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IAN'S INSIGHT

With Woods Chairman, Ian Barry



Good afternoon and welcome to The Skyline Roofing Stadium for today's Pitching In Isthmian League fixture.

We extend that welcome to our visitors from Sutton Common Rovers FC and trust they enjoy their time here.

What a day last Saturday! It started with official opening of The Pat Byrne Memorial Stand before the game which was well attended and included people from Chertsey Town FC too which was great to see.

Our guests of David Simmonds MP and Councillor Henry Higgins kindly opened the stand for us and both were honoured to do this too.

I hope everyone likes the plaques and makes use of the stand, as it's a very important addition to our ground.

feedback on that;

it's something we have needed for a while now and we will be looking to specialise in Hot Dogs as well as other food items. Please support this where you can.

Sometimes and maybe more often than ever in recent seasons, I ask myself countless times "Why do I do this?" and it's probably one of the most common questions I get asked too.

After the game last Saturday, I said to Alan "it's days like this that makes it all worthwhile". He did say to me that it's very hard work though, which I agreed with, of course. But, I do think that if you can make a difference and have a facility that is fantastic, have a structure in place that makes sure that most of the many jobs that need doing, get done, then you have a good chance of progressing.

In truth, we have come a long way in a relatively short space of time by building the club in the right way, operating within our means, having the people in place to help and having the sponsors and support from our local MP and Councillor, who also understand my vision, then I can only see us continuing to progress.

Top of the League, five points clear, great atmosphere in the clubhouse and ground.

As my good friend Gordon Boateng, who sadly passed away last October, always said "believe & achieve". The words of a legend.

Enjoy the game today. Up the Woods!

Ian

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Direct from the Management

HEAD COACH

BEN BUKOWSKI

Good afternoon, Woods fans,

Last weekend Northwood FC came together to pay our respects to her majesty Queen Elizabeth II. It was great to see both teams and fans share the minute's silence that spread across the footballing world.

We also gave our thanks, thoughts, and respects to The Byrne family.

The opening of the Pat Byrne Memorial stand was a fitting tribute to someone I know is very important to the club.

It really touched me at how together this Northwood family is. I would like to thank the Chertsey management staff for joining us for the short ceremony prior to the game.

Our attention turned to the on-field matters, which we knew we had to get right after a disappointing FA Trophy exit.

When we lose football matches, I am one who goes away and tries to dissect every bit of detail possible as to why.

I always want to look for ways in which we can improve even when we win, so when we lose, it becomes my mission to get things right.

The week leading up to the Chertsey game was spent by our management team preparing for how we can get back to our best.

This was matched by an excellent training session where the players applied themselves exactly how we would wish.

I know most of you will agree, that although we have had an excellent start to the season, I do believe we need to change how we start matches.

The first ten to fifteen minutes of a game really set

the tone and we have been way too slow to stamp our authority on games in recent weeks.

My focus was on ensuring we had a fast start and changing some key details in our preparation like getting the boys to arrive slightly earlier and going back into the changing room post warm-up earlier to ensure the focus and atmosphere was lively.

I asked for a fast start, and I got that.

The message to the players regarding where we sit in the league table is simple.

Teams are going to want to knock you down and ruin the fun.

I fully understand that, at this level of football, you are going to lose football matches.

But I saw my side give everything not to give that up on Saturday, and that's exactly how we will be going into every game. Do not give it up easily.

I am hoping we can continue our excellent start to the league today and welcome Sutton Common Rovers.

A team with a very familiar face in Matt Surmon, who has shown support and friendship since he moved on.

We are happy to have him back today and looking forward to a beer with him afterwards.

I say it most weeks, but on Saturday the support was one of the best I have seen.

To see fans, the players and even my brothers enjoying themselves with a sing-song hours after the game had finished sums up the feeling around the club at the moment.

Let's keep it up and enjoy it!

Up the Woods!

Ben

WOODS OUTLOOK

Welcome to the Rovers

With both clubs sadly eliminated from the Isuzu FA Trophy two weeks ago – the Woods losing at home to Hanworth Villa while Sutton Common were defeated at East Thurrock United – we eventually got together and made the decision that rather than have another blank weekend now, we would try to bring forward this fixture which was originally scheduled for Easter Saturday next April. It was reliant on the FA finding us some spare match officials for the game so if you are reading this programme today, they managed to do that and here we are at the Skyline Roofing Stadium for this Pitching In Isthmian League game.

Rovers started the new season, like ourselves, having to compete in the Extra Preliminary Round of the FA Cup and after a 0-0 draw away at Fisher, they slipped to a disappointing 0-1 home defeat in the replay; their first competitive game played at their new headquarters – the former home of Whyteleafe FC. Their first Isthmian League game was much improved though, winning 4-3 in a tight game against 10-man Chipstead only to then lose 5-0 at home to Chertsey Town in their second match; this time SCR being reduced to ten men early on. Just two days later they notched three more away points with an excellent 2-1 success away at Marlow. Back at home, not so good as they went down 0-1 at home to ten-man Guernsey, giving the Channel Islanders their first win of the season. Then came the FA Trophy loss, 3-1 at East Thurrock eleven days ago which was their first away defeat of the season. These notes had to be written before they took on struggling Bedfont Sports at home on Wednesday night where three points could have taken Rovers up into the top six.

