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366 - HE 'Joe' Taylor (1905-1914); 299 - Ron Sexton (1933-1949); 276 - Micky Edmonds (1981-88); 209 - EF 'Eric' Hanmore (1911-1926); 205 - Mick Streeter (1963-75)

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WELCOME TO THE MATCH

BARRY HUNTER - CLUB CHAIRMAN



CHAIRMAN'S NOTES
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Good afternoon and welcome to the Crucial Environmental Stadium for todays Isthmian Premier League fixture. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to the players, management and officials from Cray Wanderers Football Club.

First of all, I want to congratulate The Wands for a great result last weekend in the FA Trophy beating Ebbsfleet United who are flying high this season in the National South. To concede on 90 minutes and then come through the penalty shoot out will have required great character. We wish them well in the next round at home to Dartford.

Whilst this season's League campaign won't be going as planned on the pitch for The Wands I know just how much work is going on behind the scenes to secure their new ground. I wish Gary, Sam and the rest of the management committee every success with the project and look forward to the oldest club in London going back home soon.

As for us, our Women's team secured a great 3 points and double over Saltdean United last weekend and now sit mid table just 2 points off third spot. So, well done to John, Kelly and their squad for such a positive start to the season.

Our Men's first team sit top of the league going into today's game. This is game 17 of a 42 game season so plenty of football ahead of us and as I said in last weeks programme notes, we need to have patience throughout the club and literally take each game as it comes in this marathon to April next year.

Just a reminder as we enter December and the festive period, we go on the road for our next 3 league games and return to The Crucial Environmental Stadium in the Sussex Senior Cup against Lewes, Date TBC at time of writing. It will be great to have as many supporters here as possible then to support the team in our last home fixture of 2021.

After that fixture it's Bognor away on 27th and Horsham at home on New Year's Day, both 3pm, so plenty to look forward to.

Back to business today, let's get behind the lads, full throttle, in our last home league fixture of 2021.

Enjoy the game.

BARRY



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FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK

ADAM HINSHELWOOD - TEAM MANAGER

A warm welcome to Danny and all his staff and players and everyone associated with Cray Wanderers for today's game here at the Crucial Environmental Stadium.

The last few weeks have seen us defeated by both Cheshunt and Dorking, something as a group we have not been familiar with.

I believe you learn more about yourself and your team after a defeat, yes we have conceded some bad goals but at the same time we have played some excellent football and created lots of chances which in both games could of turned defeats into wins.

I also believe if we keep our performance levels high we will get back to winning ways sooner rather than later, although we know very well that no game is a given at this level and today's opponents are more than capable of putting an unbeaten run together to catapult them up the table.

We will have to be at our very best to get anything from the game, Cray beat Ebbsfleet recently and that just highlights what they can do and I'm sure Danny will have them fired up for the match.

Many thanks as always for your continued support both home and away.
Up the Mackerels.



TEAM MANAGER
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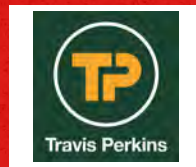


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FIXTURES, RESULTS, LINE-UPS AND ATTENDANCES

HOME Away CAUTIONED SENT OFF SCORERS IN BOLD NUMBER OF GOALS
 ILP = ISTHMIAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION FAC = FA CUP
 FAT = FA TROPHY SSC = SUSSEX SENIOR CUP



