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MANAGEMENT BLOG

WITH GARY WARREN



MANAGEMENT BLOG

Firstly, I would like to welcome Dover to the Optima Stadium and I hope they have a safe journey back home.

We are in a good position as a football club and the news of the redevelopment of the stadium comes at a great time to show how serious we are as a club to progress. We have some great people at this club that have been working tirelessly to achieve this new transformation which will attract bigger crowds, provide us with a competitive platform to build and hopefully progress one day into the EFL.

On the playing front we have a really strong close-knit squad that have done really well and demonstrated some excellent performances. Tuesday's win against Ebbsfleet was a tremendous effort by all. It was a different type of win that showed real character and determination and has given us a great start into what will be a big couple of months.

We have added some more quality within our squad with a mixture of experience and young, bright talent and we welcome the new boys to the squad where they have already all settled quickly.

MANAGEMENT BLOG



We are excited about what the future brings and what we can achieve and are looking forward to Dover this weekend, which will be another tough test. We need to make sure we pick up as many points as we can over the next few weeks whilst trying to manage the squad accordingly. If we can do this then we will be in a great position come Xmas.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you on Saturday where you can be our 12th man.

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CAPTAIN'S COLUMN



WITH EMLYN LEWIS

CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

P'nawn da a chroeso!

Good afternoon and welcome back to the Optima Stadium for today's league fixture against Dover Athletic. A warm welcome to their players, staff and supporters. We hope you enjoy your visit, but only up to kick-off.

Since We Last Spoke

It's been a bit of a rollercoaster few weeks for us. Let's start with the high point, the FA Cup win over Aldershot. What a day. A real team performance, going toe to toe with a strong National League side and coming out on top after extra time. I know I've said it before, but games like that really do show what this club is capable of. But then came Hemel Hempstead away, and honestly, it was a day where we just didn't show up. No excuses. 3-0, well beaten, and a long, quiet journey home. It hurt. Credit to the lads though, the response since has been excellent. A long old trip to Eastbourne was made worthwhile with a 98th-minute winner by Britts. Then on Tuesday night we dug in again for a proper gritty 1-0 win against Ebbsfleet. The kind of performance that shows character, discipline, and togetherness.



CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

Life on the Road (Overnight With Avo)

Thinking about Dover's trip across to the South West got me thinking about our own overnight stays and how we manage the long journeys. Eastbourne away last year was a little different to this year, but the hotel was the same, and so was the roommate.

Rooming with Avo has been a dream. He's either telling me where his next Lidl is being built or how many bottles of wine he's planning to get through over the weekend. It's these moments on an overnight that help build relationships with players and really bond you as a group. From card games in the team room to hotel breakfasts with plenty of hash browns, it all adds to the journey.

Fortunately for me, Avo is a top class roommate and a great player to play alongside. He organises well, defends the box well, and he keeps me calm when I start to lose my head, which, let's be honest, is more often than it should be. I'm pretty sure I heard a young fan say the other day, "When I'm older, I want to be just like Sam Avery...". And to be fair, I do too.



CAPTAIN'S COLUMN



Looking Ahead

Today's challenge is Dover, a tough side with quality throughout and capable of hurting teams if we're not at it. But we're at home, and we want to keep that momentum going. The message this week has been clear: don't let standards drop. When we work hard, stay organised, and show the grit we've seen recently, we give ourselves a chance in every game.

A Word to the Fans

Your support, home and away, has been massive. Whether it's the extra push in the dying minutes or just the feeling that we're all in it together, it means a lot to the lads. Those long trips across the country you do for us is really appreciated by us all at the club and we try our best to showcase what we can on it.

Let's keep that energy going today and see if we can give you something else to shout about.

Diolch yn fawr iawn. Thank you very much.

Emlyn

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DIRECTOR'S BLOG



WITH ALEX CROWTHER

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

We had some great news last week as planning permission for the Optima Stadium development was finally approved. The plans will transform the site into a modern, sustainable, League Two-standard facility with new hospitality, restaurant, and bar spaces designed to support the club's progression.

