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HONOURS

FIRST TEAM

Southern Combination Division One

Runners up 1995

Southern Combination Division Two

Winners 1993

Southern Combination Division Two Cup

Runners up 1988, 1991

Sussex Intermediate Cup

Winners 1975

Montgomery Challenge Cup

Winners 1960

Mowatt Challenge Cup

Winners 1928

UNDER 21 TEAM

Southern Combination Under 21 West Division

Runners up 2018

UNDER 18 TEAM

Southern Combination Under 18 Championship

Winners 2002, 2018

Runners up 2014

Southern Combination Under 18 Central

Winners 1999, 2002, 2006, 2014, 2018

Runners up 2008, 2013, 2015

Southern Combination Under 18 Cup

Winners 2001, 2008, 2009, 2018

Runners up 2002, 2014, 2015

Sussex County FA Under 18 Cup

Winners 2002

VETERANS TEAM

Fred Pretty Veterans Cup

Winners 1995, 1996, 2002, 2009, 2010, 2013, 2016

Runners up

2017



Welcome to the Beacon

Good evening and welcome to the Beacon for this Peter Bentley League Cup Second Round tie against Bexhill United

Welcome to the Pirates

This is the second year in succession that Bexhill have visited the Beacon at this stage in the competition and from a Hassocks point of view, Mark Dalglish and the players will be hoping it goes better than last time.

United left with a shock 1-0 win in extra time on that occasion, the second time that these lower division opponents have eliminated Hassocks form a knockout competition in the space of four years.

Hopefully, our visitors won't enjoy their visit today quite as much but we'd like to welcome them to Mid Sussex nonetheless, along with our match officials for this evenings tie.

Keep your eyes peeled for fixture changes

As is so often the case at this time of year with national cup competitions taking priority, Hassocks' fixtures are currently subject to massive changes.

That's been evident by the way in which this game was sprung on us less than 10 days ago and although the Robins are not scheduled to have a fixture on Saturday 15th September currently, there is no guarantee that won't change.

Please keep an eye on the website and our social media channels which will have updates to the list as soon as we have them – although hopefully any new additions will be played away from home as, with seven of the first

nine games of the season having taken place at the Beacon, we're fast wearing out the pitch!

Under 23s rack up record win

The under 23s racked up their biggest win since the introduction of under 21 football to the Southern Combination League when hammering Midhurst & Easebourne 9-0 last Thursday.

There were four goals for James Littlejohn, a hat-trick from the bench for George Galbraith-Gibbons and one apiece from Max Willcox and Connor Bradley.

There is a full report elsewhere in the programme and if you'd like to catch Nigel Pearce's side in action this week, they make the journey to Old Barn Way to take on Southwick on Thursday night with a 7.30pm kick off.

Derby day win for Under 18s but Ladies crash out of FA Cup

It was a mixed Sunday for the Robins as the under 18s got their title defence underway with victory but the ladies were eliminated from the FA Cup in the first qualifying round.

Brad Sweetman's first game in charge of the young Robins ended in a 4-1 victory away at St Francis Rangers.

With virtually all of last seasons champions now being too old to play youth football, Sweetman fielded

what was basically a completely new team and a young one at that.

That made the result all the more pleasing as a brace from Yahya Azizi and goals from Henry Le-May and Alfie Loversidge – all their firsts for the club – secured the three points.

It wasn't such a good day for the ladies who went down 4-2 at home to Islington Borough as their FA Cup adventures came to an end at the Beacon.

Out of the Vase

Our last home game three days ago saw Hassocks exit the FA Vase at the hands of the K Sports.

The Paperboys – still the best nickname in football – were a quality outfit and you could see why they took Pagham to an FA Cup replay, which makes the fact that it was only squandered chances that denied the Robins a result all the more frustrating.

Still, on the positive side it was great to see fans favourite Dan Jacques back after a two season absence and we look forward to plenty of encouraging shouts towards Jacques from the stands.

Also back was Ryan Collins who, at the time of writing, looked like being a deserved winner of the Man of the Match vote and there was also a debut for young Harvery Enticknap – hopefully the first of many appearances in a Robins shirt.



Today's visitors...

For the second season running, Hassocks welcome Bexhill United to the Beacon in the second round of the Peter Bentley League Cup....

The Robins will be hoping that this years encounter goes slightly better than last seasons, when Corey Wheeler's extra time goal gave Bexhill a 1-0 victory.

