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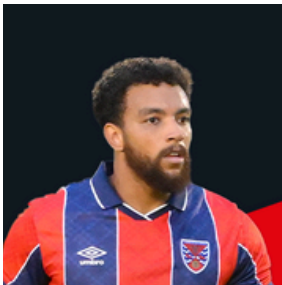
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MANAGER'S BLOG



SCOTT BARTLETT

Good afternoon and welcome to everyone for today's game v Dagenham & Redbridge FC. I'd like to extend a warm welcome to Lee Bradbury and his players.

I write this on the back of a run of 4 games in 9 days. It's a gruelling schedule for part-time players and staff but the players have been excellent. 1 draw and 3 wins, including 2 away wins at Chippenham and Farnborough make it a good start for us.

We now face two more full-time teams in Dagenham and then Maidstone, again demonstrating the strength of the league.

We had a brilliant weekend, beating both Maidenhead and Farnborough. I think we finished both games really strongly and to be honest, our hard work and player commitment has really helped to close the gap with those full-time teams. We have also seen the benefit of fresh legs later on in games, we have trusted our young players to make a difference for us at important times in the game and they have not disappointed.

Jake Hicks had a full debut to remember on Monday and was outstanding alongside Dodd and Cane who are so consistent for us.

After a good shift on Saturday we felt Luke Coulson and James Waite came into the game at a crucial time for us at Farnborough and took the game away from them.

We have had the news that Josh Salmon has been called up to the FAW U19 squad which is great recognition, he has been patient waiting for his opportunity to start for us but has been excellent in the minutes he has had.

I can't end this piece without mentioning Luke Skinner's goal v Farnborough, it was a great solo effort that capped off another good display from the youngster.

Thanks for your continued support, enjoy the game.

Scott

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DIRECTOR'S BLOG



ALEX CROWTHER

I'd like to welcome supporters, directors, players, and staff of Dagenham & Redbridge to Weston-super-Mare and the Optima Stadium. I hope you enjoy the game and have a safe journey home.

I write this blog after a fantastic 1-3 win against Farnborough FC. We've now picked up 10 points from our first 5 games, which is a brilliant return. Well done to Scott, his management team, and players.

Our supporters once again travelled in numbers and were vocal all game - I have no doubt this helped our players get over the winning line. I must mention Andy Cavanagh, Steve Fox, Nick Hawkins, and Eric Cross, who have been running our away travel group over the past 12 months. This has certainly helped our away following grow.

DIRECTOR'S BLOG

A big thank you to them and everyone who has supported away travel with the club. We hope to put on a supporters coach to Torquay United on Boxing Day. Information on this will be shared soon.

I'm now looking forward to today's match with Dagenham & Redbridge, who will provide us with yet another tough test.

I hope you're enjoying our new free digital programme. Rob Hammett is doing a fantastic job editing and writing the content, with Josh Harris supporting him with the programme production.

The club charity, Seagulls in the Community, have submitted a bid to the National League Trust to continue funding The Dugout - our youth club at the Optima Stadium. The initiative has created a safe, inclusive, and engaging environment for young people in the area, offering them a place to socialise, learn new skills, and enjoy a range of activities. A massive thank you to Bridget Bolland, Andy Kynaston, and our partners at Sports Masters Coaching for their continued work on this project.

Thank you for your continued support of our club. Please do say hello if you see me around the club or contact me directly on email: alex.crowther@wsmafc.co.uk

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Alex



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THE BIG INTERVIEW



WITH LOUIS BRITTON

Striker Louis Britton chatted to Rob Hammett about his time at Weston so far, as well as some of his other career highlights, including scoring against one of the world's best goalkeepers on his Football League debut.

Hi Louis. Firstly, how much are you enjoying your time here at Weston?

I'm really enjoying my time here at WsM. The club has a great atmosphere, and I've felt welcomed from day one. I'm looking forward to continuing to grow and contribute to the team this season, I'm thankful for the opportunity.

THE BIG INTERVIEW



Two goals for you now this season at Chippenham and Farnborough. As a striker, how does it feel to hit the net when the team has won?

It feels amazing to get on the scoresheet, especially in games where we come away with all three points. As a striker, there's no better feeling than knowing your goal has helped the team get the win. It gives me confidence and just makes me want to keep pushing for more.

THE BIG INTERVIEW



What have you made of your own performances so far, and how well do you think the team is playing?

