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Good evening everyone.

Welcome to The Orchard for our sixth home match of season 2019-20.

This evening we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Epsom & Ewell Football Club; and our three match officials for this Esoteric Recordings Challenge Cup fixture. We trust you enjoy your brief stay with us and have a safe journey home afterwards. As this is a cup fixture, 30 minutes extra-time will be played if the score is equal after 90 minutes. Penalties will then take place if required after extra-time.

Our visitors, known as The Salts, are currently in 11th place - just below us in the Division One table. Last Saturday they lost 0-2 to Farnham Town. We met in this competition last season, albeit in the Third Round, but we lost 1-2 to Epsom & Ewell. Our goal was scored by Ashley Hutchinson whilst theirs were scored by Rob Hendry & Billy Carney. The Salts went on to beat FC Deportivo Galicia 4-2 in the semi-finals but lost 0-1 to Frimley Green in the final. In the league, we drew 4-4 away and lost 4-6 at home.

I must just add that Epsom & Ewell achieved a new record playing us on the opening day of season 2016-17 - they beat us 9-2 here at The Orchard. That was the start of our one-season dalliance into the Premier Division.

The Yellows came unstuck against an on-form Ash United side on Saturday afternoon, losing 1-4. Jamie Pearce was our scorer. We beat Tooting Bec 4-2 last Tuesday in the Premier Division Cup to book a place at home to Knaphill on a date yet to be announced. Our goals came from Josh Howard, Michael Capon and Nick Hardy. Prior to that, we drew 0-0 at home to Sandhurst Town on 21st September.

Tonight's fixture marks the first of seven home matches out of 8. Five of those run consecutively. On Saturday, we host Dorking Wanderers Reserves. Next Tuesday sees Molesey visit us in the rearranged Southern Combination Challenge Cup fixture. An updated fixture list can be found on the middle pages of this programme.

A full catalogue of last season's programmes is on our website, and this season's are being added as we go -

<https://www.bedfontandfelthamfc.co.uk/content.php?pg=downloads&pd=1047>

We will continue producing printed programmes for our matches, although there may be some occasions when this is not possible. An online programme will be available in these circumstances, and we will announce this via social media and on our website at least 24 hours before the match.

Enjoy tonight's match and see you again soon. Rob - Editor.

Manager's Notes

Good evening everyone and welcome to the Orchard. I hope our match officials and all associated with Epsom & Ewell enjoy their short stay with us.

Last week was a mixed bag to say the least. Wednesday night we went over to play Tooting Bec in the league's Premier Cup with a much-changed squad. 7 changes from the previous Saturday against Sandhurst and a chance to give game time to those who needed it and starts for our young players. After a great start, we found ourselves 3 up within 20 minutes and despite the inevitable pressure from the home side we eventually came through deserved 4-2 winners.

On the flip side, Saturday, we didn't get out of the blocks at all. We were uncharacteristically sloppy in possession and defensively all over the pitch we were severely lacking, combine that with mistakes and it was a tough afternoon all round. With so many lads out injured at the moment we are finding out a lot about the players that are currently representing the club. Plenty of positives from Wednesday but plenty of things to change from Saturday. This will only benefit our squad as we move forward.

Apologies to those that came to support us Saturday, there will be a marked improvement tonight I'm sure.

I hope you enjoy the game, thank you for your support.

Adam.



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Introducing Our Visitors – Epsom & Ewell

We were founded in March 1918 as Epsom Juniors Cricket Club and played throughout the summer. In the autumn, Epsom Juniors F.C. came into being and played a handful of games from what is now known as Alexandra Recreation Ground. Competitive football followed as we entered the Surrey Junior League in 1919, and became founder members of the Sutton & District League in 1920.

A change of name in July 1922 to Epsom Town F.C. heralded the start of a very successful era. By now resident at the Horton Hospital Sports Ground, we were unfortunate to lose 2-1 after extra time at Dorking F.C.'s Pixham Lane ground to Caterham Mental Hospital in a replay of the Surrey Junior Cup Final. However, we won three other trophies that season, the Leatherhead Hospital Shield, the Sutton Hospital Cup, and the Epsom Hospital Cup. In addition, we also won the Sutton & District League, and under the forward thinking of their visionary Chairman Hugh Bradley, took the step into Intermediate Football, where we won the Southern Suburban League without losing a match. Senior football was granted as we were unanimously accepted into the Surrey Senior League for 1924/25, where we finished third.

In September 1925, the club relocated to the old Ewell F.C. ground at West Street, which was purchased through the generosity of our future President Robert Bradshaw. In 1925/26 the Championship of the Surrey Senior League was attained, and the following season, we defeated Egham 1-0 at Egham in the League Charity Cup to complete a League and Cup "double".

