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# IAN'S INSIGHT

WITH WOODS CHAIRMAN,  
IAN BARRY



**G**ood evening and welcome to the Skyline Roofing Stadium and our C & G Scaffolding Ltd sponsored Clubhouse for this Pitching In Isthmian League fixture. We welcome our visitors from Hanworth Villa FC and trust they enjoy their stay here.

This game should have been our first fixture of this year which shows how bad the weather has been. With February being the worst on record, it follows a period dating back to mid-October, which I can't remember being any worse for games being off in my time here.

On the pitch we have got going a bit of late and have scored twelve goals in the last three matches and genuinely could have scored even more! With comprehensive wins against Thatcham Town and Ashford Town and a draw sandwiched in between

at Sutton Common Rovers, our form has vastly improved and I still think we have more to come.

Tonight's visitors are always a very tough game for us and it'll certainly be good to keep this little run going, as long as we finally play this game of course! Our pitch has deteriorated recently and it seems we have a drainage issue in a large area in front of the dugouts which has got worse in the last couple of seasons unfortunately.

The reason I mention this is our tenants Spartans Youth played a game here last Saturday week, which should never have been played and that game alone caused much damage to our pitch.

A local Referee inspected the pitch early in the morning for over 45 minutes (yes, really) and left without saying the game would be on or off!

I've never known this before as he said it was "50/50" and will be up to the match referee to decide on his arrival. That person had already indicated, whilst not at the ground yet, that the game would be on and naturally he arrived much later than he stipulated and proceeded to call the game 'on' much to everyone's surprise!

Why he would have played this game at all costs and having a blatant disregard for the potential damage to the pitch, only he knows. A very selfish and ignorant act in my opinion. Sometimes, this is what we are dealing with.

Onwards and upwards and let's hope for a good crowd this evening as we push on to finish the season on a high.

**Up The Woods!**

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# DIRECT FROM THE MANAGEMENT

WITH MANAGER BEN BUKOWSKI

Good afternoon, Woods fans,

**I hope everyone is well and looking forward to today's game. Another week off from fixtures which is becoming a regular occurrence. Such a frustrating period due to the breaks in momentum.**

Unbeaten in three games feels good to write about having not had much consistency in our season. Seven points from a possible nine in recent weeks is a good return which I feel has been coming due to recent performances.

A tally of twelve goals scored in three games is another huge positive and something we have been working hard on. Our performance against Thatcham was brilliant, backed up with a tough away day where we saw the points shared thanks to a last-minute penalty. Our midweek trip to Ashford showed me something about this team that shows we have everything within us to win games in all sorts of conditions.

Ashford has been a difficult place to visit over the last couple of seasons for every team. The conditions on the night were tough, but it's what this level of football is about. We made changes to combat this and I feel we produced our best performance for a long time. It was a hard-working, honest and ruthless performance that showed we can mix it up when we need to.

Looking ahead to the next set of fixtures, we are looking to add to our recent collection of points and ensure we sit in a comfortable position in the league. We must make sure we back our performances of late up with the levels required and not let them slip. Some difficult games are coming up, with lots of travelling and Tuesday night games which we will need to guarantee our preparation is right.

At this exact stage of my last programme notes I mentioned confidence. I believe our team is full

of it at the moment and this is such a huge plus. Confidence in their performances and confidence in their ability. We have a great group of lads and it really is starting to show.

Our injury list is starting to thin, with Godlove back training and I am hoping he can get back into the mix soon. Archie James is recovering from an illness which we will assess this week. Ricardo is still working on his recovery and Romario is nursing a slight knock on his ankle. I was delighted to see Stephen Langley make his debut the other day in a game we knew he would suit. Getting himself a goal topped it off and we hope he can bring more of that.

I hope you enjoy tonight's game, keep with us and keep supporting the way you always do.

**Up the Woods!**

**Ben**





# WOODS OUTLOOK

WITH CLUB SECRETARY, ALAN EVANS



## Welcome to the Villains

A warm welcome back to the Skyline Roofing Stadium after a few weeks on our travels for this evening's Pitching In Isthmian League South Central Division fixture. We welcome everyone connected with Hanworth Villa Football Club to Northwood and we hope you all enjoy your stay with us and we wish you a safe journey back home later tonight.

The Villains have won their last four matches against the Woods since their promotion from the Combined Counties League. Three of those came last season, despite our own high-achieving campaign. They won 3-0 here at the Skyline in an Isuzu FA Trophy game and showed that that was no fluke when they also won 4-1 in the league game played at Northwood in early January. Our trip to the Ranch came much later in the season and that ended 2-1 to the Villa. We've already met this season so Hanworth have an opportunity to complete another 'double' over the Woods this season as another midweek game at the Ranch also finished with the Villa winning 2-1.

Hanworth went one better than ourselves last season as they not only reached the play-offs but they also beat Marlow to reach the final where, like the Woods, they succumbed to Walton & Hersham. Our opponents were still very much in the hunt for a play-off place at the turn of the New Year as they had been unbeaten in six matches since a big shock defeat at Corinthian Casuals in mid-November. However, 2024 started with four successive defeats, including at home to the Metropolitan Police, and then two drawn home games against Ascot United and Binfield. They have regained some form since then,

amongst the general series of postponements, with two solid home wins against Uxbridge and South Park (Reigate) but they now sit tenth in the table, fifteen points adrift of the play-offs, though they do have a couple of games in hand.

Tonight's match has been kindly sponsored by our programme producer Terry Brumpton and his JJ Sports Promotions company and we thank him for his kind gesture.

## League News

Once again, in what was apparently the wettest February since the 19th Century, the constant rain has caused us plenty of issues since our last home game with the loss of games at Binfield and then Metropolitan Police on Saturday. Fingers crossed for a couple of dry days prior to this evening's match so that we can get back on the pitch.

However, the three games that we have played went pretty well, picking up seven valuable points and moving us up the table away from the danger-zone.

Against Thatcham Town, we dominated for much of the game and notched an impressive 4-1 victory with Kofi Anokye-Boadi the star with two goals. Harry Gallagher also scored from an excellent free-kick while Lucas Sinclair headed home the final goal.

After Binfield was postponed, we then got a guaranteed game on the artificial surface at Sutton Common Rovers. Things never went quite to plan as, despite leading from a Teddy Stacey strike early in the second-half, we were pegged back and then trailed with eight minutes to go. It needed a penalty, awarded in the last minute of stoppage-time for a foul on Sinclair and tucked away by Gallagher, to rescue a point.

A midweek trip to Ashford Town

(Middlesex) is not normally easy but last Tuesday the Woods ran riot with a really solid team performance all-round than led to an emphatic 6-0 success. Lucas Sinclair led the way with a four-goal haul, there was a starting debut goal from defender Stephan Langley and Dan Williams also bagged his first goal in February for a brilliant night in every way. Our opponents will be looking over their shoulders at the three sides below them in the table for sure.

The away game at Binfield has been rescheduled to Tuesday 26th March while we expect the rearranged match at Metropolitan Police to be played on Tuesday 9th April, though this isn't confirmed as I write these notes. After tonight, we are left with just four home games to play but still eight matches away from home.

## Player News

Lucas Sinclair's four goals at Ashford last Tuesday was the first instance of this happening in an away game for the club in almost 50 years which was when the legendary Gary Cooper bagged five in an opening day Middlesex League away match at North Greenford United in August 1975. It was the first in any game, home or away, since Chris Moore also netted five at home to Arlesey Town back in 2003 while the only other player to score four in an Isthmian League game was Vic Schwartz in a 5-4 defeat of Flackwell Heath back in 1993.

Other ex-Woods to score four (or 5) in games since Northwood became a senior club in 1970 are: Eddie Coppinger (4 at home to Yeading in a Charity Cup game in 1994), Warren Patmore (all 5 in the 5-0 home win over North Greenford in 1992 when Woods Chairman Ian Barry played in goal for our opponents!), Dave Nolan (4 in a 12-1 home defeat of Beckton United in 1992), Tim Vincent (all 4 in a 4-0 home win against Hanwell



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Lucas Sinclair

Town in 1989), Nigel Franklin (4 in a 7-2 home victory against Clanfield in 1979), Martin Ellis twice (4 in a 6-0 home win v Dowty Staverton in 1979 and another 4 in a 6-0 home win over North Greenford in 1976) and Harry Stone and Murray Amory (who both scored 4 in the same game – the club's record win – 15-0 at home to Dateline in a County Cup game in 1973). Barry Wanless bagged 4 in a 6-1 home defeat of Hanwell Town in 1972 and that was his second time as he also scored 4 in a 12-1 home win over Twickenham in 1971 which also saw Steve Senior net 4 times in the same game. Finally, Dave Horsford scored 5 in an away game at Ruislip Town in 1970, an 8-0 victory, which makes him one of only three players to score more than three in an away game since the Woods became a senior club. Congratulations to Lucas on completing that trio.

## 1000GBP

The Woods have signed up to a fund-raising football quiz game which can be found at 1000GBP.com and it would be great to get a few of you to join in the fun. Over the first month, it has raised over £600 for the club and there are many individual cash prizes to be won each day. Top prize of the week gets you £500 but another £500 goes to Northwood FC too.