I think my performances so far have been positive but I know there's always room to improve and build on each game. I'm focused on working hard, taking my chances and helping the team however I can. As for the team, I think we're really starting to gel. There's a strong work ethic across the squad, and the way we're playing shows that everyone's buying into the same goals. The results so far reflect that, and I think we've got a lot more to come.

THE BIG INTERVIEW

You've been with Weston for a little while now, which game so far has been your favourite?

It's hard to pick just one, but I'd probably say the game against Chippenham has been my favourite so far. Getting on the scoresheet in a big win like that was a great feeling, and the energy from the team and the fans that day made it really special. Moments like that remind you why you love the game.



Who has had the greatest influence on your career?

There have been a few people who've had a big impact on my journey, but if I had to pick one it would be my family. They've supported me from day one, through the highs and lows and always pushed me to keep going. On the football side I've also had some great coaches and managers who've helped shape me, both as a player and as a person. I'm grateful for everyone who's played a part.

THE BIG INTERVIEW



Who is the best player you've ever played alongside, and what was so good about him?

I've been lucky to play alongside some top players, but one that stands out is Alex Scott. What made him stand out was not just his technical ability but his football intelligence and work ethic. He always seemed one step ahead, made the game look simple, and lifted the standards of everyone around him. Playing with someone like that definitely pushes you to improve.

Who's the best player you've ever played against, and why?

Best player I've played against I'd probably say David Raya, his career speaks for itself. At the time, he was already one of the best keepers in the league so to get my first goal at that level against someone of his quality made it even more special.

What is the best goal you've ever scored in your career?

The best goal I've ever scored in my career was on my Championship debut for Bristol City against Brentford, with David Raya in goal. Nothing will top that moment, debut game, big stage, and scoring against a top keeper. It was unforgettable.



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IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Gary Warren joined Rob Hammett to discuss his time at Weston so far, and looked back at an excellent playing career that took in the likes of Inverness Caledonian Thistle, playing with and against some household names and playing for some highly respected coaches and managers.

Hi Gary, you've been at Weston for a little while now. How much are you enjoying being a part of the club?

Thoroughly enjoying my time. It's a great community club with lots of good people here. I have the upmost respect for the owners and the people that have been here for years as I understand how difficult it is to continue to run and grow a club. It's in a really good place and so close to getting to the next level. With hopefully some more help this club can achieve some great things over the next few years.

When you joined, did you know many people here? And if so, how did that help you settle in?

I knew a few of the first team staff and a couple of players and some of the guys within the Academy structure, some of whom I have worked with before. They have made it simple for me to join. I enjoy working with new people and getting to work out how people operate. I hopefully can help to add some experience from my time through coaching and playing to help the club move forward.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

What got you into coaching?

I started at a young age and had a really good group of coaches who all helped shape me as a person. I love the game and have enjoyed my time playing so I wanted to try and give something back. Working with youth teams at a young age helped shape my coaching career and enabled me to work with many young players from all different backgrounds.

During your playing career, what managers would you say you have learned from the most?

I have learned from them all. Some good and some not so good. I learned a lot through Terry Butcher, Dean Holdsworth and Justin Edinburgh on how to create a winning and successful positive culture in a team where bringing the whole club together was just as important as winning games.

I learned the most through a coaching perspective from John Hughes and Andy Tillson. John Hughes made me look at the game completely differently and was probably streets ahead of current coaches 10 years ago.

What is your footballing philosophy?

To make sure I leave a positive lasting impression on people I meet and to ensure I help create a positive environment and culture for people to enjoy the game, where we all started by kicking a ball over the park for the love of it.

Who's the best player you've ever played alongside? What was so good about him?

Scott Rogers - an unbelievable amount of energy and someone who never gets tired or old. He's like Peter Pan.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

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Who's been your toughest ever opponent, and why?

My toughest opponent would have been Gary Hooper when I first started out. A very clever player who always dropped into space where he couldn't be marked. But the best player I have been on the same pitch against would have been Virgil van Dijk or Jack Grealish. Both exciting and entertaining players that were giants of the game both physically but also technically.

And finally Gary, what would you say is your most memorable footballing event?

Probably beating Celtic 3-2 after extra-time to then help us go on and win the Scottish Cup. This led to being able to play in Europe and create memories for a club and community that will probably never be recreated again.

