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IAN'S INSIGHT

With Woods Chairman, Ian Barry



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

We extend our welcome to our guests from Tooting & Mitcham United FC and trust they enjoy their short stay here.

It was a good start to the competitive season last week with a hard-fought win here against League rivals South Park Reigate FC.

We just about deserved the win in the end and the team spirit we have these days I'm sure played a big part in the victory with all the goals coming in the first-half.

For those who attended last week (and I know there were quite a few of you on holiday), you would have seen our new stand/Covered accommodation on the near side of the ground which was purchased and put in place in memory of our late Life Club President, Pat Byrne.

It was lovely to see Pat's brother John and Pat's partner Shamira, who kindly sponsored the match last week, both show that they were delighted by the new addition and improvement to our facilities.

It was very important to us to have a permanent memorial in the ground for Pat in recognition of everything he did for the club and I genuinely believe it's a fitting tribute.

The funds for the structure came from the Memorial Match that over 40 ex-Northwood players, friends and family played in last October plus a timely prize win from Papa Johns Pizza that we were gifted in May.

We had hoped to officially unveil the stand today, but due to many of Pat's family being away, we will postpone this for now and do it as soon as we can.

I hope that our new season ticket holders enjoy their experience here at The Woods and we welcome them as well as our regulars of course!

Thanks for renewing your Season Ticket too!

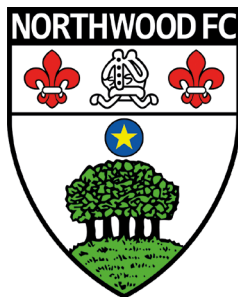
Please, don't miss out on our bargain season ticket at just £49! It's amazing value.

It was also great to hear of the compliments from our visitors last week of our facilities, pitch and hospitality; something we are very proud of here.

Enjoy the game today and get behind the boys as they look to get us off to a solid start to the new league campaign.

Up The Woods!

Ian







Direct from the Management

HEAD COACH

BEN BUKOWSKI

Good afternoon, Woods fans, I would first like to say a big thank you to you all for your amazing support last week at our FA Cup game against South Park. It was great to see so many of you enjoying the weather and appreciating having football back!

I also want to give a huge thank you to our chairman, Ian Barry. When I arrived at the club on Saturday, I was extremely happy with the condition of our home pitch. We had several comments from our players and opposition players on how good it looked. This is so important to us as a team as we want to ensure we play attractive football where we can, and having a surface like this allows us to do that. I know how much work has gone into the pitch over the break and due to the current weather, there are many teams who have not been so fortunate.

It was important to get our campaign off to a good start and FA Cup games are always difficult games. I thought we showed great character and management of situations throughout the game. The added wealth of experience throughout the spine of the squad was evident on Saturday, this is something we have worked had on over the summer from a recruitment side.

As you would have seen our goalkeeper Andy McCorkell was available again for selection. This is some-

thing I owe a huge thanks to our physio team for. Dan Daggett and Elizabeth Brooks have been very busy since Andy's injury against Hanwell, ensuring the protocols are followed and the right tests are given to him. I would like to thank them both for their professionalism and hard work during this time to ensure our squad is where it is meant to be on a fitness level.

This afternoon we look to start our league campaign as strongly as possible and we have prepared this week as best as we can. On Tuesday, the whole squad took part in a swim/recovery session. This allowed for some well-earned down time and team bonding. Thursday gave us another training session to get together and work on ways to improve and build on our good start.

I hope we can continue to make everyone proud. We will be doing our best this season to ensure the club moves in the right direction on and off the pitch. Please keep making as much noise as possible, especially those in our new Pat Byrne Memorial Stand. This is an excellent addition to our stadium and is an important part of Northwood Football Club.

Thank you for your continued support!

Up the Woods!

Ben

WOODS OUTLOOK

Let's start Pitching In and welcome the Terrors

It is thirty years since we started our first-ever season in the Isthmian League but, now in 2022, the excitement that another new League campaign brings remains fresh and today we begin another chapter with the visit of Tooting & Mitcham United FC. It's not for the first time as this fixture was also the opening match of the 2018/19 season and that one produced a classic. Our opponents were 3-1 to the good with fifteen minutes to play but the Woods stormed back to win 4-3 with James Ewington netting a hat-trick and Carl Pearce bagging an 89th minute clincher. The Terrors goals came from Billy Dunn, Peter Wedgeworth and Danny Bassett.

Last season, we were on the wrong end of a 7-3 thrashing at Tooting & Mitcham in early October but the return, played after our change of management and squad, was a more respectable 2-2 draw. Michael Dixon and Mark Waters gave the Terrors a 2-0 lead early in the second-half and the Woods had to again battle back. Micah Jackson pulled one back on 62 minutes but time was running out when Keagan Cole headed in from close-range to tie things up; an assistant referee flagging that the ball had crossed the line. The visitors disagreed heartily enough to have two red cards shown after the final whistle had blown.

Tooting will have been disappointed with their final placing of fifteenth in the League table last season and will be hoping for a much-improved campaign this time around. They started their competitive fixtures, like ourselves, in the Emirates FA Cup and notched a comfortable 3-0 away win at Combined Counties League side Cobham in what would have been a potentially tricky tie. So far, so good for the Terrors.

Our grateful thanks this afternoon to Gerry Pimm for sponsoring this afternoon's opening League game and we hope he and his party enjoy their Boardroom Hospitality.

The Emirates FA Cup

Our own entry into the Emirates FA Cup last Saturday also produced a satisfactory result as we moved into the next round by way of a narrow, 2-1 victory over fellow Isthmian South Central Division club, South Park Reigate. Our visitors proved tough opposition and fought back well

to level after Josh Helmore's opening strike but Ronan Hutchings netted on his Woods debut just before the break and the side held on throughout a battling second period. The win will take us to yet another familiar fellow Isthmian South Central side in Ashford Town (Middlesex) in the Preliminary Round next Saturday afternoon, 20th August 2022. Our opponents notched a bloodless high-scoring 8-0 away win at Sussex coast based Southern Counties League side, Saltdean United so should be in a confident mood when we meet next week!

Other Cup News

The FA Trophy is now sponsored by Izuzu and we start our campaign in that competition in the first qualifying round on Saturday 10th September. We have home advantage in that one but yet again we face another side that share's our own league division in Combined Counties League Champions Hanworth Villa. The Villains won that title unbeaten throughout, they have strengthened well and will be a tough team to beat when they arrive next month. The winners of that tie will be rewarded with home advantage in the next round against either last season's Vase Finalists Littlehampton Town or Ramsgate who finished just outside the Isthmian South Division play-offs.

