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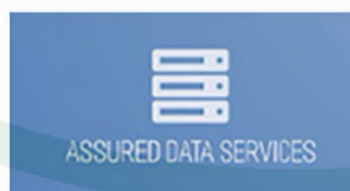
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EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN

East Grinstead Town Football Club was formed on May 8, 1890 although it was another ten years before they played their first competitive match as founder members of the Mid Sussex Football League.

In those early days the club played in blue and white with the town's coat of arms on the breast pocket.

It was some years before they adopted their current colours of amber and black and were nicknamed 'The Wasps,' both of which survive to this day.

They won the Mid Sussex League in 1902 and their first major honour followed seven years later when they shared the Sussex Junior Cup with Arundel.

In 1909 they were awarded senior status which they have held ever since apart from two seasons when they were relegated to the intermediate third division of the Sussex County League in 1989.

In 1912 Grinstead reached the Sussex Senior Cup final for the only time in their history but lost 4-1 to St Leonards Amateurs in a ferocious snowstorm.

The Wasps were original members of the Sussex County League when it was founded in 1920, but they struggled to make any impact and after finishing bottom in 1927 and replaced by Horsham, they were not re-elected.

Rather than returning to the Mid Sussex League, they had four successful seasons in the Brighton League before stepping up to the Southern

Amateur League. A fresh challenge reinvigorated the club and they won the Division Three title in 1932 with 15 victories out of 18.

Three years later they played on the Test match cricket ground at Trent Bridge in Nottingham when they defeated Nottinghamshire Amateurs 6-0 in the old FA Amateur Cup.

Determined to regain their place in the Sussex County League, they were re-elected back in 1937 after winning the Mid Sussex League again and finished fifth in their first season.

Success eluded Grinstead until 1952 when they won the Baldwin Cup, the forerunner of the Sussex County League Cup.

That team is reckoned by many to be the finest the club has ever produced. It was certainly the most entertaining - 42 games that season in league and cup produced 222 goals!

Grinstead were third in 1955, but their fortunes began to decline along with crowd numbers after that. They left West Street in 1959 and had a spell at King Georges Field in the town centre.

Following the spell at King Georges Field in the town centre it wasn't until 1967 that they finally moved to their current home at East Court after a protracted battle to get the ground, which was prone to waterlogging, fit for football.



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The club again finished third in 1973 but that was as good as it got for another 30 years although Grinstead did reach their first cup final since 1952 when they lost 4-1 to Haywards Heath in the RUR Cup in 1974 despite taking the lead.

Wasps found themselves in Division Two for the first time in 1979. During the 1980s the club regularly hosted Crystal Palace and Brighton in charity fixtures watched by crowds of over 2,000 spectators.

However during this time the Wasps had dropped even lower with two seasons in Division Three before regaining senior status.

They were promoted back to Division One in 1993, but lasted just two years. Floodlights were installed in 1997.

Bob Smith led Wasps back to Division One in 2003 and they also won their first trophy for 52 years, beating Three Bridges 4-0 in the final of the RUR Cup.

Unfortunately, the club were relegated back to Division Two on the final day of the 2004-05 season and in October 2006 Smith, the longest-serving manager in the club's history, was replaced by former player Steve Norris.

In his second season Wasps romped to the Second Division title by a massive 18 points, losing just twice all season. Their winning run of 14 successive league games at the start of the season meant they became the last senior non-league team in the country to drop points.

Since then the club has established itself in the

top flight, most recently under former Brighton striker Simon Funnell and their progress on the field has been matched off it. A new drainage system laid in 2003 transforming the playing surface, which is now one of the best in Sussex.

The club were awarded the prestigious FA Standard Chartered Development Club award in 2003 and were registered as a Community Amateur Sports Club in 2005.

In 2008 two new stands and a pitch perimeter barrier were erected. In 2014 with the GAC Stadium already meeting the requirements of the Isthmian Football League after installing additional seating, the club began work on a new dressing room and hospitality complex, a new turnstile block and entrance and a resurfaced car park.

Part of the 2014 funding included a £50,000 grant from FA Cup sponsors Budweiser, £100,000 from the Football Stadia Improvement Fund, £40,000 from Mid Sussex District Council and £35,000 from SITA Trust.

Funnell's side finished the season in second place, their highest ever County League position, and in May 2014, the club were accepted into the Isthmian League for the first time in our history.



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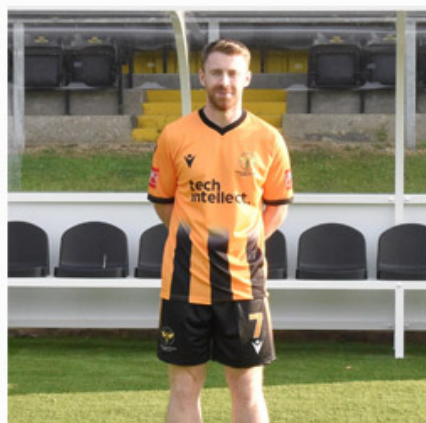
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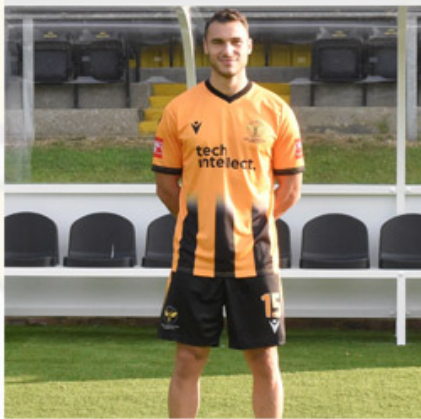
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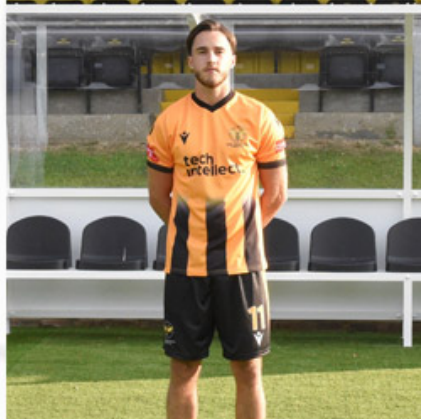
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ASHFORD UNITED