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Sat 9th Hornchurch (a) L 2-3 (Skinner 65', Pearson 77')

Sat 16th Chelmsford City (h) D 0-0

Tues 19th Chippenham Town (a) W 2-1 (Dawes 41, Britton 67)

Sat 23rd Maidenhead Utd (h) W 1-0 (Skinner 90+2)

Mon 25th Farnborough (a) W 3-1 (Skinner 53, Britton 70, Coulson pen 90+4)

Sat 30th Dag & Red (h) 3pm

September

Tues 2nd Maidstone Utd (h) 7:45pm

Sat 6th Enfield Town (a) 3pm

Sat 13th FAC2QR (tbc) 3pm

Sat 20th Chesham Utd (h) 3pm

Sat 27th FAC3QR (tbc) 3pm

October

Sat 4th AFC Totton (a) 3pm

Sat 11th Ebbsfleet Utd (h) 3pm

Sat 18th Hampton & Richmond (a) 3pm

Tues 21st Slough Town (h) 7:45pm

Sat 25th Tonbridge Angels (a) 3pm

November

Sat 1st Worthing (h) 3pm

Tues 4th Hemel Hempstead (a) 7:45pm

Sat 8th Eastbourne Borough (a) 3pm

Sat 15th FATR2 (tbc) 3pm

Sat 22nd Dover Athletic (h) 3pm

Tues 25th Bath City (h) 7:45pm

Sat 29th Horsham (a) 3pm

December

Sat 6th Dorking Wanderers (a) 3pm

Sat 20th Chippenham Town (h) 3pm

Fri 26th Torquay United (a) 3pm

Tues 30th Salisbury (h) 7:45pm

January

Sat 3rd Farnborough (h) 3pm
Sat 10th Maidstone Utd (a) 3pm
Sat 17th Chelmsford City (a) 3pm
Sat 24th Hornchurch (h) 3pm
Tues 27th Hemel Hempstead (h) 7:45pm
Sat 31st Worthing (a) 3pm

February

Sat 7th Tonbridge Angels (h) 3pm
Tues 10th Slough Town (a) 7:45pm
Sat 14th Eastbourne Borough (h) 3pm
Sat 21st Dover Athletic (a) 3pm
Tues 24th Bath City (a) 7:45pm
Sat 28th Horsham (h) 3pm

March

Sat 7th Chesham Utd (a) 3pm
Tues 10th AFC Totton (h) 7:45pm
Sat 14th Hampton & Richmond (h) 3pm
Sat 21st Ebbsfleet Utd (a) 3pm
Sat 28th Maidenhead Utd (a) 3pm

April

Fri 3rd Torquay Utd (h) 3pm
Mon 6th Salisbury (a) 3pm
Sat 11th Enfield Town (h) 3pm
Sat 18th Dag & Red (a) 3pm
Sat 25th Dorking Wanderers (h) 3pm

WESTON-SUPER-MARE AFC TEAM

MAX HARRIS

GOALKEEPER



After time at Hereford, Oxford United, Oxford City and AFC Totton, Max eventually joined Cheltenham Town in 2021. During his time at Whaddon Road, Max spent four successful loan spells at Weston where he chalked up well over a hundred appearances for the club, and kept many clean sheets in the process. Max has also spent time at Redditch, Cinderford and Bath City before joining The Seagulls on a permanent deal in May 2025.

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JAKOB GLOVER

GOALKEEPER



Since breaking into the Mangotsfield United first team at the age of 16, goalkeeper Jakob has also spent time with nearby Nailsea & Tickenham as well as training with Weston during the 2024/25 season, before formally signing for The Seagulls in July 2025.

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SAM AVERY

DEFENDER



The popular central defender joined Weston in January 2020 after earlier spells at Chipping Norton, Carterton Town, Shortwood United, Bishops Cleeve and Gloucester City. As well as being a composed defender, Sam also has an eye for goal as he is a threat from set-pieces, and his vital goals have endeared himself even more to the Optima Stadium faithful.

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EMLYN LEWIS

DEFENDER



Club captain and centre-half Emlyn joined Weston in May 2024 after a long spell with Cardiff Met FC, where he combined playing with his extensive academic studies. Emlyn has also represented and captained the Wales C side, as well as featuring in the UEFA Europa League for Cardiff Met.