Last season was the first-ever meetings between the two sides. Here at Northwood Park in October, the Woods pegged Rovers back twice before eventually losing 3-2. Danny Fernandez, Brendan Murphy-McVey and Tyrell Butler scored for the visitors; Shakeel Morris and Leo Decabo netted the Northwood goals. Incredibly, just under a year later, none of the Rovers players that played that day feature today while four of the Woods players do. Two of those, James Gurteen and Sam Jenkins are in the Woods squad while two others, Matt Surmon and Daniel Purdie are with our opponents. They join two other former Northwood players in the Rovers squad

today in Nebay Haile and Brian Testolin. The return fixture, played at their then landlord's ground of Sutton United FC, survived heavy rain and Storm Eunice to go ahead in mid-February. Keagan Cole gave the Woods the lead from a 7th minute free-kick but Rovers hit back with an equaliser soon after, netted by Yao Aziamale. Thankfully, a good move involving Surmon and Andy Lomas set up Josh Helmore to fire home a second before the break and that turned out to be the winner.

Chertsey success

There's an article elsewhere in the programme celebrating the fact that last Saturday's 3-1 defeat of previously unbeaten Chertsey Town meant that, with five wins from five games, the Woods had recorded their best-ever start to an Isthmian (or Southern) League season. It was a perfect day all-round really with the opening of the Pat Byrne Memorial stand earlier in the afternoon and then goals from Josh Helmore and Sydney Ibie 2, wrapping up the win against a side now managed by former Woods "legend" Wayne Carter. The weather was great, the atmosphere was excellent and our job now is to maintain that level of performance in the games to come.

League News

With Walton & Hersham drawing their televised FA Cup tie last Saturday it meant that our midweek trip to them was postponed for their replay which was another good reason for trying to get a fixture for this afternoon. We now travel to Walton & Hersham this coming Tuesday night, 27th September instead and it's likely to be a real tough test as they have been unbeaten since their opening day 4-3 defeat at Marlow; a run of eight games prior to Tuesday night's FA Cup replay. They are back in the FA Trophy against Southall today so could still be in both FA competitions – hopefully a bit of a distraction for the Swans. We are also away next Saturday, at Ashford Town (Middlesex) once again having failed to beat them in two FA Cup clashes last month.

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 and that date has now

been set as Tuesday 18th October.

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.

Player News

Too late to write about in our last home programme but we were delighted to welcome Micah Jackson back to the club in time to take part in last Saturday's game against Chertsey Town. Micah made a great impact when he joined the club last November along with the new management team and had scored seven goals in just thirteen appearances when he surprisingly moved on to try to help Chalfont St Peter avoid relegation. Despite scoring the winner against the Woods for the Saints in April, they were still demoted via a play-off loss and Micah moved on to play for newly-promoted Southern League Central side Walthamstow this season but only made a couple of substitute appearances before making the return to the Woods fold.

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 three League games prior to today so there is still plenty of advantage in getting a Season Ticket now and receive it in time for our next home game. 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!

Player Sponsorships

Many of the current squad are available for both kit and tracksuit sponsorships (See elsewhere in the programme) so if you haven't yet sponsored one of our players then now would be the time do so before your favourite is snapped up. You can pay cash or online via the website.

London Marathon

Woods striker Josh Helmore is running the London Marathon next Sunday, 2nd October to raise funds for Crohn's & Colitis UK with a target of raising £2,000. I'm sure he would appreciate any help you can give by adding to the current sum he has raised to date. The Link to his

fund-raising page is justgiving.com/fundraising/Joshua-helmore12/ if you can spare a few pounds.

Under-18s

Ryan Young's Under-18s defeated Hemel Hempstead Town 3-1 ten days ago in the FA Youth Cup to get through a second round. Though it was an away tie, the match was switched to Northwood due to some repairs needed to the Hemel 3G pitch and there was a good crowd that saw the Woods triumph. That success has now earned us a real home tie against Langley FC and that takes place this coming Wednesday night, 28th September at 7.45pm. Any support would be most welcome.

Our tenants - Spartans Youth FC

Our tenants won their first game of the season recently, an away cup tie at Penn & Tylers Green. Their next home game is currently scheduled for next Saturday 1st October when they will take on British Airways in another Combined Counties League game. Kick-Off at 3pm.

Coming Up.....

On Tuesday night we have a really tough challenge with the rearranged away game at newly-promoted Walton & Hershaw on their 3G pitch. Next Saturday we travel to Ashford Town (Middlesex) for a League game and we will be looking to avenge the FA Cup defeat that we suffered against the Tangerines last month. We're back at home the following weekend against current bottom side Merstham.

Next Fixtures at the Skyline Roofing Stadium

Wednesday 28th September – **Under-18s v.**

Langley – FA Youth Cup – 7.45pm

Saturday 1st October – **Spartans v. British**

Airways – Combined Counties League – 3pm

Wednesday 5th October – **Under-18s v. Hampton**

& RB – Isthmian Youth – 7.45pm

Saturday 8th October – **Woods v. Merstham –**

Isthmian League – 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 Captain, Keagan Cole

A GREAT DAY FOR NORTHWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB

After a below par performance on Tuesday night, we were determined to put in a better performance on Saturday in our Isthmian League game against Chertsey.

Training on Thursday was bubbly, loud and full of quality we couldn't have asked for a much better training session following on from a loss just forty eight hours prior.

As a management team we always look out for ways that we can improve both within ourselves but more importantly how we can give our players the best possible preparation going into kick-off. A few minor changes were made on Saturday both in the changing room and during the warm up. Credit to every single player in the squad as the warm-up was spot on.

Prior to kick off in our matchday huddle I felt it was important to heighten the fact that last Saturday's game was probably the biggest fixture I have been involved in as a Northwood player for no other reason that we know how important Pat Byrne is to our club, our Chairman and Pat's family. I could tell that as I looked around the circle I could see in each and every player's face that we were

ready for the war and ready to give 100%.

Kick-off came around quickly and just one minute in we were 1-0 up through a fantastic finish from Josh. Probably the quickest goal we have scored since arriving in November last season, it didn't stop there as we continued to put in quality performances all across the pitch topping it off with a late first-half penalty from Sydney Ibie who increases his great start to the season with what at the time was his sixth goal in all competitions.