RED = EVENING KICK-OFFS

TEAM LINE-UP FIRST XI

SUBSTITUTES USED

DATE & OPPOSITION	COMP	RES	ATT											#	+	*		
AUGUST																		
14	Folkestone Invicta	ILP	L 1-3	836	Male	Colbran	Seager #	Racine	Young	Cox +	Barker	Gwengwe *	PEARCE ¹	Pattenden	Myles-Meekums	Armstrong	Golding	Chalaye
21	BOWERS & PITSEA	ILP	W 4-1	1148	Male	Colbran	Cocoracchio	RACINE¹	Armstrong	Cox +	Barker	Golding *	PEARCE ²	Pattenden	Parsons #	CHALAYE¹	O'Brien	Gwengwe
28	Cray Wanderers	ILP	W 2-1	223	Male	Young	Cocoracchio	Racine	Armstrong	Tutt #	Barker	GOLDING¹ +	Pearce	Pattenden	CHALAYE¹ *	Starkey	Diallo	Gwengwe
30	BOGNOR REGIS TOWN	ILP	L 0-2	2101	Male	Young *	Cocoracchio	Racine	Armstrong	Cox #	Starkey	Golding	Pearce	Pattenden	Chalaye +	Webber	Gwengwe	Barker
SEPTEMBER																		
4	CORINTHIAN-CASUALS	FACIQ	D 1-1	869	Male	Young	Cocoracchio +	Racine	Barker	Cox #	Starkey	DIALLO¹	Pearce	Pattenden	Chalaye *	Myles-Meekums	Armstrong	Golding
7	Corinthian-Casuals	FACIQR	L 1-3	305	Male	Young	Seager	RACINE¹	Barker +	O'Brien	Armstrong	Diallo #	Golding	Myles-Meekums	Gwengwe *	Pearce	Starkey	Chalaye
11	EAST THURROCK UNITED	ILP	W 3-2	798	Male	YOUNG¹	Cocoracchio	RACINE¹	Barker +	Cox *	Armstrong	Chalaye #	Golding	PEARCE ¹	Starkey	Webber	Diallo	Myles-Meekums
14	Leatherhead	ILP	W 4-0	414	Male	Seager	Cocoracchio	Racine	MYLES-MEEKUMS¹	COX¹ #	Armstrong *	Chalaye +	Golding	PEARCE ¹	Starkey	Webber	Barker	DIALLO¹
25	CORINTHIAN-CASUALS	ILP	W 1-0	1028	Male	Seager	Cocoracchio	Racine	Barker #	Webber	Armstrong	Myles-Meekums	Golding *	Pearce +	Starkey	Cox	Chalaye	DIALLO¹ P
OCTOBER																		
9	BISHOP'S STORTFORD	ILP	W 3-1	1244	Male	Colbran	Seager	Racine	Barker	Webber #	ARMSTRONG¹	Cox *	GOLDING²	Pearce	Starkey	Pattenden	Cocoracchio	Diallo
13	Kingstonian	ILP	W 4-3	403	Male	Colbran	Tutt	Racine	Barker +	Pattenden	Armstrong	Myles-Meekums #	Golding	PEARCE ² *	STARKEY¹ #	Cocoracchio	Seager	Diallo
16	Enfield	ILP	D 2-2	615	Male	Colbran	Cocoracchio	Racine	Seager	PATTENDEN¹	Armstrong	MYLES-MEEKUMS¹ #	Golding	Pearce	Tutt	Barker	Golding	Chalaye
23	LEWES	ILP	W 5-4	1619	Male	Colbran	Tutt	Racine	Barker	PATTENDEN¹ #	Armstrong	Myles-Meekums	GOLDING² +	PEARCE ² P #	Starkey	Cocoracchio	Chalaye	-
26	MERSTHAM	ILP	W 2-1	1063	Male	Colbran	Tutt	Racine	Barker	Pattenden	Armstrong	MYLES-MEEKUMS¹	Chalaye	PEARCE ¹ #	Starkey	Golding	Diallo	-