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JASON POPE

DEFENDER



Jason is a versatile player, capable of playing on either flank as a full-back, at centre-half or as a midfielder. Jason came through the Exeter City Academy and then went on to spend part of the 2015/16 season at Weston. After being released from St James' Park in 2016, Jason joined Weston on a permanent deal. 'Popey' then spent time at Hereford and Bath City before signing for The Seagulls again in the summer of 2021.

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MICHAEL SMITH

DEFENDER



After spells in his native Northern Ireland with Ballyclare Comrades and Ballymena United, Michael moved to England in 2011 when he signed for Bristol Rovers. After earning a place in the PFA League Two team of the year in 2013/14 he then earned a move to Peterborough United. Michael spent three years with The Posh before joining Heart of Midlothian. During his six seasons in Edinburgh he won the Scottish Championship and was a Scottish Cup runner-up on three occasions. In 2023 he moved to Yeovil Town and helped his new club to the National League South title in his first season, before joining Weston in July 2025 when he left Huish Park. Michael is the owner of 19 Northern Ireland caps, scoring one goal against Germany in 2019.

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CALLUM WOOD

DEFENDER



Left-footed defender Callum joined Weston on a permanent contract in May 2025, following his release from Championship side, Bristol City. Callum is no stranger to the Optima Stadium having spent a loan spell there in March 2024, as well as temporary stints at Bath City and Hereford at Step 2 after starting his footballing journey at the age of 16 at Cinderford Town.

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JORDAN BASTIN

MIDFIELD



Jordan signed from Tiverton Town in the summer of 2021 and has scored some important goals for Weston, including some Goal of the Season contenders along the way. Jordan spent time at Exeter City and Plymouth Argyle before a prolific spell at Elmore, prior to his move to Tiverton.

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JACOB JAGGER CANE

MIDFIELD



Jacob came through the famous Exeter City ranks and had loan spells with Poole Town and Weymouth before joining Weston in August 2014. The popular midfielder has gone on to play over 400 games for The Seagulls and is an integral member of the squad. Jacob also had a spell in National League North with Hereford before re-joining Weston.

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JAMES DODD

MIDFIELD



Another fine player to have emerged from Exeter City and went on to play a handful of games for The Grecians. James initially joined Weston on loan in September 2021 before joining permanently in the summer of 2022 despite interest from other clubs. During his time at the Optima Stadium, James has been a virtual ever-present and has chipped in with his fair share of goals.

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OLLIE CHAMBERLAIN

MIDFIELD



Another 2024 signing, Ollie has played on the right side of defence and midfield in his first season with The Seagulls. Ollie started in the Taunton Town youth set-up before going on to play locally with Bridgwater and Wellington. After returning to Taunton he helped The Peacocks to two promotions and an appearance in the First Round proper of the FA Cup against Barrow.

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LUKE COULSON

MIDFIELD



After spending parts of his early career at Manchester City and Cardiff City, Luke then went on to represent Oxford City, Eastleigh, Barnet, Ebbsfleet United, Bromley and Dartford. Luke joined Weston in May 2024 and had a phenomenal first season with The Seagulls, scoring 23 goals and assisting with 22 for his team-mates. As well as being a men's first-team player, Luke is also the Weston Academy U18s coach and has a degree in Sports Broadcasting.

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JAKE HICKS

MIDFIELD



After spells at Longwell Green, Mangotsfield United and Larkhall Athletic, Jake's performances for The Larks attracted the interest of several clubs, but it was Weston who landed his signature in February 2025. He was immediately loaned back to the Bath-based club before returning to Weston and going on to make his Seagulls' debut towards the end of the campaign.

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OLI JENKINS

MIDFIELD



Oli is primarily an attacking midfielder, however he did turn out at right full-back on occasions for Weston late in the 2024/25 season. Oli signed for The Seagulls in August 2024 from Yate Town and had productive loan spells back at Yate and also with Tiverton Town. Before his first spell at Yate, Oli was with Mangotsfield United and Cribbs FC. In August 2025, Oli linked back up with Yate Town once more in another loan move.

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JOSH SALMON

MIDFIELD



Josh is from Weston-super-Mare but joined the Southampton Academy at the age of eight. Upon leaving The Saints once he had turned 16, Josh moved along the South Coast to AFC Bournemouth where he embarked on a two-year scholarship. Towards the end of 2024/25 he spent time on loan at Hordean before linking up with his hometown club for pre-season training and putting pen to paper in July 2025. In August 2025, Josh was called up to the Wales Under 19s squad.