The club haven't decided if they are going to enter the Velocity Isthmian League Cup this season as yet while the Middlesex competitions have not been drawn as yet (at the time of writing).

New Arrivals

Two more players were added to the squad in the final days before the season started last week. Forward Nebay Haile returns to the club for a second spell having played for both Hemel Hempstead Town and Hanwell Town last season. He is currently out with a bit of a hamstring issue but did net twice in pre-season. Defender Brandon Kalu also joins us from Chalfont St Peter and was included on the bench for the FA Cup game last weekend. We welcome both to the club and hope they have a successful stay with us.

Club Main Sponsors

This week we have announced five Companies that have become new main sponsors for Northwood FC this season. We thank all of them for agreeing to enter

our prize draw and full details of their sponsorships is included elsewhere in today's programme. It may take a few weeks, but various advertising mediums will appear to show our thanks to all five soon. Please support them whenever you get the chance.

We are delighted that Braverman Kitchens have renewed their kind sponsorship of the Byrne Stand. Thank you to Charles & Jacqui Braverman – if you are considering having a new kitchen fitted, please consult with them at their top-class showroom in Watford.

Your Match Day Programme

Two pieces of very good news for you! An anonymous benefactor has kindly sponsored this season's Match Day programme which means that we will continue producing them in the current printed format and we will also endeavour to improve the features included in our production as the season progresses. Not only that but the size of the donation also means that we are, from this issue onwards, also reducing the price of your favourite reading material to just £2.00 so you don't have to search for those extra 50p's in your pocket each week. Our grateful thanks for this assistance towards our costs which is much appreciated.

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. Our League season starts today of course so if you want to gain full advantage you need to have paid by now. There is an on-line link to pay from the website or, by all means pay cash to me today! 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

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

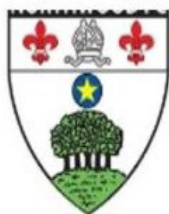
Are under new management this season after Paul Masters stepped down at the end of last season. Taking over is first-team player Ryan Young who steps in for his first managerial role with Woods Sunday Youth manager Marc Harding assisting. They have put together a pretty young side with most of the squad still only 16 so it will be a test for them this season but they all have the potential to develop as the season progresses. They are unbeaten in two friendlies played at the time of writing. They were due to play Rayners Lane on Thursday night and then Oxford City today. The first Isthmian Youth League game is against last season's Champions Bedfont Sports on Monday week, 22nd August – a tough start for sure. The following Monday they play away at Uxbridge in the FA Youth Cup, a repeat of our fixture last season. Their first home game is not until September.

Our tenants - Spartans Youth FC

Despite only finishing in fifth place in the Surrey Premier County League at the end of last season, it was enough for our tenants Spartans to gain promotion and this season they are playing at Step 6 in Division One of the Combined Counties League alongside the likes of Brook House, Hillingdon Borough, Rayners Lane, London Samuraj Rovers and Molesey. Last Tuesday night they played their first-ever home game at Step 6 against Rising Ballers Kensington but the result is not known at the time of writing. They are back at home this Tuesday night, 16th August 2022 against Penn & Tylers Green and then also next Saturday when they take on Cove. Admission charge is £4.00.

Coming Up.....

We are back in Isthmian League action on Wednesday night this week, 17th August 2022 when we make the short trip to take on last season's play-off semi-finalists Bedfont Sports. Kick-Off is at 7.45pm and it would be great to see plenty of you there to cheer the lads on. Next Saturday it is the FA Cup again, just down the road from Bedfont at Ashford Town (Middlesex) and again we'd love you to be there too. It's a 3pm kick-off. No midweek game after that and away to Westfield the following Saturday but as it's a Bank Holiday, we're back here on the Monday for the visit of promoted side Southall.



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LEADER OF THE PACK

With Captain, Keagan Cole

The Woods 100% Extra Preliminary Round record continues!

The squad are happy to continue the clubs record in the FA Cup with a 2-1 win over South Park Reigate last weekend.

Unfortunately for me, due to the addition of 150 more teams into this year's FA Cup, I had a holiday booked in and missed last Saturday's fixture.

It's fair to say that I now know and understand the stress and anxiety of not being at the game but wanting to know what was going on every second! – Luckily, I had some of you guys giving me live updates throughout. Thank you!

I'm absolutely delighted for Ronan scoring his first goal for the club in his first ever FA Cup appearance along with Josh grabbing a goal in our first game of the campaign.

Special shout out to Andrew McCorkell for pulling through from his head injury scare against Hanwell Town to be able to return to his duties so quickly... featuring his Petr Cech-Esque helmet.

I'm also happy to see Sydney pick up the man of the match award. I am sure there will be many more to come as he has shown a real focus in recent weeks and bought into everything we are trying to do at the club.

Finally, I'd urge you all to watch a game from our beautiful new "Pat Byrne Memorial Stand" not only is it the best view in the house but also comes with great importance to us, the club and the Byrne family.

Looking forward to returning this afternoon, starting our league campaign and seeing you all back at the Club.

Up the Woods,

Keags x

DON'T FORGET TO GET IN TOUCH IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THE WOODS GOLF DAY FUNDRAISER. CALL ME ON 07969 278 124.

ON THIS DAY 13TH AUGUST

By Ken Green

As our Isthmian League season starts today, it is interesting to note that some years in the past we have still been playing friendlies; there have been 10 fixtures before on this date.

The results and details of all 10 games are shown below, and I take a look at three matches in more depth.

Date	Venue	Competition	Opponents	Result	Goalscorers	Att
Sat 13 Aug 1977	A	Friendly	Marlow XI	W 3-0	Ellis 2, Livingstone	-
Wed 13 Aug 1980	H	Middx Charity Cup	HAYES	L 2-4	Livingstone, Wlodyka	-
Sat 13 Aug 1983	H	Friendly	EDGWARE TOWN	L 1-2	Gould	-
Sat 13 Aug 1988	A	London Spartan	Southgate Athletic	W 3-2	Eccles, Colw ill, Pacquette	-
Tue 13 Aug 1991	A	Friendly	Chalfont St Peter	L 1-3	Phillips	-
Sat 13 Aug 1994	H	Diadora League Div 3	CANVEY ISLAND	W 3-2	Davey, Holmes, Dale	162
Tue 13 Aug 1996	H	Friendly	BERKHAMSTED TOWN	W 2-1	Halbert 2	-
Sat 13 Aug 2005	H	Southern League Premier	MERTHYR TYDFIL	L 2-3	Demetrious, Dean	227
Sat 13 Aug 2011	A	Southern League South Central	ASHFORD TOWN	L 1-3	L Alexander 2	117
Sat 13 Aug 2016	A	Southern League South Central	Bedford Town	W 1-0	Stead	195

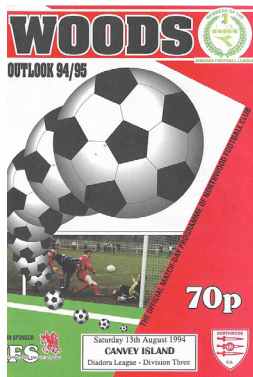
1984 Woods 3 Canvey Island 2

Northwood got off to a good start to the season against Canvey Island, having started with a new managerial team of John Walsh and his assistant John Downey and only four of the 14 in the line-up having played for the club the previous season.

