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Kick-off 7.45pm



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Isthmian Associate Members Trophy winners:	1993, 2000
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Middlesex Senior Cup finalists:	2000, 2002
Middlesex Senior Cup semi-finalists:	1992, 1997, 1999, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2022
Middlesex Senior Charity Cup finalists:	1994, 2003, 2005, 2012, 2023
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Middlesex Junior Cup winners:	1938
Middlesex Junior Cup finalists	1935, 1936
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London Spartan League Cup winners:	1990, 1992
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Hellenic League Premier Division Cup finalist:	1982
Hellenic League Division One Cup winners:	1979
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Farewell...

# ANDY LOMAS

**O**ne downside to the Annual Presentation Evening was the announcement from Andy Lomas that he had made the difficult decision to call time on his playing career.

It was Andy that put together the Woods current management team 18 months ago and since then he has taken his appearance total for the club to over 150 games and added his name to the Northwood Legends that appear on our first-team kit.

Andy then shared the following statement on Twitter:

"After 16 years in non-League, the time had come for me to put the boots away. I've played for some fantastic clubs and made some great memories, promotions and cup

runs that I'll never forget. Gutted to come up just short this season with Northwood but proud of how far we progressed in a short space of time."

He added "Unfortunately in November, I was diagnosed with a debilitating bowel condition called

Ulcerative Colitis, which had made playing football incredibly difficult. It's given me no choice but to step away and focus on improving my health. Thanks to all the other brilliant clubs who I've had the pleasure to represent – Oxhey Jets, Potters Bar Town, Harrow Borough and Walton & Hersham. Non-League is full of wonderful people. Off to contemplate if I'm mad enough to make a move into the dugout."

We thank Andy for his excellent service to the club. He first joined the Woods in the summer of 2014 and made over 100 appearances as we captured the Middlesex Senior Cup. Despite the illness, he added a further 64 games to his tally after returning in November 2021 and even scored a goal (at Sutton Common Rovers) that made the final tally 173 games with 3 goals.

He'll certainly always be welcome back here at the club and we look forward to seeing him soon.



# WOODS OUTLOOK



with Alan Evans

## Welcome to the Daggers & the K's

The new campaign of 2023-24 is fast approaching and we now stage our final two pre-season warm-up friendlies here at the Skyline Roofing Stadium before the big kick-off on Saturday 12th August.

First up, we are delighted to welcome current National League side Dagenham & Redbridge to Northwood for what will be only the second time the two clubs have met in our respective histories. The reason behind the visit is the same as the first – a reward for being able to supply a player to the Daggers first-team squad; in this case Sydney Ibie who left the Woods in November 2022 following plenty of impressive displays since joining our club from Potters Bar Town a year earlier.

Since the move, Sydney has had to be patient for his opportunities at the top level of the non-League period but he has been able to make an impact and will be hoping to build on that as the new season progresses. The previous meeting between the two clubs came in July 2004 and we reflect on that game elsewhere in this matchday programme. We hope that everyone connected with Dagenham & Redbridge enjoy their short stay with us.

We are also welcoming Isthmian Premier Division side Kingstonian who, under the new management of former Woods boss Simon Lane, just managed to avoid relegation at the back end of last season with some

impressive victories during the last couple of months of their campaign. They ended up a comfortable six points clear of the bottom four and will be hoping to enjoy a better term this time around. We have previously met Kingstonian only during our two-year spell in the Isthmian Premier Division from 2003 to 2005. In 03/04, Northwood completed the “double” over the K's, winning 2-0 here at Chestnut Avenue with goals from Mark Nicholls and Brian Fitzgerald while a Danny Yeoman strike earned a 1-0 victory at Kingsmeadow. The following season, the K's gained revenge, winning both matches 1-0. The K's are starting their seventh difficult season since moving out of their former home at Kingsmeadow having spent one year at Leatherhead, four years at Corinthian Casuals and this will be their second term at Tooting & Mitcham. We wish them well.