30	Chertsey Town	FAT3Q	W 2-0	454	Male	Colbran	Tutt	Racine	Mthunzi	Pattenden	GOLDING¹ +	Myles-Meekums	Chalaye #	PEARCE ¹	Starkey	Barker	O'Brien	Budd
NOVEMBER																		
2	Wingate & Finchley	ILP	W 3-1	161	Male	Seager #	Tutt	Racine	BARKER¹	Pattenden *	Golding +	MYLES-MEEKUMS¹	WEBBER¹ #	Pearce	Starkey	Mthunzi	Diallo	Cox
6	POTTERS BAR TOWN	ILP	W 2-1	1104	Male	Seager	Tutt *	Cocoracchio	Barker #	Colbran	Golding +	Myles-Meekums	Webber	PEARCE ¹	STARKEY¹	Pattenden	Budd	Chalaye
13	Hayes & Yeading United	FAT1	W 3-0	296	Male	Seager	COX¹	RACINE¹	Pattenden	Colbran	GOLDING¹ #	Myles-Meekums +	Webber	Pearce	Starkey	Chalaye	Diallo	Budd
16	Hornchurch	ILP	W 3-1	303	Male	Seager	Cox #	RACINE¹	Tutt *	COLBRAN¹	Golding	Myles-Meekums	Webber	PEARCE ¹ +	Starkey	Chalaye	Budd	O'Brien
20	CHESHUNT	ILP	L 1-2	1218	Male	Pattenden #	Barker *	Racine	Tutt	Colbran	Golding	Myles-Meekums	Webber +	PEARCE ¹	Starkey	Cox	Armstrong	Chalaye
23	SEAFORD TOWN	SSC2	W 6-2	337	Male	Cocoracchio	Budd +	Seager	Mthunzi	Cox	ARMSTRONG¹	O'Brien	Webber *	CHALAYE² P	DIALLO³	Hall	Spicer	O Starkey
27	DORKING WANDERERS	FAT2	L 0-2	783	Male	Colbran	Tutt	Racine	Barker	Cox #	Armstrong	Myles-Meekums	Golding	Pearce	Starkey	Chalaye	-	-
DECEMBER																		
4	CRAY WANDERERS	ILP																
7	Haringey Borough	ILP																
11	Brightlingsea Regent	ILP																
14	Margate	ILP																
18	FOLKESTONE INVICTA	ILP																
27	Bognor Regis Town	ILP																
JANUARY 2021																		
1	HORSHAM	ILP																
3	Carshalton Athletic	ILP																
8	East Thurrock United	ILP																
15	LEATHERHEAD	ILP																
22	HORNCHURCH	ILP																
29	Corinthian-Casuals	ILP																
FEBRUARY																		
5	WINGATE & FINCHLEY	ILP																
12	Merstham	ILP																
15	KINGSTONIAN	ILP																
19	Bishop's Stortford	ILP																
26	ENFIELD	ILP																
MARCH																		
5	Lewes	ILP																
12	MARGATE	ILP																
19	Potters Bar Town	ILP																
26	Cheshunt	ILP																
APRIL																		
2	HARINGEY BOROUGH	ILP																
9	Bowers & Pitsea	ILP																
16	CARSHALTON ATHLETIC	ILP																
18	Horsham	ILP																
23	BRIGHTLINGSEA REGENT	ILP																
TBC																		
	LEWES	SSC3																