Second-half came about and we knew that we would have to be at our best to stop Chertsey from getting back into the game. We showed maturity and resilience starting from Andrew but all the way through to myself as the final substitute used.

What a way to end the day with a counter-attacking goal scored again by Sydney Ibie (goal number seven for the season!) right in front of the newly opened Pat Byrne Memorial Stand.

We cannot wait to see you all again this afternoon.

Up the Woods,

Keags x



PAT BYRNE OPENING OF THE STAND

Prior to the game against Chertsey Town on Saturday, we were delighted to be able to welcome the MP for Ruislip, Northwood & Pinner, David Simmonds CBE who, alongside Councillor Henry Higgins performed the opening ceremony for the new Pat Byrne Memorial Stand.

The covered accommodation has been positioned in an area that Pat used to say was his favourite viewing position in the ground and was purchased with funds received at our former Life President's memorial match which took place last October here at Northwood and involved two sides of ex-club legends and players from the past plus family members.

Those funds were then added to by a fortuitous prize money win back in May when local Woods fan Sam Sheehan nominated the club to receive £5,000 from Papa John's Pizza as part of their sponsorship of the Papa Johns Trophy Final at Wembley!

Chairman Ian Barry gave a fitting tribute to Pat over the PA system and it was the start of a great afternoon with plenty of Pat's family here at the ground to be part of the ceremony and the whole playing squad also being a part of the unveiling.

They clubbed together to provide some flowers which were presented to Pat's partner Shamira Hamirani which was a lovely gesture.

Our thanks to Elite Stands for the supply of the ready-built construction which is a converted shipping container!



Words by Alan Evans

MATCH REPORT



NORTHWOOD 3 CHERTSEY TOWN 1

Saturday 17th September 2022

Kick-Off 3.00pm

Pitching In Isthmian South Central Division



Team: McCorkell, Jenkins, Lomas, Alexander-Greenaway, Tingey, Gurteen (Gallagher 90 mins), Hutchins (Cole 90 mins), Jackson (Jude-Boyd 68 mins), Helmore, Ibie, (C) Stewart

Unused Subs: Pepaj, Kalu

Yellow Cards: Lomas, Alexander-Greenaway, Ibie

Attendance: 202

The Woods maintained their 100% League record at the top of the table with this hard-fought victory over previously undefeated Chertsey Town who were denied promotion the play-off final last season.

The Curfews have had a change of management in the summer with former Woods favourite Wayne Carter taking charge and he had a familiar figure alongside him in former Northwood Assistant Manager Gary Farrell.

After their disappointing home FA Trophy defeat to Hanworth Villa in midweek, there were a couple of changes to the starting line-up for the Woods. Carl Stewart was restored to the midfield in place of Ergys Pepaj while Keagan Cole was rested and in came Micah Jackson who returned to the club a day earlier after spells with Chalfont St Peter and Walthamstow.

However, Northwood got off to the best possible start. There were just 53 seconds on the clock when Josh Helmore cut out a poor pass out by goalkeeper Nick Jupp and chipped the ball high into the far corner.

The Curfews responded well with William Montague getting a shot on target after 8 minutes but it lacked the power to test Andrew McCorkell in goal and then the tricky Trevan Robinson went down in the box under a strong tackle from Sam Jenkins but the Referee waved penalty claims away quickly.

Back came the Woods with Sydney Ibie causing a few problems and forcing a corner before Ronan Hutchins fired over the bar with a shot on the turn. Northwood were getting on top at this stage and after Ibie and Jackson



went close, Helmore turned past Quincy Rowe in the area and was clumsily brought down. After the goalscorer received some treatment, it was Sydney Ibie who took responsibility from the penalty-spot and although not his best of strikes, his spot-kick was just well-placed enough to beat the hand of Jupp and make it 2-0.

Also needing treatment just before the half-time whistle was the Assistant Referee who injured an ankle and during the break he was forced off. Thankfully there were a couple of suitably qualified referees in the crowd so James Hall stepped in to the breach.

Chertsey looked to get back in the game with a very positive start to the second-half, forcing a series of corners which caused problems in the box but the Woods defence showed they were up for the battle with a couple of excellent blocks.

But the Curfews did reduce the deficit on 57 minutes. Andy Lomas was booked for conceding a free-kick in a

dangerous area, the defensive wall never looked quite right and Lee Lewis took full advantage to rifle a shot that flew into the top corner and gave McCorkell no chance of getting his hands to it.

It led to a nervous half-hour for the Woods faithful but again the Northwood defence, led by skipper Luke Tingey, kept their calm under pressure. The closest that Chertsey came to levelling was after 75 minutes when Robinson's centre was headed goalwards but came off a post and was then scrambled away despite James Gurteen colliding with the Woods 'keeper.

The Woods were relying on the quick break and had efforts from Ibie, Hutchins and substitute Rahim Jude-Boyd all saved comfortably by Jupp and time was running out for the visitors.

Several injury issues led to seven minutes of additional time and that had become eleven when Jupp came forward for a last-gasp corner for Chertsey. But the ball was cleared and Jude-Boyd slipped a great pass through for Ibie to run onto and no-one was going to prevent the Woods striker from slotting into an empty net for his second of the game.



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

With Ken Green currently sunning himself around the Greek Islands, we needed a couple of extra articles for this afternoon's programme so I thought I'd take a look at where some of our former players are currently plying their trade around the footballing pyramid.

I'm not claiming that this is a definitive list as players tend to move from club to club quite frequently nowadays and I've also included players that were with us on loan as well as permanently but here's what I can report at the moment and I'll start at the highest level.