Initially, Ashford Town's home ground was at the back of the Victoria Hotel on Beaver Road.

The club were founder members of the Kent Premier League in 1894-95 with a reserve side playing in Kent League 2. The club relocated to an enclosed ground with a timber built stand at Godinton Road where the 1899 KCFA Cup Final was staged. Team colours at the time were black and white striped shirts.

The team appeared in the Kent Cup Final for two successive years, 1902 and 1903 but were unsuccessful on both occasions: losing a replay 1-4 to Sittingbourne (a last minute penalty equaliser against Ashford causing the replay) and to Maidstone respectively.

In 1907 owing to a lack of support at their Godinton Road ground (which being beyond the railway bridge was a fair distance from the town and their previous base in the Newtown area), the club suffering from heavy debts was unable to fulfill its fixtures and ceased playing mid-season.

Shortly afterwards however a new club was formed, playing as the Ashford Railway Works. The club's home ground was relocated back to Newtown on land believed to have been provided rent-free by the South Eastern & Chatham Railway.

Playing in the Eastern Section of the Kent League and wearing red and green quartered colours, the team enjoyed considerable success winning the League in four successive seasons, 1912, 1913, 1914 & 1920 (the latter after the break caused by the Great War).

It was around this time that the club acquired its nickname of the 'Nuts and Bolts' as many of the members were drawn from the ranks of skilled engineers in the railway.

The club became more commonly known as 'Ashford' upon the post-war resumption of the Kent League competition. However once more fate took a hand and in 1928 the club folded leaving the Town with no senior club.

The decision to found Ashford Town was taken at a meeting in April 1930 chaired by Sir Charles Iggledon, who was the editor of the Kentish Express. Ashford Town were elected to the Kent League, and played their first match on August 30 of the same year at the railway works ground with Canterbury Waverley the visitors. The result was a 4-2 victory.

The following year, the club moved to Essella Park. It was the sale of this ground in the mid 1980's that enabled the purchase and development of the present ground at The Homelands, named after the farm that originally occupied the site, 4 miles south of the town centre and with easy access to the M20 Motorway.

Despite being Champions of the Kent League in the 1948-49 season, it was cup football that was to provide the greatest success. Town reached the first round proper of the FA Cup as a Kent League side in 1959-59, losing 1-0 to Crystal Palace in front of a ground record crowd of 6,525. In the 1960's, Town reached the first round of the FA Cup on 4 occasions, falling to league opposition



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each time. Further honours arrived with success in the Kent Senior Cup in 1959 and 1963.

In 1972-73, Town reached the semi finals of the FA Trophy, losing to Scarborough by a penalty goal. The following year they finished third in the League when Alan Morton set the club scoring record of 46 goals from 69 games, a record which still stands today and will be extremely difficult to beat.

The club earned promotion to the Premier Division of the Southern League in the 1986-87 season, at a time when the new ground at The Homelands was being constructed. The final game played at Essella Park was a draw with Dorchester, which ensured that both teams were promoted.

The next season saw ground sharing at Folkestone whilst the new Homelands ground was being constructed. Sadly, the first season at The Homelands ended in disappointment when the club was relegated.

During the 1990's, manager Neil Cugley produced an entertaining and successful side which gained promotion back to the Premier Division in 1995-96 and, as a highlight, drew a first round FA Cup match with Fulham captained by Micky Adams. A capacity crowd of 3,300 packed into The Homelands and Sky TV showed highlights of the game. The result was a creditable 2-2 draw, with a replay at Craven Cottage. Again they impressed their league host and took the game into extra time, eventually losing 5-3.

The following year, Ashford defeated Dagenham & Redbridge in the first round and then drew

Watford away in the second round, losing 5-0. The season ended poorly with a finishing position of 18th, with the club only saved from relegation by the resignation of Sudbury from the league.

Several managers then came and went, with varying degrees of success until Don Crosbie and Tony Betteridge took over as owners. Their first appointment as manager was Clive Walker, who was replaced during the season by Steve Lovell.

Following a major falling out at Boardroom level, the club's future was in the balance in the 2009-10 season. This resulted in several players departing, and manager Steve Lovell was just able to put together a side to keep the club from relegation.

This valiant effort was to be in vain, since the Boardroom conflict had reached the courts with Tony Betteridge forcing the winding up of Ashford Town FC.

Tony Betteridge succeeded in purchasing the club assets from the Administrator despite enormous protests from Chairman Don Crosbie who managed to receive assurances in the court for Football at the highest possible level to be maintained at least till the legal battle was settled through the courts.

Under the new name of Ashford United, the club continued with a Board comprising of local football enthusiasts.