## Ground Improvements

The Club are currently exploring several possible grant applications for work to be carried out at the Stadium to improve the match-day experience. The long-awaited security fencing project is hopefully coming to fruition soon and we are also in the process of getting quotes for a new LED Floodlight replacement project while also considering a new drainage/irrigation system for the long-suffering pitch and maybe new, bigger dugouts. The boiler in the clubhouse is also coming to the end of its life so we will need to replace this soon. Obviously, all of these possibilities go hand-in-hand with having to raise considerable funds ourselves so if any of you feel able to make contributions towards our costs for any of these projects, please let us know, either personally or by email to me, [alan.evansnfc@btopenworld.com](mailto:alan.evansnfc@btopenworld.com).

## Under-18s

The Under-18s, following two postponements at home, were due to play their Middlesex Senior Youth Cup Semi-Final against Bedfont Sports, away from home last night after the County enforced the rule that the game could be switched following two games being called off. Obviously, it was disappointing to have to concede home advantage but hopefully the lads will have given a good account of themselves in a tough game. Note, if they were successful, the final of the competition is scheduled for next week, Wednesday 13th March, at Bedfont Sports FC and against Cockfosters.

Despite playing last night, the U18s are also scheduled to play an Allied Counties Youth League game at home to second-placed Rayners Lane tomorrow night, Wednesday 6th March and I'm sure they would appreciate any support. Their opponents are the only team to have beaten us in the league so far this season so another tough battle is expected.

## Spartans FC

A terrible decision by a Match Referee to play a Spartans game against Oxhey Jets in very wet conditions just over a week ago really left the pitch in a bad way. It ended 1-1 so a valuable point for our tenants as they look to keep distance between themselves and the bottom two. Their home game against Woodley United was postponed on Saturday, they are due away at London Colney tonight but they are scheduled to return to the Skyline next week with home games against Bedfont on Saturday and then Holmer Green next Tuesday night so if you can't make the trips to Chertsey Town and Westfield, then why not pop down to watch those games.

## Here at the Skyline...

There's no first-team home game until Tuesday 19th March when we play at home to Badshot Lea, just three days after playing them away for the first-ever time. We then have Hartley Wintney at home the following Saturday, 23rd March (designated non-League day due to an International break). However, plenty of other action at the Skyline before all that as follows!

## Upcoming Fixtures at the Skyline Roofing Stadium

Wednesday 6th March  
**Woods U18s v. Rayners Lane**  
Allied Counties League – 7.45pm  
Saturday 9th March  
**Spartans Youth v. Bedfont**  
Combined Counties League – 3pm  
Tuesday 12th March  
**Spartans Youth v. Holmer Green**  
Combined Counties League – 7.45pm  
Wednesday 13th March  
**Woods U18s v. Hillingdon Borough**  
Allied Counties League – 7.45pm  
Saturday 16th March  
**Spartans v. Rising Ballers Kensington**  
Comb. Counties League – 3pm  
Tuesday 19th March  
**Woods v. Badshot Lea**  
Isthmian League – 7.45pm  
Enjoy the game tonight, thanks for your support, and see you all again soon. **Alan**





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# FROM THE TRAINING PITCH

WITH GOALKEEPING COACH  
NICOLAI COLLINS



## Good afternoon, Woods fans,

**To be successful in football is impossible without momentum. Momentum is the driving force behind increased win probability; with a recipe that includes determination, quality, cohesion and a relentlessness to 'get it right.'**

Life in the Isthmian South-Central division can be cruel. Careless errors and unfinished dinners are readily punished, while star performers are at the mercy of non-league Manchester City's and the ill-fated 'seven-dayer.'

Recruitment in the last month or so has brought in some extra-quality and a smattering of good-performances. But until Thatcham at home still not quite the consistency we had been looking for.

There is no covering it up. Our home pitch is rather an invitation for a punch up than a football match - to win at the Skyline will require toughness and resilience to the final whistle.

But guess what, we actually outplayed Thatcham. Macca pivoted around his penalty area pinging balls from pillar to post and getting us on the front foot. While Harry Gallagher,

Lucas and Kofi's performances almost shattered the Veo.

Away against Sutton Common Rovers we were almost made to pay for missed chances in the first-half that could have killed the game. One minute we were cruising at 1-0 up with the game in our grasp. The next we were almost getting force-fed humble pie were it not for a last-minute equalising penalty.

But football is about learning - the lesson here being that blushes are easily spared if you just stick the ball in the onion bag.

There was absolutely no better way for our squad to show this lesson had been learned than on the delightfully

boggy Ashford "cabbage patch". With strong tackles flying in and the ball spending much of the game having to liaise with Heathrow air traffic control we took our chances with appropriate ruthlessness. Smashing home each and every goal with the malevolence of a team finding form.

We are now undefeated in three and climbing the table, having just won our last game by a record score for the season. Momentum appears to be on our side and we must ensure we capitalise on this and finish the season as strong as possible.

**Up The Woods!**

**Nicolai**



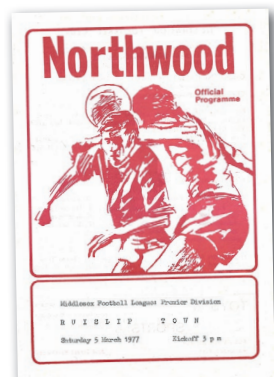
# YESTERDAY: TODAY

THIS IS THE 15TH OCCASION IN NORTHWOOD'S HISTORY, WHICH DATES BACK TO 1926, THAT THEY HAVE PLAYED A COMPETITIVE FIXTURE ON 5TH MARCH. ALL PREVIOUS 14 GAMES ARE LISTED BELOW, AND I TAKE A LOOK AT THREE OF THEM IN MORE DETAIL.

BY KEN GREEN



Date	@	Competition	Opponents	Res.	Goalscorers	Att.	
Sat 5 Mar 1932	A	Harrow 6 District League Premier Division	Wembley Town	L	2-3	Taylor, Gutteridge	
Sat 5 Mar 1949	H	Northwood Hospital Cup semi-final	Ruislip	D	1-1	?	
Sat 5 Mar 1955	A	Harrow 6 Wembley League Premier Division	South Vale Glacier	L	1-7	?	
Sat 5 Mar 1960	A	Harrow 6 Wembley League Premier Division	South Ruislip	L	0-1		
Sat 5 Mar 1966	A	Harrow 6 Wembley League Senior Cup OF	West Harrow	W	2-0	J Byrne, Parker	
Sat 5 Mar 1977	H	Middlesex League	Ruislip Town	W	3-1	Cooper 2 Livingstone	
Sat 5 Mar 1983	A	Hellenic League Premier Division	Almondsbury Greenway	D	0-0		
Tue 5 Mar 1991	H	London-Spartan League Premier Division	Amersham Town	W	2-0	Blackman, McCormack	
Sat 5 Mar 1994	A	Diadora League Division 3	Royston Town	L	0-2		74
Tue 5 Mar 1996	H	Icis Isthmian League Division 3	Flackwell Heath	W	2-1	Gell 2	90
Tue 5 Mar 2002	H	Icis Isthmian League Division 1	Aylesbury United	W	3-2	Carter, Knight, o.g.	261
Sat 5 Mar 2011	A	Zamaretto League Division One Central	Arlsey Town	L	1-2	Bent	144
Sat 5 Mar 2016	H	Evo Stik Southern League Division One Central	Fleet Town	W	2-1	S Brown, Nicholas	79
Sat 5 Mar 2022	A	Pitching-In Isthmian League Division 1 SC	Bracknell Town	L	0-3		267



## 1977

### Woods Ruislip Town

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Northwood's unbeaten run stretched beyond four months when they beat their now-defunct local rivals Ruislip Town. The Woods were magnificent,

with Gary Cooper, Ian Harvey and Robin Tidd working themselves to a standstill. It was Harvey who gave Northwood the lead when he gathered the ball on the left, beat three players and then drove the ball past the diving Fitchett.

Town's performance improved in the second half and within ten minutes of the restart they were level. A long ball was touched into the Woods' box and before Les Currell could react, the ball was in the net through Jackson.

Northwood were stunned into action, and two minutes later they were back in the lead through a brilliant goal by Gary Cooper; Currell started the move and Harvey provided Cooper midway in the Ruislip half, and the Woods' striker controlled the ball before hammering it home from 30 yards.

Woods stayed well in command and in the last five minutes they should have had two penalties. The first came



1977 Ruislip keeper Fitchett makes a save

when Livingstone was bowled over in the penalty area by Proctor, the second was when Goodgame charged into Ellis. The referee finally pointed to the spot when a glancing header from Cooper was handled and Barry Gould calmly slotted in the kick.

**Northwood:** Les Currell, Norman Heslop, Geoff Mills, Alan Merison, Martin O'Donnell, Robin Tidd, Ian Harvey, Barry Gould, Roger Livingstone, Martin Ellis, Gary Cooper. Sub. Pat Coburn.



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# 1996

## Woods Flackwell Heath

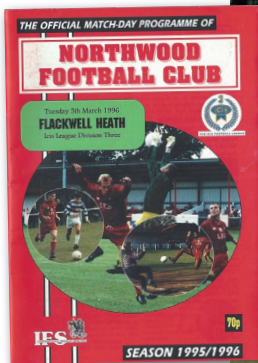
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Chris Gell had an outstanding game against Flackwell Heath, who had won their previous three games, including beating Icis League Division Three leaders Leighton Town.

Northwood were without MacPherson, who was injured at Cove, and Bruce Sewell was unavailable. However, on the credit side, Rod Romain was back after injury, Terry Benning back after suspension and Vladimir Lazic made his home debut.

Woods took the lead when a good ball from Paul Masters put Gell through to neatly lob the advancing keeper.