We don't currently have any ex-Woods playing in the Premier League but we do have one from each of the other fully professional divisions. Top of that tree is the Championship and at Reading where former Northwood youth striker Femi Azeez remains although he is yet to make an appearance this season for the Royals. He played 12 games for the Woods first-team back in 2017-18 and has now appeared 15 times for Reading but at 21 needs to press on with his career this season.

In League One, former QPR loanee goalkeeper Tyla Dickinson has made the breakthrough at Wycombe Wanderers this season, making his Football League debut against Burton Albion and has now made 4 appearances for the Chairboys; one more appearance that he made for the Woods back in 2020.

Finally, down in League Two, we find the most-experienced of the ex-Woods in terms of current professional with Ollie Hawkins now a regular for Mansfield Town since 2021 and approaching 50 games for the club. A striker with the Woods a decade ago, Ollie is now 30 and is often employed as a centre-half rather than as a forward but has enjoyed a good professional career with over 200 games behind him. However, he has still made more appearances (112 – 39 goals) for the Woods than any other club he has played for (Dagenham & Redbridge, Portsmouth and Ipswich amongst them).

As far as I can tell, we only have two ex-Northwood players playing in the top National League Division and both of them had very short Woods careers; both on loan from the same club! Aldershot is the latest stopping point for the much-travelled Inih Effiong. Now 31, Inih was just 17 when he was brought to the club, borrowed from St Albans City, by Colin Payne and he made one substitute appearance in a 1-0 defeat at Maldon Town. He has since

played for 19 different clubs including the likes of Dover Athletic, Stevenage, Notts County, Ross County and Chesham United!

The second player is at Dagenham & Redbridge and was more recently here at Northwood, though not for much longer than Inih Effiong. Also borrowed from St Albans City, David Longe-King was 20 and plunged straight into the starting line-up for a League game against Leighton Town. The Woods lost 4-0 at home and that was the last we saw of him. Before joining the Daggers, David has played in the Football League for Newport County and National League sides Grimsby Town and Woking.

This takes us down to the Step 2 level of the Pyramid and I've uncovered no less than eight ex-Woods currently plying their trade in the National League South. They are as follows:

Harry Lodovica – Chelmsford City (24 games for the Woods, 6 goals in 2019/20)

Tyrell Miller-Rodney – Hampton & Richmond Borough (4 games for the Woods in 2012/13)

Luke Holness – Tonbridge Angels (24 games, 1 goal for the Woods in 2019/20)

Niko Muir – Hungerford Town (137 games, 65 goals for the Woods between 2012 and 2016)

Enoch Ekongo – Cheshunt (7 games for the Woods in 2019/20)

Bayley Brown – Hemel Hempstead Town (33 games, 2 goals for the Woods – mainly in 2015/16)

Dan Newton – Royston Town (32 games, 2 goals for the Woods in 2018/19)

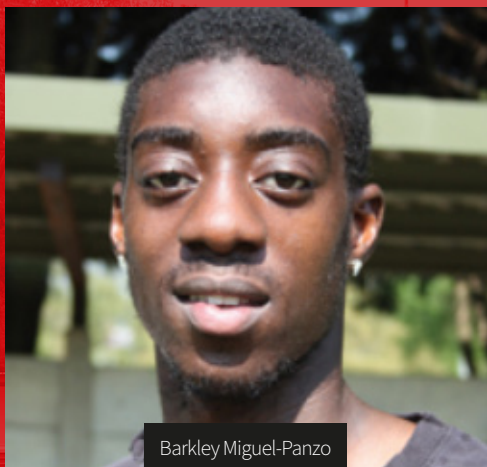
CJ Fearn – Farnborough (3 games for the Woods last season)

Down in Step 3 and we have plenty of ex-Northwood players playing their football at a higher level that the Woods currently compete in starting at newly-promoted Hanwell Town. The Geordies have no less than six former Woods in their squad – Isaac Olorunfemi, Jack Hutchinson, George Nicholas, Mack Miskin, Montel Joseph and Kweku Lucan. Just down the road at Harrow

Borough we can find James Ewington, Imran Uche and Jaden Sharman while Hendon have Azeez Alabi and Gio Palmer in their squad this season. Kyal Williams moved from Northwood to join Gosport Borough in the summer while Kingsley Eshun and Aaron McLeish are both with Hartley Wintney. Elliott Buchanan has recently joined Oliver Sprague at Beaconsfield under former Woods boss Gary Meakin while Evans Kouassi is still amongst the goals at Canvey Island. Potters Bar Town have Calvin Dickson in their ranks, Josh Urquhart plays for Enfield Town while a couple of others can be found further afield. In the Southern League Premier Central Division, one time Woods Player of the Year Wilson Chingoka has got himself

into the St Ives Town squad and then in the Northern Premier League Premier Division, Matlock Town have Jerome Slew currently playing for them.

I'll finish with one slightly more obscure one. French-born Angolan striker, Barkley Miguel-Panzo was borrowed by the Woods from Hendon's Under-18 side back in March 2011 and he made two appearances. Now 30 and seemingly without a club, his travels have since seen him play for FC Sarlat Marcillac, AS Moulins, Saint-Brevin, TVEC Le Sables, Orleans B (All in France), Syrianska, Oskarshamn AIK (both Sweden), FK Panevezys (Lithuania), Vittoriosa Stars (Malta), NK Krsko (Slovenia) and Mauerwerk (Austria).



Barkley Miguel-Panzo



Dan Newton



Femi Azeez



Niko Muir

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1. Which goalkeeper has the record of 138 clean sheets for the same Premier League team?
2. How many clubs have never been relegated from the Premier League?
3. How many teams were in the first-ever Premier League?
4. The lowest attendance was 3,039 in 1993 when Everton played away to which club?
5. Which two non-English clubs have played in the Premier League?
6. How many times has the league been renamed?
7. Which Swede had a clause in his contract banning him from travelling into space?
8. In 2005, Newcastle's Lee Bowyer had an on-pitch scrap with which team-mate?
9. For what club did Paulo Di Canio play when he pushed referee Paul Alcock?
10. Against which team did Wayne Rooney score his Premier League first goal?