During what transpired to be a short one-season hiatus the club was reformed as Ashford United



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(harking back to before the Ashford Town days!). The club adopted the same crest as their forerunners, Ashford Town, except of course the word 'United' now replaced 'Town' and the simple wording 'Founded 1930' was expanded to 'Founded 1891, Reformed 2011'. The home ground for the club remained at 'Homelands'.

Under FA rules the 'new' Ashford United were not permitted to re-join the league where their predecessors had left-off: for their inaugural season of 2011-12 they were placed into 'step 6' football in the newly formed Kent Invicta League.

Initially the club appointed former manager Tony Reynolds as manager for the 2011-12 season but owing to personal commitments he stepped aside and Paul Chambers took up the reins.

After an indifferent start to their first season results improved over the second half and the team finished in fifth position.

Their finishing position improved two places in the 2012-13 season to third, with the new "United" setting a record with six straight league victories, which was just two less than the eight match winning streak twice achieved by Ashford Town, the side actually went unbeaten in their first twelve league games.

An individual player record as United was also established with forward Mo Takalo (Takalobighashi) scoring in each of these six matches.

Although only the teams finishing in the top two positions were eligible for automatic

promotion to the Kent League, Ashford United were awarded promotion instead of the second placed club Hollands & Blair, as Ashford had the facilities and ground grading in place in order to take the promotion.

During the close season the Kent League renamed itself as the Southern Counties East Football League. The names of opposing clubs were more familiar to long-time Ashford supporters than in the previous league with clubs from Canterbury, Deal and Tunbridge Wells as opponents.

After a positive start on the pitch to the 2013-14 season it was announced in November 2013 by owner Tony Betteridge that he had relinquished his ownership of the club and the Homelands freehold to a company whose Director was the wife of Don Crosbie - the director he had fought for ownership of the club back in 2010.

In the 2013-14 season's cup competitions the team reached the last 32 of the FA Vase competition and reached the Final of the Kent Senior Trophy played at Tonbridge, where they lost 0-4 to Beckenham Town.

During a good campaign Ashford went on a 10 match winning league run from 14 Sep 2013 to 18 Feb 2014 and United topped their league around Christmas 2013. However fixture congestion due to their cup exploits saw a slight dip in form with the team having to play three games a week in the closing weeks of the season and they finished in second position.



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Ashford returned to the Isthmian League (sponsored by Bostik) for the 2017-18. Any thoughts of a successful season were quickly extinguished with defeats in the first two games which led to the club parting company with manager Danny Lye and subsequent departure of experienced players.

Youth team coach Jason Whitmore was appointed manager but having to rebuild the squad – and in the interim fielding inexperienced youth team players – led to a continued run of poor results including an autumn run of 12 league matches without a win (10 losses; 2 draws).

During January the club appointed experienced former manager of Greenwich Borough Gary Alexander[47] as Whitmore's assistant with a plan for the former to take over as manager the following season.

There was a significant turnover of players with 78 players donning the clubs jersey over the season; the highest appearance by any player was 32 (Jonathan Difford and Pat Kingwell); 31 players played in 3 or fewer matches; there were 21 goalscorers with Max Watters topping the list with 8 (from 27 appearances).

The previous season had been one of positive records this one featured negatives: in conceding a record 111 goals over the league campaign it was the first time that in excess of over 100 had been conceded by either Town or United; the goal difference of negative 51 was similarly an unwanted record; the 28 league losses was the worst since the record 29 in the

1997-98 campaign; the Nuts and Bolts 9-1 defeat at Cray Wanderers was the record league-wide scoring/winning margin match of the season.

The team finished 21st from 24 clubs in the league and thus maintained their league status.

The 2018/2019 season started slowly and saw manager Gary Alexander, along with coaches Huseyin Torgut and John Mackie relieved of their duties in October 2018. Ex Nuts & Bolts player and Thamesmead Town manager Tommy Warrilow took over at the helm and lead us to our first ever play-offs. After beating Hastings United 3-2 in the semi final, we were defeated by Horsham in the final but it was an excellent season for the Nuts & Bolts,



Ashford Manager Tommy Warrilow



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Prichard 30' 51'



Olomowewe 45' Jadama 89'

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Chichester had to settle for a share of the spoils at Oaklands Park against league leaders Ramsgate after the Kent side grabbed an equaliser with one minute of normal time to go.

Top scorer Ethan Prichard put Chi in front on the half hour following a superb one-two with captain Josh Clack only for Taofiq Olomowewe to head home just before the break.

Prichard scored his eighteenth of the season in all competitions six minutes after the restart from the penalty spot after Lloyd Rowlatt was upended in the box.

And just when it looked like Chichester might bounce back to winning ways following a run of five losses on the spin Tijan Jadama was in the right place at the right time to make it all square on 89 minutes.

CHICHESTER CITY

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ROB HUTCHINGS
JOE MOORE
LEWIS HYDE
BEN PASHLEY
JOSH CLACK
EMMETT DUNN
JOE CLARKE
LLOYD ROWLATT
ETHAN PRICHARD

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DENZELLE OLOPADE, BEN FITCHETT,
YOUSOUF BAMBA, JAKE MCINTYRE



Josh Bexon saves from Joe Moore

How the reverse fixture ended nil-nil is anyone's guess, but here a much-changed Chi starting XI from the one that lined up away in the middle of December put in a hell of a shift.

Without first team regulars Ryan Davidson, Jamie Horncastle, Connor Cody, Kaleem Haitham and Callum Overton the plucky scratch side deservedly led the table toppers twice.