Election to the London League followed, and the title was claimed in the first attempt in 1927/28. Unfortunately, we were unable to repeat this, instead finishing runners-up in 1931/32, 1932/33, 1934/35, 1936/37 and 1937/38. Cup Honours were limited, although in 1929 Redhill defeated us 3-2 in front of 4,600 at Guildford in our first Surrey Senior Cup Final, having seen off Wimbledon 4-1 in the semi-final!

The thirties were a very successful era, and we won the Surrey Charity (Senior) Shield in 1933 with an impressive 5-0 win over Woking at Kingfield. However, the proudest moment of our pre-war history was an appearance in the First Round Proper of the F.A.Cup in 1933/34. Woking (after a replay), Nunhead, Tooting & Mitcham, Beddington Corner, and Leytonstone were defeated, and a crowd of 9,485 at the Lea Bridge Speedway Stadium witnessed a 4-2 loss against the hosts Clapton Orient. At the end of that season we changed our name to Epsom F.C.

In 1939 a newly formed team, Epsom Town (no connection to the earlier name) shared the ground with Epsom F.C. However, this arrangement was suspended when war was declared, and we folded for the duration. In the meantime, Club Chairman Charles Pettett threw in his lot with Epsom Town in an attempt to boost morale by keeping the football flag flying. It was successful, as that club competed continuously throughout the war years, winning the Surrey Combination in 1939/40, and reaching the Surrey Senior Cup Final in 1944, losing 3-1 to Tooting & Mitcham, at Sandy Lane. After the war, Epsom F.C. restarted, continuing in the London League and reclaimed West Street. Temporary homes were found for Epsom Town while they competed for a season in the newly created Corinthian League, but disbanded in 1946.

In 1949 we entered the Corinthian League ourselves, where in 1952 we reached the League Memorial Shield Final in 1952, going down 2-1 to Champions Hounslow at Eastbourne after leading at half-time. Things improved further with the signing of the former English Amateur International Pat Lynch from Hendon, finishing third in 1952/53, while in 1954 we reached the Surrey Senior Cup Final for the second time in our history, losing unluckily 2-0 to Corinthian Casuals in front of 6,159 at Selhurst Park. In 1955 we won the Surrey Senior Shield with a 1-0 win over Carshalton Athletic at West Street.

Epsom & Ewell – continued...

We appointed our first ever Manager, Kingstonian legend Doug Whitehead in 1955 and the Corinthian League double was almost achieved in 1956/57, but two losses in the final week, along with a 2-0 defeat in the Cup Final to Maidenhead United at Dorking ensured that we ended with neither, finishing fourth. However in 1960, we finally raised the Shield with a 2-0 revenge win over Maidenhead at Vale Farm, home of Wembley F.C.

In 1960 we changed our name once again to Epsom & Ewell F.C. This was not because of any merger with Ewell & Stoneleigh as is often quoted, but was an attempt to increase support across the whole of the Borough. In 1963 the Corinthian League merged with the Athenian and Delphian Leagues, and we were placed in Division One of the new structure, but the sixties were full of poor results and we were relegated in 1965.

Despite a string of managers, most notably ex-Leyton Orient winger Jimmy Smith, and Tony Williams, now famous for his creation of the F.A. Yearbooks, our fortunes did not improve significantly and further relegations were avoided in the early seventies by the benefit of re-election. However, in 1973, despite “improving” to finish second from bottom, the Athenian League ran out of patience and cut us loose. This was unfortunate timing as we had just cleared all of our debts, and in addition to a virtually new Committee, former Fulham player Pat O’Connell had taken over as Manager.

The Surrey Senior League took us in at the last minute, and the new squad, including young striker Tommy Tuite, won the League Cup, and the following season, 1974/75 achieved a second Surrey Senior League “double”. However, the season would always be remembered for reaching the Final of the inaugural F.A. Vase, where 9,500 saw the Blues edged out 2-1 by Hoddesdon Town at Wembley Stadium. The Athenian League welcomed us back, and promotion to the top flight was achieved in that first season. In 1976/77 we reached the Athenian League Cup Final, losing 1-0 at Chalfont St Peter.

By then, we knew that we had been invited to join the expanding Isthmian League for 1977/78, and were placed in the new Division Two. Our first match under floodlights took place against Met Police in August 1977, and the title was clinched the following April, securing a move to Division One. In 1979/80 we won the Southern Combination Cup 7-2 over Hampton on their own pitch, where the opposition were blitzed by five goals from Tuite. The following season a new clubhouse opened at West Street, and we finally won the Surrey Senior Cup, defeating Woking 2-1 at Tooting & Mitcham, although we just missed out on promotion. In 1983/84 we clinched a spot in the Premier Division as runners-up, although this time we missed out in the Surrey Senior Cup Final, defeated 4-0 by Sutton United at Imber Court.