Gell had another shot cleared off the line before Andy Barker netted a Flackwell Heath equaliser. However,



1996 Chris Gell had an outstanding game

Woods were not to be denied, and two minutes from time Gell capped a great display with the winner, robbing a defender before rounding the keeper to score.

**Northwood:** John Gregory, Paul Ripley, Gary Boreham (Dave Sargent), Gary Williams, Dave Walter, Mark Keadell, Terry Hibbert, Chris Gell, Paul Halbert, Tony Sibanda, Andy Reeder (Colin Robinson). Sub: Paul Ford.

# 2016

## Woods Fleet Town

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The Woods left it late but a 25-yarder from George Nicholas arrowed into the top corner to complete a come from behind victory and keep Northwood on the fringe of the play-off places. However, the visitors took an early lead when Craig Davis fired in a corner to the near post, Bayley Brown failed to clear the ball and Ben White turned quickly to flick the ball home from close-range.

Fleet continued to look the most likely to score as another corner dropped kindly, and Berkley Laurencin had to produce an instinctive save to keep out a close-range header, but the Woods finally showed signs of coming to the party just before the break. Steve Brown headed a corner wide at the far post before finding himself still up front to put in a dangerous cross. Joakim Ehui looked favourite for it but a challenge saw the ball run loose and then Hastings hit his shot straight at goalkeeper Ryan Pryce.

Northwood needed to up the tempo in the second half if they were to get back

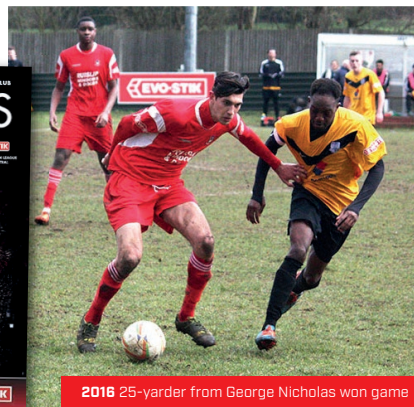
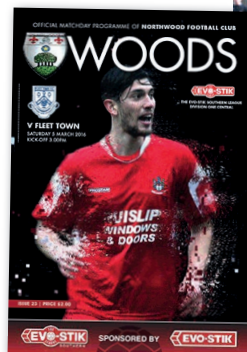
into the game, and after 48 minutes a sweeping move from Louis Stead and Muir led to Joakim Ehui trying his luck from distance but the ball flew over the top. But then a corner saw Pryce come too far in an attempt to punch clear and Steve Brown beat him to it with a brave header that eluded two defenders on the line - it was the Woods' skipper's first goal for over a year.

Woods continued to forwards after the goal, and Nicholas combined with substitute Jermaine Heron to make a dangerous run to the edge of the box and then drilled a shot that flashed wide of the far post. Then a corner was only partially

cleared by another Pryce punch to substitute Myles Stephenson, whose shot was always climbing and flew over the top.

Time was running out but James Budden did well to get a cross in from the right and Nicholas latched onto it and rifled in a shot that arrowed into the top corner despite Pryce managing to get a hand to it - and Woods had all three points!

**Northwood:** Berkley Laurencin, Georges Ehui, Andy Lomas, Steve Brown, Mark Burgess (James Budden), George Nicholas, Joakim Ehui, Bayley Brown (Myles Stephenson), Niko Muir, Louis Stead, Rob Hastings (Jermaine Heron).



2016 25-yarder from George Nicholas won game

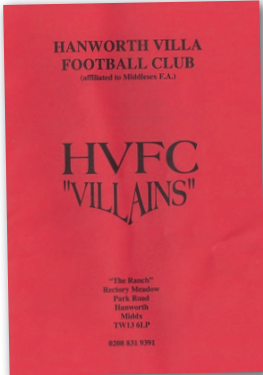


# THREE OF A KIND



Memorable past meetings with Saturday's opponents Hanworth Villa

By Ken Green



**Tuesday 19th January 2010**  
**Middlesex Senior Cup Quarter-Final**

**Hanworth Villa 0**  
**Northwood 3**

The Woods had a comfortable passage into the semi-finals of the Middlesex Senior Cup, against a Villa side in their first season in the County's top competition. It was one-way traffic from the start and on 16 minutes John Christian put the Woods in front with a 25-yard drive which found the top corner to give Terry Buss no chance in goal.

Hanworth had a chance to level when Scott Purdue conceded a penalty with a clumsy trip, but Lee Higgs saw a well-struck shot superbly saved by Bobby Smith to keep the Woods in front.

Leon Osei caused plenty of problems for Villa, and on 52 minutes he cut in from the left and crossed for Danny Jones to knock in at the far post. Northwood added a third goal in the final minute when Aaron Cato using his pace to find space and then found

2010 - Bobby Smith saved Lee Higgs penalty



a way past Buss with a good strike into the bottom corner.

**Hanworth:** Terry Buss (Andy Vettese), Matt Baines, Charlie Hare, Lee Willis, Darren Noad, Chris Byron, Danny Whatford, Tony Buss, Lee Higgs (Ben Ward), Adam Piggott, Daryl North

**Northwood:** Bobby Smith, Scott Purdue, Ryan Tackley, Sam Sharples, Bradley Hewitt, Michael Peacock, Danny Jones (Aaron Cato), John Christian, Scott Orphanou (Eugene Ofori), Leon Osei, Hugo Figueiredo

**Tuesday 23rd November 2021**  
**Middlesex Senior Charity Cup Round 3**

**Hanworth Villa 2**  
**Northwood 5**

The Woods gained a fairly comfortable victory, bagging five goals alongside a dominant performance, and they went ahead on 11 minutes, Matteo Esposito getting down the right before he cut the ball back for Micah Jackson to shoot into the top corner.



2021 - Micah Jackson put Woods ahead



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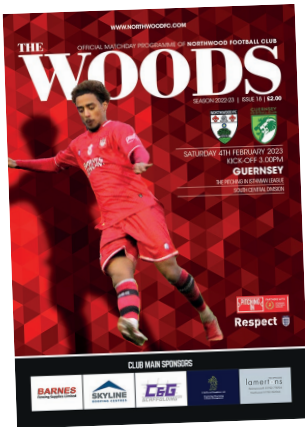
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Two minutes later Joakim Ehui's mishit shot fell kindly for Teddy Stacey to score, and in the 36th minute Jackson got past his marker and scored with a low strike that gave goalkeeper Alex Brown no chance. Just before the interval Jordan Ellis to cut in from the left to pull one back for Villa.

Midway into the second half, Hanworth got a second through Ben Merson, before Woods added two more near the end. Tommy Boxer netted from close range on 81 minutes then Yiannis Constantinou wrapped things up.

**Hanworth:** Brown, Tinge, Williams, Solomon, Watson, Abiogan, Ellis, Simpson, B Merson, Mayembe, Kally, Subs, Thomas-Francis, S Merson, Da Costa, Floyd

**Northwood:** Daniel Purdue, Matt Surmon, Andy Lomas, Carl Stewart, Tommy Boxer, James Gurteen, Ryan Young, Teddy Stacey (Yiannis Constantinou), Micah Jackson, Matteo Esposito (Tecane Shrowder), Joakim Ehui (Aaron Petch)



**Monday 2nd January 2023**  
**Pitching-In Isthmian League**  
**Division One South Central**

**Northwood** 1  
**Hanworth Villa** 4

Northwood suffered a disappointing start to 2023 as they crashed at home to Hanworth Villa, having also lost at home to Villa in an FA Trophy tie a few months earlier.

Kyen Nicholas open the scoring for



2021 - Tommy Boxer scored close in

Hanworth on 11 minutes when he escaped the attentions of Romario Jonas before shooting beyond Andy McCorkell. And Woods' defence was breached again when they failed to deal with a far post ball, George Wells

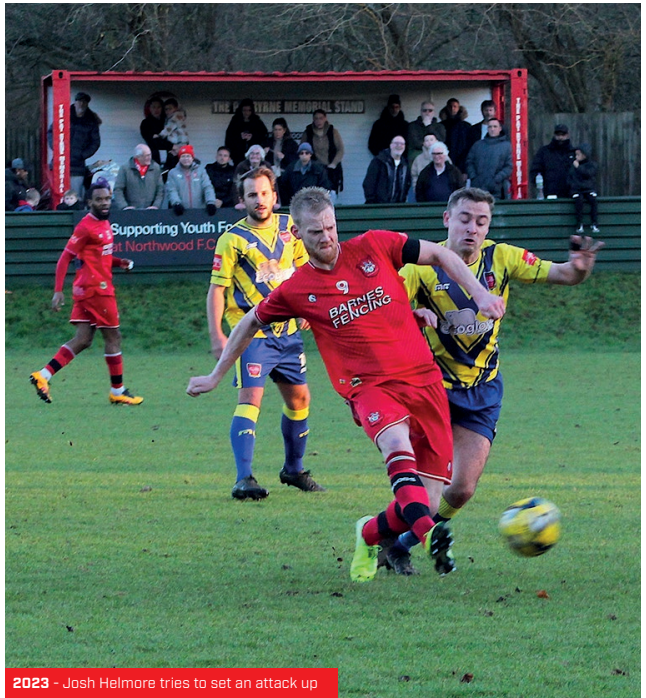
sweeping the ball home to increase the lead with 33 minutes on the clock.

Northwood made a double substitution at the break, but they conceded a third goal five minutes into the second half when Harry Gallagher got in a tangle allowing Nicholas to break clear before calmly slotting the ball home. And the contest was effectively over three minutes later when Sam Merson to get round the back of the defence before sending over a low cross which was headed home by Jacob Erskine.