Andy Dale, who had played a part in Woods' second goal put them 3-1 ahead after moving in quickly onto a back pass and winning the challenge with the visiting goalkeeper. And even though Gary Britnell hit a post which would have put Canvey Island 2-1 in front, Woods thoroughly deserved

their victory, with the visitors' goal coming in the 50th minute.

The Woods' opening goal after 20 minutes was a real beauty, with



Holmes' flick-on header falling to Peter Davey, whose volley from the edge of the area rocketed home.

Woods played some attractive soccer but the visitors equalised early in the second half with a well worked free kick goal. But Northwood regained the lead when Dale put in a great run, Darren Morris's shot was only half saved by the keeper and Holmes stabbed the ball home. Dale then made it 3-1 to wrap up the points.

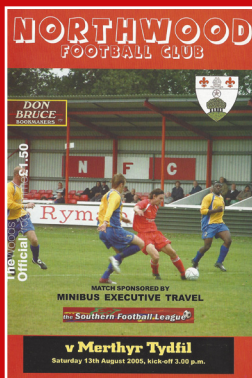
Northwood: Paul Henderson, Andy Dale, Kevin Dobson, Ray Bennett (Richard Hylton), Simon Walsh, Steve Payton, Peter Davey, Tony Ponnou, Rod Romaine (Paul Sloley), Lawrence Holmes, Daren Morris

2005 Woods 2 Merthyr Tydfil 3

After a summer of upheaval at Chestnut Avenue, Northwood's Southern League Premier Division debut proved a real baptism of fire but, ultimately, ended in dismay. However, the Woods took the lead with just ten minutes on the clock when former Chelsea youngster Shayne Demetriou rifled home an unstoppable 30-yarder.

The Martyrs responded well with Dale Griffiths seeing his header pushed over by Carroll, but the home side went further ahead after 24 minutes. Another strike by Demetriou was going wide but Peter Dean, ignoring offside calls, controlled it well and hit a crisp shot past goalkeeper Ashley Morris.

Merthyr worked hard to try to get back into the game but it was Northwood who almost made it 3-0 when



Ryan Kirkland showed great control to turn in the box but then poked his shot wide. The visitors started to get the upper hand as the second half progressed and the Woods had to defend solidly to keep them out, and the Martyrs gave themselves a chance when Richard Ingram hit a shot from close-range; it was half-saved by Carroll but the ball had crossed the line.

However, it still seemed as if a winning debut was on the cards for the Woods, until an 88th minute incident which changed the game, with the assistant referee flagging for a dubious penalty, which Mike Fowler neatly tucked away to level the scores.

Woods substitute Harry Howell, only on for three minutes, then got himself red-carded for an off-the-ball incident before play restarted and Merthyr sensed a chance to win the game as Northwood failed to reorganise. That chance came two minutes into stoppage-time. A deep cross was knocked in from the space left by the errant Howell on the flank and substitute Welsh met it with sweeping finish that robbed the Woods!

Northwood: Lee Carroll, Max Howell, Fergus Moore, Dave Nolan, Luke Evans, Shayne Demetriou, Gavin Hart (Harry Howell), Chris Gell, Darren Grieves, Peter Dean, Ryan Kirkland

2016 Bedford Town 0 Woods 1

The Woods notched an excellent away win at Bedford Town, having taken just one point from their first two league fixtures. Early play was fairly even, and Northwood took the lead after 29 minutes when Luke Heneghan found himself in plenty of space and set up Louis Stead who netted with a neat finish inside the far post. Stead went close to a second six minutes later when some good approach work led to a great strike but Harris did well to tip his effort over the crossbar.

Bedford finally got a shot on target though before the break as Draycott tried his luck from distance but Thomas Spenser dived to his left



to save well.

Harris saved comfortably from Debattista's shot on the turn soon after the restart but then Bedford came close to levelling the scores on 48 minutes as Roache got on

the end of a good cross from Adam Watkins and Spenser did well to make an excellent save to keep the Woods in front.

Bedford continued to look for a leveller, but it was Northwood who finished strongest; Andreou had a weak shot comfortably saved by Harris and then put in a dangerous cross which eluded both Stephenson and Heneghan in the middle. Finally, a Heneghan corner was headed down by Budden and Mark Burgess had an effort blocked.

Northwood: Thomas Spenser, Alex Nolan, Julian Smith, Mark Burgess, James Budden, Georges Ehui, Luke Heneghan, James Burgess, Ryan Debattista (Myles Stephenson 57m), Louis Stead, Callum Wright (Marinos Andreou 78m)

Words by Robin Piper

MATCH REPORT



NORTHWOOD 2 SOUTH PARK REIGATE 1

Saturday 6th August 2022

Kick-Off 3.00pm

EMIRATES FA CUP, EXTRA PRELIMINARY ROUND

Northwood began the long road to Wembley with a narrow win over league rivals South Park in the season's curtain raiser at a sun-drenched Skyline Stadium.

Making their first appearance at this stage of the competition, Woods began with debutant Ronan Hutchins in the right-channel attacking role while fellow new boy Romario Jonas took his place in a three-man defence alongside Luke Tingey and the returning James Budden who donned the captain's armband in the absence of Keagan Cole.

The Northwood line-up also included goalkeeper Andrew McCorkell and midfielder Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway for their second stints with the club.

Woods were quickly onto the front foot with South Park having to deal with a couple of early Tingey throws into the danger-area, the second of which saw Budden's flicked header clawed away by goalkeeper Zack Basey.

Northwood continued their dominant start as a flowing move from the back involving Budden, Alexander-Greenaway and Andy Lomas ended with Sydney Ibie charging into the box before lifting the ball over the crossbar from a narrow angle.

Having weathered the early storm, the visitors began to make an attacking impression with Nathan Hogan having an effort deflected wide after an incisive move on the edge of the box.

And further South Park pressure saw Ryan Healy bundled over in the box by the back-tracking Hutchins with the referee pointing to the penalty-spot, only to reverse the decision after the intervention of the assistant referee who had spotted a handball offence.