With Adrian Hill as Manager since 1982, we survived comfortably in our first season at the new level, but Hill’s departure to Croydon in 1985 started a decline. Much of the squad left with Hill, and new Manager Alan Webb had too much to do. We were relegated in 1986, and following Webb’s departure soon after, Player / Manager Ricky Kidd nearly but not quite saved us from our second straight relegation. Adrian Hill replaced Kidd for a second spell at the helm in 1990, but we were placed in the new Division Three in 1991 in league reorganisation following a finish one position below the required half way mark.

In 1993 a large chapter in our history ended as we left West Street and moved in as tenants of Banstead Athletic. The decade was largely one of frustration, although we did reach the Final of the Associate Members Trophy, losing 2-0 to Bedford Town at Hendon’s old Claremont Road ground.

In 2002 Adrian Hill took us back up to Division 1 South, where we topped the table for a month, eventually finishing 9th, but Hill’s retirement at the end of the season led to relegation a year later and then in 2006 we were transferred into the Combined Counties League Premier Division. In October 2006 Lyndon Buckwell, a former player became our new Manager, and in his first full season (2007/08) we were back in the top ten. In 2008/09 we exceeded this achievement and finished in fourth place after heading the table for a few months.

Epsom & Ewell – continued...

In 2009/10 the club recovered from a slow start to finish fifth and also reached the last 32 of the F.A. Vase for the first time in 21 years, bowing out 3-2 in Northamptonshire to Long Buckby. In April of 2010 we terminated our seventeen-year ground sharing agreement with Banstead Athletic and spent two unspectacular seasons at Merstham F.C. before relocating to High Road, home of Chipstead F.C. for the 2012/13 season.

The season brought significant playing success as a slow start was followed by a spectacular run of form, including a club record 12 straight League wins, which put us at the top of the table for over a month before a tough run in resulted in a final position of fifth. However, any disappointment there was tempered by the club's first silverware since 1981 when we defeated South Park 3-0 at Farnborough to win the Combined Counties League Cup. Lyndon also marked 300 games in charge of the club in early 2013. On a sadder note, 2012/13 also marked one thousand games since we left West Street.

We carried our fine form into 2013/14 and led the league with eight straight wins but couldn't hold on and had to settle for third place, our highest league finish since 1984, but the following season Lyndon Buckwell departed and Glyn Mandeville and new Assistant Matt Smith steered the club to seventh place, despite a substantial budget cut and this improved to fourth place in 2015/16.

In the summer of 2016, our club visited France and played a friendly against our twin town Chantilly, which was where the England team had been based before their Euro 2016 campaign. The players were able to meet Roy Hodgson and Gary Neville and performed admirably as ambassadors for our town.

In 2016/17 we started the season with an incredible 9-2 win at newly promoted Bedfont & Feltham in a match where we had trailed 2-0 at half time and went on to repeat our fourth-place finish in the League. In addition, we reached the League Cup Final but were defeated 4-1 by Westfield at Windsor FC.

However, in summer 2017, we suffered a large player exodus with a substantial number joining local rivals Sutton Common Rovers. Glyn was unable to replace them with enough players of real quality and three quarters of the season was spent at the foot of the table. Glyn's resignation in January 2018 led to the club promoting our Coach Neil Grant into the Manager's role and although he managed to get us off the foot of the table, relegation was always likely and was confirmed in mid-April; not a great way to celebrate our Centenary!

The attempts at bouncing straight back did not start particularly well and Grant departed in October. He was replaced by Simon Funnell, who stepped up from his Assistant role and oversaw a good run of results which took us back up to the fringes of the promotion race, before a defeat to Frimley Green derailed our season and we tailed off to finish in eighth position. We had the consolation of reaching the Division One League Cup Final at Meadowbank, home of Dorking Wanderers, but again Frimley Green stood in our way and defeated us by the only goal. We now commence our eighth season at High Road with a clear target of promotion back into the top flight of the Combined Counties League through one of the four promotion spots that are available this year.

Meanwhile, the search continues for a new ground back in the Borough...