The home side finally found the net when Gareth Chendlik converted from the penalty spot deep into added time after Juwonn Akintunde had been upended.

**Northwood:** Andrew McCorkell, Harry Gallagher, Brandon Kalu, Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway, Luke Tingey, Romario Jonas, Ronan Hutchins (Micah Jackson), Jake Tabor (Teddy Stacey), Josh Helmore (Gareth Chendlik), Juwonn Akintunde, Carl Stewart

**Hanworth:** Gary Ross, James Fenlon (Louis Taylor), Tom Bender, Ben Geraghty, Guy Anshah-Palmer, George Wells, Gagandeep Samra (Elliott Simpson), Theo Crawford, Jacob Erskine, Sam Merson, Kyen Nicholas (Jordan Ellis)



2023 - Josh Helmore tries to set an attack up



# MATCH ACTION

Words: Alan Evans Images: James Brown

PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE  
SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

TUESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2024

ATT 69



**Ashford Town (Middx)**

0

**Northwood**

6

Sinclair 17, 32, 73, 90+2; Langley 69; Williams 82



Stephan Langley heads home the third

**In a triple boost, the Woods recorded a comprehensive midweek victory at Ashford, easing thoughts of relegation, improving their lacklustre away record over the last year and seeing striker Lucas Sinclair take the plaudits for what was an excellent team performance.**

Having dropped points at Sutton on Saturday and with an eye on the conditions, there were three changes to the eleven who began the game. Stephan Langley made his first start for the club while Harry McKenna and Harry McCorkell strengthened the engine room. The Ashford side included former Woods Jack Smith and Juwon Akintunde in their starting line-up while another, Kingsley Eshun was on the bench.

And Northwood were on the front foot from the start with McKenna playing Dan Williams in on goal but his shot deflected up and over the diving Arber Grosha in goal, just clearing the bar.

## GOAL ALERT

### 0-1 Lucas Sinclair (17 mins)

The Woods forced a number of corners and throw-ins that caused plenty of panic in the home defence yet it was

the home side that went close to taking the lead on seventeen minutes. Andrew McCorkell pulled off a fine save to deny Akintunde but immediately, a long-ball out of defence from Langley sent Sinclair through on goal and he neatly chipped the oncoming 'keeper to put his side in front.

Seven minutes later, Grosha was in action again to cut out a McKenna cross and the Woods continued to threaten when Harry Gallagher headed a Luke Tingey throw goalwards but the 'keeper was able to collect comfortably.

## GOAL ALERT

### 0-2 Lucas Sinclair (32 mins)

It was after thirty two minutes that Northwood added a second goal as Sinclair got his head to a corner swung in by Deago Dunbar-Bonnie. Grosha dived to push the ball against the inside of the post but the assistant referee signalled that the ball had already crossed the line before the 'keeper had made his save.

The Woods continued to dominate. Sinclair won a free-kick right on the edge of the box but Gallagher's strike clipped the defensive wall and then Langley flicked on another Tingey throw which

forced Grosha into a fine save. Just before the half-time whistle another well-delivered corner from Dunbar-Bonnie saw Sinclair try an overhead-kick that came back off the base of the post.

## HALF TIME

**ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX) 0  
NORTHWOOD 2**

Ashford made one change at half-time in an effort to turn the tide but Northwood remained in the ascendance. Langley again headed on a Tingey throw and Sinclair headed at goal but without the power to beat the busy 'keeper and then Williams and Sinclair broke through the defence and looked set to score but the latter's pass was unable to set up the Woods top scorer.

After fifty six minutes, another Dunbar-Bonnie corner was headed on by Tingey and fell to Gallagher but his strike was straight at Grosha before a ball chipped forward was headed past the 'keeper by Williams but the loose ball was cleared.

## GOAL ALERT

### 0-3 Stephan Langley (68 mins)

Just a minute later, Williams appeared to have ended his short goal drought when



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he fired home through a ruck of players but the assistant referee ruled it out with an offside call and it wasn't until the sixty eighth minute that Northwood scored a third goal. Dunbar-Bonnie's corner was only half-cleared, McCorkell headed back into the danger-area and Gallagher managed to get a good header towards goal with Langley making sure from close-range.

**GOAL ALERT**

**0-4 Lucas Sinclair (73 mins)**

The home side were struggling to make any impact, despite further substitutions and Sinclair completed his hat-trick after seventy three minutes when Williams broke down the right and squared to his strike partner and he finished tidily.

**GOAL ALERT**

**0-5 Dan Williams (82 mins)**

Adam Laaref replaced Kofi Anokye-Boadi and Williams managed to get his deserved goal on eighty two minutes, his first of the month, as Dunbar-Bonnie got another assist with a good touch in the box and the Woods then made further substitutions, Martin Flannery and Carl Stewart introduced for Dunbar-Bonnie and Williams.

The two substitutes combined from a short corner that saw Stewart's shot kept out by Grosha but there was finally a good chance for the Tangerines in the final minute of the game as Connor Young got in a cross from the right and Alex Sami lifted his strike just after the bar.

**GOAL ALERT**

**0-6 Lucas Sinclair (90+2 mins)**

It was two minutes into stoppage-time that Sinclair bagged a fourth, robbing the ball off of Grosha and then just beating a defender to the ball to knock it into an empty net. Things got even worse for Ashford a minute later when Sami picked up a second yellow card for dissent which saw the home side finish with ten men.

**FULL TIME**

**ASHFORD TOWN (MIDDX) 0**  
**NORTHWOOD 6**

**WOODS LINE-UP** A McCorkell, Langley, Dunbar-Bonnie (Flannery 83), H McCorkell, Tingey, Gallagher, McKenna, Stacey, Sinclair, Williams (Stewart 84), Anokye-Boadi (Laaref 79)  
Unused Subs: Jenkins



# MATCH ACTION

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PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE  
SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION  
SATURDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 2024

ATT 72



**Sutton Common Rovers** 2

Stewart 60, Anokye-Boadi 82 (og)

**Northwood** 2

Stacey 49, Gallagher 90+7



Teddy Stacey's cross flies in to give Woods the lead

**In a very open contest where the game swung back and forth throughout, the Woods needed a last-gasp penalty to secure a valuable point on the road on the 3G at Sutton Common Rovers on Saturday.**

In attempting to follow last weekend's defeat of Thatcham Town, manager Ben Bukowski was able to field a completely unchanged squad and starting line-up in an effort to find more consistency and the Woods started well.

Dan Williams was first on the attack, working space and then firing wide of the target and a minute later Adam Laaref got past his marker to get a shot in on goal but debut goalkeeper Louis Staussi saved by punching away down low to his left.

Immediately, at the other end, Rovers showed that they would be dangerous from set pieces. Bertie Lloyd saw his shot blocked and from the resulting corner, the tall defender sent a powerful headed well over the bar.

Northwood were soon back on the front foot though and a good move led to a dangerous cross from Kofi Anokye-Boadi but Staussi just got to it ahead of Lucas Sinclair as he looked to get the required touch.

The Woods went even closer after thirteen minutes when Williams slipped a good ball through for Laaref who, with just the 'keeper to beat, saw his shot crash back off the post before being cleared.

Five minutes later, the home side had the woodwork to thank again for not being a goal behind as Anokye-Boadi flicked on a Deago Dunbar-Bonnie corner and Harry Gallagher's shot on the turn took a deflection and hit the bar before Lloyd hooked it to safety.

On twenty two minutes, Gallagher picked up a yellow card for a foul on Aaron Jenkins in a dangerous position and Max Oldham forced McCorkell into a good save from the resulting free-kick.

Just three minutes later, Sutton could have been ahead as the Woods lost possession in midfield and a quick ball sent Oldham through one-on-one. He beat Andrew McCorkell with his shot but that also came back off the post and straight into the grateful arms of the Woods keeper.

After twenty nine minutes, Dunbar-Bonnie enjoyed a good run down the left and got in a clear shot on goal but Staussi managed it out at the near post and the rest of the half became more of a midfield battle with neither side threatening too much. It was

only in first-half stoppage-time that a Sam Jenkins free-kick tested Staussi again but the young 'keeper was equal to it, palming it away.

**HALF TIME**  
**SUTTON COMMON ROVERS 0**  
**NORTHWOOD 0**

**GOAL ALERT**  
**0-1 Teddy Stacey (48 mins)**

Just three minutes into the second-half, Northwood were ahead. Sinclair held the ball up well on the right before rolling it back to Teddy Stacey who, from his wide position, took one step and then sent over a deep ball that flew in at the far post, giving the 'keeper no chance.

**GOAL ALERT**  
**1-1 Lindell Stewart (60 mins)**

Sinclair had a goalbound effort saved by Staussi three minutes later but it was against the run of play that Rovers levelled the scores on the hour. A ball was played across the area and stabbed forward. With the Woods defence appealing for offside, former Northwood striker Lindell Stewart pounced, went past McCorkell and rolled it home for a cool finish.

Again, the Woods went on the offensive to seek a second goal. Sinclair set up Williams



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Harry Gallagher heads away



Adam Laaref



Adam Laaref's shot hits the post

for a shot wished flashed across goal but wide of the far post and then when Staussi pushed out a Jenkins corner, Anokye-Boadi hooked the loose ball over the bar.

After seventy eight minutes, the hard-working Sinclair saw him roll a ball into the path of Carl Stewart but his effort from the edge of the box flew inches over the bar and a minute later a substitution saw Archie James replace Stewart.