ANSWERS: 1) Petr Cech, 2) Six, 3) 22, 4) Wimbledon, 5) Swansea City and Cardiff City, 6) Four, 7) Stefan Schwarzer, 8) Kieron Dyer, 9) Sheffield Wednesday, 10) Arsenal.

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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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Richard Kennedy of the family opticians who are based in Green Lane, Northwood responded kindly to the hard work being put in during the summer by our Commercial Manager John Joyce and agreed to become one of our Patrons. Their logo will appear on our away shirts this season but also on the Player's Tracksuits which they will be wearing to all matches.

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.



THE WOODS IN 2022/2023

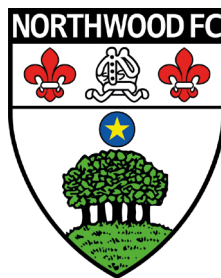
DATE	OPPONENTS	H/A	COMP	F/A	ATT	LINEUP	2	3	4	5	6
AUGUST											
Sat 6	SOUTH PARK REIGATE	H	FACEPR	2-1	128	McCorkell ■ , Jenkins ●	Lomas	Tingey	Budden	Jonas	
Sat 13	TOOTING & MITCHAM UNITED	H	Lge	3-2	154	McCorkell	Tingey	Kalu	Cole	Budden	Gurteen
Wed 17	Bedfont Sports	A	Lge	1-0	111	McCorkell	Jenkins ●	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											
Tue 13	HANWORTH VILLA	H	FATIQR	0-3	85	McCorkell	Jenkins ●	Lomas	Cole	Tingey	Gurteen
Sat 17	CHERTSEY TOWN	H	Lge	3-1	202	McCorkell	Jenkins	Lomas ■	Alexander-Greenaway ■	Tingey	Gurteen ●
Sat 24	SUTTON COMMON ROVERS	H	Lge								
Tue 27	Walton & Hershaw	A	Lge								
OCTOBER											
Sat 1	Ashford Town (Middx)	A	Lge								
Sat 8	MERSTHAM	H	Lge								
Tue 11	Ashford Town (Middx)	H	MSC								
Sat 15	Basingstoke Town	A	Lge								
Tue 18	Walton & Hershaw	A	VILC								
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	SuttonCommonRovers	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								
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 Alexander
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 🟡	HELMORE 1 ●	Ibiede	(C)Stewart ●	Pepaj ●	(L)Stewart ●	Jude-Boyd ●	Gallagher	Guarteen	
HUTCHINS 1 ●	Alexander-Greenaway 🟡	(L)Stewart	IBIE 2 ● 🟡	(C)Stewart	Pepaj ●	Gallagher ●	Helmore	Jenkins	Jonas	
Hutchins ●	Alexander-Greenaway	(L)Stewart 🟡	Ibiede	(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	Pepaj ● 🟡	Hutchins ●	(L)Stewart ●	Guarteen	Haile	
HUTCHINS 1	Alexander-Greenaway ●	Helmore 🟡	IBIE 1 ●	(C)Stewart 🟡	Pepaj ●	(L)Stewart ●	Gallagher	Haile	Kalu	
Hutchins	Alexander-Greenaway	HELMORE 1 ●	Ibiede	Pepaj	(C)Stewart ●	Budden ●	(L)Stewart ●	Gallagher	Kalu	
Hutchins	Alexander-Greenaway	Helmore	Ibiede	Pepaj ●	(C)Stewart ●	Jude-Boyd ●	(L)Stewart	Gallagher	Kalu	
Hutchins ●	Jackson ●	HELMORE 1	IBIE 2 🟡	(C)Stewart	Jude-Boyd ●	Cole ●	Gallagher ●	Pepaj	Kalu	



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

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PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION TABLE

Up to & Including Tuesday 20th September 2022

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Northwood	5	5	0	0	12	4	15
Binfield	5	4	1	0	12	1	13
Marlow	6	4	1	1	13	6	13
Chertsey Town	6	2	3	1	14	7	9
Walton & Hershaw	4	3	0	1	11	6	9
Southall	7	2	3	2	9	8	9
Hanworth Villa	6	2	3	1	9	9	9
South Park (Reigate)	5	3	0	2	5	8	9
Uxbridge	5	2	2	1	7	6	8
Westfield	5	2	1	2	10	5	7
Basingstoke Town	5	2	1	2	9	6	7
Ashford Town (Middx)	6	2	1	3	5	11	7
Sutton Common Rovers	4	2	0	2	6	10	6
Tooting & Mitcham United	6	1	2	3	5	8	5
Guernsey	5	1	2	2	2	6	5
Leatherhead	6	1	2	3	3	9	5
Chipstead	6	1	1	4	5	11	4
Bedfont Sports	4	0	2	2	0	2	2
Thatcham Town	6	0	2	4	4	12	2
Merstham	4	0	1	3	2	8	1

THE PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH DIVISION CENTRAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCES

Guernsey	642
Chertsey Town	445
Basingstoke Town	423
Leatherhead	385
Walton & Hershaw	273
Merstham	202
NORTHWOOD	195
Tooting & Mitcham United	185
Ashford Town (Middx)	175
Hanworth Villa	173
Westfield	168
Marlow	162
Binfield	155
Uxbridge	136
Thatcham Town	134
Bedfont Sports	98
Chipstead	96
Southall	89
Sutton Common Rovers	71
South Park (Reigate)	N/A

FIVE ON THE SPIN

Isthmian History for the Woods

The Woods squad broke Northwood's Isthmian/Southern League record as their best start to a season last Saturday with the 3-1 victory over previously unbeaten Chertsey Town adding to wins against Tooting & Mitcham United (3-2), Southall (2-0) and away at Bedfont Sports (1-0) and Westfield (3-1) and making it five on the spin to start the campaign.