MACKERELMEN STATS

PLAYER	21-22 SEASON STATS		WFC CAREER	
	A(S)	G(P)	A	G
Marvin Armstrong	14 (3)	2	60	6
Danny Barker	15 (4)	1	105	6
Giannis Boda				
Darren Budd	1 (4)		143	6
Tom Chalaye	8 (1)	4 (1)	33	7
Luca Cocoracchio	10 (3)		17	
Joel Colbran	13	1	135	11
Dean Cox	11 (3)	2	14	2
Mo Diallo	3 (9)	5 (1)	20	13
Dajon Golding	18 (3)	7	34	12

PLAYER	21-22 SEASON STATS		WFC CAREER	
	A(S)	G(P)	A	G
Ahmed Khamil-Hassan				
Alfie Hall	(1)		1	
Harrison Male	22		22	
Tyrese Mthunzi	2 (1)		6	
Reece Myles-Meekums	15 (2)	4	122	26
Kyle O'Brien	2 (3)		5	
Alex Parsons	1		105	14
Jasper Pattenden	13 (2)	2	54	7
Ollie Pearce	17 (1)	15 (3)	109	56
Aarran Racine	20	5	61	8

PLAYER	21-22 SEASON STATS		WFC CAREER	
	A(S)	G(P)	A	G
Will Seager	11 (1)		12	
Owen Spicer	(1)		1	
Ollie Starkey	(1)		1	
Jesse Starkey	17 (2)	2	130	11
Cam Tutt	10 (1)		41	
Pat Webber	8 (3)	1	11	1
No Longer with the Club:				
<i>Shaq Gwengwe</i>	2 (3)		11	
<i>Alfie Young</i>	6	1	104	4

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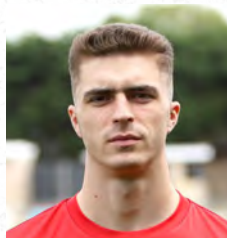
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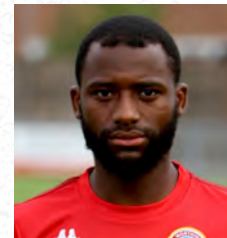
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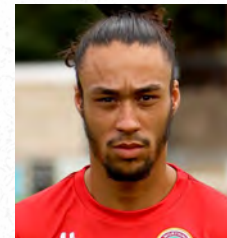
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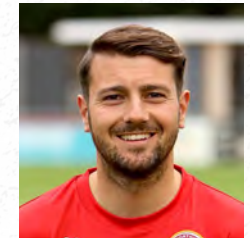
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TODAY'S OPPOSITION

WELCOME TO OUR OPPONENTS FROM
CRAY WANDERERS FC



CLUB HISTORY

Cray Wanderers have been in exile from the Cray's since 1973 when they lost the Grassmeade ground in Chelsfield Road, due to housing development. They moved to Oxford Road, on the borders of Footscray and Sidcup, but when that ground was ruled to be unsuitable for Step 5 football (the Wands were then playing in the Kent League) it became necessary from 1998/99 to play first team matches at Hayes Lane, as tenants of Bromley FC.

However, an off the field victory was obtained in March 2018 as approval by Bromley Council was granted for a new Football Stadium/Community Hub at Flamingo Park in Sidcup which on Monday 26th November received a further boost when approval was given by the GLA (Mayor of London). The 2018-19 season saw Cray Wanderers now playing in the newly formed Isthmian South-East and were crowned the first champions of the division on Saturday 13th April.

The first origins of Cray Wanderers are linked to the construction of the London, Chatham & Dover railway line during 1858 to 1860. During their leisure time, migrant workers kicked a ball around, and that is how the club originated in the St Mary Cray village. The pitch at Star Lane is now a cemetery, and is located beneath the nine-arch railway viaduct that spans the Cray Valley. The industrial belt of the River Cray, especially the paper mills, provided much of the club's support up till the 1950s.

Cray Wanderers were a strong force in senior county football at the turn of the century. After being Kent Junior Cup semi-finalists and finalists in 1890/91 and 1891/92 they entered the first ever FA Amateur Cup competition in 1893/94. They had a spell as a professional club between 1895 and 1907. They were a nursery club for Woolwich Arsenal during part of this period. They were one of the founder members of the Kent League in 1894/95, and they won the championship in 1901/02. Other honours included Southern Suburban League champions in 1898/99, West Kent League champions in 1903/04, and Kent Senior Cup runners-up in 1899/1900.

After World War One, Cray switched to the London League where they remained till 1934. In 1930/31 they won the Kent Amateur Cup. Cray rejoined the Kent League in 1934/35, but their four year stay came to grief when 1936 saw the loss of the Fordcroft ground in Cray Avenue, their home since 1898. Cray were forced to drop into a lower level of football, drifting from one temporary pitch to another while the club committee dwindled to a perilously small number. The team struggled badly in the South London Alliance and the Kent Amateur League.