**GOAL ALERT**  
**2-1 Kofi Anokye-Boadi**  
**(82 mins, og)**

It was on eighty two minutes that Rovers grabbed the lead. The Woods conceded a free-kick out on the left flank, taken by Antonio Simeone and found Lloyd completely free. He headed the ball back across the six-yard box and the

unfortunate Anokye-Boadi could only knock the ball into his own goal.

Five minutes later Jenkins slipped a good ball through to Williams who raced down the right. He was taken out by Lloyd in the box as he got in a dangerous cross but Oldham managed to clear ahead of Sinclair while the Referee failed to see the challenge on Williams.

With time running out, Dunbar-Bonnie blasted a shot across goal and well wide and there was six minutes of stoppage-time added as Harry McKenna and Harry McCorkell were both introduced to the fray late on.

**GOAL ALERT**  
**2-2 Harry Gallagher (90+7 mins)**  
And it was in the sixth minute of stoppage-time that McCorkell played a ball through

for Sinclair to race into the box. He was taken down by a flailing arm from the 'keeper and the Woods had a last-minute penalty. Gallagher stepped up and sent Staussi the wrong way from the spot to level things with almost the last kick of the game.

**FULL TIME**  
**SUTTON COMMON ROVERS 2**  
**NORTHWOOD 2**

**WOODS LINE-UP** A McCorkell, Jenkins [McCorkell 90+4], Dunbar-Bonnie [McKenna 89], Stewart [James 79] Tingey Gallagher, Laaref, Stacey, Sinclair, Williams Anokye-Boadi  
Unused Subs: Langley, Flannery



# THE WOODS FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023/24

August	F-A	Att	1	2	3	4	5	6	
Sat 12	Corinthian-Casuals	H 4-0	158	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher
Sat 19	Buckhurst Hill (PR)	A 1-0	133	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher
Mon 28	Binfield	H 4-1	224	A. McCorkell	Stacey 1	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher 1
September									
Sat 2	Binfield (1QR)	A 2-2	127	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie 1	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher 1
Tue 5	Binfield (1QR-R)	H 1-0	212	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Brophy	Stewart 1	Tingey	Gallagher
Sat 9	Ramsgate (1Q)	A 0-3	416	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher
Tue 12	Marlow (R2)	H 2-1	115	Messer	Tierney	Brophy	H. McCorkell	Tingey	Jonas
Sat 16	Cray Valley (PM) (2QR)	H 2-2	159	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher
Tue 19	Cray Valley (PM) (2QR-R)	A 3-4*	132	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey 1	Gallagher 2
Sat 23	Ashford Town (Middx)	H 1-3	149	Messer	Gallagher	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Jonas 1
Tue 26	Hanworth Villa	A 1-2	148	Messer	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Gallagher	Tingey	Jonas
Sat 30	Uxbridge	A 2-4	86	Hudd	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Jonas
October									
Sat 7	Chipstead	H 0-1	149	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Milner-Smith	Jonas
Tue 10	Marlow	H 1-3	122	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Milner-Smith	Jonas
Sat 14	Raynes Park Vale	A 0-1	180	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Milner-Smith	Tingey	Jonas
Tue 17	Leatherhead	A 0-0	299	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Milner-Smith	Tingey	Jonas
Sat 21	Chertsey Town	H 2-4	239	A. McCorkell	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Milner-Smith	Tingey	Jonas
Tue 24	Badshot Lea (R3)	H 0-3	103	A. McCorkell	Tierney	Dunbar-Bonnie	Milner-Smith	Tingey	Gallagher
Sat 28	Thattham Town	A 0-2	80	Browne	Stacey	Stewart	Milner-Smith	Tingey	Jonas
November									
Wed 8	Southall (R2)	A (5)1-1(4)	87	Browne	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher 1
Sat 11	Chipstead	A 3-1	129	Browne	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Jonas	Gallagher
Sat 25	Hartley Wintney	A 0-4	238	Browne	Stacey	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Jonas	Gallagher
Tue 28	Sutton Common Rovers	H 5-1	108	Browne	McKenna	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher
December									
Sat 9	Ascot United	A 0-1	202	Browne	McKenna	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stacey	Tingey	Gallagher
Sat 16	Guernsey	H 2-1	93	Browne	McKenna	Dunbar-Bonnie	Tingey	Jonas	Gallagher
Sat 23	South Park (Reigate)	A 0-2	74	Browne	McKenna	Duru	Tingey	Jonas	Cole
Tue 26	Southall	H 1-2	169	Browne	Jenkins	Duru	Stewart	Tingey	Cole
January									
Tue 9	Metropolitan Police	H 1-0	82	Browne	McKenna	Dunbar-Bonnie	Tingey	Jonas 1	Gallagher
Sat 13	Leatherhead	H 1-2	152	Browne	McKenna	Dunbar-Bonnie	Tingey	Jonas	Gallagher
Tue 23	Hendon (QF)	A 2-3	79	Browne	McKenna	Dunbar-Bonnie	Tingey	Jonas	Gallagher
Sat 27	Uxbridge	H 3-0	166	Browne	McKenna	Dunbar-Bonnie 1	Jenkins	Tingey	Gallagher
Tue 30	Marlow	A 1-4	102	Browne	McKenna	Jenkins	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher
February									
Sat 3	Raynes Park Vale	H 2-2	151	Browne	McKenna	Dunbar-Bonnie	Jenkins	Tingey	Gallagher 2
Tue 6	Westfield	H 1-2	96	A. McCorkell	McKenna	Dunbar-Bonnie	Jenkins	Tingey	Gallagher
Sat 17	Thattham Town	H 4-1	128	A. McCorkell	Jenkins	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher 1
Sat 24	Sutton Common Rovers	A 2-2	72	A. McCorkell	Jenkins	Dunbar-Bonnie	Stewart	Tingey	Gallagher 1
Tue 27	Ashford Town (Middx)	A 6-0	69	A. McCorkell	Langley 1	Dunbar-Bonnie	H. McCorkell	Tingey	Gallagher
March									
Tue 5	Hanworth Villa	H							
Sat 9	Chertsey Town	A							
Tue 12	Westfield	A							
Sat 16	Badshot Lea	A							
Tue 19	Badshot Lea	H							
Sat 23	Hartley Wintney	H							
Tue 26	Binfield	A							
April									
Mon 1	Southall	A							
Sat 6	Corinthian-Casuals	A							
Tue 9	Metropolitan Police	A							
Sat 13	South Park (Reigate)	H							
Sun 21	Guernsey	A							
Sat 27	Ascot United	H							



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Jenkins	Alexander-Greenaway	Williams	Smith	Anokye-Boadi	Otote (63); Brophy (63)	
Dunbar-Bonnie	Alexander-Greenaway	Williams	Otote	Anokye-Boadi !	Newman (78); Jenkins (84) !	
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McKenna	H. McCorkell	Williams	Cameron	Anokye-Boadi	Jonas (88) > Alexander-Greenaway (76); Opong (82) <b>Jenkins (82); Brown (90)</b>	
McKenna	H. McCorkell	<b>Williams 1</b>	<b>Cameron 1</b>	Anokye-Boadi	<b>Opong 1 (82)</b>	
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Jenkins !	H. McCorkell	Cameron	Opong	Anokye-Boadi	Stewart (62); Cole (81); Brown (82)	
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Stewart	Stacey	Cameron	Jenkins	Anokye-Boadi	Robinson (86); Dunbar-Bonnie (87)	
McKenna	Stacey	Cameron	<b>Anokye-Boadi 1</b>	Dunbar-Bonnie	Helmore (83); Robinson (89)	
Stewart	Stacey !	Cameron	Opong	Anokye-Boadi	Helmore (82); Cole (87); H. McCorkell (88)	
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Laaref	Stacey	Williams	Anokye-Boadi	Stewart	Sinclair (85) !; Langley (90); James (90)	
Laaref	Stacey !	<b>Sinclair 1</b> !	Anokye-Boadi	H. McCorkell !	Langley (71); Williams (81)	
Laaref	Stacey	<b>Sinclair 1</b> !	Williams	<b>Anokye-Boadi 2</b>	McKenna (83); H. McCorkell (88); James (89)	
Laaref	<b>Stacey 1</b>	Sinclair	Williams	Anokye-Boadi	James (79); McKenna (89); H. McCorkell (88)	
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# ROLL CALL 2023/24