Ramsgate had the first decent chance sixty seconds in when Jadama's free header from an Ashley Miller corner forced keeper Kieran Magee to punch clear.

The hosts then countered as Rowlatt found Prichard who played the ball out to Rob Hutchings on the left but the full-back couldn't control his ping.

The Rams pressed again and Joe Clarke conceded a corner before Emmett Dunn gave one away on the other side which Miller took and Joe Moore got clear to Blaise Riley-Snow who cracked an effort wide.

The visitors broke again with speed and Rowan Liburd blazed a Miller delivery over from a decent position.

Chichester won a corner on 13 which Rowlatt whipped across too deep and Gil Carvalho, the former Haywards Heath player's shot was too hot to handle for Chi custodian Magee who gathered at the second attempt.

After a few free-kicks and some end to end stuff, Prichard earned the Sussex team another corner which failed to clear the first man and then might have got to an inviting delivery into the area from the left.

Next, Hutchings fired one high and wide after a neat set-piece just before Chi broke the deadlock when an outstanding one-two between Clack and Prichard caught Ramsgate out and Prichard swept the ball beyond keeper Josh Bexon.

Dunn spurned an opportunity some five minutes later to double this advantage after good work from Prichard.

And it was all square on the stroke of half time when Olomowewe headed in a third corner in as many minutes as the Rams knocked on the door.



Issac Bello with a headed clearance

Dunn and Moore had defending to do when Miller played in a nice free-kick after the visitors caught Chi cold on the break. Rowlatt got flattened in the penalty area by Thomas Carlse on 50 and referee Adrian Harris had no hesitation in pointing to the spot. Prichard took the ball off Clack and duly sent Bexon the wrong way to make it 2-1.

The hosts might have gone further ahead but Rowlatt struck a shot on the turn over moments later and Prichard should have pulled the trigger earlier. A great save and stunning block, from first Moore and then Rowlatt, kept Ramsgate in it in the 57th minute just before Prichard tackled Jake McIntyre firmly but fairly.

The Chi leading marksman shot inches awry, and then Bexon spilt a Hutchings' delivery following a short corner routine off the training ground. McIntyre and Carlse went into Mr Harris' notepad in quick succession; Jack Paxman pulled one wide; and Magee got across his goal to claim with 15 to go.

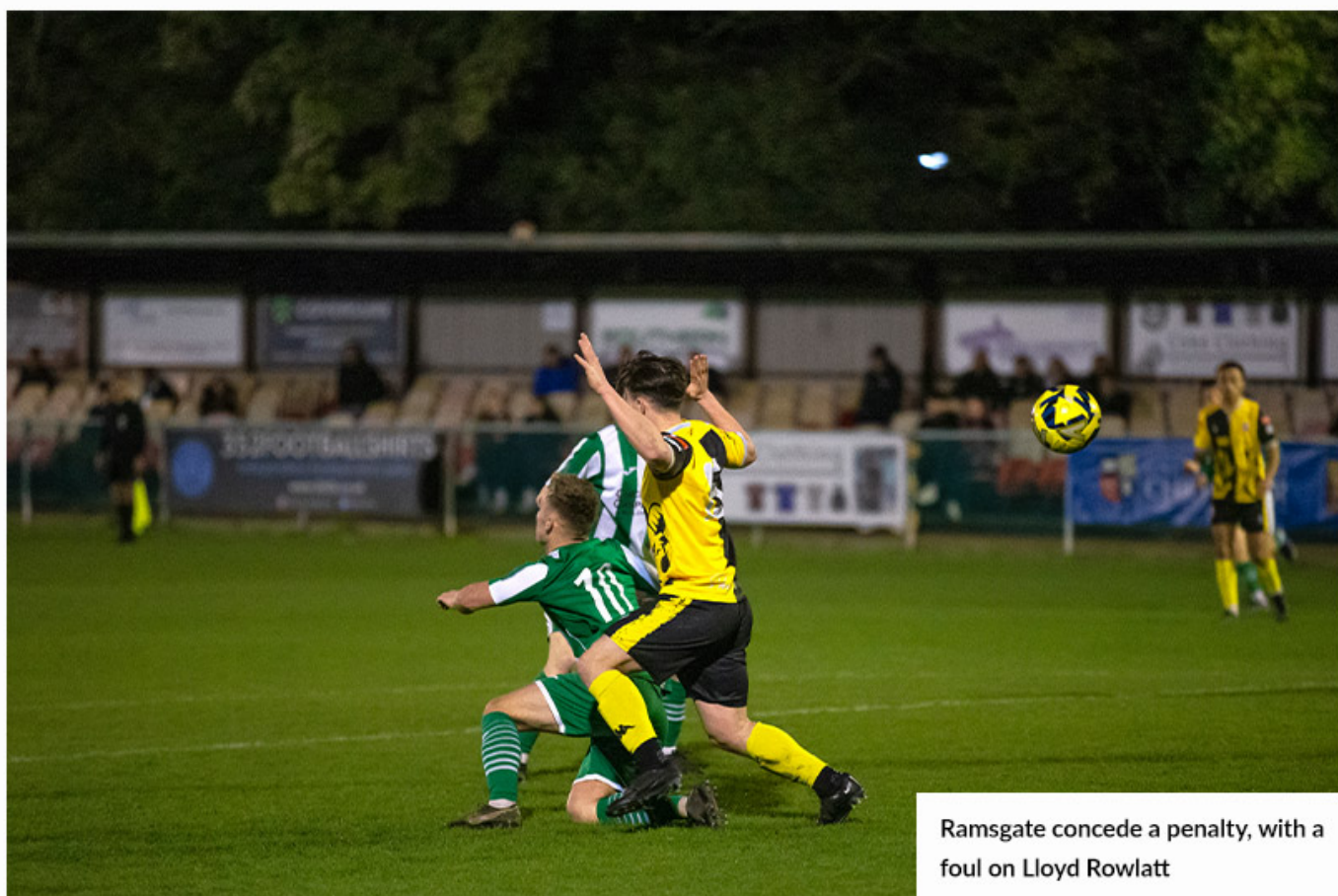
Olly Munt replaced the hard-working Ben Pashley who'd picked up a knock on 81. Dunn, on the line, headed a ball over his own crossbar and Magee claimed the resulting corner.