## Woods just miss out on honours

Our last home game of last season produced a very enjoyable 3-1 win over Marlow and, as a result of other games played on that date, it meant that the Woods would have to play away to runners-up Walton & Hersham in the Play-Off semi-final four days later. Having already met three times previously during the season and losing narrowly by one goal on each occasion, it was always going to be a really close and tough game and that was exactly what it produced. Having taken an early lead

through a Josh Helmore strike, the side battled really hard. The Swans had a crowd of over a thousand behind them and they levelled things up just before the half-hour stage with a good header from a corner. It stayed level through most of the second-half but then a scramble to clear a loose ball in the box led to a penalty being awarded to the home side and once they got their noses in front, they stayed there in the closing-stages. Walton went on to beat Hanworth Villa in the Play-Off Final a few days later and take a place at Step 3 that the side's performances throughout the season deserved.

A week later, the side had a chance to pick up some silverware in the Final of the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup where we met Broadfields United at Uxbridge. It was the club's fifth final in the competition having lost all previous four finals. Up against Step 5 opposition, hopes were certainly high but our opponents weren't seeing things that way and they took a first-half lead which they then held onto to win the tournament. A disappointing end to what had been a very enjoyable season for sure.



## Management Group

We are delighted that the squad will still be managed day-to-day by the group of Ben Bukowski and Keagan Cole under Steve Ringrose's overseeing role of Director of Football. Ben becomes Manager and Keagan Assistant Manager and they have added two new faces to their coaching team with former Hemel Hempstead, Billericay Town and Wealdstone midfielder Jacob Cook and ex-Ickenham FC boss Dennis Quigley strengthening the team. We welcome both to the Woods!

## Cup Draws

Our finishing position in Division One Central of the Isthmian League last season meant that we didn't have to be in the draw for the Extra Preliminary Round of the Buildbase FA Challenge Cup this season so while many of our fellow divisional adversaries are playing in the prestigious competition this weekend, the Woods are not one of them. We enter at the Preliminary Round stage in two weeks' time, on Saturday 19th August and will play away to the winners of the tie between Buckhurst Hill (of the Essex Senior League) and Brantham Athletic (of the Eastern Counties League). We look forward to our visit wherever it may be!

In the Isuzu FA Challenge Trophy, the Woods have been given a really tough opening fixture in the First Qualifying Round, away to South East Division side Ramsgate. The Kent coast side finished runners-up to Chatham Town last season, losing only two league matches at home but then lost on penalties in their own Play-Off semi-final to Hythe Town (who, in turn, lost to Whitehawk in the Final). Their average crowd was over 700 so they are certainly a well-supported side and we go there on Saturday 9th September. The winners will be at home to either Uxbridge or another Isthmian South-East side Sevenoaks Town in the Second Qualifying Round.

Draws for the Isthmian League Cup and the Middlesex Senior Cup have not been made at the time of writing these notes.

## League News

There was a bit of excitement during the summer as the new constitution for the South Central Division of the Isthmian League produced a couple of real surprises. Firstly, Marlow were moved sideways to the Southern League (when there were many thinking it might be us making that move) but also there was the inclusion of a Metropolitan Police side that had asked for voluntary relegation having finished eighth in the Southern Premier South last season. Subsequently, Marlow appealed their transfer and were successful so the Blues are back in our division. At a late hour, the Woods were asked if the club wished to take Marlow's place in the Southern League but it was decided to stay where we are and our division will now run with 21 clubs. It does mean a couple of blank Saturday's and we have our first one soon on Saturday 26th August plus also on Easter Saturday 2024. Other newcomers to our division are relegated Corinthian Casuals – our opponents on the opening day next Saturday – and the promoted trio of Vase winners Ascot United, Raynes Park Vale and Badshot Lea. We lose relegated Tooting & Mitcham United and Bedfont Sports plus Merstham who were transferred over to the South East Division.

It is understood that Uxbridge are laying their new 3G pitch over the next couple of months so will be playing home games at Slough Town's ground and this is likely to include our own visit at the end of September. Southall are now ground-sharing the 3G at Burnham and these will join Ascot, South Park and Sutton Common Rovers with artificial surfaces this season.

## Under-18s

Our midweek Under-18s made the difficult decision to leave the Isthmian Youth League in the summer and, after a 13-year gap, will play their football in the Allied Counties Youth League this season. Placed in the East Division, we will have more local opponents such as Beaconsfield Town, Brook House, Chalfont St Peter, Harefield United, Hillingdon Borough, Rayners Lane and Wembley.

In the FA Youth Cup, we have been drawn at home to Tring Athletic in the Extra Preliminary Round. This game will be staged here at the Skyline Roofing Stadium on Wednesday 16th August 2023 at 7.45pm so please make a note in your diary to come down and show your support for this one.