Player	2023/24 Season										Woods Career						Woods Debut
	Isthmian League				Cup				Total		League		Cups		Overall		
	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Starts	As Sub	Total	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	
Ric Alexander-Greenaway	5	3	8	0	6	2	8	1	16	1	44	4	16	3	60	7	Ashford Town (Mx) [A] Mar '22
Kofi Anokye-Boadi	26	0	26	6	9	1	10	1	36	7	26	6	10	1	36	7	Corinthian-Casuals [H] Aug '23
Luke Brophy**	0	1	1	0	2	3	5	0	6	0	1	0	5	0	6	0	Binfield [A] Sep '23
Curtis Brown**	3	5	8	0	1	1	2	0	10	0	8	0	2	0	10	0	Ashford Town (Mx) [H] Sep '23
Roraigh Browne*	13	0	13	0	2	0	2	0	15	0	13	0	2	0	15	0	Thatcham Town [A] Oct '23
Reece Cameron**	7	3	10	2	1	0	1	0	11	2	10	2	1	0	11	2	Chertsey Town [H] Oct '23
Keagan Cole	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	44	7	11	0	55	7	Chipstead [A] Nov '21
Archie Coulter*	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	Buckhurst Hill [A] Aug '23
Ben Crowder	0	3	3	0	1	2	3	0	6	0	3	0	3	0	6	0	Corinthian-Casuals [H] Aug '23
Deago Dunbar-Bonnie	24	1	25	1	9	1	10	1	35	2	25	1	10	1	35	2	Corinthian-Casuals [H] Aug '23
Lesley Duru*	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	South Park Reigate [A] Dec '23
Martin Flannery	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	Hendon [A] Jan '24
Harry Gallagher	18	0	18	5	9	0	9	4	27	9	37	8	16	4	53	12	Tooting 8 MU [H] Aug '22
Zeid Hannachi*	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	0	Chipstead [H] Oct '23
Josh Helmore	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	57	16	13	5	70	21	Bedfont Sports [H] Jan '22
Beau Hudd*	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	Uxbridge [A] Sep '23
Archie James	0	5	5	0	1	0	1	0	6	0	5	0	1	0	6	0	Hendon [A] Jan '24
Sam Jenkins	15	7	22	1	4	6	10	0	32	1	81	4	27	0	108	4	Kings Langley [H] Sep '18
Romario Jonas	15	1	16	2	2	3	5	0	21	2	27	2	10	0	37	2	South Park Reigate [H] Aug '22
Adam Laaref	6	1	7	2	0	0	0	0	7	2	7	2	0	0	7	2	Uxbridge [H] Jan '24
Stefan Langley	1	3	4	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	4	1	0	0	4	1	Marlow [A] Jan '24
Prince Mbengui*	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	0	Chipstead [H] Oct '23
Andrew McCorkell	11	0	11	0	7	0	7	0	18	0	52	0	18	0	70	0	Uxbridge [A] Sep '17
Harry McCorkell	11	5	16	0	3	3	6	0	22	0	16	0	6	0	22	0	Corinthian-Casuals [H] Aug '23
Harry McKenna	13	4	17	0	2	0	2	0	19	0	17	0	2	0	19	0	Thatcham Town [A] Oct '23
Matt Messer	2	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	2	0	1	0	3	0	Marlow [H] Sep '23
George Milner-Smith*	6	0	6	0	1	0	1	0	7	0	6	0	1	0	7	0	Chipstead [H] Oct '23
Jaden Newman**	1	2	3	0	1	3	4	1	7	1	3	0	4	1	7	1	Buckhurst Hill [A] Aug '23
Godlove Opong	4	4	8	1	2	2	4	0	12	1	8	1	4	0	12	1	Marlow [H] Sept '23
Osaretin Otote*	7	1	8	3	7	1	8	1	16	4	13	3	10	1	23	4	Binfield [A] Apr '23
Joe Reade**	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	5	0	7	0	Ashford Town (Mx) [H] Oct '22
Tyler Robinson*	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	South Park Reigate [A] Dec '23
Lucas Sinclair	6	2	8	7	0	0	0	0	8	7	8	7	0	0	8	7	Leatherhead [H] Jan '24
Jack Smith*	2	2	4	0	3	1	4	0	8	0	7	0	5	0	12	0	Thatcham Town [A] Mar '23
Teddy Stacey	25	1	26	3	8	1	9	0	35	3	62	6	16	1	78	7	Chipstead [A] Nov '21
Carl Stewart	23	2	25	1	9	0	9	1	34	2	86	2	23	1	109	3	Chipstead [A] Nov '21
Mikey Tierney**	0	1	1	0	2	1	3	0	4	0	1	0	3	0	4	0	Marlow [H] Sep '23
Luke Tingey	23	1	24	0	9	0	9	1	33	1	75	3	21	1	96	4	Tooting 8 MU [H] Feb '22
Dan Williams	20	1	21	11	7	2	9	3	30	14	31	14	11	4	42	18	Merstham [A] Feb '23

\* No longer with club; \*\* Dual-Registered







# UNDER 18S

## WOODS HIT BY POSTPONEMENTS

**H**aving lost their first Allied Counties League game at Rayners Lane 2-1, the Woods youngsters looked to get back to winning ways at Wembley but again they were unable to get all three points as they were held to a 2-2 draw by the Lions.

On an excellent surface at Vale Farm, the Woods were 2-1 up at the break thanks to goals from Sarin Thapa and Jeremy Scholz but they were pegged back in the second-half and had to settle for a share of the points.

That Wembley game was a month ago and sadly since then a series of matches has fallen victim to the weather with a game at home to Harefield United off followed by the rearranged League Cup tie at Thatcham Town and then two attempts to play Bedfont Sports in the semi-finals of the Middlesex Senior Youth Cup.

Having had two postponements of that fixture, the County rules decree that the tie can then be switched to the away team's ground and with Bedfont having a 3G surface, that certainly made sense and the Woods were due to play there last night so we can only hope that they put on a good show. The winners of that semi-final will play Cockfosters in the final (ironically back at Bedfont Sports) next week, on Wednesday 13th March and this would cancel our current scheduled fixture on that day.

Despite playing last night, the Under-18s will still be fulfilling their home league fixture against second-placed Rayners Lane tomorrow night here at the Skyline Roofing Stadium so if you can get along to give them a cheer, I am sure they would appreciate it as it looks like a key fixture in the chase for the top spot.

### Most appearances:

**11** - Reid, Scholz, Sweeney

**10** - Casteluber, Grant, Latifi, Osborne, Thapa, Williams

### Top Scorers:

**7** - Grant **5** - Latifi, Thapa **4** - Reid **3** - Toci



## FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023/24

Date	Opposition	@	Comp	Res	Scorers
<b>July</b>					
Mon 24	Dunstable Town	N	Friendly	6-1	Dwyer, Grant 2, Osborne 2, Crowder
Thu 27	Leverstock Green	A	Friendly	2-1	Osborne, Crowder
<b>August</b>					
Thu 10	Walton & Hersham	N	Friendly	3-4	Caselli 3
Wed 16	Tring Athletic	H	FAY	2-5	Scholz, Toci
Thu 31	Kings Langley	A	Friendly	2-4	Williams, Reid
<b>September</b>					
Mon 11	Hillingdon Borough	A	ACYL	5-1	Thapa 2, Grant, Scholz, Dwyer
Wed 27	Wembley	H	ACYL	2-0	Toci, Lewis
<b>October</b>					
Wed 11	Chalfont St Peter	H	ACYL	4-1	Latifi 3, Thapa
Wed 25	Beaconsfield Town	H	ACYL	3-0	Lousley, Reid, Toci
<b>November</b>					
Wed 15	Hillingdon Borough	H	MCYC	2-1	Grant, Latifi
Wed 22	Burnham	H	ACYLC	8-0	Grant 2, Reid, Latifi, Williams, Bradford, Crowder, Clemowpa
<b>January</b>					
Tue 9	Beaconsfield Town	A	ACYL	2-0	Reid, Thapa
Wed 24	Uxbridge	H	MCYC	5-4	Casteluber 2, Grant 3 (1 pen)
Tue 30	Rayners Lane	A	ACYL	1-2	Williams
<b>February</b>					
Wed 7	Wembley	A	ACYL	2-2	Thapa, Scholz
<b>March</b>					
Mon 4	Bedfont Sports	H	MCYC	To be played at Bedfont Sports	
Wed 6	Rayners Lane	H	ACYL		
Wed 13	Hillingdon Borough	H	ACYL		
Wed 20	Harefield United	H	ACYL		
<b>April</b>					
Wed 3	Chalfont St Peter	A	ACYL		
Wed 24	Harefield United	A	ACYL		
TBA	Thatcham Town	A	ACYLC		

ACYL - Allied Counties Youth League; FAY - FA Youth Cup; ACYLC - Allied Counties Youth League Cup; MCYC - Middlesex County Youth Cup

## ALLIED COUNTIES LEAGUE EAST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Northwood	7	5	1	1	19	6	13	16
2 Rayners Lane	9	4	2	3	21	14	7	14
3 Wembley	8	3	2	3	13	14	-1	11
4 Hillingdon Borough	6	3	1	2	14	14	0	10
5 Harefield United	6	2	2	2	10	12	-2	8
6 Chalfont St Peter	7	2	2	3	15	19	-4	8
7 Beaconsfield Town	9	2	0	7	15	28	-13	6



# MATCH ACTION

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PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE  
SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION  
SATURDAY 17th FEBRUARY 2024

ATT 128



**Northwood**

Anokye-Boadi 26,61, Gallagher 67, Sinclair 88

**Thatcham Town**

Harry 56

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Lucas Sinclair heads home the fourth

**N**orthwood picked up three valuable three with a dominant display against an in-form Thatcham Town side that had won three on the spin before their visit to the Skyline Roofing Stadium.

There were two changes to the Woods starting line-up from their last game eleven days earlier with Carl Steward and Dan Williams returning in preference to Harry McKenna and Harry McCorkell with a change of role for Kofi Anokye-Boadi.

Morning rain had left the already soft surface a bit heavy in places but the Woods started in lively fashion and were quickly on the front foot with a Luke Tingey throw being headed goalwards by Harry Gallagher but it drifted wide of the target.

The Kingfishers looked dangerous on the break and when the Woods lost possession in midfield, it provided a chance for Jordi Ebanda. The striker had scored five times in the last three games but on this occasion his strike was pushed wide by Andrew McCorkell.

After sixteen minutes, some good work

and a clever chip from Adam Laaref picked out Anokye-Boadi but his header was straight at goalkeeper Callum Smart who gathered comfortably.

Six minutes later Anokye-Boadi made good ground down the right and got the ball in but Smart was in the right place to gather it at the near-post.