Jadama levelled things up on 89 with a header from another set-piece.

Six minutes of additional time were signalled, and chances came and went for both sides – Magee got down well to a Jadama drive and Prichard pulled an impressive stop out of Bexon.

Olomowewe then might have smash and grabbed all three points but headed wide and Magee was forced into the save of the night with practically the last kick of the game.

So, the run of five straight defeats is over. Promotion chasing Ramsgate go top on goal difference and Chi stay in tenth place.



Ramsgate concede a penalty, with a foul on Lloyd Rowlatt



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Chichester suffered a sixth defeat in seven games, at the hands of Whitehawk this time at the Enclosed Ground.

It wasn't a good day at the office to be fair for Chi, who put in a performance in stark contrast to the shift at home to league leaders Ramsgate midweek.

Kris Oti gave the hosts the lead only three minutes in with a shot from some distance following a mix up between defenders. His effort looked to be going wide but caught a rooted to the spot keeper Kieran Magee out low to his right.

Ethan Prichard, who scored both the Chichester goals on Tuesday night, might have replied sixty seconds later but his cross-cum-shot did little to trouble Luke Glover at the other end.

WHITEHAWK

LUKE GLOVER
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A Hawks/City love in

Connor Cody, back in the Chi side, headed the ball away from danger, and then Joe Moore hooked it forward.

Magee miscued up against Alfie Rogers only to win a goal kick before Oti and Charlie Harris combined and Emmett Dunn cleared. Cody was there once more to concede the first corner of the match on 15 with a firm tackle after Leon Moore and Joel Daly played a neat one-two.

Lloyd Rowllatt got challenged firmly a couple of times – nothing doing according to referee Stephen Hawkes on both occasions. And then Mr Hawkes gave Rob Hutchings a good talking to for an altercation with Harris. Next, skipper Josh Clack picked out Joe Moore who should have shot.

Isaac Bello ghosted beyond Daly down the right but his cross was wayward,

Rowllatt then was impeded by Nathan Cooper on the edge of the penalty box for a set-piece which Prichard whipped over after a yellow card for Cooper.

Clack forced Glover into a decent save on the half hour mark and Hutchings was poleaxed moments later – the free-kick was again poor. Glover spilt a Clack cross as Chichester sought to get back into the game.

Hutchings' delivery was then cut out by Rob O'Toole before a half clearance by Glover gifted the visitors a throw on the right that Bello launched into the box for Prichard to swing and miss.

The Hawks countered but Cody came out on top in his duel with Oti. Magee had to have his wits about him to claim Hamish Morrison's deep cross before Daly pickpocketed a number of players only to be tackled eventually with another cross landing on the roof of the net.

O'Toole's back-heel didn't quite come off five minutes or so ahead of the break and then a lovely touch by Clack set up an opportunity but his attempt went over the bar.

A Magee mistake might have been capitalised on by O'Toole on the stroke of half time and the Chi custodian gathered Morrison's cross easily enough.



Connor Cody

Clack found Hutchings two minutes after the restart but his cross was cleared comfortably at the near post before a Hutchings snap shot went wide of the other stick.

Rowlatt then struck an effort low and hard but off target before Cooper was replaced by Will Miles.

A super Rogers' cross caused a bit of mayhem on 56 and a fine block from Dunn on a follow-up shot before the game was lost a minute later when Mr Hawes awarded a soft penalty for a Cody tackle.

The Chi players didn't protest too much and Rogers duly converted to make it 2-0.

The Hawks player came off for Luke Robinson some four minutes later and Chichester also rang the changes, introducing former Whitehawk player Olly Munt and Kaleem Haitham for Joe Moore and Joe Clarke.

Harris had a flash shot deflected out for a throw-in which was flicked on and cleared by Hutchings.

Lewis Hyde then made a timely intervention to deny Oti getting a second goal and hacked away Charlie Lambert's subsequent delivery.

Next, only the woodwork prevented Prichard from bagging a nineteenth strike of the season in all comps before the tricky No11 was upended on the edge of the box and got the right height with his free-kick but couldn't get it round.

Magee was forced into a stop with a couple to go to deny Oti – punching the ball away.

And then Hutchings out-muscled Oti before Miles cracked one off target.

Magee pulled off a fine save at the death to deny Charlie Lambert and both Harris and Oti spurned decent chances to make the victory even more emphatic.



Josh Clack narrowly hits a shot over the Whitehawk bar



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CHICHESTER CITY SCRAPBOOK

SATURDAY 8TH APRIL 1905

Chichester FC went into their last game of the season needing an unlikely win against their local rivals and 2nd placed Bognor to avoid finishing bottom, which meant a play off game against Junior champions Wick.