## Spartans FC

Our tenants are back for a second season of Combined Counties League Division One (Step 6) football and are quickly in action here at the Skyline with no less than four home games in August. The first of those is on Tuesday night, 8th August when they take on London Samuraj Rovers and they follow that a week later against Molesey. Both games kick-off at 7.45pm.

## At the Skyline...

Next Fixtures at the Skyline Roofing Stadium

**Tuesday 8th August**  
**Spartans v. London Samuraj Rovers**  
CCL Division One – 7.45pm

**Saturday 12th August**  
**Woods v. Corinthian Casuals**  
Isthmian South Central – 3pm

**Tuesday 15th August**  
**Spartans Youth v. Molesey**  
CCL Division One – 7.45pm

**Wednesday 16th August**  
**Woods U18s v. Tring Athletic**  
FA Youth Cup – 7.45pm

Enjoy these pre-season games, thanks for your support, and see you all again soon.



# WOODS AWARDS EVENING 2023

**A**t the end of the last campaign, it was time for the awards to be given out and during a splendid evening at the clubhouse, sponsored by Dan Campbell of C & G Scaffolding, they were certainly shared around.

Current Dagenham & Redbridge forward **Sydney Ibie** managed to hold on to the Golden Boot, despite not being around in the final six months of the season, with Josh Helmore only one goal short of picking up his second top scorer award in two years. However, it was defender **Harry Gallagher** who picked up the Goal of the Season award for his thumping finish that won the home league game against Uxbridge.

It was skipper **Luke Tingey** who won the Managers' Player of the Year trophy after consistently solid performances throughout the season but he was just beaten to the Supporters' voted Player of the Year award by fellow defender **James Gurteen**.

Finally, ever-present goalkeeper **Andrew McCorkell** was the grateful recipient of the much-coveted Players' Player of the Year award. He was also voted in as the top goalkeeper of the Isthmian Central Divisional team of the year by the managers of each club in the division; a great accolade.

The Under-18s side also had their awards presented with skipper

**Joe Reade** enjoying great success by winning the Managers' Player of the Year and sharing the Players' Player of the Year award with striker **Oscar John**. **Fabjan Toci** took home the Golden Boot having netted 18 goals during the campaign.

The Club awards were also presented with our Match Day announcer **Sean Moore** picking up the Clubman Trophy while youngster **Kingston Hall** was named Supporter of the Year and **Shamira Hamirani** claimed the Chairman's award.

Photos of the evening, taken as ever by James Brown show plenty of happy faces!



James Gurteen was the Supporter's choice for POY; presented by Sponsor Dan Campbell of C&G





Andrew McCorkell picks up the Players' POY from Keagan Cole



The Managers' POY trophy is presented to Luke Tingey



Shamira Hamirani is presented with the Chairman's award

# Welcome Back **SYDNEY IBIE**



## FACT FILE

**Name:**  
Sidney Ibie

**Born:**  
Leiden, Netherlands

**Age:**  
22

**Transferred from**  
Northwood >>>>  
Dagenham & Redbridge  
November 2022

**For Woods**  
Season **2021-22**  
Appearances **24**  
Goals **7**

Season **2022-23**  
Appearances **21**  
Goals **12**

**Woods Career**  
Appearances **45** Goals **19**





# WE'VE MET BEFORE



**D**agenham & Redbridge were still dreaming of becoming a Football League club when our two clubs met for the only time back on 17th July 2004. It would be three more years before that dream came true as they won the National League Premier in 2007 by 14 points from Oxford United and then spent nine years in the Football League, including one in the First Division before relegation back to the National League in 2016.

But, going back to 2003, the Woods had striker Chris Moore in top form, helping the club to stabilise in the Isthmian League Premier Division, our first-ever season at Step 3. Two goals in a 4-1 win at Billericay Town on November 22nd brought him to 10 goals in 20 appearances and he was noticed. The Dagers swooped and he soon established himself at the club, scoring 44 goals in 98 matches for them over the next two and a half years. Ironically, he then moved into the Football League with a £50,000 move to Brentford but when things didn't work out at Griffin Park, he returned to East London to play for the Dagers in their first-ever season in Division Two of the Football League.