**GOAL ALERT**  
**1-0 Kofi Anokye-Boadi**  
**(22 mins)**

But just four minutes later, the pressure paid off as a corner from Deago Dunbar-Bonnie was headed goalwards by Gallagher. Smart failed to collect under pressure from Williams and it was Anokye-Boadi who reacted quickest to knock home the loose ball.

After twenty nine minutes another throw-in from Tingey caused problems and Sam Jenkins touched it into the net but unfortunately it was clearly with his hand and his was booked for his misdemeanour. Two minutes later, Anokye-Boadi again proved a thorn in the visitors' side as a chance opened up for

him but his strike flashed across the goal and wide.

It had been an excellent first-half performance from the Woods, stretching the Thatcham defence throughout but they only led by the odd goal at the break so the Kingfishers would be looking to tur things around in the second-half.

**HALF TIME**  
**NORTHWOOD** 1  
**THATCHAM TOWN** 0

Inside the opening ten minutes the Woods continued to threaten. Williams had a shot well wide, then a jinking run from Laaref finished with a shot that flashed inches wide of the far post before a great move started by Jenkins saw Anokye-Boadi deliver an inviting cross which was met by Lucas Sinclair but somehow Smart kept it out.

**GOAL ALERT**  
**1-1 Harvey Harry (56 mins)**  
Immediately Thatcham levelled the scores as Jenkins hesitated to clear a long ball and Harvey Harry nipped through to slot home with a cool finish.



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Harry Gallagher after scoring



Deago Dunbar-Bonnie



Adam Laaref being held

**GOAL ALERT**  
**2-1 Kofi Anokye-Boadi (61 mins)**

However, the Woods never allowed that setback to affect their play. Laaref forced Smart into another save on fifty eight minutes and three minutes later they were back in front.

Another Tingey throw was headed on by Gallagher and it fell to Sinclair who's goalbound effort was blocked before Anokye-Boadi pounced again to score from close-range.

**GOAL ALERT**  
**3-1 Harry Gallagher (67 mins)**

Northwood turned the screw and after sixty seven minutes, Williams got the ball in from the right and, in turn, Laaref set up Gallagher who curled a delightful shot from the edge of the box beyond Smart and inside the far post.

The Woods defender thought he might have had a second after seventy three minutes when he touched in but that was ruled offside and the Laaref again forced a save from Smart before he was replaced by McKenna for the final ten minutes.

**GOAL ALERT**  
**4-1 Lucas Sinclair (88 mins)**

The Woods dominant performance of the heavy pitch deserved a fourth goal and it duly came after eighty seven minutes. McKenna was hacked down right of the penalty-area by Josh Blackwood who was yellow carded and from a perfectly flighted free-kick from Dunbar-Bonnie, Sinclair rose higher than the 6ft 9in defender Andrew Matthews to head home.

A couple of late substitutions took the Woods into five additional minutes but there was only one further attempt at goal as Williams tried his luck from distance but

it flew wide of the post.

With ten of Northwood's final fifteen league matches left coming away from home, they need to transfer their home form to their travels, starting with Tuesday's visit to a much-improved Binfield, the first of four successive away games against sides around them in the table.

**FULL TIME**  
**NORTHWOOD**  
**Thatcham Town**

**4**  
**1**

**WOODS LINE-UP** A McCorkell, Jenkins (H McCorkell 88), Dunbar-Bonnie, Stewart (James 89), Tingey, Gallagher, Laaref (McKenna 83), Stacey, Sinclair, Williams, Anokye-Boadi  
**Unused Subs:** Langley, Flannery



INTRODUCING TONIGHT'S VISITORS

# HANWORTH VILLA



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**H**anworth Villa was formed in 1976. In the early years, the team struggled in Division one of the Hounslow & District League, scoring a goal was usually celebrated with a public holiday.

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

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

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

1984/1985. From 1980 the club had a nomadic existence but in 1997 moved to their current headquarters at Rectory Meadow. This move led to the formation of Hanworth Villa Sunday and a new reserve team, being an amalgamation of teams from The Sawyers Arms, The Queen Dowager and Feltham Railway Club.

A Chiswick League double in 1992/1993 and a 19-0 Cup Final victory in the National Railways Cup cemented the successful amalgamation. Following hard work by Dave Brown the club was granted a lease at Rectory Meadow. At last the team had a permanent home and could set about converting an existing pavilion into a clubhouse, which has become known as the 'Ranch'.

With a permanent base, Villa were also able to concentrate on improving the level of football, and in 2002/2003 a notable performance by the Saturday first team was to win 'the treble' of the Middlesex County Premier Cup, the Open Cup and the Middlesex County League. After another Premier League title in 2004/05, with a record number of points, it was decided to move on and the club were elected to Division 1 of the Combined Counties League in 2005/2006.

It took a while to adapt to the new level of football, but in the second season they managed to win the Challenge Cup. The following season, 2007/08, the team managed to successfully defend the Challenge Cup and also narrowly miss out on the league title,



finishing a credible second. However the lack of facilities at the 'Ranch' prevented promotion.

The club were determined to ensure that the situation should not arise again and with typical determination the committee managed to raise the funds to ensure that floodlights and a spectator stand were installed in time for the 2008/09 campaign. The effort was not in vain as once again the team finished second and following a successful ground inspection Hanworth Villa were promoted to the Combined Counties Premier League for the 2009/10 season

The debut season was as expected difficult with points being few and far between and it was not until the second half of the campaign that the team came to terms with the standard of football required. By the end of the season the team had collected enough points to finish 17th, three points clear of relegation. The first season taught the club a lot and changes were put in place to allow for a more comfortable second season, in which not only did the team finish in 5th position in the league, but also reached the finals of the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup and the Southern Combination Cup.

Unfortunately they were to lose in both.

The 2011/12 season will live long in the memory of all concerned at the club as being their most successful in national competition. In the FA Cup the team, after victories over Shrivensham, Bedford Sports, Wembley, Aveley and Slough, lined up against AFC Totten for a place in the 1st Round proper, a rare achievement for a team competing at national level 9. In a very close encounter AFC won 3-2. In the FA Vase the team reached the 3rd round losing to Herne Bay, one of the beaten semi-finalists that year.

In 2013/14 the team were successful in achieving a double, in winning both the Middlesex Premier League Cup and the Southern Combination Cup.

At the end of the 2015/16 season the club appointed former Queens Park Rangers and Fulham defender Rufus Brevett as their new manager. Rufus had previously managed at Arlesey Town and had coached at Banbury United. Under the Management of Rufus and his team, Bobby Watson, Carl Cleaver and Cliff Angol the team won the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup with a 3 - 2 win over Spelthorne Sports. It was the second occasion in three years that the team have won this trophy.

In December 2018, by mutual agreement, Rufus Brevett stepped down as first team Manager with Louis Carder-Walcott, previously Assistant Manager at Westfield FC, being appointed shortly after. Following a poor run of form at the start of the 2019/20 and with no positive signs of recovery it was decided that Louis would step down as Manager of the club. In November 2019 the position was filled by Simon Haughney and his management team of Paul Thomas and Leon Solomon. The players responded well to this new team and with the addition of several new signings performed well, despite the distractions of the Covid pandemic. Not only did they remain unbeaten in the ten matches played during the suspended 2020-21 season, they also set a new club

## The Manager Simon Haughney



Appointed as The Villans boss in November 2019, Simon Haughney, 42, was a talented footballer and as a youngster spent six years at Crystal Palace before being released at the age of 16. He was selected to play for Middlesex County, where he went on to captain the team, playing alongside the likes of Peter Crouch, Stephen Reid and Sam Parkin. After dropping out of the academy set up Simon spent some time playing Non League football, making appearances for both Yeading and Staines Town.

In 2000 he established Onside Football Coaching who have an affiliation to Hampton & Richmond Borough FC Academy, coaching all 25 youth teams, working with over 350 members on a weekly basis.

record by progressing to the last 16 of the F A Vase, narrowly losing to Long Eaton United on penalties.

Last season proved to be the greatest in the history of Hanworth Villa FC and, in winning the inaugural Combined Counties North Premier Division and with it promotion to the Isthmian League, the club achieved their highest position in senior football since the formation in 1976. The most remarkable record of all is, however, that the team remained unbeaten throughout the league season.



## SOUTH CENTRAL

Just one game survived the weather at the weekend and inevitably, that was the 3G surface at Ascot United and they used that to their advantage with a solid 2-0 success over South Park (Reigate) whose play-off push appears to be falling away a little. It was two weeks ago that the title race swung considerably in Chertsey Town's favour when they pulled off a narrow 1-0 win at chasers Marlow. The Blues gave the Curfews the game by having one player sent off early in the match and then another a bit later but it wasn't until the last five minutes that Chertsey got the vital goal. Chertsey then conceded some of the advantage gained though, in their very next game, as South Park went to Alwyns Lane and drew 4-4. It could have been worse for the Curfews though as it was 2-4 until the final eight minutes and they only hit the equaliser eight minutes into stoppage-time. The leaders remain eight points clear at the top now though after Marlow blew it again last Tuesday; losing 2-4 at home to Guernsey. Marlow are three points ahead of both Southall and Leatherhead. All of them look set for the play-offs with the other spot likely to be a battle between Raynes Park Vale and Westfield.