Bognor's battle with Shoreham for the league title was now over, Shoreham having reached an unassailable points total of 27, with 2 games in hand. Bognor needed to to beat Chi, in their next battle to claim the league runner up spot.

Chichester, who hadn't won a single match in 1905, and only 4 games all season to that point, won the match 2-0, much to the dismay of Bognor supporters, who must have thought they would witness a huge score.

Luckily For Chichester, their defence and Goalkeeper were on their game and despite huge pressure from the Bognor forwards for most of the game, they managed to keep a clean sheet.

Frank Cutten had a hand in both Chichester goals, firstly gaining a penalty after being fouled while shooting wide. Ernie Carver dispatching the penalty. Cutten then help himself to the second.

There was delight in Chichester that Crawley were now candidates for the wooden spoon, and Chi had a good chance of staying above them.

The irony was that Crawley's last 2 games were home and away to Hove. Hove had a very good chance of overtaking Bognor for the runner-up spot.

Bognor on the other hand still had to go to Hove for their last game which if they won, would give them a great chance.

Hove unexpectedly lost their game away at Arundel 2-0 on the same day as Bognor's Chichester defeat.

Bognor surprisingly scratched their game with Hove, giving Hove the 2 points.

It was suggested by the Bognor Observer that this was done to save the club money on player expenses as they didn't believe they would achieve 2nd place.

Crawley then withdrew from the league, and the 2 Hove games weren't played.

Chichester avoided relegation to junior football, as Wick were automatically promoted, and Bognor missed 2nd place by 1 point.

West Sussex Senior League Saturday 8th April 1905

Bognor 0 vs Chichester 2

**Reported by the
Chichester Observer
Wednesday 12th April 1905**

Their startling victory on Saturday (thanks to their able defence) at Bognor, came as a glorious surprise to Cicestrians who, loth to believe the good news at first, were subsequently assured of its truth by the smiling countenances of the players on their return.

it is undoubtedly a bitter pill for Bognor. At the same time, even although the spectators exhibited keen partisanship and a decided dislike to the Referee, I feel sure they will all be glad to know that Chichester is to be saved from the ignominy of Junior League football.

It was punctually at 3.30 in a wealth of sunshine that Mr. Crowley, of Arundel, whistled up the teams, who took their places as follows:

Bognor FC; Taylor, Parker Ide, Geall, Wade, Hellyer, Tate, Hoffmeister, Puckett, Brimacombe, and Ragless.

Chichester FC; L.Cover, E. Carver G.Hiscock, H. W. Edney, W. Farr, A. E. Whiting, L. Sykes, G. Hudson, F. Cutten, F. Farr and H. Butler.

Hoffmeister won the toss and set his opponents with the sun in their faces. Play soon became fast, but of the cup tie style.

Throughout the game there was not a good piece of combined passing by either side.

But to the very finish the game was exciting and full of Interest. Bognor first assumed the offensive Ragless sending behind. Then Frank Cutten forced his way back, and Ide was penalised, a corner getting secured from the free kick.

Then Hiscock capially deprived Hoffmeister who had become decidedly dangerous, and a good shot by Brimacombe was cleared. Puckett was a little later given offside, and a foul was given against Will Farr, Cutten was upset by Parker, and a free kick was given against Wade just outside the penalty area, from which Carver sent wide.

Then Bognor pressed pretty considerably, Whiting stopping Hoffmeister close to goal, Cover also clearing a shot from Brimacombe, Ragless being penalised for impeding him. Hoffmeister also slipped to goal but Cover smartly ejected, after which Hellyer kicked wildly by.

Bognor again returned, and Puckett headed by from a melee. During another attack, Whiting had a nasty knock on the head from Puckett, the referee giving a free kick, and another foul against Bognor.

Whiting afterwards effected another smart clearance, Cover subsequently banging a shot out. Then Ragless, put in a good cross from a pass by Wade, and Puckett again headed the wrong side of the post.

A corner against Chichester looked extremely dangerous, Hoffmeister transferring to Brimacombe whose shot went only a little wide of the mark.

The next notable incidents were a couple of free kicks against Puckett, who seemed to loom large in the referee's eye.

This brought much needed relief to Chichester and Sykes made tracks down the line, but trod on the ball. Parker however conceded a corner, from which Hoffmeister burst sway and was only brought down by Whiting a yard or so from goal, the referee refusing the appeal for a penalty.

The Bognorians fiercely attacked the city citadel, the ball bobbing about everywhere but under the bar, the Cicestrians offering strenuous resistance.

Relief came through 'offside,' but again Chichester were defending through "hands" against Hiscock.

Cover bringing off a good clearance, from a corner kick, Wade shot into the wrong side of the rigging. Puckett was next penalised for impeding Cover when dealing with a shot from Tate.

Cutten afterwards dodged Ide, and on being overhauled by Wade, passed to Butler who sent wide. Ide afterwards had to kick out. Chichester again exhibited good defence in a warm attack, and from a free just outside the penalty area, Ide sent behind.

Cover capitally cleared a daisy cutter from Hoffmeister, Geall then making one of the best shots of the day, the ball striking the bar and Cover then resting it on to the top of the net. From the resulting flag kick, Geall sent behind.

Half was at once whistled. with a blank score sheet, although Bognor had monopolised the play.

After the strong attacks by the "Rocks" in the first moiety, the local spectators were naturally hopeful and expectant of their representatives doing something tangible from the crossover.