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SAM PEARSON

FORWARD



Sam started his professional career at Bristol City. Whilst at Ashton Gate, Sam spent loan spells at Bath City, AFC Wimbledon, Inverness Caledonian Thistle and Yeovil Town, before joining The Glovers permanently in January 2024. After helping Yeovil claim the National League South title, Sam joined Weston in October 2024, where he enjoyed a fine first season. Sam is also the proud owner of thirteen Wales U21 caps.

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DYLAN MITCHELL

MIDFIELDER



After serving as a scholar at Aston Villa and spending some time out on loan at nearby Alvechurch, Dylan signed for Swindon Town in the summer of 2024. Dylan made a handful of appearances for the Wiltshire club and also spent time away from the County Ground with a good loan spell at Hereford. Dylan played for Ian Holloway's side in pre-season ahead of the 2025/26 campaign, but joined Weston on loan just before the start of the season.

WILL DAWES

MIDFIELD



Will started out as a Cheltenham Town scholar before being released in 2019. Will then turned his attentions to studying at Loughborough University, and whilst at Loughborough, Will played for Stratford Town. After his impressive spell at Stratford, Yeovil Town signed Will in 2022. After two years at Huish Park, during which time he spent loan spells at Weymouth and Oxford City, Will signed for Chippenham Town in June 2024, before joining Weston in March 2025, where he has played at both right-back and right-wing.

JAMES WAITE

FORWARD



James started his career at Cardiff City and had a loan stint at Hereford before joining Weston twice on loan in October 2019 and September 2020. After another loan in the Republic of Ireland with Waterford, James left Cardiff and signed for Penybont before earning a move into the Football League with Newport County. When James left The Exiles in the summer of 2024, he was snapped up by Weston manager Scott Bartlett for a third time. James has also represented Wales at U19 and U21 level.

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BRANDON BAK

FORWARD



Brandon represented the Weston Academy and played a few games for the first-team before earning a move to Bristol City in 2022. Brandon returned to Weston on loan in August 2024 and chipped in with some vital goal involvements before re-joining Weston permanently later in the season. Brandon then had loan spells at Taunton Town and Willand Rovers before heading back to Weston and scoring the only goal as The Seagulls lifted the Somerset Premier Cup. Joined Bristol Manor Farm on loan at the start of the 2025/26 campaign.

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LUKE SKINNER

FORWARD



Luke joined Weston on loan shortly before the start of the 2025/26 season from Bristol City. Luke has been with the Ashton Gate side from the age of six and signed his first professional contract in BS3 on his 17th birthday in November 2024. Luke has made tremendous progress and made his City U21 debut at the age of 16.

LOUIS BRITTON

FORWARD



After successful spells with Brislington and Mangotsfield United, Louis earned a move to Bristol City in 2019. Whilst at Ashton Gate, Louis spent time out on loan at several clubs, most notably at Waterford where he found the back of the net on a regular basis. After leaving Bristol City in 2022, the tall striker enjoyed prolific spells at Maldon & Tiptree and Bristol Manor Farm before joining Weston in March 2025.

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WESTON-SUPER-MARE AFC STAFF

SCOTT BARTLETT

MANAGER



After a playing career that saw spells at Salisbury, Weston, Bath City and Forest Green, Scott became manager of Weston for the first time in 2016, before becoming Forest Green's full-time Head of Academy. Upon leaving FGR, Scott returned to the Optima Stadium in May 2019. Since then, Scott has led The Seagulls to the Southern League Premier South title in 2022/23, before then guiding Weston to their highest-ever points tally in a Step 2 season in 2024/25. Has now managed Weston for over 300 games.

SCOTT ROGERS

ASSISTANT MANAGER



Rogers joined Weston as Scott Bartlett's assistant in the summer of 2023. Rogers had been the manager of Tiverton Town, alongside his family member Martyn Rogers. Before being in charge at Tivvy, Scott was also player-manager at Willand Rovers. His playing career took in the likes of Forest Green Rovers, Bath City, Newport County and Tiverton, where he scored the only goal in the 1999 FA Vase Final, the penultimate played at the old Wembley Stadium.

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STEVE LAKER

GOALKEEPING COACH



Goalkeeper coach Steve joined Weston in 2020 from Bridgwater United. 'Lakes' has earned UEFA B qualifications in Goalkeeping and Outfield and is Head of Goalkeeping for Weston's Academy.