Both Binfield and Corinthian-Casuals remain eight points adrift of safety in the bottom two. Both changed their manager to try to change their fortunes and there has been more of a ray of hope for Binfield than Casuals. They won three out of four a month ago and although that run has been stymied by a series of postponements, they have drawn two of their last three as well. They have two games in hand to Corinthian-Casuals, who still haven't won since mid-November, and four in hand to Chipstead who have only won once since October. Binfield are due to travel to Chipstead on Easter Saturday. The other side with some concerns about their own form will be Ashford Town (Middx) who, as we saw last Tuesday, are struggling with just one win in thirteen matches. Guernsey are one of the most in-form sides in the division and have really improved

their position following three wins in four games including that brilliant 4-2 success at Marlow last week.

## PREMIER

On Saturday, even the Premier Division was badly affected by the weather with only Lewes managing to play on a grass surface, being held to a 2-2 draw by Canvey Island for their efforts. However, the main talking point was the continued run of poor form for early season title favourites Billericay Town who lost 2-4 at home to Hashtag United; following a 6-3 loss at second-placed Chatham Town the previous week. It was their fifth successive league defeat and during that time they had also exited the Velocity League Cup at the quarter-final stage, losing on penalties to Chatham once again. Their loan signing of former Woods striker Sydney Ibie from Dagenham & Redbridge has been unable to turn things around despite big Syd netting a goal on his debut at Chatham. Despite remaining in third place in the table, the Blues are now looking over their shoulders at the chasing pack with even a play-off place under threat unless they can turn things around. Hornchurch remain nine points clear of Chatham at the top with three games in hand so it's now looking almost certain that the Urchins will move up to Step 2 for the first time since their one of their two previous years at that level back in 2012/13. Two of our three Middlesex clubs in the Premier Division are still in with a fair chance of making the play-offs. Wingate & Finchley are very well-placed in fourth while Enfield Town are in sixth having drawn three on the spin.

At the other end of the table, Kingstonian managed to win their first game following the departure of former Woods manager Simon Lane, a creditable 3-2 success over Bognor Regis and they have since tightened up at the back, conceding only two goals in three games. That has allowed them to pick up two more points but they still remain bottom of the table, seven points adrift of safety. Haringey Borough still look in big danger but Concord Rangers did beat Billericay

Town recently and, if they can get more consistency, they could get out of the bottom four. If they do, it is certainly Cheshunt and Margate who will be most worried about relegation.

## NORTH

With our game postponed on Saturday, I got to pay another visit to Heybridge Swifts who had dropped away from the play-off positions in recent weeks. They were at home to leaders Lowestoft Town who were running away with the title until this last week. The Trawlermen had lost 2-1 at lowly Ipswich Wanderers in midweek and this was another banana skin for the Norfolk side as the Swifts notched three points with another 2-1 victory, despite being reduced to ten men midway through the second-half. This sudden loss of form has allowed the chasers to close in and Felixstowe & Walton United are now level with them after a 2-1 win at Enfield extended their run to eight consecutive victories. Similarly, Bury Town have now won their last seven, though they did have a scare at the weekend. They led Ipswich Wanderers 3-0 at half-time but with three minutes left, Ipswich had pulled it back to 3-3 before Bury scored a winner in stoppage-time. The Suffolk side are now nine points behind the top two but with two games in hand so they could still challenge. Brentwood Town's 3-0 success at New Salamis strengthened their play-off hopes while Bowers & Pitsea make up the top five – some five points clear of Heybridge now in sixth place.

As previously mentioned, the relegation places look certain. East Thurrock United folded during the early part of the season, they are reported to be reforming back at Step 6 or 7, while Stowmarket Town are set to book a quick return to Step 5 as they have still not won a game all season and remain thirteen points adrift of safety with eleven to play.

## SOUTH EAST

We have of course been following the South-East Division a little closer this season that usual because of our





# FIRST TEAM SQUAD & SPONSORS 2023/24

## Luke Tingey



Luke is an experienced 26-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. Made skipper during an almost ever-present 2022-23 season, he won the Managers' Player of the Year award and is back from another term.

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## Harry Gallagher



Harry came late to Saturday non-League football having only started playing in 2021-22 with Broadfields United having trained with Northwood for much of 2022. The 25-year-old has registered with the Woods for the last season and continued to develop, also bagging the bonus of scoring Goal of the Season. He returns for a second year.

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## Teddy Stacey



26-year-old Teddy joined us from Hadley FC. He was at Tottenham as a youth and then went to the US where he represented 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. Missed the first half of last season but is now approaching 50 appearances for Woods and returns for a third term.

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Robertson**

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## Andrew McCorkell



Experienced 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 U19s. 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 in 2022. He was ever-present during that 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 returned permanently for 2022. Now approaching 75 appearances for the club, he's back for another year.

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## Romario Jonas



Romario is a 25-year-old defender who joined on dual-registration with Harwell 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 Harwell side that won promotion through the play-offs back in May 2022.

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## Deago Dunbar-Bonnie



Only 20, Deago is a left-back who was with Stoke City and Leyton Orient as a youth. He had spells with Maldon & Tiptree and Hullbridge Sports upon his release from the O's and last season played for Kings Langley while also dual-registering with Duxhey Jets. He is dual-registered with Harrow Borough.

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## Godlove Oppong



The 19-year-old striker has been on the management's radar for quite some time and they finally got him on board in the summer of 2023 having enjoyed a couple of good years with Tring Athletic in the Spartan South Midlands League. Prior to that he played for Dunstable Town. He will be looking to take that further step up the levels with the Woods this season.

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## Kofi Anokye-Boadi



Kofi moved to Northwood in July 2023 having played for both Chipstead and Bedford Sports last season. The attacking midfielder started as a youth at Barnet and at 23 will be looking to establish himself with the Woods.

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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 26-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 has been virtually ever-present in the Woods midfield, clocking up over 75 appearances.

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## Harry McKenna



Young, 19-year-old academy prospect at National League side Aldershot Town, Harry has joined the Woods in October 2023 with a view to impressing in his midfield role.

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## Dan Williams



Returning to the Woods in mid-January 2024 after a brief spell at Uxbridge, Dan is a 26-year-old striker who came through the successful Hendon U23 side and then made a huge impact at Chalfont St Peter with plenty of goals. He then moved to Tooting B Mitcham and Bedfont Sports in 2021/22 before joining Uxbridge in the summer of 2022. From there he joined the Woods in February 2023. Despite being away for a couple of months, he remains Woods top scorer this season.

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## Harry McCorkell



24-year-old midfielder who joins the Woods from North Greenford United where he scored 10 goals in 44 games last season. Prior to that Harry enjoyed six seasons with Herefield United, making over 100 appearances and he now teams up with his older brother as he looks to make the step up.

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## Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway



The 23-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. He signed on permanently for the 2022/23 season and played a huge part in bolstering the midfield area.

Now starting a second season, Ric is just short of 50 appearances and has also been amongst the goals.

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## Matt Messer



Young, 22-year-old goalkeeper has signed for the Woods as cover for the established McCorkell and will be looking to progress during the season. He joins from Holmer Green where he featured 25 times during the last campaign.

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## Josh Helmore



Experienced forward, now 31, Josh returned to the Woods in December 2022 having had a short spell at Arlesley Town. He originally arrived in November 2022 from Binfield and is now closing in on 50 appearances having also bagged more than 20 goals. He has also played for Reading City, Gloucester City and Thatcham Town.

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## Archie James



Young 18-year-old who has signed forms for Northwood in January 2023 having impressed for near-neighbours Oxhey Jets in his first season of senior football. Bags of potential, he will be looking to continue his development at the higher level.

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## Keagan Cole

Player/Assistant Manager



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 24 and an inspirational skipper who picked up the Supporters Player of the Year award in 2022. Now installed as Assistant Manager.

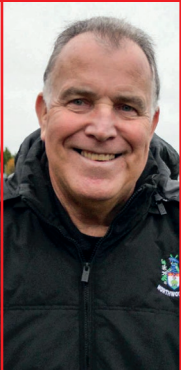
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- Matt **Messer**
- Teddy **Stacey**
- Deago **Dunbar-Bonnie**
- Luke **Tingey**
- Harry **Gallagher**
- Romario **Jonas**
- Carl **Stewart**
- Riccardo **Alexander-Greenaway**
- Harry **McCorkell**
- Harry **McKenna**
- Sam **Jenkins**
- Kofi **Anokye-Boadi**
- Josh **Helmore**
- Dan **Williams**
- Godlove **Oppong**
- Lucas **Sinclair**
- Keagan **Cole**
- Mikey **Tierney**
- Ben **Crowder**
- Stephen **Langley**
- Adam **Laaref**



## HANWORTH VILLA

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- Gary **Ross**
- Terry **Buss**
- Kyron **Richards**
- Ben **Geraghty**
- Aston **Nunn**
- Guy **Ansah-Palmer**
- Matthew **Gbio**
- George **Wells**
- Theo **Crawford**
- Louis **Collins**
- Gagendeeep **Samra**
- Kyen **Nicholas**
- Sam **Mead**
- Sam **Merson**
- Rayan **Djouadj**
- Bruno **Robertson-Tingle**
- Ben **Merson**
- Steve **Gody**
- Finlay **MacNab**
- Dean **Wells**

### MATCH OFFICIALS

**Referee:**

Scott Crowhurst

**Assistants:**

Dan Harvey

& Alec Ovens

### NEXT UP HOME

#### BADSHOT LEA

Tuesday 19th March 2024

Kick-Off 7.45pm

Pitching In Isthmian League South

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### NEXT UP AWAY

#### CHERTSEY TOWN

Saturday 9th March 2024

Kick-Off 3pm

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