It was particularly memorable evening for the Pirates' goalkeeper Dan Rose who pulled off in quick succession two of the finest saves the Beacon saw all season when denying Michael Death and then Nathan Miles.

United have been something of a bogey team for the Robins in cup competitions over the last few seasons, having also been responsible for Hassocks' elimination from the 2014-15 Sussex Senior Cup.

That 2-1 defeat take place at the Polgrove where two goals from Jamie Morgan turned the tables after Miles' opener.

It was the Robins last visit to the Polegrove and its magnificent old stand which doubles up as a listed building.

Unfortunately, there hasn't been much prospect of United's home becoming a Premier Division ground over the last few seasons.

The Pirates seventh place finish last time out represented their third highest placing since winning promotion back to Division One in 2010.

Those were only bettered by fourth spot in 2010-11 and sixth place in that season they knocked Dave John's side out of the Senior Cup.

It's been a mixed start to the season for United with two defeats and two victories.

Those two victories have both been by huge margins with a 7-1 success away at Storrington and a 7-1 win away at Seaford Town.

They were profitable games for Jack Shonk who hit hat-tricks in both of those encounters to lead the clubs scoring charts.

Their other two league games saw 1-0 defeats against the current top two in Division One, AFC Varndeanians and Alford.

At the weekend, they were on the end of a heavy defeat of their own, exiting the FA Vase 4-1 away at Bearsted.



FACTFILE

Bexhill United

Founded 2002

Nickname Pirates

Ground The Polgrove

Website

pitchero.com/clubs/bexhillunited

Twitter @Bexhill_Pirates

Manager Ryan Light

Top Scorer Jack Shonk, 6

HONOURS

Southern Combination League

Winners 1957, 1966, 1967

Runners up 1969

Southern Combination Division 1

Winners 1990

Southern Combination Division 2

Runners up 1986, 2005, 2008, 2010

Sussex RUR Charity Cup

Winners 1958, 1974

Peter Bentley League Cup

Winners 1956

10 Key Moments

1923... Bexhill join the Southern Combination League under the name of Allen West

1956... now known as Bexhill Town Athletic, they lift the Peter Bentley Cup for their first senior silverware

1957... one year later their first league title arrives and that is followed next season by the RUR Cup

1967... win back-to-back Southern Combination League titles in the clubs best ever spell

1969... clubs splits with Bexhill Amateur Athletic Club going one way and the rest being named Bexhill Town

1974... Town lift their second RUR Cup, their most recent piece of senior silverware

1985... drop into intermediate football for the first time with relegation into Division Two

1990... Division One winners, resulting in a one stay in the top flight – the last time they played at that level

2002... after 33 years, remerge with Bexhill Athletic becoming Bexhill United

2008... runners up in Division Two as well as winning the Division Two Cup and Sussex Intermediate Cup

Last 20 Seasons

2017-18, Southern Combination One 7th
2016-17, Southern Combination One 10th
2015-16, Southern Combination One 14th
2014-15, Southern Combination One 6th
2013-14, Southern Combination One 8th
2012-13, Southern Combination One 11th
2011-12, Southern Combination One 7th
2010-11, Southern Combination One 4th
2009-10, Southern Combination Two 2nd
2008-09, Southern Combination One 17th
2007-08, Southern Combination Two 2nd
2006-07, Southern Combination Two 11th
2005-06, Southern Combination One 18th
2004-05, Southern Combination Two 2nd
2003-04, Southern Combination Two 12th
2002-03, Southern Combination Two 10th
2001-02, Southern Combination Two 13th
2000-01, Southern Combination Two 11th
1999-00, Southern Combination Two 7th
1998-99, Southern Combination Two 10th

Hassocks v Bexhill United :: Head-to-Head

SCFL Division One... Played 4 - Won 1 - Drawn 1 - Lost 2 - Scored 7 - Conceded 6

Sussex Senior Cup... Played 2 - Won 1 - Drawn 0 - Lost 1 - Scored 6 - Conceded 2

Peter Bentley Cup... Played 1 - Won 0 - Drawn 0 - Lost 1 - Scored 0 - Conceded 1

Total... Played 7 Won 2 Drew 1 Lost 4 Scored 13 Conceded 9

Last 7 meetings

2016-17 Peter Bentley Cup: Hassocks 0-1 Bexhill United

2014-15 Sussex Senior Cup: Bexhill United 2-1 Hassocks

2008-09 Sussex Senior Cup: Bexhill United 0-5 Hassocks

1994-95 SCFL One: Hassocks 4-0 Bexhill Town

1994-95 SCFL One: Bexhill Town 2-2 Hassocks

1986-87 SCFL One: Bexhill Town 3-1 Hassocks

1986-87 SCFL One: Hassocks 0-1 Bexhill Town



PIRATES SINK ROBINS TO END CUP DREAMS

August hasn't even reached its conclusion yet and already Hassocks have been eliminated from three of the five knockout competitions they are entered in following Tuesday night's 1-0 defeat at home to Bexhill United.