Anyway, as a thank you to the Woods for making the transfer to Dagenham & Redbridge a comfortable one, they duly arrived at Chestnut Avenue for a pre-season friendly in July of the following year and the two sides contested an entertaining match.

**Northwood:** Rob Bullivant, Gary Meakin, Mark Dennison, Jay DeMerit, Luke Evans, Richard Morton, Danny Yeoman, Dean Clark, Brian Fitzgerald, Kieran Keane, Christian Glynn.

**Subs.** Dean Papali, Kevin Chakaodza, Gavin Hart, Gary Austin, Paul Thornton, John Murphy, Mark Donnelly, Jon Castagnette.

## Dagenham & Redbridge:

Abiodun Baruwa, Tim Cole, Shane Blackett, Anwar Uddin, Ashley Vickers, Lee Goodwin, Jake Leberl, Glen Southam, John Taylor, Tony Boot, Craig Mackail-Smith.  
**Subs.** Nick Bussey, Lee Flynn, Jack Midson, Grant Cooper, Paul Hakim, Chris Moore, Stuart Boothe.

The sharp-eyed amongst you will notice that the game was most notable for the Woods debut of future Watford and USA International Captain Jay DeMerit who had just joined the club from Southall Town FC. Jay played 45 minutes of this game, another 45 minutes in a friendly against a full Watford side three days later and then was invited by Hornets manager Ray Lewington to attend trials. The rest is history and there was suddenly another player moved on from the Woods production line; one that Dagenham missed out on!!

As to the game, it proved very competitive as the Woods defence repelled the Dagers for the whole of the first-half and then, went two goals ahead early in the second period with a penalty from Dean Clark (after Richard Morton had been upended) and a goal from Dean Papali. Dagenham pulled one back soon after and then, fittingly, it was substitute Chris Moore who bagged an equaliser with the game ending 2-2.

## NORTHWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB

PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY Versus DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE  
 Saturday 17th July 2004 Kick-Off: 3.00 p.m.

### KICK-OFF

**I**t is mid-July, the cricket season is only about halfway through but here we are starting our pre-season campaign once again. It is eleven weeks exactly since we played our final Ryman League game of our first-ever Premier Division season, a strange game that saw us lose 4-5 at home to Billericay Town. That result meant that Hitchin Town were able to climb above the Woods in the final table and make it to the final play-off qualification place. It did them little good as it was St Albans City and First Division South Champions Lewis who won through

from the strangest play-offs ever staged. The result of the restructure is that we remain in the Ryman Isthmian League for the new season but one step further away from the Conference and with many ex-Southern League clubs to share our new season with. But that is still four weeks away and before that we have as many as eight pre-season friendly games to try out what is pretty much a new side under a new manager. Today we have the great pleasure of welcoming Nationwide Conference side Dagenham & Redbridge Football Club to Chestnut Avenue for our first-ever meeting. The link that has brought about this encounter is former Woods striker Chris Moore who left Chestnut Avenue to join the Dagers back in late November 2003. Conference football certainly didn't faze him and he finished the season as top league scorer at the club with ten goals. Dagenham & Redbridge returned to training a little earlier than the Woods and

also played their first game last Saturday when they entertained AFC Wimbledon. The game ended in a 1-0 victory for our visitors today thanks to a second-half goal from former Arlesley striker Craig Mackail-Smith. The Dagers have plenty of new faces in their own squad this season having picked up half-a-dozen new players since the end of the last campaign. They also have several trialists who played last Saturday and some are likely to be involved again today. We hope those who have made the trip from Essex to witness the game this afternoon will enjoy their short stay here at Northwood. We wish our opponents every good wish for a successful season in 2004/2005.



Incidentally, tonight's Dagenham squad not only includes Sydney Ibie as a former Northwood player. Two other members, Ilih Effiong and David Longe-King both had very short loan spells with the club. Ilih was only 17 when he came to us on loan from St. Albans City and made one substitute appearance in a 1-0 defeat at Maldon Town in October 2008. David also came in on loan from St Albans City, also for one game and that was much later, in February 2015, as the Woods lost 0-4 at home to Leighton Town. He was 20-years-old and played the full game.