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TAYLOR CORNISH

SPORTS THERAPIST



Physiotherapist Taylor joined Weston from a similar role at Dorchester Town in September 2021. Physiotherapy is obviously a family trait as his dad Tony is the current physio at Tiverton Town.

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RICHARD JOYCE

OPPOSITION ANALYST



Richard has been Weston's Opposition Analyst since the start of the 2023/24 season. He is also the first-team manager of Hellenic Premier League side, Thornbury Town. Prior to this, Richard has been an analyst at Forest Green Rovers, Redditch United, Evesham United and Brimscombe & Thrupp, as well as being the Media Manager at Cheltenham Town.

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SAM TREGO

HEAD GROUNDSMAN



Sam has supported the football club from the terraces for many years, dating all the way back to Weston's Western League days. He is also a keen cricketer and eventually became groundsman at Weston-super-Mare Cricket Club. He now combines this role with being the Head Groundsman for Weston AFC.

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LIAM DRURY

KIT MANAGER



Despite having never used a washing machine, Liam was surprisingly handed the role of kitman in the summer of 2025. Liam has supported the club for many years and started reporting on the club in 2015, before going on to fulfil a number of various media duties. What Drury doesn't know about Weston AFC isn't worth knowing. A real Jack of all trades...

GORDON MACKAY

MATCHDAY KITMAN



Hailing from the Scottish village of Brora, Gordon moved to the West Country in 1978 to embark on a long and enjoyable career in telecoms. Gordon attended his first Weston game in 2016, a 2-1 victory over Ebbsfleet United. Since then, Gordon has been a turnstile operator at the Optima before taking over as kitman in 2023. In 2025 Gordon moved to the role of Matchday Kitman.

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WALKING FOOTBALL BLOG



IAN GRANGER

Our busy Walking Football season starts in earnest in September, with our two 50s teams, 60s, 65s and 70s men playing in the Somerset, Gloucester and Clevedon Leagues. Our 50s 'Whites', having conquered the Somerset and Gloucester Leagues for the last few years have decided to take on a new challenge, and have entered the Birmingham County League for the first time.

Before the league action however, we have the small matter of the National Cups. The 50s Whites have qualified for the WFA National Finals in Nottingham for the sixth consecutive year, having been crowned winners in 2021. In the FA National Walking Cup, both our 50s and 60s compete in the Regional Finals in Exeter on 7th September, hoping to qualify for the Finals at St Georges Park later in the year.

WALKING FOOTBALL BLOG

Fans of English football during the 1980s can play 'I Spy the Ex Pro' at these finals, with renowned former England International players such as Garry Birtles, Peter Davenport and Alan Kennedy having played there in recent years.

As well as our established teams, our Women's team is growing, and are now starting to play regular games against local opposition, building experience and with the possibility of joining one of the local leagues in the future.

We have also seen a growth in Under 50s playing the game, and we are now on the hunt for opposition so that they can start playing competitively. The signs are that we will see Leagues and Cups being established for Over 40s, and we are therefore in a great position to be successful.

Not all our players want to play competitively though. Many just come along to our sessions to enjoy some physical and mental exercise, as well as the social side of playing a team sport. We currently have over 120 players registered with the club, and this number continues to grow.

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FIXTURES 25/26



September

7th Corsham Town (H) 

14th Wells City (A)

21st Yeovil Town (A)

28th Appledore (H)

October

5th Feniton (H)

12th Appledore (H) 

19th Weymouth (A)

26th Wells City (H)

November

2nd Yeovil Town (H)

9th Appledore (A)

16th Feniton (A)

30th Weymouth (H)

*Fixtures subject to change **More league and cup fixtures to be released in due course

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MATCH DAY

-Playlist-

Vs Dagenham & Redbridge



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**BASEMENT JAXX - INXS - THE BEST - PAULA
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- FINNEY QUAYE - THE VERVE - TRAVIS - ELVIS
CONSTELLO - LIYNRD SKYNYRD - KULA SHAKER -
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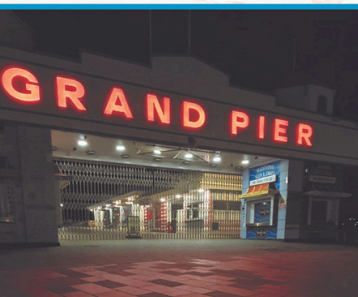
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'THE DAGGERS' - FOUR TO WATCH