Recent Results

Saturday 28th September

Division 1

AFC Hayes	1-2	Jersey Bulls
Ash United	4-1	Bedfont & Feltham
British Airways	0-3	Westside
Chessington & Hook Utd	1-1	Eversley & California
Dorking Wanderers Res	1-0	Bagshot
Epsom & Ewell	0-2	Farnham Town
FC Deportivo Galicia	0-3	Walton & Hersham
Fleet Spurs	1-2	Kensington & Ealing B
Sandhurst Town	2-1	Godalming Town
Tooting Bec	4-1	Cove

As there have been no Division One Challenge Cup matches yet, here is the latest in the Premier Challenge Cup...

CHERRY RED RECORDS PREMIER CHALLENGE CUP 1st ROUND

Guildford City	2-3	Hanworth Villa
Eversley & California	2-4	Balham
Tooting Bec	2-4	Bedfont & Feltham
FC Deportivo Galicia	v	AFC Hayes
Badshot Lea	v	Redhill
Colliers Wood United	4-2	British Airways
Egham Town	0-2	Raynes Park Vale
Spelthorne Sports	v	Chessington & Hook United
Godalming Town	0-4	CB Hounslow United

CHERRY RED RECORDS PREMIER CHALLENGE CUP 2nd ROUND

Ash United	2-2	Bagshot
(Ash won 4-1 on pens)		
Westside	2-1	Southall
Hanworth Villa	v	Jersey Bulls
Abbey Rangers	v	Raynes Park Vale
CB Hounslow	v	Balham
Camberley Town	v	Colliers Wood United
Bedfont & Feltham	v	Knaphill
Frimley Green	3-7	Ascot United
Sutton Common Rovers	v	Chessington & Hook United
Sandhurst Town	2-1	Cove
Banstead Athletic	v	FC Deportivo Galicia or AFC Hayes
Molesey	3-1	Kensington & Ealing Borough
Cobham	2-4	Fleet Spurs
Badshot Lea or Redhill	v	Dorking Wanderers Reserves
Sheerwater	4-2	Epsom & Ewell
Farnham Town	3-0	Walton & Hersham



COMBINED COUNTIES FOOTBALL LEAGUE



Division One Club Directory - 2019-20

	AFC HAYES - <i>Farm Park</i> Kingshill Avenue, Hayes UB4 8BZ
	ASH UNITED - <i>Shawfield Stadium</i> Youngs Drive, Shawfield Road, Ash, Aldershot GU12 6RB
	BAGSHOT - <i>Camberley Town FC - Krooner Park</i> Wilton Road, Camberley GU15 2QP
	BEDFONT & FELTHAM - <i>The Orchard</i> Hatton Road, Bedfont TW14 9QT
	BRITISH AIRWAYS - <i>Bedfont & Feltham FC - The Orchard</i> Hatton Road, Bedfont TW14 9QT
	CHESSINGTON & HOOK UNITED - <i>Chalky Lane</i> Chessington KT9 2NF
	COVE - <i>Oak Farm Fields</i> 7 Squirrel Lane, Cove, Farnborough GU14 8PB
	DORKING WANDERERS RESERVES - <i>Meadowbank Stadium</i> Mill Lane, Dorking RH4 1DX
	EPSOM & EWELL - <i>Chipstead FC - High Road</i> Chipstead, Coulsdon CR5 3SF
	EVERSLEY & CALIFORNIA - <i>Eversley Sports Association</i> Eversley Cross, Hook RG27 0NS
	FARNHAM TOWN - <i>Memorial Ground</i> Mead Lane, Farnham GU9 7DY
	FC DEPORTIVO GALICIA - <i>Bedfont Sports FC</i> Hatton Road, Bedfont TW14 9QT
	FLEET SPURS - <i>Southwood Sports Pavilion</i> Kennels Lane, Farnborough GU14 0ST
	GODALMING TOWN - <i>The Bill Kyte Stadium</i> Wey Court, Meadrow, Godalming GU7 3JE
	JERSEY BULLS - <i>Springfield Stadium</i> Janvrin Road, St. Helier, Jersey JE2 4LF
	KENSINGTON & EALING BOROUGH - <i>Leatherhead FC - Fetcham Grove</i> Guildford Road, Fetcham, Leatherhead KT22 9AS
	SANDHURST TOWN - <i>Bottom Meadow</i> Sandhurst Memorial Park, Yorktown Road, Sandhurst GU47 9BJ
	TOOTING BEC - <i>Tooting & Mitcham United FC - Imperial Fields</i> Bishopsford Road, Morden SM4 6BF
	WALTON & HERSHAM - <i>Elbridge Xcel Sports Hub</i> Waterside Drive, Walton-on-Thames KT12 2JP
	WESTSIDE - <i>Chessington & Hook United FC - Chalky Lane</i> Chessington KT9 2NF

League Table

As at Monday 30th September:

POS		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Jersey Bulls	9	9	0	0	34	27
2	Sandhurst Town	9	6	2	1	10	20
3	Farnham Town	7	5	1	1	11	16
4	Kensington & Ealing Borough	9	5	0	4	3	15
5	Dorking Wanderers Reserves	9	4	1	4	7	13
6	Westside	9	4	1	4	7	13
7	Walton & Hersham	6	4	1	1	3	13
8	Tooting Bec	6	3	3	0	7	12
9	British Airways	9	3	3	3	-1	12
10	Bedfont & Feltham	8	3	2	3	0	11
11	Epsom & Ewell	8	3	1	4	-2	10
12	Cove	8	3	1	4	-13	10
13	Fleet Spurs	7	3	0	4	-3	9
14	Ash United	8	3	0	5	-6	9
15	AFC Hayes	7	2	2	3	2	8
16	Bagshot	8	2	1	5	-11	7
17	Chessington & Hook United	8	2	3	3	-2	6 *
18	FC Deportivo Galicia	9	1	2	6	-22	5
19	Godalming Town	8	1	1	6	-12	4
20	Eversley & California	8	1	1	6	-12	4

* adjustment made



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Our History

Bedfont & Feltham Football club was formed in May 2012 following the amalgamation of Bedfont Football & Social Club with Feltham FC, taking the place of Feltham in the step 6 Combined Counties Division 1. The changes brought some decent results; two 5th place finishes in their first two seasons.



The 2015/16 season saw a runners-up spot, 3 points behind CB Hounslow United and this was good enough for promotion to the Premier Division.

The club only lasted at the higher level for one season, finishing second-bottom and some 13 points adrift of safety. Season 2017-18 saw the club finish in 17th place. In the summer of 2018, Adam Bessent joined from Staines Lammas and their loss was Bedfont & Feltham's gain.

Season 2018-19 started very well for Bedfont & Feltham seeing them unbeaten at the top of the league. Getting off to a cracking start helped: an 11-0 win over Bagshot earned the TalkSPORT 2 'Non-League Team of the Week' award.

The club held their heads high and were one of the forerunners throughout the season; suffering their first league defeat in November. Further losses in January and February saw the crown slip slightly, leading to an eventual fifth-place finish.

In the FA Cup, 2015-16 saw the club's best FA Cup run as they beat London Tigers and AFC Hayes (both after replays). A tough test against AFC Rushden & Diamonds awaited them in the 1st Qualifying Round where the run ended, despite a credible performance in the 2-1 defeat. The FA Vase has proved trickier, the best run being the 1st Round in 2013 where they lost 1-0 at Welwyn Garden City. Local cup wins include the CCL Division 1 Challenge Cup, lifted in 2015 as they beat Worcester Park 4-3 on penalties in the final as well as the Middlesex Premier Cup a year earlier.

Adam Bessent has brought in Emil Kot as Head Coach, alongside Mark Goff as Coach, and the club is continuing its foray into youth football, with teams from Under 8s to Under 16s.

The club has retained the FA Charter Standard and looks forward to season 2019-20 with great enthusiasm.

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES AND RESULTS – SEASON 2019-20