But they were woefully disappointed while they exhibited resentment at the referee frequently pulling up the Bognorians.

The homesters however survived and the city goal marvellously escaped disaster after the defence had been beaten all hands up.

Hoffmeister put in a hot shot which struck the upright and glanced across the goal to the feet of Puckett, who miskicked with one foot, and then trying with the other kicked his heel instead of the ball.

During a counter attack Hoffmeister ran back to assist the defence, and after getting the ball outran two or three opponents, passing eventually to Raglees who was pushed into touch by Carver.

Almost immediately Cutten obtained and dashed away, and just shot by, But the Referee considered he had been fouled while shooting, Cutten and Parker both falling to the ground, and gave a penalty.

The kick was taken by Carver who had no difficulty is scoring. The decision was very unpopular with the crowd.

Then the Bognorians were caught napping, probably through adapting the foolish one at the back game, Cutten easily dodging Ide who had been at his elbow, and making a fast, unexpected sprint, beat Taylor easily. The goalie probably would have done better had he ran out.



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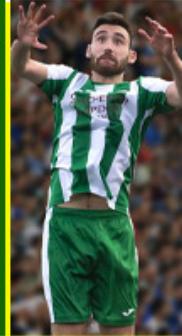
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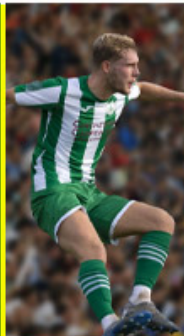


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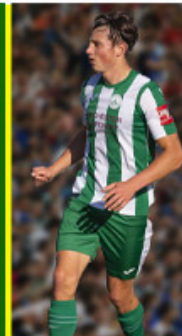
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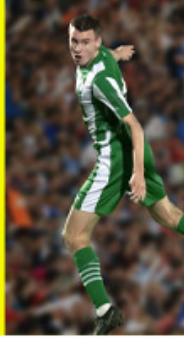


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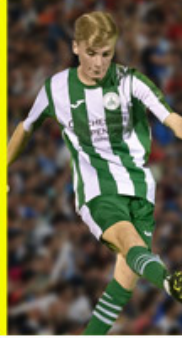
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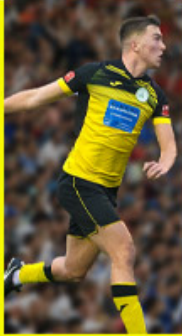
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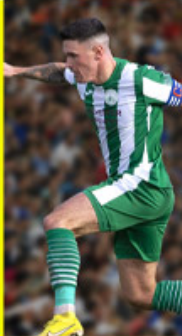
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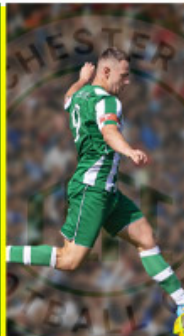
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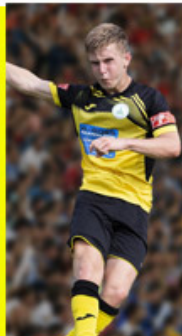
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CITY MEN STATISTICS



DATE	OPOSITION	COMP	RESULT	ATT	GOAL SCORERS
06.08	FRIMLEY GREEN (H)	FACEP	W 4-0	140	DELLAUD, OVERTON, PRITCHARD, PENNERY
13.08	Sheppey Utd (A)	LGE	D 1-1	296	OVERTON
16.08	BURGESS HILL TOWN (H)	LGE	W 1-0	154	HAITHAM
20.08	KNAPHILL (H)	FACP	W 2-0	192	HONORE, OG
27.08	CORINTHIAN (H)	LGE	D 1-1	152	DINSMORE
29.08	Lancing (A)	LGE	L 0-1	140	
03.09	Leatherhead Town (A)	FAC1Q	W 2-1	322	CLACK PRICHARD
13.09	FAVERSHAM TOWN (H)	FAT1Q	L 0-1	78	
17.09	Folkestone Invicta (A)	FAC2Q	L 0-3	522	
20.09	Littlehampton Town (A)	LGE	D 1-1	487	PRITCHARD
27.09	BURGESS HILL TOWN (H)	VT1	W 2-1	164	ROWLATT, PRICHARD
01.10	FAVERSHAM TOWN (H)	LGE	D 1-1	176	HAITHAM
08.10	THREE BRIDGES (H)	LGE	W 2-1	173	CLACK, ROWLATT
15.10	HYTHE TOWN (H)	LGE	W 1-0	207	CLACK
18.10	HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN (H)	VT2	W 1-0	127	MOORE
22.10	Chatham Town (A)	LGE	L 1-2	512	ROWLATT
29.10	VCD Athletic (A)	LGE	W 5-3	82	CLACK 2, PRICHARD 2, CLARKE
05.11	SITTINGBOURNE (H)	LGE	D 1-1	163	ROWLATT
08.11	MARGATE (H)	VT3	L 0-1	121	
12.11	Haywards Heath Town (A)	LGE	D 2-2	436	PRICHARD 2
15.11	Peacehaven & Telscombe (A)	SSC2	D 2-2	-----	HAITHAM, R.HUTCHINGS. L 4-3 on Pens
19.11	CRAY VALLEY PM (H)	LGE	L 0-2	186	
26.11	SEVENOAKS TOWN (H)	LGE	W 1-0	136	CLACK
03.12	Ashford United (A)	LGE	D 1-1	238	CODY
06.12	Beckenham Town (A)	LGE	L 1-4	126	CLACK
17.12	Ramsgate (A)	LGE	D 0-0	494	
02.01	East Grinstead Town (A)	LGE	L 2-3	212	PASHLEY, MUNT
07.01	SHEPPEY UNITED (H)	LGE	L 0-2	145	
28.01	HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN (H)	LGE	W 4-0	228	HAITHAM, HYDE, ROWLATT, BELLO
31.01	LANCING FC (H)	LGE	W 1-0	161	PRICHARD
04.02	Cray Valley PM (A)	LGE	W 1-0	80	ROWLATT
07.02	Burgess Hill Town	LGE	D 2-2	312	ROWLATT, WEINBERGER
11.02	VCD ATHLETIC (H)	LGE	W 2-0	178	PRICHARD, S.HUTCHINGS
14.02	LITTLEHAMPTON TOWN (H)	LGE	W 3-0	222	S.HUTCHINGS 2, PRICHARD
18.02	Three Bridges (A)	LGE	D 2-2	104	ROWLATT, S.HUTCHINGS
25.02	BECKENHAM TOWN (H)	LGE	W 2-1	256	DAVIDSON, PRICHARD
28.03	WHITEHAWK (H)	LGE	W 4-1	187	HAITHAM, CODY, PRICHARD 2
04.03	Faversham Town (A)	LGE	L 0-1	156	
07.03	Sittingbourne (A)	LGE	L 1-2	100	PRICHARD
11.03	Hythe Town (A)	LGE	L 0-1	235	
18.03	CHATHAM TOWN (H)	LGE	L 2-4	190	PRICHARD, DAVIDSON
25.03	Corinthian (A)	LGE	L 1-2	86	OVERTON
04.04	RAMSGATE (H)	LGE	D 2-2	155	PRICHARD 2
08.04	Whitehawk (A)	LGE	L 0-2	545	
15.04	ASHFORD UNITED (H)	LGE			
18.04	EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN (H)	LGE			
22.04	Sevenoaks Town (A)	LGE			