The Sparks continued to ask questions of Northwood with Ben Jordan the next to threaten, the hosts grateful to

the well-placed Budden who blocked the goal bound shot.

GOAL: 17 minutes 1-0 JOSH HELMORE

But it was Woods who opened the scoring with 17 minutes on the clock as Ibie turned smartly before breaking down the left flank and delivering a perfectly weighted centre which was swept home by Josh Helmore.

Boosted by the goal, Northwood enjoyed a period of sustained pressure as they looked to increase their lead, winning a couple of free-kicks in dangerous positions which they failed to capitalise on before Helmore almost latched onto a volleyed pass from Lomas after the latter had been picked out by Tingey's searching ball from the back.

And both Helmore and Tingey had bites at the cherry as their stabbed shots were blocked after Hutchins' corner caused a scramble in the South Park box.

GOAL: 27 minutes 1-1 MARIO QUIASACCA

However, Northwood were halted in their tracks as Mario Quiasacca turned sharply on the edge of the area before unleashing an unstoppable shot into the top corner of the net to restore parity on 27 minutes.

Woods looked to respond before the break and another sweeping move involving Alexander-Greenaway, Ibie and Helmore saw the over-lapping Lomas send in a cross-shot which was gathered by keeper Basey.

GOAL: 45 minutes 2-1 RONAN HUTCHINS

But Northwood were not to be denied as they regained the lead on the stroke of half-time, Ibie teeing up Hutchins who fired a low shot into the far corner of the net for a debut goal.

The visitors came out with renewed energy after the break, Quiasacca with an audacious overhead attempt which failed to trouble McCorkell before Sam Jenkins



was on hand to block a shot from Hogan after Woods conceded possession in a dangerous position.

And the Sparks maintained their bright start to the second period as they worked a good position, but Samuel King's shot flew wide of the target.

The contest proceeded to become a rather disjointed affair with neither side enjoying any meaningful possession.

And Woods were forced into their first change on 67 minutes as they lost Carl Stewart to cramp with debutant Ergys Pepaj his midfield replacement.

Northwood regained a little bit of attacking cohesion as they forced a free-kick on the edge of the South Park box – Hutchins' effort clearing the crossbar before Ibie once more outstripped the Sparks defence but his shot was comfortably dealt with by Basey.

Woods made another change on 75 minutes, Rahim Jude-Boyd replacing Jenkins for his first Northwood appearance as the hosts looked to consolidate for the latter stages.

But the Woods were given a scare as Seanon McKillop's intended cross rebounded off the far upright with a relieved McCorkell gathering Jordon's shot from the rebound.

Northwood made a third substitution with seven

minutes remaining on the clock as Helmore made way for Lindell Stewart for the latter's second outing in the red shirt after his sole appearance last season on a brief sojourn from Windsor.

South Park had a wonderful opportunity to level the tie as Woods struggled to clear their lines but Quiasacca failed to capitalise as his shot hit the side-netting.

With the contest into seven minutes of added time, both sides had chances to add to the scoreline - Stewart twice being denied by Basey while South Park substitute James McElligotsent a wild shot over the home crossbar with the last meaningful action of the afternoon, Woods going through to the next round where they will meet league rivals once again with a trip to Ashford Town (Middlesex).

WOODS LINE-UP:

McCorkell, Jenkins, Lomas, Tingey, Budden, Jonas, Hutchins, Alexander-Greenaway, Helmore, Ibie, C Stewart

SUBS:

12 Pepaj (for C Stewart 67m), 14 L Stewart (for Helmore 83m), 15 Gallagher, 16 Jude-Boyd (for Jenkins 75m), 17 Gurteen, 18 Kalu, 19 Daggett.

GOALS: Helmore (17), Hutchins (45)

ATTENDANCE: 128

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 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.

PAT BYRNE REMEMBERED

Many of you will remember the sad passing of the Club's Life President Pat Byrne, a former player and manager of the club, back in April 2020 when the World was first being affected by the pandemic that is Covid.

The years that followed made it difficult to arrange times to remember Pat by but we eventually staged a Memorial match for him last September which was superbly attended by ex-players, friends and family.

The proceeds from that were added to by a windfall prize that the club was nominated for by local lad Sam Sheehan through Papa Johns Pizza and this finally enabled us to place an order for some new covered accommodation which arrived just in time for the start of the new season!

The position of the new stand was Pat's favourite spot to watch Northwood games from and should provide ideal cover for spectators in that end of the ground when it's raining!

Pat's partner Shamira Hamirani and his brother John Byrne, were both here last Saturday to enjoy the new facility and we hope to have an official unveiling when other members of Pat's family are available to attend.

In the meantime, please enjoy the Pat Byrne Memorial Stand.



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THE 'L' WORD

FROM the very moment Leah Williamson proudly held aloft the Euro 2022 trophy for England in front of a packed-out Wembley crowd, the 'L' word has captured the imagination of young people throughout the grass roots game.

The 'Lionesses' stole the hearts of a nation after their nerve-jangling 2-1 victory over Germany ended England's 56-year wait for a major trophy, watched by an estimated TV audience of 20 million.

But it's another 'L' word, Legacy, which has taken the euphoria of victory to a whole new level and ignited interest in the women's game like never before.

Just hours after England's victory parade at London's Trafalgar Square, in front of thousands of joyous fans, new figures revealed unprecedented increases in young Brits looking to get involved.

Analysis of Google search data revealed that searches for 'football lessons' exploded by 665% in the United Kingdom, while searches for 'Girl's football team' rose by 3.167%.

"The Lionesses' historic win has undoubtedly uplifted and inspired the nation, which is only further confirmed by these findings," said a spokesman for sports and fitness experts BarBend. "The sport, which is beloved by the British public, not only improves our technical capabilities but is also one of the most enjoyable sports to play, reliant on team bonding and communication.

"With support and admiration for the Lionesses appearing to not die down any time soon, it will be incredibly interesting to see if these figures translate into sign-ups for football lessons up and down the country."

With the growth of the women's game escalated to these new heights, all eyes will naturally be on local non-League clubs to help provide the platform for this new legacy to take hold.

Undoubtedly, Non-League football's most successful women's team is Lewes, whose first team currently play in the Women's Championship.

The women's affiliate of the Isthmian League club, which prides itself on its 100% fan and community

ownership, was established in 2002 and is growing by the year, thanks to their Elite Pathway schemes.

Lewes hit the headlines nationally in 2017 when they became the first professional or semi-professional football club to pay its women's team the same as its men's team as part of their Equality FC initiative. To this day, they remain the only club to issue equal pay.