1951/52 heralded a new era, and an upturn in the club's fortunes, when local businessman Mick Slater took over at the helm. The club was elected to the London League and regained its senior status. Cray moved to a new ground at Grassmeade in 1955. Their stay there was a very successful period in the club's history. Drawing extra support from the commuter town of Orpington, they played in the London League and then the Aetolian League. They were three times crowned champions, won the League Cup twice, and also won the Kent Amateur Cup three times.

Cray switched to the semi-professional Metropolitan League for five seasons commencing in 1966/67. In

1971/72 a merger of the Metropolitan League and the Greater London League created the Met London League.

Cray moved to Oxford Road in 1973/74. Johnny Biddle and Jimmy Wakeling proved to be successful managers. In 1974/75 Cray won the Met London League and League Cup, scoring 170 goals in all matches that season. In 1976/77 and 1977/78 Cray won the London Spartan League championship.

Cray decided to return to the Kent League in 1978/79. Success came quickly because Cray won the championship in 1980/81, having been runners-up the year before. Their powerful new team under manager Harry Richardson reached the FA Vase quarterfinal and 5th round in those two seasons. After that, the 1980s decade brought only one more piece of silverware, the Kent League Cup in 1983/84. After finishing Kent League runners up in 1990/91, Cray had a lean period during most of the 1990s, with the exception of 1992/93 when they won the Kent Senior Trophy.

A new club chairman Gary Hillman arrived in 1994/95 and Ian Jenkins, a Cray player since 1993, was appointed manager in 1999. By now, Cray were tenants of Bromley FC. As champions of the Kent League in 2002/03 and 2003/04, also reaching the FA Vase quarterfinal, they achieved promotion into the Ryman League Division One. Five years later at the end of season 2008/09 came further promotion into the Ryman Premier League, the highest level of football that the club has played at since the war.

After parting company with long-serving manager Ian Jenkins, relegation into the Ryman Division One North came at the end of 2013/14. The 2014/15 season started with much optimism but this was soon dispelled with a run of difficult results and three changes in management. Looking very much like having to suffer back to back relegations at Christmas and with 10 games to go after suffering a home defeat to the eventual League Champions the Wands went on a 10 game winning run, with a team assembled by the then manager Tommy Warrilow to secure survival and became the Ryman North League Team of the Year.

For 2015/16 The Wands were managed by former player Tony Russell. The Wands finished third in the Ryman North Division losing in the play-off semi final. Two years later and now in the Bostik League South they were beaten by Walton Casuals at the same stage after an excellent season saw Cray finish third and as top scorers with 112 goals.

The 2018-19 season saw Cray Wanderers now playing in the newly formed Isthmian South-East and after a 15 game unbeaten start to the season the team were on their way and were crowned the first champions of the division on Saturday 13th April and Cray took their place in the Isthmian Premier after a five year absence. Cray were lying 2nd in the division when the season was declared null and void. The 2020-21 season began and the Wands lay 5th when the season was curtailed.

The 2021-22 season sees the start of a new era for Cray Wanderers as Tony Russell and his coaching team departed the club in March 2021 and in April, former Welling United, AFC Wimbledon and Gillingham forward Danny Kedwell was appointed as new manager and starts another chapter in the club's long history.

GIVE US A MO! MATCH REPORT

WORTHING 6
SEAFORD 2

TUES 23/11/21, SUSSEX SENIOR CUP

REPORT BY GARETH NICHOLAS

Worthing recovered from going a goal down to eventually overcome a plucky Seaford Town, who more than played their part in what turned out to be an absorbing contest.

A much-changed team took to the pitch and despite the three division gap between them, it was the visitors who created the first chance of the evening when Simon Piper had a shot blocked after just seven minutes.

Panto season then arrived early as Red's attempts at playing out from the back proved to be their undoing again.