Previous Best

The only previous time, since joining the Isthmian League in 1992, that Northwood had begun the season with four wins came relatively recently when the 2015/16 term in the Southern League under Mark Burgess started with four on the bounce. We started with a 5-0 defeat of Arlesey Town here at Northwood – Michael Murray netting an opening-day hat-trick and then followed that with wins at North Greenford United (1-0) and Royston Town (2-1) before a narrow 2-1 home success over Petersfield Town. That sequence came to an end at home to Aylesbury United in game five, crashing to a 1-3 defeat and in fact the Woods failed to win any of the five games that followed the four victories.

Can we go further?

So, that now means we have to cast our minds back to an even better record at the start of a season and it takes us to our final London Spartan League season of 1991/92. Only one player in our current squad – Andy Lomas – was actually born before the start of this season

The Woods had been turned down for promotion to the Isthmian League in 1991 after finishing third to Walthamstow Pennant and Barkingside on the basis that the gradients on our pitch surface was considered to be too steep. It meant that during the summer a massive exercise had been undertaken to level the playing field. For those that weren't around in those days, imagine the pitch actually reaching the levels that the surround still does reach in the top left corner of the ground. It also dropped off down the top right corner too so lots of work!

It also meant that our pitch was not ready for the start of the season – in fact, not until October – so we played our first seven League fixtures away from home. However, it didn't stop the Woods making a tremendous start to the campaign as shown by these five results:

Saturday 17th August

Away v. Cockfosters

Won 1-0

Goalscorer: Rod Findley

Tuesday 20th August

Away v. Amersham Town

Won 3-0

Goalscorers: Rod Findley, Steve Gee, Greg Phillips

Wednesday 4th September

Away v. Hillingdon Borough

Won 1-0

Goalscorer: Rod Findley

Saturday 7th September

Away v. Walthamstow Pennant

Won 3-1

Goalscorers: Rod Findley, Garfield Blackman, Steve Baynes

Tuesday 10th September

Away v. Beaconsfield United

Won 4-1

Goalscorers: Rod Findley 3, Garfield Blackman

Incidentally, like our current side, we also lost an FA Cup game in between these matches.

So, we have now equalled the Woods squad that began our last Spartan League season with five from five. The sixth game ended in a 2-1 defeat at Corinthian Casuals. Can we go one better today? Can we go on to gain promotion as that side did in 1992 as Champions?


Only time will tell...



SYDNEY IBIE CONVERTS A PENALTY IN LAST WEEK'S 3-1 HOME WIN OVER CHERTSEY TOWN TO MAKE IT FIVE ON THE SPIN



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COLOURS ALL RED		COLOURS GOLD & BLUE	
KEN CAVENDER	1	GLEN TAUER	
DAVE NOLAN	2	GORDON McAVOY	
PETER AUGUSTINE	3	CLIFF WILLIAMSON	
ROB HOLLAND	4	ANDY MARTIN	
PAUL CURRAN	5	MARK HARPER	
JEREMY BILLINS	6	BARRY SMITH	
GREG PHILLIPS	7	JASON SANTOS	
TIM VINCENT	8	DAVID PORTER	
JOHN McCORMACK	9	MARK BROWN	
ANDY EDEY	10	PAUL HERBERT	
GARFIELD BLACKMAN	11	MARK STURLEY	
ROD FINDLEY	12	GEORGE LOYD	
ROGER MOSES	14	BARRY OSBORNE	