Home matches in Bold/Capitals

	Date	Opposition	Score	Att	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	SAT 03/08/19	BAGSHOT	3-0	105	Keadell	Wacewicz	<u>D-Murphy</u>	Bond	Dunckley	Pearce
2	Sat 10/08/19	Chessington & Hook United	0-3	85	Keadell	Wacewicz	Kibreab	Bond	Hamadi	Pearce
3	SAT 17/08/19	FARNHAM TOWN	0-1	47	Keadell	Thompson	R-Galean	Wilson	Hayden	D-Murphy
4	Sat 24/09/19	British Airways	1-1	58	Keadell	Thompson	Pearce	D-Murphy	Hayden	Dunckley
5	MON 31/09/19	AFC HAYES (11.30AM)	5-2	112	Keadell	Kibreab	Pearce	Bond	Hayden	D-Murphy
6	SAT 31/09/19	LUTTERWORTH ATH (FAV 1RQ)	5-0	58	Keadell	Wacewicz	Msamala	Betts	Kibreab	Pearce
7	Sat 07/09/19	Fleet Spurs	2-1	30	Keadell	R-Galean	Kibreab	Bond	Dunckley	Pearce
8	Tue 10/09/19	Southall (MCC 1)	0-4	65	Keadell	R-Galean	Hayden	Kibreab	<u>Dunckley</u>	Pearce
9	Sat 14/09/19	Bedford (FAV 2RQ)	4-0	32	Keadell	Lewis	Msamala	Hayden	<u>Dunckley</u>	Pearce
10	SAT 21/09/19	SANDHURST TOWN	0-0	43	Keadell	Lewis	Msamala	Hayden	<u>D-Murphy</u>	Pearce
11	Wed 25/09/19	Tooting Bec (PCC 1)	4-2	tba	Szczzech	Lewis	Msamala	Hayden	<u>Dunckley</u>	Pearce
12	Sat 28/09/19	Ash United	1-4	tba	Szczzech	Lewis	Msamala	Bond	<u>Dunckley</u>	Pearce
13	TUE 01/10/19	EPSOM & EWELL (ERC 1)								
14	SAT 05/10/19	DORKING WANDERERS RES								
15	TUE 08/10/19	MOLESEY (SCC)								
16	SAT 12/10/19	COLLIERS WOOD UTD (FAV 1P)								
17	SAT 19/10/19	KENSINGTON & EALING BORO'								
18	Sat 26/10/19	Eversley & California								
19	SAT 02/11/19	COVE								
20	SAT 09/11/19	JERSEY BULLS								
21	Sat 16/11/19	Walton & Hersham								
22	Tue 19/11/19	Tooting Bec								
23	SAT 23/11/19	GODALMING TOWN								
24	Sat 30/11/19	Sandhurst Town								
25	SAT 07/12/19	FC DEPORTIVO GALICIA								
26	Sat 14/12/19	Epsom & Ewell								
27	SAT 21/12/19	WESTSIDE								
28	Sat 28/12/19	Bagshot								
29	SAT 04/01/20	WALTON & HERSHAM								
30	SAT 11/01/20	TOOTING BEC								
31	Sat 18/01/20	Cove								
32	SAT 25/01/20	ASH UNITED								
33	Sat 01/02/20	Kensington & Ealing Borough								
34	Sat 08/02/20	Dorking Wanderers Reserves								
35	SAT 15/02/20	FLEET SPURS								
36	Sat 22/02/20	Jersey Bulls								
37	Sat 29/02/20	FC Deportivo Galicia								
38	SAT 07/03/20	EVERSLEY & CALIFORNIA								
39	Sat 14/03/20	Farnham Town								
40	Sat 21/03/20	Westside								
41	Sat 28/03/20	Godalming Town								
42	SAT 04/04/20	CHESSINGTON & HOOK UNITED								
43	SAT 11/04/20	BRITISH AIRWAYS								
44	Mon 13/04/20	AFC Hayes (11.30am)								
45	SAT 18/04/20	EPSOM & EWELL								
46	TBA	KNAPHILL (PCC)								

Key: All matches are in the Cherry Red Records Combined Counties Football League, Division One unless otherwise shown by the following: **FAV** – FA Vase; **ERC** – Esoteric Recordings Cup; **PCC** – Cherry Red Records Premier Challenge Cup; **MCC** – Middlesex FA Senior Charity Cup; **MPC** – Middlesex FA Premier Cup; **SCC** – Southern Combination Challenge Cup

Goal Scorers shown in bold. Captain shown underlined

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By Matt Badcock

WE ALMOST had to check the calendar on Saturday night. Yes, it is 2019, but here we still are reporting on alleged incidents of racism in Non-League football.

So often are we quick to jump on it when heard in other countries but time and again this horrible issue keeps rearing its head in England and Wales and it can't be brushed off anymore.

Last weekend, word quickly filtered through from Hartlepool United's National League game with Dover Athletic.

Dover striker Inih Effiong had scored a penalty and in the aftermath of the celebrations, something had sparked up between the players and a section of the home support. When Pools players also took severe exception, it was clear something very untoward had happened.

Whites boss Andy Hessenthaler later said he considered taking his players off - a move that would have been backed by Hartlepool manager Craig Hignett - but they chose to play on.

Sadly, it wasn't the only reported incident of the week with other accusations made elsewhere.

Hartlepool, to their credit, have been swift in response. They made an announcement at half-time of the game, have dedicated their programme front cover for their next home game with the Kick It Out message and have vowed to come down heavily on the culprit, who has also been arrested.

I've written in the past about how it is a difficult subject to write about - and one that feels ever common - because I've not been the subject of racist abuse. I don't know what that feels like to be vilified for the colour of my skin.

But we must listen to the people who have. The people who know what it feels like to have someone spitting and snarling in your face or hidden by a keyboard and throwing out insults on social media.

England star Raheem Sterling has been a fantastic advocate in recent times, speaking out against the injustices and asking society as a whole to look at itself in the mirror.

Racism isn't just a football problem but the game is a reflection of wider society. And it's a game that has a platform to make a difference.