Though they won't want to take the credit - and probably won't like me trying to give them any! - the Bliss family have driven this project through what has been an extremely long and complex process. Oli and Ed talk about the redevelopment with genuine passion and determination to see the plans realised in full.

DIRECTOR'S BLOG

I'm delighted that Sally Kingston has joined Seagulls in the Community, the official club charity, as our new Community Engagement Manager. She will be responsible for building partnerships with local organisations, schools and community groups, developing new projects that meet community needs, and supporting the financial sustainability of the charity. She will oversee and grow the Dugout youth club, work to expand community access to facilities at the Optima Stadium, and lead on new fundraising initiatives.

We are lucky to have her join the charity and club, building on the great foundations that Andy Kynaston has put in place over the past 12 months. Andy will be continuing with the charity as a trustee and safeguarding officer which is great news.

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Alex





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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) W 3-0 (Britton pen 61, og 71, Pearson 86)

September

Tues 2nd Maidstone Utd (h) W 3-0 (Waite 8, Britton 26, 48)

Sat 6th Enfield Town (a) W 1-0 (Pearson 84)

Sat 13th Taunton Town FAC2QR (a) D 1-1 (Pearson 33)

Tues 16th Taunton Town FAC2QRr (h) W 3-0 (Britton 44, 65; Coulson 90+7)

Sat 20th Chesham Utd (h) W 1-0 (Britton pen 85)

Sat 27th Poole Town FAC3QR (a) W 2-0 (Coulson pen 5, Wood 39)

October

Sat 4th AFC Totton (a) L 1-3 (Coulson 8)

Sat 11th Needham Market FAC4QR (h) W 1-0 (Britton 54)

Sat 18th Hampton & Richmond (a) W 1-0 (Martin 90+6)

Tues 21st Slough (h) W 5-1 (Britton 13, Lewis 24, Pearson 35, 74; J Cane 47)

Sat 25th Tonbridge Angels (a) D 0-0

November

Sat 1st Aldershot Town FAC1 (h) W 2-1 (Lewis 84, Waite 110)

Tues 4th Hemel Hempstead (a) L 0-3

Sat 8th Eastbourne Borough (a) W 2-1 (Avery 47, Britton 90+9)

Tues 11th Paulton Rovers SPC2 (a) Match Postponed

Sat 15th Chippenham Town FATR2 (a) W1-0 (Wood 21)

Tues 18th Ebbsfleet United (h) W 1-0 (Wilson 20)

Sat 22nd Dover Athletic (h) 3pm

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

Sat 29th Horsham (a) 3pm

December

Sat 6th Chelmsford City (a) FAC2 3pm

Tues 9th Worthing (h) 7:45pm

Sat 13th Forest Green Rovers FATR3 (a) 3pm

Tues 16th Dorking Wanderers (a) 7:45pm

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

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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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DAN MARTIN

DEFENDER



The left-sided full-back joined Weston in May 2025, his second spell with The Seagulls having played on loan from Cardiff City in the 2019/20 season. Dan went on to feature on loan at Bath City before leaving Cardiff for Torquay United. After leaving The Gulls in 2024 he joined Welling United but returned to Weston once more following The Wings' relegation.

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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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JOSH SALMON

MIDFIELD



Josh is from Weston-super-Mare but joined the Southampton Academy at the age of eight. Upon moving 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 Horndean 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 and has since gone on loan to Tiverton Town and Bristol Manor Farm.

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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 up with Yate again for another loan spell at Lodge Road.

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CHARLIE CUMMINS

MIDFIELD



Combative midfielder Charlie joined Weston on loan from Exeter City in October 2025, becoming Scott Rogers' first signing after taking over as Weston manager.

Charlie is from the Republic of Ireland and joined Cobh Ramblers at the age of 15, progressing up through the age groups before breaking into the first team.

After impressing in a trial match for Exeter he was snapped up by The Grecians. Charlie has since had loan spells at Mousehole, Poole Town, Taunton Town and Tiverton before returning to St James' Park and breaking into the first team there.