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ROLL CALL

2022-23 SEASON | WOODS CAREER | WOODS DEBUT

Up to 23rd September 2022	WOODS CAREER RECORD																			
	SEASON 2022/2023						WOODS CAREER RECORD													
	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE			CUP COMPETITIONS			TOTALS			LEAGUE			CUPS			OVERALL				
Players' Name	Start	As Sub.	Total	Start	As Sub.	Total	Games	Goals	Games	Goals	Games	Goals	Games	Goals	Cup Games	Goals	Tot Games	Tot Goals	Woods' Debut	
Ricardo Alexander-Greenaway	5	0	5	0	3	0	3	0	8	0	5	0	3	0	3	0	8	0	Asford Town (M) (A) Mar '22	
Lewis Batten			Dual Registered at Broadfields United FC								3	0	3	0	3	0	6	0	Uxbridge (H) Oct '21	
Kristian Beouzas			Dual Registered at Broadfields United FC								6	0	2	1	2	1	8	1	CB Hounslow (A) Feb '22	
James Budden	1	1	2	0	3	0	5	0	61	7	12	0	73	7	7	12	0	73	7	Godalming Town (H) Dec '15
Keagan Cole	4	1	5	1	3	0	8	1	27	7	7	0	34	7	7	0	34	7	Chipstead (A) Nov '21	
Harry Gallagher	0	2	2	0	1	0	3	0	2	0	2	0	3	0	1	0	3	0	Tooting & M U (H) Aug '22	
James Gurteen	5	0	5	0	2	0	7	0	33	0	6	1	39	1	6	1	39	1	Uxbridge (A) Sept '17	
*Nebay Halle	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	17	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	17	0	Rushden & Diamonds (A) Nov '17	
Josh Helmrore	3	1	4	2	4	0	4	2	8	4	21	11	8	3	8	3	29	14	Bedfont Sports (H) Jan '22	
Roman Hutchins	5	0	5	2	2	1	3	1	8	3	5	2	3	1	3	1	8	3	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22	
Sydney Ibe	5	0	5	5	4	0	4	2	9	7	28	12	5	2	5	2	33	14	Chipstead (A) Nov '21	
Micah Jackson	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	13	5	1	2	14	7	2	14	7	Chipstead (A) Nov '21		
Sam Jenkins	4	0	4	0	2	0	6	0	46	3	12	0	58	3	12	0	58	3	Kings Langley (H) Sept '18	
Romanio Jonas	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22	
Rahim Jude-Boyd	0	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	3	0	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22	
Brandon Kalu	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	2	0	3	0	1	0	3	0	Tooting & M U (H) Aug '22	
Andy Lomas	4	0	4	0	4	0	8	0	109	1	31	1	140	2	31	1	140	2	Kettering Town (A) Aug '14	
Andrew McConkell	5	0	5	0	4	0	9	0	7	0	4	0	11	0	4	0	11	0	Uxbridge (A) Sept '17	
Ergys Pepaj	1	2	3	0	1	2	3	0	6	0	3	0	6	0	3	0	6	0	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22	
Will Robinson			Dual Registered at Levenshock Green FC								4	0	2	0	2	0	6	0	Westfield (A) Jan '22	
Teddy Stacey									18	3	3	1	21	4	3	1	21	4	Chipstead (A) Nov '21	
Carl Stewart	4	1	5	0	3	1	4	0	9	0	27	1	8	0	8	0	35	1	Chipstead (A) Nov '21	
Lindell Stewart	2	2	4	0	1	2	3	0	7	0	4	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	2	0	8	0	Moneyfields (A) Dec '17	
Luke Tingsy	5	0	5	1	4	0	4	0	9	1	17	1	7	0	7	0	24	1	Tooting & M U (H) Feb '22	
Ryan Young			Managing the Under-18s								17	1	3	0	3	0	20	1	Chipstead (A) Nov '21	



HEMEL BEATEN IN FA YOUTH CUP

The Under-18s made it through two rounds of the FA Youth Cup for the first time in ten years when they defeated Hemel Hempstead Town 3-1 in an away tie that was played here at Northwood last week.

They now move into the Second Qualifying round and will play Langley FC, who affiliate to the local and highly-rated Cre8tive Academy and have come through their own ties 6-1 at Leverstock Green and 4-1 over North Greenford so far. It will be a tough test this Wednesday night here at the Skyline Roofing Stadium so please get along to give the lads a cheer.

The last time the Woods made as far as the Third Qualifying round was back in 2010 when they won four matches before eventually going out in the First Round proper, losing 3-1 at home to a Dulwich Hamlet side that included current professional Paul McCallum who currently plays for Dagenham & Redbridge.

Back to last week's game and Hemel gave up home advantage due to some essential work being carried out on their home 3G pitch but our own side was playing a competitive game here at Northwood for the first time too!

They were gifted a great start by a poor challenge from their goalkeeper on Oscar John which led to an early penalty which Fabjan Toci stuck away.

The visitors were soon back on level terms though with a header from a corner and goalkeeper Max Bretayne needed to be on top form to make several vital saves. Just before the break, the Hemel 'keeper let a ball slip from his hands and Toci pounced again to give the Woods a 2-1 lead at the break.

The goal that made it safe was a real spectacular one as Tom Reid let fly from thirty yards to give the substitute goalkeeper no chance.

Team: Bretayne, Payne, Moneke (Kwaku-Scholz), Reade, Osborne, Clemow, Crowder, Lousley, Toci, Reid (Wyatt), John (Thapa).

The side finally plays their first Isthmian Youth League home game of the season a week later, against Hampton & Richmond Borough on Wednesday 5th October.



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	3-1	Toci 2, Reid
Wed 28 Sep	LANGLEY	H FAY Cup		
Wed 5 Oct	HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH	H IYLge		
Wed 19 Oct	UXBRIDGE	H IYL Cup		
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

SUTTON COMMON ROVERS

A BRIEF HISTORY

Chairman and Life President Alan Salmon founded SCR.F.C in 1978, when the club began life as INRAD FC, based in Carshalton.

The club entered a new era when Alan moved to Sutton and arranged sponsorship with his new neighbour, CENTRE 21 FC was born.

This era saw the club running one Saturday side, three Sunday sides and three Youth sides. Centre 21's sponsorship continued until the club's youth players were no longer under 21 years old.

The club again sought new a identity, SUTTON COMMON ROAD FC was formed and subsequently abbreviated to SCR FC.

Since then the club has had five major sponsors whose names have been incorporated into the clubs affiliated name: SCR PLOUGH (twice), SCR GRAPES, next the club's longest sponsor SCR LITTEN TREE (7 years) and finally SCR Kingfisher, Ewell with whom we started our venture in Saturday football in 2004/05.

It was at this point that the club took the decision to revert back to using the SCR name alone, feeling that as we strive for continued promotion we needed to disassociate ourselves with the whole 'pub team' image.

The club however did take sponsorship form the Fox & Hounds, Carshalton for the Sat first team in 2006/07, but the decision was made that the pub name would not be incorporated into our own, for the above reason.

The club entered yet another new era this season, with the introduction of a third Saturday side (Messers Alex Avis & Tony Williams) and the firsts moving to the Middlesex

County FL (and a name change SUTTON COMMON ROVERS) in the pursuit of combined Counties football, having made an unsuccessful application from the Surrey South Eastern Combination at the end of season 2006/07 having finished joint top (3rd on goal difference... -1 goal)

A third place finish in the Middlesex County League Premier division in 07/08 meant that our promotion to the CCL was not assured but months of hard work & determination from the management team SCR eventually secured a place for the clubs 1st time in their 30 year history at the league AGM in June 2008 and the reserves moved into the CCL reserve division under the guidance of Alex Avis and Justin Salmon.