In a recent edition of the NLP, we told how National League club Bromley were leading the support for the Lionesses with their extensive community programme.

Including the youth section and academy, the Ravens have around 200 women and girls playing each week, starting from the 4-11 year-olds Wildcats, the 12-16 year olds in The Squad, and the Bromley Belles, a fun recreational women's side which has seen a growth in participants from 12 to 50.

"I hope it has given people the taste and changed attitudes towards women playing football," said the club's a full-time women and girls' development officer, Andrea Ellis. "You've got to see it to believe it. Now we know young girls are seeing it. There are men wearing shirts with women's names on the back – Williamson on the back, or [Millie] Bright. That fills my heart with joy, it's amazing.

"The Euros has ignited something. I'd like to think people will be actively seeking to get on the pitch. That has a knock-on effect – more women get involved, become coaches, more teams. It has a massive domino effect on the whole game."

It's clear the 'L' word is the driving force behind a new community phenomenon about to sweep the nation.

'Love', 'Lionesses' or 'Legacy', take your pick, but one thing's for sure it's provided the perfect fillip to the start 2022-23 season at all levels of the game – and Non-League clubs can take full advantage.

THE WOODS IN 2022/2023

A match by match look at our progress throughout the season.

DATE	OPPONENTS	H/A	COMP	F/A	ATT	LINE UP	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								
Wed 17	Bedfont Sports	A	Lge								
Sat 20	Ashford Town (Middx)	A	FACPR								
Sat 27	Westfield	A	Lge								
Mon 29	SOUTHALL	H	Lge								
SEPTEMBER											
Sat 3	Emirate FA Cup First Round Qualifying										
Sat 10	HANWORTH VILLA	H	FAT1QR								
Sat 17	CHERTSEY TOWN	H	Lge								
Sat 24	Isuzu FA Trophy Second Round Qualifying										
OCTOBER											
Sat 1	Ashford Town (Middx)	A	Lge								
Sat 8	MERSTHAM	H	Lge								
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	ASHFORD TOWN (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 Alexander, Riccardo Alexander, 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 ●	Ibrie	(C) Stewart ●	Pepaj ●	(L) Stewart ●	Jude-Boyd ●	Gallagher	Curteen



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

WEEKEND FIXTURES



It's the opening weekend of the Isthmian League programme with a full list of games being played as we can check out below

PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN PREMIER DIVISION

Billericay Town vs Cray Wanderers

Bishop's Stortford vs Haringey Borough

Bognor Regis Town vs Hornchurch

Canvey Island vs Horsham

Carshalton Athletic vs Brightlingsea Regent

Corinthian Casuals vs Bowers & Pitsea

Enfield Town vs Folkestone Invicta

Hastings United vs Aveley

Margate vs Kingstonian

Wingate & Finchley vs Lewes

SOUTH-CENTRAL DIVISION

Ashford Town (Middx) vs Binfield

Basingstoke Town vs Bedfont Sports

Chertsey Town vs South Park Reigate

Chipstead vs Sutton Common Rovers

Leatherhead vs Westfield

Marlow vs Walton & Hersham

Merstham vs Southall

Northwood vs Tooting & Mitcham United

Thatcham Town vs Guernsey

Uxbridge vs Hanworth Villa

NORTH DIVISION

Basildon United vs Heybridge Swifts

Brentwood Town vs Felixstowe & Walton United

Bury Town vs Hashtag United

Coggeshall Town vs Grays Athletic

East Thurrock United vs AFC Sudbury

Gorleston vs New Salamis

Great Wakering Rovers vs Lowestoft Town

Maldon & Tiptree vs Tilbury

Stowmarket Town vs Hullbridge Sports

Witham Town vs Wroxham

SOUTH-EAST DIVISION

Burgess Hill Town vs Ashford United

Corinthian vs Hythe Town

East Grinstead Town vs Chatham Town

Faversham Town vs Littlehampton Town

Lancing vs Beckenham Town

Ramsgate vs Cray Valley PM

Sevenoaks Town vs Three Bridges

Sheppey United vs Chichester City

VCD Athletic vs Haywards Heath Town

Whitehawk vs Sittingbourne

AND PLAYING TOMORROW

PREMIER DIVISION

Potters Bar Town vs Herne Bay



A packed goal-line during last weekend's 2-1 home win over South Park Reigate in the Emirates FA Cup.

TEST YOUR FOOTBALLING
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10 TO TACKLE

Welcome to our quiz. How good is your footballing knowledge? See how you fare with these ten questions...

1. Which club has won the most Champions League titles?
2. Who is the only player to win the Champions League with three different clubs?
3. Three people have won the Champions League a record three times as manager. Who are they?
4. In which season was the European Cup rebranded as the Champions League?
5. Which team was the first from the UK to win the European Cup?
6. The Champions League has been won only once by a team from Romania. Can you name them?
7. Liverpool have won six Champions Leagues and Manchester United have won three, but who are England's third most successful team in the competition with two titles?
8. Who is the Champions League's top goalscorer of all time?
9. Which player holds the record for most Champions League winners' medals?
10. Which outfield player appeared in the Champions League final in three different decades?



Answers: 1) Real Madrid (13), 2) Clarence Seedorf (Ajax, Real Madrid, AC Milan), 3) Bob Paisley, Carlo Ancelotti and Zinedine Zidane, 4) 1992/93, 5) Steau 1966/67, 6) Celtic 1966/67, 7) Nottingham Forest (1978/79 and 1979/80), 8) Cristiano Ronaldo 9) Francisco Gento (six titles with Real Madrid) 10) Ryan Giggs

WOODS MAGIC MOMENT



NORTHWOOD 4
TOOTING & MITCHAM UNITED 3
SATURDAY 12TH AUGUST 2018
BOSTIK ISTHMIAN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE SOUTH CENTRAL

New manager Dean Barker saw his side get off to a victorious start to the 2018-19 season when they staged a sensational comeback to stun Tooting & Mitcham.

The Terrors settled well and looked the more threatening in the early stages, with their wing-backs finding plenty of space down both flanks, Billy Dunn going close with a rasping shot after good work from Danny Bassett. But it was Woods who opened the scoring against the run of play when James Ewington applied a neat finish on 20 minutes.

The visitors looked for a quick response and they got it as Northwood lost possession in midfield, allowing Isiah Jones to set up Dunn, who despatched the ball beyond goalkeeper Luke Sheldrick for the equaliser five minutes later.

And the Terrors deservedly took the lead on 43 minutes after Jerome Slew got into a tangle as he looked to clear the loose ball, presenting Peter Wedgeworth with the easiest of chances to convert from close range. Northwood had a chance to regain parity with the final kick of the first half as Pattie's corner found its way to Ewington but the Woods' goalscorer scooped his effort over the crossbar.