After gifting Cheshunt a match-defining second goal at the weekend, a similar occurrence presented Seaford with a shock lead. This time though, they didn't even have to score themselves, as a breakdown in communications between Seager and Male resulted in the centre-half netting his maiden competitive strike. Just not in the way he planned it! Fortunately, for the unfortunate, his blushes were quickly spared by Chalaye's equaliser, two minutes later.

Diallo's driving, weaving run saw goalkeeper Mike Platt parry at the expense of a corner. Cox took the set-piece and, following a neat one-two with O'Brien, his low cross from the byline was inadvertently diverted to around the penalty spot, by the outstretched foot of Town's netminder, where Chalaye was waiting to pounce with unerring precision.

The Southern Combination League side continued to ask questions of their higher-ranked hosts; illustrated beautifully via Reece Edwards' perfectly-weighted through ball down the inside-left channel, that led to Callum Connor latching onto it, charging into the box and coming within inches of levelling the scores again, as his attempt whistled inches past the far upright, just four minutes into the second period.

Platt was then called into action to keep out Armstrong at his front stick - after the midfielder had robbed George Maybury - but was to blot his copybook a tad, when he upended Cox in the eighteen yard area moments later and was powerless to prevent Chalaye doubling his tally with a well-struck spot-kick that was fired straight down the middle, as he dived to his right.

Two soon became three, thanks to Chalaye's slide-rule pass to O'Brien that he took towards the byline and laid across for Armstrong, to tuck home from close range.

Reds were on a roll now and it didn't take long for Diallo to extend the advantage further; taking Budd's threaded through ball on and slotting beyond Platt, marginally outside the penalty box.



However, far from being disheartened, Seaford replied instantly, thanks to some insightful wing play that culminated in Matt Holland fizzing in a low delivery that Piper swept home with aplomb.

Diallo joined Chalaye in putting himself on a hatrick, when Budd's pass was helped on by an unlucky white shirt and fell perfectly for the Frenchman to beat Platt and make it five.

Talking of Tom, the man who had opened the floodgates, well, eased them gently apart at least, made his way along the top edge of the box and gave Cox a go at adding his name to the scoresheet, only for Platt to react smartly to smother and snuff out the danger.

Sadly, the tall striker's treble-bagging opportunity went begging, when he managed to clear the first row of houses in St Anselms Road. Although he is now being headhunted by NASA after becoming the first man to land a football on the moon.

Cox's low long-ranger caused no concern for the sound Platt, following the veteran's room-engineering effort, that took a slight touch off a defender on it's way through.

Two minutes to go, Cocoracchio's run off the right into the danger zone ended with substitute Shaun Skipper considered guilty of terminating it illegally. Although, Diallo hit the crossbar from twelve yards and Platt kept out Chalaye, eventually, on the rebound.

However, Mo made no mistake seconds later when he latched onto Cocoracchio's pass and rounded Platt to complete his hat trick. The goalie also denying him a fourth at the near post shortly afterwards.



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PREMIER DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE & LEAGUE FIXTURES

CORRECT AS AT 30/11/21

TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	PTS
1 Worthing	16	12	1	3	40	25	+15	37
2 Enfield Town	16	11	2	3	35	16	+19	35
3 Lewes	18	9	4	5	44	26	+18	31
4 Cheshunt	17	9	4	4	28	15	+13	31
5 Bishop's Stortford	17	8	6	3	32	21	+11	30
6 Folkestone Invicta	16	8	6	2	32	21	+11	30
7 Kingstonian	15	9	2	4	27	21	+6	29
8 Carshalton Athletic	17	7	5	5	33	19	+14	26
9 Bognor Regis Town	16	6	7	3	26	19	+7	25
10 Corinthian-Casuals	17	7	3	7	20	19	+1	24
11 Margate	16	7	3	6	25	25	0	24
12 Hornchurch	17	7	2	8	24	20	+4	23
13 Merstham	18	7	2	9	28	29	-1	23
14 Horsham	16	6	3	7	22	18	+4	21
15 Potters Bar Town	15	6	3	6	25	24	+1	21
16 Haringey Borough	17	4	6	7	24	28	-4	18
17 Bowers & Pitsea	15	4	4	7	17	25	-8	16
18 Wingate & Finchley	18	4	4	10	26	39	-13	16
19 East Thurrock United	17	3	5	9	20	43	-23	14
20 Cray Wanderers	15	3	3	9	18	31	-13	12
21 Brightlingsea Regent	17	3	2	12	15	47	-32	11
22 Leatherhead	18	2	3	13	18	48	-30	9