Season 08/09 saw the latest name change of the club, to form MOLE VALLEY SCR FC reflecting the area in which we played.

Season 09/10 saw the club reach a Surrey Cup final, narrowly being defeated by Sutton United after a 1-1 extra time score line on penalties and in the same season compete in the FA Vase for the first time in our relatively short history.

We finished Champions of Division One at the second time of asking, narrowly piping Worcester Park to the post in a fine run which saw us finish three points clear on the final match of the season, assuming as we believed, we were awarded the points from the postponed Coulsdon match who unfortunately were unable to field a side for our scheduled league game some weeks earlier.

The following season saw the club play at our highest level to date, and make our FA Cup debut, although this

lasted just one game, and ended in a 5-0 defeat against Chertsey Town.

The club managed two seasons in the Premier Division, before being relegated back to Division 1, following a start to the season that saw twelve straight league defeats.

The 2012/13 season started with a rebuilt side and expectations of consolidation, however a twenty game unbeaten run propelled us into runners up spot, and a much coveted promotion back to the Premier Division.

2013/14 started brightly, but went to the last game, and a point saw survival.

It was the same the following season, and although we lost (2-0 at home to Guildford City), we still managed to survive.

For the 2015/16 season, there was a change of name to Sutton Common Rovers, and after much hard work by the Salmons, a return to Sutton, and a ground share with Sutton United.

2016/17 saw a twelfth place league finish and the capture of the Southern Combination Cup.

The following season, 2017/18 we recorded our highest ever placing, finishing third in the Premier Division, and reached the semi final of both the Southern Combination Cup and the EL Records Premier Challenge Cup.

2018/19 was our best ever season, finishing runners up in the Premier division behind the powerful Chertsey Town side, winning the Premier Challenge Cup and finish-

ing runners up in the Southern Combination Challenge Cup

2019/20 saw the side a little off the pace in the league, when it was called to a halt, but with games in hand a place in the top five was possible.

It was in the national cup competitions that new records were set, with the side reaching the First Qualifying Round of the FA Cup for the first time (after wins over Molesey 1-0, after a 1-1 draw; and Eastbourne Town 3-0), the FA Vase saw further success, with wins over Snodland Town 5-1, Raynes Park Vale 4-0, Lancing 1-0 (after a 3-3 draw); and Christchurch 2-1 taking us to the fifth round, where we bowed out to Western League AFC Bitton 2-1, after a disappointing performance down in Bristol.

At the end of another curtailed season and following an FA restructure the club was moved up to Step 4 and the Isthmian South Central division

Our first season in the Isthmian League saw a seventeenth place finish, on goal difference behind both Westfield and Tooting & Mitcham Utd, and avoidance of the relegation play offs.

We also made our debut in the FA Trophy, albeit briefly, losing our only fixture away at Ramsgate.

We reached the second qualifying round of the FA Cup for the first time, thanks to wins over Steyning Town and a shock win at Isthmian Premier Cray Wanderers, before losing after a replay to Jersey Bulls.

PAST YEARS – OUR VISITORS RECENT FINAL PLAYING RECORD

Season	Position	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
As Mole Valley SCR - Combined Counties Division One								
2012-2013	2nd (P)	34	23	6	5	78	31	75
Combined Counties League Premier								
2013-2014	18th	42	11	9	22	69	101	42
2014-2015	18th	40	13	6	21	62	94	45
As Sutton Common Rovers								
2015-2016	19th	42	13	6	23	66	85	45
2016-2017	12th	44	18	5	21	64	72	59
2017-2018	3rd	42	27	6	9	92	48	87
2018-2019	2nd	38	23	9	6	85	48	78
2019-2020	8th	25	13	4	8	68	45	43
2020-2021	1st (P)	13	11	2	0	35	6	35
Isthmian League Division One South Central								
2021-2022	17th	36	10	4	22	46	82	34



SOME OF OUR VISITORS THAT COULD BE ON VIEW THIS AFTERNOON



Bertie Lloyd



Brian Testolin



Hugo Odogwu-Atkinson



Liam Joyce



Stephane Akmel



Tony Halsey

Action from our visitors recent game at Marlow



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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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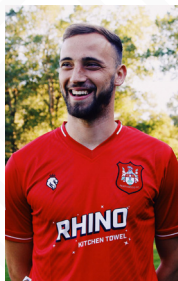


Josh Helmore

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.

Graham Mann

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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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Micah Jackson

Micah is an attacking midfielder who was recruited from Enfield Borough FC in November 2021, where he had played his football for the last three seasons. Prior to that he had a short spell at Cockfosters. The 26-year-old established himself well with seven goals in 13 appearances but then chose to move to Chalfont St Peter in February. He started this season with Walthamstow but re-signed for the Woods in September 2022 and will be looking to boost the squad's attacking options.

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Head Coach: Ben Bukowski
Coach: Richard Elderfield
Physio: Dan Daggett
Colours: All Red

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- 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**
- Micah **JACKSON**



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Coach: Liam Joyce
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- Kevin **DIOMANDE**
- Hugo **ODOGWU-ATKINSON**
- Bertie **LLOYD**
- Jake **RUMBLE**
- Rhamar **GARRETT-DOUGLAS**
- Courtney **SWABY**
- Tyler **COX**
- Matt **SURMON**
- Kyron **RICHARDS**
- Shawn **LYLE**
- Tony **HALSEY**
- Nebay **HAILE**
- Lee **FLAVIN**
- Brian **TESTOLIN**
- Arnaud **AKMAL**
- Daniel **UZOR**
- Melos **AJVAZI**

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MATT FLETCHER

Assistant
ALEX BAKER

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HARRY DEMO

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