It's high time the authorities came down harder than ever when racist or homophobic behaviour is proven. There is no justification for it.

And we can all play our part. If you hear something said at a Non-League game you're watching, report it.

This Week's League & Cup Fixtures

Tuesday 1st October

Cherry Red Records Premier Challenge Cup 1st Round

Badshot Lea	v	Redhill
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Esoteric Division One Challenge Cup 1st Round

Ash United	v	British Airways
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Bedfont & Feltham	v	Epsom & Ewell
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Kensington & Ealing B	v	Tooting Bec
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Saturday 5th October

Division 1

Bagshot	v	AFC Hayes
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Bedfont & Feltham	v	Dorking Wanderers Res
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Cove	v	Epsom & Ewell
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Eversley & California	v	British Airways
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FC Deportivo Galicia	v	Ash United
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Fleet Spurs	v	Chessington & Hook Utd
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Godalming Town	v	Tooting Bec
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Jersey Bulls	v	Sandhurst Town
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Walton & Hersham	v	Farnham Town
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Westside	v	Kensington & Ealing B
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Division One Challenge Cup latest:

Esoteric Recordings Division One Challenge Cup 1st Round

Kensington & Ealing Boro	v	Tooting Bec
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Ash United	v	British Airways
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Bedfont & Feltham	v	Epsom & Ewell
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Bagshot	v	Walton & Hersham
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Esoteric Recordings Division One Challenge Cup 2nd Round

Dorking Wanderers Res	v	Jersey Bulls
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Sandhurst Town	v	Chessington & Hook United
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Ash Utd /British Airways	v	Bedfont & Feltham / Epsom & Ewell
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Godalming Town	v	Farnham Town
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Cove	v	FC Deportivo Galicia
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Fleet Spurs	v	Westside
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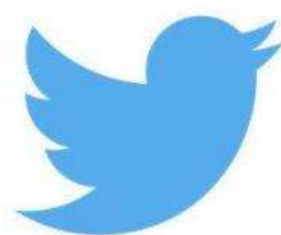
Bagshot or Walton & H	v	AFC Hayes
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Kensington & Ealing Boro or Tooting Bec	v	Eversley & California
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<p>Charlie Dunckley</p> 	<p>Abs Hamadi</p> 	<p>Nick Hardy</p> 	<p>Elliott Hayden</p> 	<p>Josh Howard</p> 
<p>Kavanagh Keadell</p>  <p>Sponsored by Mark Keadell</p>	<p>Jae Kelly</p> 	<p>Noah Kibreab</p> 	<p>Okera Lewis</p> 	<p>Jakub Matwiejszyn</p> 
<p>Fortune Masamala</p> 	<p>John Nunn</p> 	<p>Ross Nunn</p> 	<p>Dominik Pątek</p> 	<p>Jamie Pearce</p> 

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Game of the People

English football's eco-system - cause for concern.

THE LACK of true democracy in English football, which has long adopted a “survival of the fittest” culture, is an imbalanced class system that is surely unsustainable.

Although many people in the UK look at American sport's structure and self-protectionism with some cynicism, we may have come to a stage where the governing bodies have to look at creative alternatives to introduce more competitiveness to the 92-club constitution.

The United States' National Football League (NFL) is a competition that has a high degree of democracy. “The NFL is a case of the whole being greater than the sum of its parts,” said Alex Fynn, football writer and lawyer. “Last season's champions have the last pick of the draft”. This approach aims to make the NFL as competitive as possible, a way of protecting the brand and ensuring the product is entertaining and appealing to the public and TV.

The Premier League is the complete opposite, the whole is weaker than the league's parts because the competition is overwhelmingly driven by the top six clubs - Arsenal, Chelsea, Liverpool, Manchester City, Manchester United and Tottenham Hotspur.

Speaking at University of London's Birkbeck college, Fynn believed England is 10 to 20 years behind some of Europe's top leagues in creating a system that has better balance.

Fynn added that English football should be more than just 20 Premier clubs, but the problem is the Premier doesn't really care about the rest of the system. “We have four divisions, but the structure fall in knots beyond the Premier. We call it a pyramid, but we do not have a pyramid. It does exist in non-league football and in other countries.”

Fynn called the Football League “useless”, an organisation that cannot look past the idea of “play more games, earn more money”, an ethos

that exists down the ladder and into non-league. Fynn said: “They cannot seem to grasp that less is more in this case. There should be no more than 20 clubs in a division and the structure needs reassessing, games such as Exeter City versus Carlisle United are an absolute nonsense at the lowest level.”