Ashley Hemmings (left)

Hemmings began his career at Wolves, signing his first professional contract in 2009. He gained experience through loans at Cheltenham, Torquay and Plymouth. After leaving Wolves in 2012, he joined Walsall and spent time on loan at Burton. He then had a strong spell with Dagenham, scoring regularly in League Two before leaving after their relegation in 2016. Short stints followed at Mansfield and Boston before moves to Salford, AFC Fylde and Altrincham. In 2019, he joined Kidderminster, and his 2024/25 campaign was his best yet, netting 30 goals and earning the National League North Golden Boot and Player of the Season honours before rejoining The Daggers this summer.

Joe Haigh (right)

A former Chelsea youth player, the talented midfielder has represented England at U15 and U16 levels and was also involved in an England U19 training camp.

Joe joined Aldershot Town in October 2023 before making a permanent switch to South Park, who were eighth in their division at the time. In late February 2024, Haigh stepped up from Isthmian League South Central side South Park—where he had been playing alongside his brother, Marco—to join Farnborough.

After impressing in several appearances, the young attacking midfielder signed a contract with the club through to the end of the 2024/25 season. In June 2025, Joe joined The Daggers.



'THE DAGGERS' - FOUR TO WATCH

Kayden Harrack (right)

Harrack started playing football with the youth academy of Brentford at the age of 8, and moved to Queens Park Rangers at the age of 13. He went on trial with Arsenal in the summer of 2020, and Fulham in the autumn of 2020. In August 2023, he signed his first professional six-month contract. He departed QPR upon the expiration of this deal, joining League Two club Morecambe on a contract until the end of the season, before joining Dagenham in December 2024.

Born in England, Harrack is of Grenadian descent. He was called up to represent the Grenada national team for a set of friendlies in March 2022 and has gone on to make 17 appearances for Grenada since his debut.



Donovan Wilson (left)

Wilson began at Bristol Rovers, joining their academy at age seven and signing a pro deal in 2014. After moving to Wolves later that year, he developed in their U23 side and made his senior debut in an FA Cup tie against Chelsea in 2017. He scored his first senior goal later that year in a League Cup win over Southampton and went on to have loan spells at Port Vale, Spanish side Jumilla and Exeter. In 2019, Wilson joined Burgos in Spain before returning to England with Macclesfield. He later had stints at Bath and Sutton United, helping the latter win promotion to League Two in 2021 and scoring in the 2022 EFL Trophy final at Wembley. After being released by Sutton in 2023, he signed with Grimsby, where he netted eight goals in 30 appearances before joining The Daggers in June 2025



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Luke Skinner gave Weston the lead with his wonderful goal at Farnborough (above), before Luke Coulson made sure of all three points with his last minute penalty (below) after MoTM Jake Hicks was brought down in the area



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The Club reserves the absolute right to grant admission.

Where admission is granted, the right to remain within the Ground is upon the following conditions:

THE SPECTATORS SHALL:

1. COMPLY WITH INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN BY A STEWARD OR CLUB OFFICIAL.
2. NOT TRESPASS ON THE PLAYING AREA OR ADJOINING AREAS.
3. NOT CLIMB ON ANY BUILDING, WALL, OR FENCE.
4. NOT USE OBSCENE, RACIST, OR INSULTING LANGUAGE OR MAKE OFFENSIVE OR INSULTING REMARKS, OR SPITTING ON ANY PERSON.
5. ONLY CONSUME ALCOHOL IN THE STADIUM DURING A MATCH THAT HAS BEEN PURCHASED INSIDE THE GROUND. ALCOHOL SALES ARE AS IN LINE WITH THE FULL GROUND REGULATION AS DISPLAYED & LISTED.
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A complete listing of all ground regulations and club charter is as displayed at the turnstiles and listed on our club website www.westonsmareafc.co.uk/ground-regulations/

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ALL WHITE



Manager: LEE BRADBURY

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TODAY'S OFFICIALS

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ASSISTANT REFEREE: CRAIG THOMPSON

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**NEXT MEN'S FIRST TEAM HOME MATCH:
WESTON-SUPER-MARE AFC V MAIDSTONE UNITED
ENTERPRISE NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTH
TUESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2025 7:45pm KO**

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