliott Buchanan strike, looked like going out until Buchanan made it 2-2 with his second, direct from a free-kick. The replay produced a typical Tuesday night cup performance for the Woods as they went through 2-1 thanks to a Mitch Swain penalty save and goals from Abdul Yoki and man of the moment Elliott Buchanan. It was also Buchanan that gave the Woods a shock first minute lead at AFC Wimbledon in the third and final qualifying round. There were times that it looked as if Northwood would be capable of pulling off a big shock in front of a crowd of 1,518 but two goals in the first twenty minutes of the second-half put an end to those thoughts as the Woods went out narrowly 2-1.

2008/2009

The club seemed to have learned how to win FA Trophy games by now and they again got through two rounds in this season. A home game against Whyteleaf gave the Woods every chance of starting this campaign successfully and they managed to cruise to a 2-0 victory with both goals coming from young striker Otis Williams on his starting debut. Crowborough Athletic away was the reward with the same result – a 2-0 success – this time with Rob Ursell netting the two goals. The reward for victory was a home game against a strong Brackley Town who had also reached the First Round proper of the FA Cup. The Woods had to repel plenty of pressure from the visitors during the first-half but actually went in at half-time in front when Michael Gordon touched in a Sean Sonner throw. Brackley soon levelled after the break with a deflected shot and the tie turned on an indifferent refereeing decision as Dwane Williams was adjudged to have pushed a player in the box and Brackley took the

lead from the penalty. Two goals in the final five minutes gave the visitors a flattering 4-1 success.

2009/10

And that takes us to the next season when the Woods enjoyed their best ever run in the competition; in their tenth FA Trophy campaign. A John Christian goal earned Northwood a 1-0 home victory over Abingdon United at the first stage but then a home game against Southern Premier side Evesham United ended 0-0 giving the side a difficult away replay a few days later. But that produced a tremendous battling performance and a 2-1 victory with goals from Michael Peacock and Gary Burrell. Conference South side Basingstoke Town was next for the Woods who enjoyed home advantage again and they recovered from going a goal behind early on to win the game 2-1 with Michael Peacock again on target but the winner coming from an own-goal by the visitors goalkeeper. So, Northwood had made it to the First Round proper and were drawn away to Ryman Premier side Carshalton Athletic. Not the best of draws and when the Robins took the lead in just the second minute, things looked bleak. However, the side again showed great qualities to force their way back into the game with Eugene Ofori levelling things up before half-time and then holding out to force a replay with a 1-1 draw. Hopes were high for more success in the Tuesday night replay but this was quashed from an early stage and the Robins romped to a 5-0 victory.

2010/2011

The Woods started the campaign with an away tie at Burnham having endured a torrid time in a series of league games which had seen the side concede fifteen goals in three consecutive losses, eleven of them at home. It meant that there were widespread changes with Manager Mark Barnham bringing in goalkeeper Mark Britt in place of Mitch Swain and giving a starting debut to seventeen-year-old Romaine Walker up front alongside winger Rodney Hicks. It was Hicks that put the Woods into a seventeenth minute lead when slotting in from a John Christian pass. Burnham were reduced to ten men just five minutes into the second-half when Ryan Bird was sent-off for a poor challenge on Anthony Page yet they still managed to equalise soon after and the 1-1 draw meant a midweek replay. It was another bad-tempered affair after Leon Osei had put Northwood into a first-half lead. Things went wrong once again in the second-half with Mark Britt being red-carded for a challenge outside his area and then Burnham levelling. Osei missed a great chance to win it and then the visitors

scored a second before Danny Power picked up a second yellow card, followed by a straight red for Ryan Bird for a second successive match as his side won 2-1.

2014/15

The Woods finally got another win on the board in the Preliminary Round of the Trophy in 2014 when another home game, this time against Waltham Abbey proved successful. After a competitive first 45 minutes, the Woods suddenly hit two goals in stoppage-time. Firstly, a fine solo effort from Rob Hastings and then a good finish from Ismael Ehui. Both keepers made some fine saves in the second-half but both conceded from excellent free-kicks. After the Abbey had pulled one back, it was Michael Murray who wrapped up a 3-1 win.

At the next stage, the Woods were drawn at home to Guernsey and the two sides produced an excellent tie. Ismael Ehui put the Woods ahead but the Islanders were soon level and it ended 1-1 after 90 minutes. As Guernsey were not allowed to stage replays, extra-time and penalties had been agreed. In extra-time, Guernsey took the lead just before the end of the first period but the Woods rallied well and substitute Perry Dicker netted with his first-ever goal for the club. Penalties it was and the Woods proved expert from the spot netting their first five to win 5-3 with strikes from Nana Asamoah, Ismael Ehui, Joakim Ehui, Mark Burgess and Michael Murray.

The reward was an away tie at Wimborne Town and it was another pulsating cup-tie but with both Ismael Ehui and Nana Asamoah ruled out, the attack became less potent. The home side, in front of a good crowd, went 2-0 up before Dave Lawrence reduced the deficit with twelve minutes to go but despite a late push, the Woods could not get back on terms.