WESTON-SUPER-MARE AFC TEAM

JORDAN BASTIN

MIDFIELDER



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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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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SCOTT WILSON

FORWARD



Scott started his professional career at Bristol City, but left Ashton Gate in 2011. From there he joined Gloucester City, where he played for three seasons before spending one year each at Paulton Rovers and Weston. His regular goalscoring through the years then earned him a move to Eastleigh in 2016.

Scott then joined Macclesfield in 2017 and in his two years in Cheshire he again became a regular goalscorer before making the switch to Oldham Athletic. He then had another two year spell at Dagenham before joining Bath City as the Bristolian found the net regularly once more at Twerton Park, before rejoining Weston on loan for the rest of the season in November 2025.

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FREDDIE KING

FORWARD



Local youngster Freddie joined Weston in July 2025 after a prolific spell with Western League neighbours, Clevedon Town. In his final season at the Hand Stadium, Freddie scored 34 goals and assisted with 18 as The Seaside's narrowly missed out on promotion. On the eve of the 2025/26 Western League campaign, Freddie joined Bridgwater United on loan. He was recalled by Weston before going out on loan to Portishead Town in September 2025.

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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 had 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.

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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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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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DOM BERNARD

DEFENDER



Free agent Dom joined Weston in November 2025, and has plenty of experience in both the Football League and National League after spells at Aldershot, Forest Green Rovers and Yeovil Town. Prior to this, Dom came through the Birmingham City Academy and is an athletic and versatile defender capable of playing anywhere across the backline.

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WESTON-SUPER-MARE AFC STAFF

SCOTT ROGERS

MANAGER

GARY WARREN

INTERIM ASSISTANT MANAGER



Rogers joined Weston as Scott Bartlett's assistant in the summer of 2023. When Bartlett left Weston for Eastleigh, Rogers was appointed as manager in October 2025.

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, Weston, 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.



Gary started his career locally with the likes of Mangotsfield United and Team Bath, before joining Newport County in 2009 when the University side folded.

Warren captained Newport to the Conference South title in his first season in Wales. After three successful years with The Exiles, Warren signed for Inverness Caledonian Thistle, managed by Terry Butcher. Whilst North of the Border, Warren enjoyed another successful spell as he again captained his new side in Scotland's top flight and won domestic honours. Upon returning to England, Warren had spells at Yeovil Town, Torquay United and Tiverton Town. Now retired from playing, Warren has coached at the Ross County Academy in Scotland, before becoming Weston's Academy Manager from January 2025, and first-team Interim Assistant Manager from October 2025.

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STEVE LAKER

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TAYLOR CORNISH

SPORTS THERAPIST



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.



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

SAM TREGO

HEAD GROUNDSMAN



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.



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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MATCHDAY KITMAN



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...



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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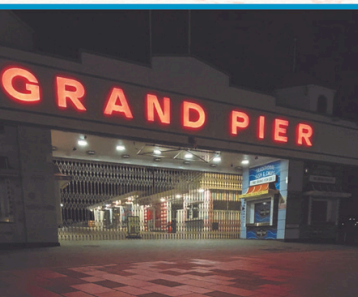
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DOVER ATHLETIC - 'THE BOSS'



Jake Leberl's association with Dover Athletic spans multiple roles and tenures. Leberl's playing career included stints at clubs such as Crewe Alexandra, Margate FC and AFC Wimbledon. He first joined Dover Athletic as a player in August 1997 and made nearly 200 appearances between 1997 and 2002. Leberl went on to win the National League with Dagenham & Redridge in 2007. Jake rejoined the Whites under then-boss Andy Hessenthaler in 2009 after he had been released by AFC Wimbledon.

After retiring from professional play in July 2009, he transitioned into coaching and management. In January 2013, Leberl was appointed assistant manager at Dover Athletic, serving under Chris Kinnear for over five years. After a period away, he returned to the club in November 2023 as assistant manager and was promoted to the managerial role in December 2023. Jake achieved promotion back to the National League South at the first attempt in his first full season in charge.