UPCOMING PREMIER DIVISION FIXTURES

Saturday 4th December 2021

Bishop's Stortford v Carshalton Athletic
Corinthian-Casuals v Wingate & Finchley
East Thurrock United v Bowers & Pitsea
Enfield Town v Folkestone Invicta
Haringey Borough v Bognor Regis Town
Hornchurch v Kingstonian
Leatherhead v Brightlingsea Regent
Lewes v Potters Bar Town
Margate v Cheshunt
Merstham v Horsham
Worthing v Cray Wanderers

Tuesday 7th December 2021

Bognor Regis Town v Corinthian-Casuals
Enfield Town v Bowers & Pitsea
Folkestone Invicta v Bishop's Stortford
Haringey Borough v Worthing
Potters Bar Town v Kingstonian

Wednesday 8th December 2021

Cray Wanderers v Horsham



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Saturday 11th December 2021

Bognor Regis Town v Enfield Town
Bowers & Pitsea v Lewes
Brightlingsea Regent v Worthing
Carshalton Athletic v Merstham
Cheshunt v Corinthian-Casuals
Cray Wanderers v Bishop's Stortford
Folkestone Invicta v Haringey Borough
Horsham v East Thurrock United
Kingstonian v Margate
Potters Bar Town v Leatherhead
Wingate & Finchley v Hornchurch

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COUNTY CUP VICTORY **WOMEN'S REPORT**

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SUN 21/10/21, WOMEN'S COUNTY CUP
REPORT BY GARETH NICHOLAS

Goals from Sophie Humphrey, Hannah Hewlett and Shawna Harvey saw Worthing spring a surprise and knock Lewes DS out of the Sussex Women's Cup.

Playing on The Rookery's 3G surface, it was the higher-league hosts who got the action underway after only six minutes; a long-range effort by Megan Cranford sailing narrowly over the crossbar.

Less than sixty seconds later though, the (Blue) Reds made the breakthrough.

A long pass released Humphrey on the right who burst to the byline before cutting back in and firing in off the far post.

With a number of former players and management in the visitors line-up and barking instructions from the sidelines, this Sussex Cup Quarter-Final was always going to carry a competitive edge.

Ella Newman, one of those former Rooks, had Worthing's next chance when she too shot from distance but managed to force a tip-over out of home 'keeper Ella Pettit. Taking the set-piece herself, Newman saw Katie Young denied by a striped shirt inside the six yard box, as the game remained delicately poised.

Dolbear pulled off an impressive two-handed stop to concede a mere flag-kick following Lottie Sharp's driving run down the left wing, cut inside and powerful shot a fair way out.

Up the other end, Newman was continuing to cause problems with her dead ball deliveries; her initial left-sided corner only headed partially clear by Cranford and the follow-up leaving Pettit breathing at least a mild sigh of relief, as she watched it marginally miss the top of the target.

Soon afterwards, Newman was at it again. This time picking out Tubby in the danger zone with a cross from the opposite flank which, unfortunately for the number eleven, she miskicked and Helwett dinked delicately into Pettit's hands.

Tubby soon made amends for that minor error when her cross was met by the head of Gemma Worsfold, which Pettit could only parry into the path of Hewlett and the Captain couldn't miss.