RESULTS

Friday 7 April

VCD ATHLETIC 3
ASHFORD UNITED 1

Saturday 8 April

BURGESS HILL TOWN 1
HYTHE TOWN 4

CORINTHIAN 1
LITTLEHAMPTON 1

EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN 1
SITTINGBOURNE 3

FAVERSHAM TOWN 2
HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN 2

LANCING 0
CHATHAM TOWN 1

RAMSGATE 1
BECKENHAM TOWN 1

SEVENDAKS TOWN 0
CRAY VALLEY PM 3

SHEPPEY UNITED 3
THREE BRIDGES 2

WHITEHAWK 2
CHICHESTER CITY 0

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE SOUTH EAST

	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Chatham Town	35	21	7	7	70
2 Ramsgate	35	19	11	5	68
3 Whitehawk	35	19	7	9	64
4 Cray Valley PM	35	18	8	9	62
5 Beckenham Town	34	18	6	10	60
6 Sheppey United	35	17	7	11	58
7 Hythe Town	35	17	7	11	58
8 Ashford United	35	16	9	10	57
9 Sevenoaks Town	34	15	6	13	51
10 CHICHESTER CITY	35	12	11	12	47
11 Sittingbourne	35	11	12	12	45
12 Littlehampton Town	34	12	8	14	44
13 East Grinstead Town	35	12	5	18	41
14 Three Bridges	35	10	9	16	39
15 Lancing	35	11	6	18	39
16 VCD Athletic	35	10	7	18	37
17 Haywards Heath Town	35	8	12	15	36
18 Burgess Hill Town	35	9	8	18	35
19 Corinthian	35	6	9	20	27
20 Faversham Town	34	6	7	21	25

TOP LEAGUE GOALSCORERS

1 Dan Perry	Burgess Hill Town	20
2 Gary Lockyer	Ashford United	18
3 Warren-Hughes Mfula	Sheppey United	18
4 Ethan Prichard	Chichester City	15
5 Louie Theophanous	Beckenham Town	15
6 Daniel Bennett	Cray Valley PM	14
7 Ade Adeyemo	Cray Valley PM	13
8 Jack Evans	Chatham Town	13
9 Johan Caney-Bryan	Hythe Town	12
10 Thomas Collins	Haywards Heath Town	12

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CHATHAM TOWN
CRAY VALLEY PM

CHICHESTER CITY
ASHFORD UNITED

CORINTHIAN
FAVERSHAM TOWN

HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN
SEVENOAKS TOWN

RAMSGATE
WHITEHAWK

SHEPPEY UNITED
LANCING

SITTINGBOURNE
BURGESS HILL TOWN

THREE BRIDGES
LITTLEHAMPTON TOWN

VCD ATHLETIC
HYTHE TOWN

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE:
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ASSISTANT REFEREES:
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NEXT GAME AT OAKLANDS PARK



EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN

Tuesday 18 April
Kick-Off: 7:45pm

CHICHESTER CITY

Green/White striped Shirts
Green Shorts & Socks

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ETHAN PRICHARD

MILES RUTHERFORD
GRAEME GEE
DARIN KILLPARTRICK
DANNY POTTER

ASHFORD UNITED

Green Shirt,
White Shorts and Green Socks

JACOB RUSSELL
TARIQ OSSAI
BRADLEY SIMMS
CHARLIE DICKENS
LIAM FRIEND
BEN GORHAM
CAMERON BRODIE
ROBERT SAUNDERS
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