2015/16

Dave Lawrence could have returned to haunt the Woods the following season. Drawn at home to Potters Bar Town, he had moved to our visitors and then put the Scholars in front after just 29 seconds. And that lead stayed all the way through to stoppage-time when Jon Munday got his head to a corner to force a 1-1 draw. The replay was tight too but turned in the final five minutes of the first-half. Michael Murray set up Niko Muir for the opening goal on 40 minutes and then Berkley Laurencin pulled off a fine save from a penalty given for handball three minutes later. The Woods held on to the 1-0 victory in a tight second-half.

The reward was another home game and this time against Bedford Town. The Eagles had won a league

game at Northwood just two weeks earlier and they repeated that feat with a dominant performance. They were 2-0 before Niko Muir netted on 87 minutes to give the Woods some hope but Bedford bagged a third deep into stoppage-time for victory.

2016/17

This season started with arguably the Woods best-ever performance in an FA Trophy game as they came away from Dorking Wanderers, then top of Division One South of the Isthmian League as they went through the divisions, with a 6-3 victory. It was their first-half performance that won them the tie with goals from Louis Stead, Ryan Debattista and then Louis Bircham putting them 3-0 up inside half an hour, all three coming in a nine-minute spell. Dorking had pulled one back before the break but the Woods started the second-half brightly again and were awarded a penalty on 51 minutes. However, Stead saw his effort well saved. It could have seen heads fall but from the resulting corner Mark Burgess headed home to make it 4-1. Just two minutes later Stead made amends with his second of the afternoon and it was surely game over? Not quite as the Wanderers scored twice to make it 5-3 with fifteen minutes to go but then Stead completed a brilliant hat-trick to wrap up the win. It remains our last away win the competition to date some six years ago.

It was another good performance in the following round away at league leaders Royston Town with the Woods earning a 2-2 draw and a replay with goals from Luke Heneghan and Frankie Jones. But back at Northwood, our opponents proved too strong despite

Heneghan giving the Woods an early lead and romped to a 4-1 success.

2020/21

Both of this season's ties were at home, both ended in draws after 90 minutes and both went to being decided by kicks from the penalty-spot! Against Basildon United a late Jaden Sharman goal earned us a 1-1 draw and the Woods then won 4-3 on penalties.

Heybridge Swifts were our next visitors and Northwood found themselves 0-3 down at half-time. It was a storming comeback in the final seventeen minutes of the game which brought the Woods back level at 3-3. Marcelo Graca netted with a deflected shot, Devonte Totesaut then improved the situation further with twelve minutes left but it was a dramatic last-gasp header from goalkeeper Hafed Al-Droubi that levelled things up! However, there was no heroic end to this one as the Swifts proved best from the penalty-spot with a 5-4 win.

2021/22

Amazingly, last season was a repeat of the previous campaign. Two matches, both at home, both drawn, both went to penalties with success in the first but defeat in the other. The win came against Haywards Heath Town, following a 0-0 draw in ninety minutes but then a 4-3 penalty success. Against Berkhamsted in the following round, an exciting game ended 2-2 – goals from Adam Cash and Ismael Ehui – but this time it was our visitors who claimed victory with a 5-4 advantage in the penalty shoot-out.



SQUAD LISTS



NORTHWOOD FC

Director of Football: Steve Ringrose

Head Coach: Ben Bukowski

Coach: Richard Elderfield

Physio: Dan Daggett

Colours: All Red

Andrew MCCORKELL
Sam JENKINS
Rahim JUDE-BOYD
Andy LOMAS
Luke TINGEY
Romario JONAS
James BUDDEN
James GURTEEN
Harry GALLAGHER
Carl STEWART
Riccardo ALEXANDER-GREENAWAY
Ergys PEPAJ
Teddy STACEY
Keagan COLE
Lindell STEWART
Ronan HUTCHINS
Josh HELMORE
Sydney IBIE
Brandon KALU
David TAYLOR

Referee
Reece Pinchbeck

Assistant
Alistair Potter

Assistant
Terry Dawkins



HANWORTH VILLA

Manager: Simon Haughney

Assistant Managers: Paul Thomas & Leon Solomon

Colours: Yellow & Blue

Terry BUSS
Guy ANSAH-PALMER
Ben GERAGHTY
Tom JELLEY
Njie SHARIF
Luke RUDDICK
Louis TAYLOR
Jordan ELLIS
Tom BENDER
Jerome FEDERICO
Bruno TINGLE
Theo CRAWFORD
Sam MERSON
Tom SCOTT
Meshach WILLIAMS
Elliott SIMPSON
Duncan CULLEY
Dapo ABITOGUN
Leon SOLOMON
Jordan WILLIAMS

NEXT UP AT HOME

Chertsey Town

Saturday 17th September 2022

Kick-Off **3.00pm**

The Pitching In Isthmian League
South Central Division

ON THE ROAD

Walton & Hersham

Tuesday 20th September 2022

Kick-Off **7.45pm**

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