The extra time defeat to their Division One opponents ended their Peter Bentley League Cup dreams just three days after another loss over 120 minutes to AFC Uckfield Town.

Both of those games were eminently winnable, certainly more so than the tie that resulted in their elimination from the FA Cup against Hollands and Blair on the opening weekend.

Seasoned Hassocks watchers approach any game with lower division opposition with a sense of trepidation.

In the last nine seasons, the Robins have gone out of various competitions nine times to teams plying their trade in Division One at the time - Rustington, East Preston, Seaford Town, Southwick, Little Common, Littlehampton Town and Steyning Town.

Bexhill are now on the list twice having knocked Hassocks out of the Sussex Senior Cup as well when these two last met.

Much like on that cold October eve three seasons ago at the Polegrove, Hassocks had the majority of the ball with the Pirates content to pillaging on the counter attack.

They were rather effective at this, earning a free kick early on which struck the chin of Josh Hawkes in the Hassocks wall.

Hawkes was making his first start of the season here and along with the

returning Spencer Slaughter and Bradley Bant, gave Hassocks a much more experienced look in midfield to the side that threw away a two goal lead on Saturday.

That showed as unlike in recent weeks the Robins had more shape, kept the ball better and largely avoided making the silly little mistakes that have undermined their progress so far.

Were it not for visiting goalkeeper Dan Rose they could easily have progressed.

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Rose was in inspired form and he produced two excellent first half saves to keep out efforts from the Robins front pairing of Nathan Miles and Michael Death.

Rose also denied Spencer Slaughter and Dan Stokes but in all spite of all that the best bit of goalkeeping of the half came at the other end, where Nathan Stroomberg marked his home debut for Hassocks with a brilliant penalty stop, diving full length to his right to push away Craig

Ottley's spot kick right on the stroke of half time.

The chances continued to flow in the second half.

Kyle Holden denied Miles a sight of Rose's goal with a last ditch tackle, Stroomberg produced another excellent stop from a Wayne Giles header and then Slaughter saw a header of his own cleared off the line by Craig McFarlane.

That represented the last chance of the 90 and so for the second time in a week, Hassocks were forced into playing an additional 30 minutes.

They had plenty of options from the bench with Lewis Westlake, Harry Mills and Liam Benson all being introduced.

Those fresh legs didn't matter though as the Robins were caught alarmingly cold at the start of extra time with Corey Wheeler finding it far too easy to finish off a fine individual effort which gave Bexhill the lead.

The Pirates were all too happy to sit back after that and although Hassocks had plenty of the ball they couldn't find anyway of parting the white sea that stood between them and an equaliser.

The closest they got was when Benson met an excellent cross with a thumping ahead that rattled the bar rather than the back of the net as the Pirates closed the game out to sail into round three.

Hassocks: Stroomberg; Akehurst, Barnes, Badger, Marsh; Stokes, Slaughter, Hawkes, Bant; Miles, Death.

Subs: Benson, L Westlake, Mills, (used), Maskell, Harris (unused).

FIVE STAR ROBINS SET UP PLUM BOGNOR TIE

Bognor Regis Town will be visiting the Beacon in the third round of the Sussex Senior Cup after Hassocks set up a plum tie with Conference South opposition thanks to a 5-0 win away at Bexhill United.

On paper, this looked a potential banana skin of a tie, especially given that Hassocks had already exited the John O'Hara Cup to Division One opponents Rustington.

In the end though the Robins made it look easy at the Polegrove as they gave a professional performance that was easily the best so far since John Suter and Mickey Jewell took the reins in the summer.

There were five different scorers, a first clean sheet for 17-year-old Jack Simpson and for the first time this season, Hassocks never looked in danger at any point.

The first 40 minutes were pretty even with both sides giving the ball away with alarming regularity.

Simon Bristow was handed the opportunity to partner James Laing in attack and it was his angled shot that flew just wide after five minutes that provided the first opportunity of the tie.

At the other end, Jack Aston lashed a shot just wide before Ashley Marsh found himself in unfamiliar territory in front of the opposing goal after Laing played him in.