Woods came out for the second period in positive fashion and they immediately threatened as Emmanuel Melford-Rowe had a good shout for a penalty award turned down after he appeared to be bundled over. The Terrors might have considered themselves a little lucky, and they looked to make the most of their good fortune as the increasingly dangerous Jones shot narrowly wide.

The home side were beginning to make more of an impression and working themselves into some useful positions. However, they were dealt a cruel blow, losing possession in the visitors' half which led to Bassett applying an emphatic finish to a swift counter-attack to extend the Terrors' lead on 55 minutes.

Manager Barker utilised all his substitutions as he looked to engineer a Northwood recovery, but Dunn

almost put the game completely beyond Woods' reach as his fiercely struck free-kick hit a back stanchion. However, Northwood threw themselves a lifeline when substitutes Hakim Nyariki and Kweku Lucan combined to create an opportunity for Ewington, who sneaked the ball home at the far post to give the hosts hope on 76 minutes. And things got even better for Northwood three minutes later as Terrors' goalkeeper Liam Sallis made a hash of Pattie's lofted free-kick, and skipper Carl Pearce headed home to restore parity.

Woods had engineered an amazing turnaround to leave the visitors shell-shocked, and now went in search of an unlikely victory. And another Pattie free-kick led to further confusion in the Tooting box which resulted in Ewington getting the final touch to complete his hat-trick and the Northwood recovery, and signal wild celebrations with a minute of normal time left on the clock.

Northwood: Luke Sheldrick, Karl Stevenson, Miguel Lopes De Matos, Wilson Chingoka (Matt Cooper), Sam Tring, Carl Pearce, Jerome Slew, Luke Jupp (Hakim Nyariki), Ben Pattie, James Ewington, Emmanuel Melford-Rowe (Kweku Lucan)

Tooting & Mitcham United: Liam Sallis, Danny Bassett, Peter Wedgeworth, Sol Patterson-Bohner, Lexus Beeden (Serg Zamara), Quincy Rowe, Dominic Morgan-Griffiths, Kadeem Ajeon, Billy Dunn, Jordan Wilson (Ollie Bennett), Isiah Jones (Elijah Simpson)







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ROLL CALL

2022-23 SEASON | WOODS CAREER | WOODS DEBUT

Players' Name	WOODS CAREER RECORD														
	SEASON 2022/2023					TOTALS					CUPS			OVERALL	
	ISTHMIAN LEAGUE		CUP COMPETITIONS			GAMES		LEAGUE		CUPS		Tot Games	Tot Goals	Woods Debut	
Start	As Sub	Total	Start	As Sub	Total	Start	Gls	Lge Games	Gls	Cup Games	Gls	Gls	Gls	Woods Debut	
Ricardo Alexander-Greenaway			1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	Ashford Town (M) (A) Mar '22
Lewis Batten							3	0	3	0	3	0	6	0	Uxbridge (H) Oct '21
Kristian Belouosas							6	0	2	1	8	1	8	1	CB Hounslow (A) Feb '22
James Budden			1	0	1	0	59	7	10	0	69	7	69	7	Godalming Town (H) Dec '15
Keagan Cole							22	6	4	0	26	6	26	6	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Harry Gallagher															
James Gurneen							28	0	5	1	33	1	33	1	Uxbridge (A) Sept '17
Nebay Halle							16	0	0	0	16	0	16	0	Rushden & Diamonds (A) Nov '17
Josh Helmore			1	0	1	1	17	9	5	2	22	11	22	11	Bedfont Sports (H) Jan '22
Ronan Hutchins			1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22
Sydney Ilibe			1	0	1	0	23	7	2	0	25	7	25	7	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Sam Jenkins			1	0	1	0	42	3	11	0	53	3	53	3	Kings Langley (H) Sept '18
Romario Jonas			1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22
Rahim Jude-Boyd			0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22
Brandon Kalu															
Andy Lomas			1	0	1	0	105	1	28	1	133	2	133	2	Kettering Town (A) Aug '14
Andrew McCorrell			1	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	3	0	3	0	Uxbridge (A) Sept '17
Eigys Pepaj			0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	South Park Reigate (H) Aug '22
Will Robinson							4	0	2	0	6	0	6	0	Westfield (A) Jan '22
Teddy Stacy							18	3	3	1	21	4	21	4	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Carl Stewart			1	0	1	0	22	1	5	0	27	1	27	1	Chipstead (A) Nov '21
Lindell Stewart			0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	Wembley (H) Nov '21
David Taylor							6	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	Moneyfields (A) Dec '17
Luke Tingey			1	0	1	0	12	0	4	0	16	0	16	0	Tooting & MU (H) Feb '22
Ryan Young							17	1	3	0	20	1	20	1	Chipstead (A) Nov '21



THE YOUNG ONES

We focus on the Woods U18s



New Season approaching

After two years in charge, former Woods striker Paul Masters and his support team stepped down from the role in May having enjoyed some success in their second season.

That main success was the progress made by Lewis Batten and Will Robinson who both broke into the first-team squad; the main aim of our midweek Under-18 side.

Our thanks go to Paul, Darren Rowe, Andy Hopping, Karl Griggs and Colin Robinson for their hard work over the last couple of years.

Stepping up to the plate for the new season is first-team squad member Ryan Young who, despite his young age, has been coaching for some time and coached last season's Middlesex County Under-16s side.

He is assisted by Marc Harding who has long been associated with the Woods in the Sunday youth set-up.

They have put together a young-looking but talented squad and the two friendlies that they have played so far have produced a 2-2 draw with Holmer Green and then a 5-4 victory over Rayners Lane.

They are still to play further warm-up games against Hanwell Town and Oxford City over the next week before they kick-off their Isthmian Youth League season with an away game at Bedfont Sports on Monday 22nd August.

This could be a baptism of fire as the Sports cruised to the title last season and won the County Cup.

The week after they have another real test away at Uxbridge in the FA Youth Cup on Wednesday 31st August.

Our West Division this season has seen us lose Hayes & Yeading United and Wealdstone to be replaced by Slough Town and Fleet Town.

The Woods have also opted to play their fixtures on Wednesday night's rather than Thursday's this season.