### ACTION FROM THE DAGENHAM GAME



Gavin Hart almost won the game with this effort which hit the post



# THE WOODS JOURNEY AHEAD 2023/24



Emirates  
FA CUP



THE FIXTURES FOR THE 2023/24 PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE SEASON WERE RELEASED EARLY THIS MONTH. HERE'S THE WOODS FIXTURE LIST

August				January				
Sat 12			Corinthian Casuals	H	Mon 1		Binfield	A
Sat 19			Buckhurst Hill or Brantham	PR A	Sat 6		Ashford Town (Middx)	A
Mon 28			Binfield	H	Sat 13		Leatherhead	H
September				Sat 20		Westfield	A	
Sat 2			Hanworth Villa	A	Sat 27		Uxbridge	H
Sat 9			Ramsgate	10 A	Sat 3		Marlow	A
Sat 16			Leatherhead	A	February			
Sat 23			Ashford Town (Middx)	H	Sat 3		Raynes Park Vale	H
Sat 30			Uxbridge	A	Sat 10		Chertsey Town	A
October				Sat 17		Thatcham Town	H	
Sat 7			Westfield	H	Sat 24		Sutton Common Rovers	A
Tue 10			Marlow	H	March			
Sat 14			Raynes Park Vale	A	Sat 2		Metropolitan Police	A
Sat 21			Chertsey Town	H	Sat 9		Chipstead	H
Sat 28			Thatcham Town	A	Sat 16		Badshot Lea	A
November				Sat 23		Hartley Wintney	H	
Sat 4			Sutton Common Rovers	H	April			
Sat 11			Chipstead	A	Mon 1		Southall	A
Sat 18			Metropolitan Police	H	Sat 6		Corinthian Casuals	A
Sat 25			Hartley Wintney	A	Sat 13		South Park Reigate	H
December				Sun 21		Guernsey	A	
Sat 2			Badshot Lea	H	Sat 27		Ascot United	H
Sat 9			Ascot United	A				
Sat 16			Guernsey	H				
Sat 23			South Park Reigate	A				
Tue 26			Southall	H				
Sat 30			Hanworth Villa	H				



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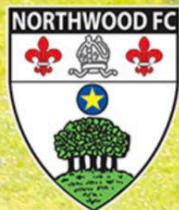
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# SQUAD GOALS



**W**e are delighted that the Management team have managed to convince the vast majority of last season's squad to return to the Skyline Roofing Stadium for the new season.

Starting with the important signature of skipper Luke Tingey and ever-present goalkeeper Andrew McCorkell, who becomes Vice-Captain, players who will be gracing the Northwood pitch again this season are:

**Goalkeeper:**

**Andrew McCorkell**

**Defence:**

**Harry Gallagher**

**Sam Jenkins,**

**Teddy Stacey**

**Romario Jonas**

**Midfield:**

**Luke Tingey**

**Carl Stewart**

**Keagan Cole**

**Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway**

**Jack Smith**

**Forwards:**

**Dan Williams**

**Osaretin Otote**

It means we have said goodbye to a few players from last season.

**Andy Lomas** has retired; **Josh Helmore** has chosen to play for a club nearer to his home and has signed for Arlesey Town; **Micah Jackson** has moved to New Salamis where former Woods defender Tommy Boxer is a new joint manager. **James Gurteen** is currently training with Step 3 side Bracknell Town with a view to joining the Robins.

We're not sure about **Shane Cojocarel** while **Juwon Akintunde** is expected to return sometime this month having been playing in the US during the summer.

## New Recruits

In addition to this stellar line-up, there has been some selective recruitment already. At the time of writing, five new players have joined the club for the new season and we welcome them all. As is usual at this stage of the season, there are a handful of other possible squad players that could be added if they continue to impress in these trial matches over the final week of pre-season.

## Matt Messer

As cover for Andrew McCorkell, we have signed 22-year-old 'keeper Matt Messer who played for Holmer Green last season and has started the majority of our pre-season games so far in the absence of an injured McCorkell.





### Luke Brophy

Replacing Andy Lomas will be a tall order but in comes 21-year-old Luke Brophy who was with Hayes & Yeading last season. He played a handful of games for the Step 3 side but also spent spells on dual-registration in our own division with both Westfield and Binfield.

For the latter, he played in both of the games against the Woods at the end of the last campaign which both ended in 0-0 draws.