DOVER ATHLETIC - FOUR TO WATCH





DOVER ATHLETIC



Ruben Soares-Junior (top left):

Last season, Ruben played for Billericay and local rivals Folkestone Invicta. He's previously featured for Tonbridge Angels, playing 37 National League South games – scoring 7 goals. His former clubs also include Scottish Championship side Queen of the South.

Alfie Matthews (top right):

The 23 year old began his youth career at Arsenal, joining their Academy at the age of eight and spending over a decade there. During his time at Arsenal, he trained with the first team and made notable progress through the youth ranks. He was capped for England at U16 level, where he scored on his debut. He later joined Crystal Palace U23s. Matthews joined Dover at the start of the 24/25 season having been at National League South sides Hemel Hempstead, Braintree and Welling. Alfie made a huge impact on our promotion winning campaign, scoring 13 goals including winners in both the Play-Off Semi-Final and Final.

George Nikaj (bottom left):

George is a product of the Dover Athletic Academy and made his first team debut during the 21/22 season in the National League. George has since made 51 National League South appearances and was named Away Player of the Season in 23/24. In Dover's 24/25 promotion winning campaign he received the Dover Athletic Supports Club 'Golden Boot' award after netting 25 times in all competitions.

Francis Mampolo (bottom right):

A product of the Elite Coaching Academy, he has played for Newcastle U-23s and clubs like Biggleswade Town. After joining Tonbridge Angels in 2023, the versatile 22-year-old made 24 appearances and had loan spells at clubs including Chatham Town and Folkestone Invicta. He made 37 appearances in all competitions last season for Dover and was named in the Baller League Team of the Season 2025.



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ON THIS DAY

Tuesday 22nd November 2022 - Yate Town 0-4 Weston-super-Mare

The Seagulls made the short journey up to South Gloucestershire to take on The Bluebirds, just one month after already winning there in the FA Trophy.

Weston were in red-hot form and had only been beaten once in the league so far, and were undefeated on the road in Southern League Premier South.

That trend continued after the emphatic 4-0 win at Lodge Road, as goals from Reuben Reid, Jacob Jagger Cane, Sam Avery and Alfie Moulden secured another three points on their travels.

The victory also completed a league double over Yate as The Seagulls eventually went on to win the championship five months later.



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New signings Liam Sercombe and Scott Wilson in action in Tuesday night's win over Ebbsfleet United



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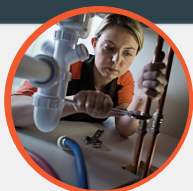
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2. NOT TRESPASS ON THE PLAYING AREA OR ADJOINING AREAS.
3. NOT CLIMB ON ANY BUILDING, WALL, OR FENCE.
4. NOT USE OBSCENE, RACIST, OR INSULTING LANGUAGE OR MAKE OFFENSIVE OR INSULTING REMARKS, OR SPITTING ON ANY PERSON.
5. ONLY CONSUME ALCOHOL IN THE 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.
6. NOT THROW OBJECTS WITHIN THE STADIUM, THIS IS A CRIMINAL OFFENCE AND STRONG ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AGAINST ANYONE COMMITTING SUCH AN OFFENCE.
7. FIREWORKS, FLARES, SMOKE CANISTERS, LASER DEVICES, AIR HORNS, KNIVES, BOTTLES, GLASS VESSELS, CANS, POLES, AND ANY ARTICLES THAT MIGHT BE USED AS A WEAPON AND/OR COMPROMISE PUBLIC SAFETY ARE NOT PERMITTED WITHIN THE GROUND. THESE ARE CRIMINAL OFFENCES AND STRONG ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AGAINST ANYONE COMMITTING SUCH AN OFFENCE.
8. NO PERSONAL FOOTBALLS, TENNIS BALLS, INFLATABLE BALLS OR ANY OTHER SUCH THROWABLE BALL, HAND-HELD MEGAPHONES OR THE LIKE, SHOULD BE BROUGHT INTO THE GROUND. Anyone found with such will have the item confiscated until the conclusion of the match.

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- Wheelchair viewing is available in the main seating area. A steward will show you the access point.

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- We have a few spaces available in the front car park on match days and these are allocated on a 'first come' basis.

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