Lewes' slightly tepid response resulted in Cranford trying to catch Dolbear off her line from distance, which simply wasn't going to happen.

Smart goalkeeping from Pettit then frustrated Humphrey at the end of a long run down the centre of the park, as she latched onto another accurate punt by the backline and kept onside, only to be met by the Rook's custodian at the edge of the eighteen yard area, a fraction ahead of her.

The early exchanges of the second period brought about more Humphrey-inspired play as the striker came close to adding an assist to her name, by creating consternation amongst the home team's last line via a flag-kick that was only half-cleared. Hewlett's finish narrowly the wrong side of the back stick.



Tia Hooper then reminded everyone that the match was far from over as she threatened to slalom her way all the way through a sea of blue shirts, until Amy Critchfield put a stop to it with an expertly-timed, last-ditch block tackle.

A little more than half-an-hour remained when Worthing extended their lead.

Quick thinking by Hewlett led to an early forward pass that a battling Humphrey did well to feed through to half-time substitute Harvey, who slotted confidently and clinically past Pettit.

Reds had an opportunity to put the game to bed, with a little more than a quarter-of-an-hour still on the clock.

Fresh off the bench, the returning Beccy Simmons sent in a corner that resulted in Harvey's header somehow staying out while Becs Bell, on at the same time as part of triple change by Manager John Donoghue, also failed to turn the ball home before the panic at The (Dripping) Pan finally drew to a conclusion.

Fifteen minutes from time, the hosts gave themselves a glimmer of hope thanks to some fine approach play and decisive delivery from replacement Maddie Hotston.

Setting off down the left wing, coming back inside and finding the bottom corner meant that it would be a more nervous conclusion to proceedings.

A Lewes long-ranger produced another excellent save from Dolbear and Newman didn't miss by much, a similar distance away but, an absorbing affair finally drew to a close and Worthing could look forward to a well-deserved semi-final at Crawley Wasps.

TODAY'S MATCH INFORMATION

WORTHING VS CRAY WANDERERS



Harrison **MALE**
Giannis **BODA**
Cameron **TUTT**
Joel **COLBRAN**
Luca **COCORACHHIO**
Alex **PARSONS**
Aarran **RACINE**
Pat **WEBBER**
Will **SEAGER**
Dean **COX**
Darren **BUDD**
Marvin **ARMSTRONG**
Danny **BARKER**
Jesse **STARKEY**
Tyrese **MTHUNZI**
Kyle **O'BRIEN**
Jasper **PATTENDEN**
Dajon **GOLDING**
Reece **MYLES-MEEKUMS**
Ollie **PEARCE**
Ahmed **KHAMIL-HASSAN**
Mo **DIALLO**
Tom **CHALAYE**
Mo **JAMMEH**
Maxwell **BARTLETT**

MANAGER

Adam **HINSHELWOOD**

COACHES

Nathan **BOWEN**
Cameron **MORRISON**
Mick **FOGDEN**

Jack **TURNER**
Freddy **BARTON**
Dean **BECKWITH**
Richie **DANQUAH**
Tom **HANFREY**
Cameron **BRODIE**
Jai **REASON**
Jamie **YILA**
Daniel **UCHECHI**
Fjord **ROGERS**
Chris **DICKSON**
Kasim **AIDOO**
Anthony **COOK**
Adam **COOMBES**
Danny **KEDWELL**
Sam **SKEFFINGTON**
Jack **HANSON**
Fjord **ROGERS**
Marvin **MCCOY**
Andy **DRURY**
Charlie **ALLEN**

MANAGER

Danny **KEDWELL**

ASSISTANT MANAGER

Andy **DRURY**

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Saturday 11/12/21, 3pm
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Isthmian League



TODAY'S OTHER FIXTURES IN THE PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

3PM

Bishop's Stortford v Carshalton Athletic
Corinthian-Casuals v Wingate & Finchley
East Thurrock United v Bowers & Pitsea
Enfield Town v Folkestone Invicta
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