### Kofi Anokye-Boadi

Moving into the centre of the pitch and we are pleased to capture the signature of dynamic midfielder Kofi Anokye-Boadi. The 23-year-old spent time at Barnet as a youngster but has played against us for both Chipstead and Bedford Sports over the last couple of seasons and impressed the management.



### Godlove Oppong

We've also recruited two young forwards with bags of potential. Godlove Oppong has been on our radar for a couple of years having played at Step 5 sides Dunstable Town and Tring Athletic where he has been amongst the goals. He's only 19 still and we hope he will soon adapt to the higher level.

### Curtis Brown

Similarly, Curtis Brown is another 19-year-old who came to the fore with plenty of goals at Winslow United at Step 6 a couple of years ago. Last season he did well at Aylesbury Vale Dynamos and also played for Risborough Rangers. Unfortunately, Curtis damaged his ankle in only our third pre-season game but we hope to see him back and available in a couple of months.



# FINAL LEAGUE TABLES

## 2022/23



### PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Basingstoke Town (C)	38	29	2	7	89	37	89
2 Walton & Hersham (P)	38	28	3	7	102	41	87
3 Marlow	38	19	10	9	64	45	67
4 Hanworth Villa	38	19	9	10	58	50	66
<b>5 NORTHWOOD</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>63</b>
6 Binfield	38	16	9	13	63	51	57
7 Leatherhead	38	16	9	13	47	45	57
8 Chertsey Town	38	16	8	14	67	52	56
9 South Park (Reigate)	38	16	7	15	50	61	55
10 Southall	38	13	13	12	50	48	52
11 Chipstead	38	14	9	15	52	54	51
12 Westfield	38	12	13	13	54	50	49
13 Thatcham Town	38	12	12	14	56	57	48
14 Uxbridge	38	11	11	16	53	55	44
15 Guernsey	38	10	10	18	42	73	40
16 Ashford Town (Middx)	38	11	5	22	46	91	38
17 Sutton Common Rovers	38	10	7	21	45	71	37
18 Merstham	38	7	15	16	43	66	36
19 Bedfont Sports (R)	38	7	14	17	50	62	35
20 Tooting & Mitcham United (R)	38	5	9	24	34	65	24

### OPENING DAY FIXTURES

#### PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

Saturday 12th August 2023

Ashford Town (Middx) v Binfield  
 Badshot Lea v South Park (Reigate)  
 Chertsey Town v Hanworth Villa  
 Chipstead v Hartley Wintney  
 Guernsey v Westfield  
 Leatherhead v Southall  
 Marlow v Thatcham Town  
 Met Police v Sutton Common Rovers  
**Northwood v Corinthian Casuals**  
 Raynes Park Vale v Ascot United

[All games kick off at 3pm]



	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Wrexham (C)	46	34	9	3	116	43	111
2 Notts County (P)	46	32	11	3	117	42	107
3 Chesterfield	46	25	9	12	81	52	84
4 Woking	46	24	10	12	71	48	82
5 Barnet	46	21	11	14	75	67	74
6 Boreham Wood	46	19	15	12	52	40	72
7 Bromley	46	18	17	11	68	53	71
8 Southend United	46	20	9	17	57	45	69
9 Eastleigh	46	19	10	17	56	57	67
<b>10 DAGENHAM &amp; REDBRIDGE</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>63</b>
11 FC Halifax Town	46	16	13	17	49	48	61
12 Oldham Athletic	46	16	13	17	63	64	61
13 Wealdstone	46	16	12	18	57	72	60
14 Gateshead [-1]	46	15	15	16	67	62	59
15 Solihull Moors	46	15	13	18	62	66	58
16 Dorking Wanderers	46	16	9	21	67	91	57
17 Altrincham	46	14	14	18	68	82	56
18 Aldershot Town	46	14	11	21	64	76	53
19 York City	46	13	12	21	55	63	51
20 Maidenhead United	46	13	11	22	47	66	50
21 Torquay United (R)	46	12	12	22	58	80	48
22 Yeovil Town (R)	46	7	19	20	35	60	40
23 Scunthorpe United (R)	46	8	10	28	49	87	34
24 Maidstone United (R)	46	5	10	31	45	104	25

### PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Bishop's Stortford (C)	42	27	7	8	75	33	88
2 Hornchurch	42	25	9	8	98	49	84
3 Canvey Island	42	24	9	9	80	44	81
4 Aveley	42	23	9	10	64	42	78
5 Cray Wanderers	42	20	14	8	82	54	74
6 Lewes	42	20	14	8	82	54	74
7 Horsham	42	20	12	10	84	57	72
8 Hastings United	42	20	11	11	63	42	71
9 Enfield Town	42	19	12	11	73	49	69
10 Billericay Town	42	19	8	15	66	59	65
11 Carshalton Athletic	42	18	10	14	53	53	64
12 Folkestone Invicta	42	18	5	19	73	65	59
13 Potters Bar Town	42	16	5	21	56	86	53
14 Bognor Regis Town	42	15	7	20	70	72	52
15 Haringey Borough	42	13	12	17	67	75	51
16 Wingate & Finchley	42	12	12	18	53	64	48
17 Margate	42	11	11	20	48	65	44
<b>18 KINGSTONIAN</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>39</b>
19 Bowers & Pitsea (R)	42	8	9	25	44	78	33
20 Herne Bay (R)	42	8	9	25	60	101	33
21 Corinthian Casuals (R)	42	7	5	30	37	87	26
22 Brightlingsea Regent (R)	42	5	9	28	41	108	24



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# PRE-SEASON ROUND-UP



**SATURDAY 08 JULY**

## **Wembley Northwood** 1 0

A carefully planned pre-season campaign of nine warm-up games began just a week after the squad returned to training and took us to Wembley FC's 3G pitch out the back of their Vale Farm stadium.

The Lions had already played two warm-up games and that showed a little bit. They took the lead midway through the first-half and although the Woods missed a couple of chances, they were unable to get back into the match.

**TUESDAY 11 JULY**

## **Cockfosters Northwood** 1 2

The following Tuesday night we took on Cockfosters FC on another 3G park pitch, this time in Waltham Abbey. On a chilly night, again, our opponents had played a couple more warm-up matches than ourselves and they also took the lead midway through the first-half with former Woods player George Lutaaya scoring. Northwood gradually got on top after the break but it wasn't until the final fifteen minutes that they rustled up two goals, scored by newcomers Curtis Brown and Godlove Oppong, to win the match.



Luke Tingey in action at Everett Rovers

**SATURDAY 15 JULY**

## **Everett Rovers 1 Northwood 8**

Our second Saturday game was a big one for neighbours Everett Rovers who have returned to senior football this season and will play their football in the Herts Senior County League on what is a lovely new 3G pitch. Managed by former Northwood reserve boss Paul Masters, we were happy to accept the invitation to be the opponents for their official opening of their new facility. The heavens opened just before kick-off and in torrential rain, Osaretin Otote drilled the Woods into an early lead.

However, Rovers battled back and won a penalty which was saved by the Woods new recruit Matt Messer.

Harry Gallagher then headed home a second goal before Everett pulled a goal back with a fine finish and they enjoyed a good period of play. That ended when Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway dispatched a penalty just before the break. It was easier for the Woods after the break and the goals flowed with a triallist, new recruit Kofi Anokye-Boadi, Gallagher with a second, a Carl Stewart penalty and a final strike from Godlove Oppong wrapping up a comfortable victory.





Godlove scores at Everett Rovers



Jack Smith at Everett Rovers

**TUESDAY 18 JULY**

**Broadfields Utd 1**  
**Northwood 4**

It was the last competitive game of last season that the Woods lost in the Middlesex Charity Cup Final to Broadfields United and we met again the following Tuesday night at their home of Rayners Lane. Once again, it was our opponents who grabbed the lead when a chip from the halfway line caught 'keeper Matt Messer off his line and it crept in under the crossbar. The also hit the bar twice as they continued to impress but the Woods were level by half-time when Osaretin Otote cut in from the left and shot low into the far corner.

The second-half saw the home side change the majority of their personnel and Northwood took full advantage. Jack Smith netted his first goal in Woods colours with a free-kick from the edge of the box and then an excellent move and a neat finish from Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway made it 3-1 after 65 minutes. A few minutes before the end, Otote bagged his second of the game with an excellent solo effort, crashing his shot into the top corner to round off the scoring.



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Otote nets his second at Broadfields

**SATURDAY 22 JULY**

**Northwood 2**  
**Welwyn Garden City 1**

Next up was our first official "home" game but it was staged at Rectory Park, the headquarters of the Middlesex FA. And for the first time, our opponents were from the same level in the Pyramid as ourselves as Welwyn Garden City play their football in the Step 4 Southern League South Division.