NORTHWOOD UNDER-18S FIXTURES & RESULTS

Date	Opponents	Venue	Comp
Mon 22 Aug	Bedfont Sports	(A)	YLge
Wed 31 Aug	Uxbridge	(A)	FAYCup
Wed 7 Sept	ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDLESEX)	(H)	YLge
Wed 5 Oct	HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH	(H)	YLge
Mon 24 Oct	Marlow	(A)	YLge
Wed 2 Nov	BEACONSFIELD TOWN	(H)	YLge
Tues 15 Nov	Slough Town	(A)	YLge
Tues 22 Nov	Fleet Town	(A)	YLge
Wed 30 Nov	UXBRIDGE	(H)	YLge
Mon 12 Dec	Camberley Town	(A)	YLge
Wed 11 Jan	BEDFONT SPORTS	(H)	YLge
Wed 18 Jan	Ashford Town (Middlesex)	(A)	YLge
Wed 25 Jan	Hampton & Richmond Borough	(A)	YLge
Wed 1 Feb	MARLOW	(H)	YLge
Mon 6 Feb	Beaconsfield Town	(A)	YLge
Wed 15 Feb	SLOUGH TOWN	(H)	YLge
Wed 22 Feb	FLEET TOWN	(H)	YLge
Mon 27 Feb	Uxbridge	(A)	YLge
Wed 8 Mar	CAMBERLEY TOWN	(H)	YLge

Key:

YLge = Isthmian Youth League | FAYCup = FA Youth Cup
 MCYCup = Middlesex County Youth Cup

League Table	PLD	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	G-D
1 Ashford Town (Mx)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 Beaconsfield Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 Bedfont Sports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Camberley Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 Fleet Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 Hampton & RB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Marlow	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Northwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Slough Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Uxbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



THE VISITORS

TOOTING & MITCHAM FOOTBALL CLUB

A BRIEF HISTORY

Tooting & Mitcham United FC was formed in 1932 when two local sides, Tooting Town and Mitcham Wanderers amalgamated, the club remaining in the London League until joining the Athenian League in 1937.

In 1938 the Surrey Senior Cup was won for the first time by beating Dulwich Hamlet 2-1. Wartime then brought a mixture of friendly matches and a league called the South East Combination.

The London Senior Cup was lifted in 1943 when Dulwich Hamlet were defeated 5-4.

When the Second World War ended the club returned to the Athenian League and were Champions in 1950 and 1955.

They also reached the FA Cup First Round Proper for the first time in 1948 unluckily losing by a goal to nil at Millwall and in 1950 reached the First Round Proper again with their first ever home tie against Football League opposition Brighton & Hove Albion, losing 3-2.

The club was invited to join the Isthmian League in 1956, the premier amateur league in the South, and they switched from playing in white shirts to black and white stripes.

That season saw the club reach the FA Cup Second Round Proper losing to Queens Park Rangers.

In the 1957-58 season they were crowned Isthmian League Champions but were hit by tragedy when star goalkeeper Dave Moore was killed in a car crash soon after the title was won.

In season 1958-59 the club reached the 3rd round proper of the FA Cup for the first time in its history beating Football League clubs Bournemouth and Northampton Town.

In the third round they were drawn at home to Nottingham Forest, one of the top clubs in the country, and led the First Division side 2-0 at half-time but a own goal and a very controversial penalty for handball enabled Forest to scramble a draw.

In the replay the Midlands side won 3-0 played before a crowd of 42,362 and they went on to lift the FA Cup at Wembley.

The 1959-60 campaign was one of the best in the club's history the Isthmian League Championship was won for the second time and Tooting reached four Cup Finals, winning two.



The London Senior Cup was lifted as Bromley were beaten 5-0 and the Surrey Senior Cup was also won when Tooting defeated Walton & Hershaw 3-0, great striker and Northern Ireland International Paddy Hasty getting a hat-trick.

Paddy would also play for the Great Britain Olympic team in the 1960 summer Olympics and was the last player to score a goal for Team GB until 2012.

Tooting were the first amateur side to reach the London Challenge Cup Final for over 30 years losing 2-1 to Chelsea at Stamford Bridge.

In March 1962 the club switched on their brand new floodlights and how bright they were, the game against Arsenal was a classic as the Gunners were beaten 4-2 in a never to be forgotten evening.

The following season the team had a record 11-0 win over Welton Rovers in the Amateur Cup, the Tooting & Mitcham side containing several England Amateur Internationals.

Young goalkeeper Alex Stepney was a local lad who had come through the Tooting ranks and at the end of the 1962-63 campaign he joined Millwall and later played for Chelsea, Manchester United and the full England side

against Sweden, a proud moment for Tooting & Mitcham.

Dario Gradi, who had an illustrious career as manager of Crewe Alexandra over a long period of time, also played for the Terrors in the early 1960's.

The 1974-75 season saw the club reach the FA Cup first round proper and a dream home tie with Crystal Palace.

The Terrors took a first minute lead through Steve Grubb but the Eagles hit back to win 2-1 in front of a 10,000 plus crowd at Sandy Lane.

The following season the club under the guidance of Roy Dwight had their best ever run in the FA Cup reaching the 4th round proper.

After beating Romford and Leatherhead away the Terrors had to travel again to Swindon Town in the Third Round and soon found ourselves 2-0 down but a dramatic fight back saw Tooting snatch a draw.

In the replay at a packed Sandy Lane Tooting had a great 2-1 victory with Alan Ives scoring the winner after a fine solo run.

In the 4th round the Terrors were drawn away yet again with a long trip to Bradford City and despite a brave performance lost 3-1.

The club also had their best ever run in the FA Trophy

reaching the quarter-final stage losing at eventual winners Scarborough by 1-0.

The club won the Surrey Senior Cup three seasons on the trot in 1976, 1977 and 1978 being the first club to achieve this.

In 1983-84 Tooting finished in the bottom two of the Isthmian League but were saved from relegation as Staines Town did not have the required ground grading.

However, there was no reprieve in the 1988-89 campaign when the club were relegated for the first time in its history.

In season 1992-93 Tooting won its first trophy for many years at first team level when they lifted the Full Members Cup, beating Dorking by a goal to nil, scored by Micky Stephens.

The 1996-97 season proved to be one of the worst in the club's history resulting in relegation to the Second Division.

By contrast the 2000-01 campaign was the club's best for many years as the 6th round of the FA Vase was reached and defeat only came at the hands of eventual winners Taunton Town.

Even more importantly under the guidance of Keith Boanas and Ian Hazel the Ryman League Division Two Championship was won despite an horrific backlog of fixtures.

After many years of frustration and setbacks the club moved into its new home at Imperial Fields for the start of the 2002-03 season.

After going close to promotion in 2005-06, losing to Tonbridge in the Play-offs, manager Richard Cadette was replaced by the hugely experienced Billy Smith (who was skipper of Tooting's 1975-76 FA Cup side) and George Wakeling.