This hints at some form of regionalisation solution being reintroduced at the lower level. Certainly, there seems little logic in clubs travelling the length of the country to play in front of a few thousand people. “At the bottom level, the stuff of life is local derbies,” said Fynn. “Greater rivalry, bigger crowds and an increase in local interest.”

Advocates of the 92 structure have stubbornly championed its depth and broad geographic representation as a key differentiator from other European countries, but Fynn believes this is misguided. “The system is faulty, because 20 Premier clubs cannot provide an accurate measure of a country's football strength,” he said. “The more teams you have, the lower the quality.”

Fans are still taken for granted, largely because clubs have waiting lists and people clamouring for tickets at the highest level. “Fans have lifelong affairs with their clubs and therefore are very different from customers. Yet the clubs' attitude is that they have plenty of people waiting outside and so they get away with not treating their fans as well as they should,” added Fynn. He concluded that fans are like extras on a film set and should be rewarded for their loyalty with clubs building relationships and offering fair ticket prices.

Clearly, English football's 92-club constitution is struggling and dependent on businessmen and owners underpinning club finances. Bury and Bolton should have prompted discussions about the future of the system because there must be questions around the viability of a lot of clubs up and down the country.

With thanks to Neil Jensen - <https://gameofthepeople.com/>

TEMPORARY DISMISSALS

FOR PLAYERS



RESPECT

Cautious Offence 1	Cautious Offence 2	Cautious Offence 3	On field Sanction
Dissent	-	-	Sin Bin
Dissent	Non Dissent	-	Sin Bin, Caution Recorded (No Send Off)
Dissent	Non Dissent Caution	Non Dissent Caution	Sin Bin, Send Off for S7
Dissent	Dissent	-	Sin Bin x2, unable to rejoin, but can be substituted after 2nd Sin Bin if not all Substitutes used
Dissent	Non Dissent Caution	Dissent	Sin Bin, Caution Recorded, Sin Bin, unable to rejoin and CANNOT be substituted
Non Dissent Caution	Dissent	-	Caution Recorded, Sin Bin
Non Dissent Caution	Dissent	Non Dissent Caution	Caution Recorded, Sin Bin, Send Off for S7
Non Dissent Caution	Dissent	Dissent	Caution Recorded, Sin Bin, Sin Bin - unable to rejoin, and CANNOT be substituted after 2nd Sin Bin

DISSENT

- Has shown a lack of understanding amongst some Players and Managers as to what is Dissent.
- Covered under Law 12 and is in the opinion of the Referee
- A player is cautioned if guilty of dissent by word or action
- Kicking the Ball away could be either Dissent or Delaying the restart – depending on context
- Using offensive, insulting or abusive Language or Gestures is not dissent and is a sending off offence
- Responsibility of Clubs to control their players
- The use of the Sin Bin gives the Management team the opportunity to calm the players down

ESOTERIC RECORDINGS

TUESDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2019 - KICK OFF 7.45PM



Bedfont & Feltham

Yellow & Blue, Blue, Blue



Epsom & Ewell

Blue & White Hoops, Yellow, Yellow



Manager: Adam Bessent
Assistant Manager: Jake Bessent
Head Coach: Emil Kot
Coach: Mark Goff
Physio: Andy Nolan

Manager: Simon Funnell
Assistant Manager: Sam Morgan
Assistant: Paul Marshall

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OKERA LEWIS	
FORTUNE MSAMALA	
ELLIOTT HAYDEN	
CHARLIE DUNCKLEY ©	
JAMIE PEARCE	
CHARLIE COLLINS	
TOM BETTS	
JOSH HOWARD	
JOSH ZEND	
NICK HARDY	
IVAN THOMPSON	
JAE KELLY	
MICHAEL CAPON	
DAMIEN WACIEWICZ	
NOAH KIBREAB	
RICH BOND	
KELVIN KARANJA	
DOMINIK PATEK	
KAVANAGH KEADELL	

Team to be chosen from:

FELIX DAVIES	
JOE BONASS-WARD	
LOUIS CHIN	
REISSE GRIFFIN	
TOBY FUNNELL	
LIAM ROBERTS	
SCOTT MURPHY ©	
CHAZ-LEE MARTIN	
LLOYD CONNELLY	
JAKE ROBINSON	
BOBBY BENNETT	
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JORDAN GALLAGHER	
SEAN WHITE	
SAM MORGAN	
JOSHUA CAULCRICK	
BEN CHICK	
BILLY CARNEY	
ASHLEY THOMPSON	
RORY LEWIS	
ZAC NIGHTINGALE	

THE TEAMS WILL BE ANNOUNCED BEFORE KICK OFF

TONIGHT'S MATCH OFFICIALS

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