Though the Woods were missing skipper Luke Tingey, resting a knock, and were still without key goalkeeper Andrew McCorkell who has been on reduced minutes while recovering from an ankle injury, the side did very well in the first-half, defending solidly and always threatening going forward despite the game once again being played in incessant rainfall.

It was Kofi Anokye-Boadi who put the Woods in front early on with a good, low finish and after 30 minutes, Dan Williams headed home his first of the pre-season, heading home a Jack Smith corner.

The second-half saw our opponents get more into the game and they did pull a goal back with a solid header from a good left-wing cross but the Woods held on to the narrow victory.

**TUESDAY 25 JULY**

**Harrow Borough 3**  
**Northwood 3**

It was great to finally get back on grass last Tuesday night with a local derby game at Harrow Borough. Harrow had been relegated for the first time in their Isthmian history at the end of last season but were then reprieved by the self-demotion of Metropolitan Police so are now facing another year at Step 3 under new manager Jordan Berry, former Assistant here at Northwood. It was a really entertaining contest. The home side took an early lead but then Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway levelled with a header from a Jack Smith corner. The Woods were ahead when Dan Williams chipped home only for Borough to make it 2-2 just before half-time. Plenty of changes after the interval but Williams was presented with a gift to score his second and Northwood looked set for the win until a last-minute penalty was awarded and Harrow squared things up once again.

**Woods goalscorers to date:**

- 3** Riccardo Alexander-Greenaway  
Osaretin Otote  
Dan Williams
- 2** Kofi Anokye-Boadi  
Harry Gallagher  
Godlove Oppong
- 1** Curtis Brown  
Triallist  
Smith  
Stewart





# **MAIN SPONSORS**

## **2023/24**





# MATCHDAY SQUADS



## NORTHWOOD

Colours: All Red

Manager: **Ben Bukowski**

- Andrew **McCorkell**
- Matt **Messer**
- Dan **O'Brien**
- Teddy **Stacey**
- Sam **Jenkins**
- Ergys **Pepaj**
- Luke **Brophy**
- Deago **Dunbar-Bonnie**
- Ethan **Bradford**
- Keagan **Cole**
- Carl **Stewart**
- Harry **McCorkell**
- Kofi **Anokye-Boadi**
- Riccardo **Alexander-Greenaway**
- Jack **Smith**
- Godlove **Oppong**
- Dan **Williams**
- Osaretin **Otote**
- Curtis **Brown**



## DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE

Colours: All Sky Blue

Manager: **Ben Strevens**

- Elliot **Justham**
- Josh **Hare**
- Elliot **Johnson**
- Nik **Tavares**
- Tom **Eastman**
- Jake **Hessenthaler**
- Frank **Vincent**
- Josh **Rees**
- Inih **Effiong**
- Ryan **Hill**
- Myles **Weston**
- Josh **Strizovic**
- Harry **Phipps**
- Aaron **Blair**
- Sam **Ling**
- David **Longe-King**
- Sydney **Ibie**
- Frankie **Franz**
- Alfie **Terry**
- Sam **Benson**
- Omar **Dacas**
- Dominic **Valkuya**
- Jack **Dixon**



## KINGSTONIAN

Colours: Green & Navy

Manager: **Simon Lane**

- Endurance **Johnson**
- Zack **Chislett**
- Joel **Brown**
- Matt **Drage**
- Niran **Butler**
- Emmanuel **Adebiyi**
- Mark **Waters**
- Eddie **Osane**
- Lee **Lewis**
- Chike **Kandi**
- Plus Triallists

## MATCH OFFICIALS

### vs DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE

**Referee:** Colman O`Meara

**Assistants:** Nathan Briggs  
& Ethan Stacey

### vs KINGSTONIAN

**Referee:** Lawrence Torz-Brown

**Assistants:** Reece Woodman  
& Salvatore Colavito

## NEXT UP HOME

### CORINTHIAN CASUALS

Saturday 12th August 2023

Kick-Off 3pm

Pitching In Isthmian League

South Central Division

## NEXT UP AWAY

### BUCKHURST HILL OR BRANTHAM

Saturday 19th August 2023

Kick-Off 3pm

Emirates FA Cup

Preliminary Round



Respect