In their first season the club won both the London Senior Cup and the Surrey Senior Cup and a fantastic unbeaten league run saw Tooting reach the Play-off Final.

Sadly this proved to be a game too far as Hastings United won out by 2-0 at Imperial Fields.

However, the 2007-08 season would see Tooting reach the Play-off Final again, this time against Cray Wanderers, and a Paul Vines goal resulted in a welcome return to the Premier Division after a gap of 19 years. T

he club also produced a superstar by the name of Michail Antonio who came through the ranks and signed for Reading, and has subsequently starred in the Championship for Nottingham Forest and is now a regular on the score sheet with West Ham United.

In 2009-10 the team reached the First Round Proper of the FA Cup after a gap of many years with a trip to Stockport County but in a torrential rainstorm went down

to a 5-0 defeat.

Sadly at the end of the season Billy and George left the club and Mark Beard was subsequently appointed manager in May 2010.

After a mediocre first season and a dismal start to the 2011-12 season Beard was relieved of his position in December 2011 and former West Ham player Kenny Brown was appointed the new manager.

However, the results got worse and Tooting were relegated at the end of the 2011-12 season.

The following seasons saw a succession of managers (Roberto Forzoni, Jamie Martin and Phil Simpson) which cumulated in the club being relegated back to Division One at the end of the 2011-12 campaign.

For the 2013-14 season former Terrors captain Craig Tanner was appointed First Team Manager and was assisted by Adam Moriarty.

In their first season Tooting finished in a creditable 11th position. The 2014-15 season again saw the Terrors finish in 11th spot and reach the London Senior Cup Final losing to Hendon, but at the end of the campaign the club parted company with Craig and Adam.

The new management team for the 2015-16 season was former Reserve Team Boss Frank Wilson as Manager with Mark Hams as his assistant.

In October Hams left the club to be replaced by Paul Dale who became Assistant Manager and First Team Coach having previously been a manager of the Army football team, also having served as Coach at Godalming Town.

Tooting ended the 2015-16 season on a high beating Hendon by 2-0 in front of a crowd of 480 in the London Senior Cup Final at Imber Court. 2016-17 was the pinnacle of Tooting's recent achievements, the club being crowned as Ryman South Champions after a superb season of entertaining football.

The team amassed a total of 105 points with 120 goals scored and won the league on goal difference from Dorking Wanderers.

They also broke numerous records on the way that included a 14 game winning streak in a run where of 15 matches undefeated.

Star men for the team during that campaign were Billy Dunn with 25 goals and fellow striker Mike Dixon with 23. Manager Frank Wilson and his assistant Paul Dale were looking to consolidate that success in the new Bostik Premier division for the 2017-18 season.

Paul subsequently left the club for a management role elsewhere and the Terrors highly respected U23 coach Ashley Bosah was appointed as Assistant Manager and

Head Coach in his place.

The 2017-18 season was hugely disappointing, with the club in the lower reaches of the Isthmian league table for the majority of the campaign.

With only one team being relegated it was hoped that the club could get out of trouble but it was not to be and Premier League status was ended as Burges Hill Town pipped Tooting on goal difference!

At the end of the season the club parted company with manager Frank Wilson. For the 2018-19 season the club appointed Ashley Bosah and Cornelius Nwadiakor as joint First Team Managers with Jordan Wilson in the dual role of Assistant Manager and Player/Coach.

Ashley, Cornelius and Jordan had previously overseen the club's highly successful Under 23 side and they had a growing reputation of producing home grown talent.

This was good foresight by the club as attendances improved and there were many Football League scouts at Tooting & Mitcham matches.

There was also a general feeling of togetherness within the club.

After a cautious start to the campaign the team put

up some tremendous performances going on several unbeaten runs which saw them challenge for a play-off place.

Sadly the club just missed out but the encouraging signs were there for all to see and that the future of the club was very bright.

The Terrors also made it to the final of the Surrey Senior Cup but went down to Southern League Premier outfit Metropolitan Police by two goals to nil.

During the campaign Tooting players Abraham Odoh, Isaiah Jones, Sam Folarin and Lexus Beeden all left to join EFL Championship Clubs.

Further proof that the club was in very safe hands with a Management team that would once again be at the helm for the 2019-20 season.

Hady Ghandour signed for Charlton Athletic in the summer before the 2020/21 season.

Despite the abandoned league season in 2020-21 the club went on to win the London Senior Cup, beating AFC Wimbledon 2-1 in the final.

The win, under Cornelius Nwadiakor and Ashley Bosah, was the club's eighth win in the competition

Season	Position	Pld	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Agst	Pts
Isthmian South Division								
2012-2013	16th	42	12	9	21	52	75	45
2013-2014	11th	46	17	12	17	79	75	63
2014-2015	11th	46	15	14	17	77	66	59
2015-2016	17th	46	16	10	20	66	71	58
2016-2017	1st (C)	46	33	6	7	120	54	105
Premier Division								
2017-2018	24th (R)	46	9	9	28	52	101	36
South Central Division								
2018-2019	6th	38	18	11	9	66	52	65
2019-2020	8th	27	14	5	8	53	29	47
2020-2021	4th	7	5	0	2	12	3	15
2021-2022	15th	36	9	7	20	42	56	34

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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.



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Nebay Haile

Nebay has returned to the Woods in the summer of 2022 for a second spell having previously played 16 games five years ago on dual-registration from Staines Town.

He has since been well-travelled taking in Ashford Town (Middx), Tooting & Mitcham United, Bracknell Town, Dartford, East Thurrock United, Biggleswade Town, Hemel Hempstead Town and Hanwell Town. The forward, now 23, will be looking for regular games at this level.



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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.

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Keagan Cole

Keagan arrived at Northwood in a player-coach role in November 2021 having skippered Potters Bar Town at Step 3 and after a short spell with Walthamstow FC. Prior to that he came up through the youth ranks at Hendon to become the youngest player to make over 100 appearances for Hendon. Just turned 23 and an inspirational skipper who picked up the Supporters Player of the Year award in 2022.

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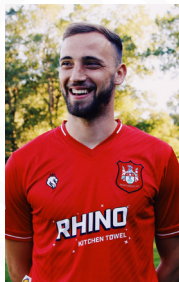


Harry Gallagher

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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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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

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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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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.

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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.

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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, Bedfont Sports before joining Northwood for the new season.

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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 midfield player is only 20 and will be looking to establish himself in senior football.

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Brandon Kalu

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

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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

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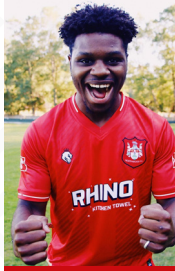


Carl Stewart

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, Bedfont 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.

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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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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.

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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.

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