How Marsh ended up there remains a complete mystery and the realisation that he was through one-on-one certainly seemed to panic him.

As a result, Marsh attempted to square the ball when a shot on target would surely have beaten United goalkeeper Akyut Kusha, although the Hassocks defender could be forgiven his lack of striking instinct after a record of one goal in 170 appearances.

Bristow, who had been one of the main culprits when it came to handing possession to hosts, was the man

who opened the scoring with 38 minutes on the clock.

There was a huge helping hand from Kusha as Bristow's effort from 25 yards looked to be an extremely tame one, yet somehow it eluded the grasp of Kusha and just about trickled over the line to give Hassocks the lead.

The Robins made one enforced change at the break as Matt Russell replaced the injured Laing and it was the former Burgess Hill Town striker's arrival into proceedings that saw Hassocks grab the tie by the scruff of the neck.

Within 14 minutes of his introduction, Russell doubled the Robins advantage although the goal owed much to the industry of Dan Jacques at right wing back.

This was another promising

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performance from Jacques and he found himself in an advanced position after a lung busting run forward.

It looked like he'd blown the opportunity though when producing an almighty scuff yet somehow the ball went through the home defence and straight onto the path of the onrushing Russell who slotted home at the second attempt.

Hassocks were in control now and Matt Percival was just over with a dipping volley and Bristow failed to

clear Kusha with an attempted lob when one on one with the keeper.

Suter turned to Matt Amos and Anthony Hibbert to replace Bristow and Percival in a double substitution on 67 minutes and the introduction of two of the Robins' most dangerous attacking threats helped them wrap the tie up comfortable.

Russell should have made it three within a couple of minutes of the changes and then Bexhill sub Ricky Mote missed their clearest chance when firing over Simpson's bar from 12 yards.

Jamie Hillwood added the Robins third with 10 minutes remaining with a stunning individual effort for his first goal for the first team since stepping up from last seasons .

Hillwood started with the ball inside his own half before riding three or four Bexhill challenges and tucking under the body of Kusha.

In an action packed last 10 minutes, Russell somehow hit the post from a yard out before Spencer Slaughter netted the fourth by rounding off a fine move that involved Hibbert, Russell and Amos with a neat finish.

The scoring was rounded off in injury time by Hibbert who placed the ball out of the reach of Kusha having collected an excellent lay off from Amos.

Hassocks: Simpson; Jacques, Pitcher, Marsh, Faith, Hillwood; Percival, Slaughter, White; Bristow, Laing.

Subs: M Russell (Laing 45), Amos (Bristow 67), Hibbert (Percival 67), Thompson (unused).



Wilkins voted Robins August Player of the Month

Jack Wilkins has been named as the first Robins Player of the Month for the 2018-19 season, winning August's award with 48% of the vote.

The 20-year-old forward started six games out of seven, only missing the 2-1 victory over Crawley Down Gatwick in the Sussex RUR Principal Charity Cup.

He won the man-of-the-match awards in the 6-0 defeat at home to Chichester City United and most impressively, during the Robins finest win of the season to date when they

left Mill Road with all three points after a 3-1 victory over Arundel.

It is the first time Wilkins has been in the top three of a Player of the Month award and a rich reward for his excellent start to the campaign.

Harvey Blake's flying start to life at the Beacon has seen the young full back voted into second spot with 26% of the vote.

Blake arrived from Mid Sussex League side Sporting Lindfield in the summer and after coming off the bench for lively cameos in his first two

appearances for the Robins, he has been a regular starter in the next four games, winning the man-of-the-match award in the 4-1 defeat to Saltdean United.

In third was Phil Johnson, rounding off a hugely successful first month back at the Beacon following his return from Horsham YMCA.

Johnson netted four times in five August games, scoring twice in the win over Arundel as well as the games with Crawley Down and Saltdean. That goal against the Tigers was his 50th for the club.





HASSOCKS IN THE PETER BENTLEY CUP

With just one semi final appearance in over 30 years, Hassocks' Peter Bentley League Cup record leaves a lot to be desired. Here's a look back at some of the highlights from the Robins previous cracks at the competition...

The Peter Bentley League Cup has never been the happiest of hunting grounds for Hassocks, right back to when they first entered the tournament in 1985.

It actually took 10 years from that debut in the competition against Peacehaven & Telscombe for the Robins to taste victory.

Sure, there was a spell in Division Two in that decade in which Hassocks weren't able to enter, but even so that was a remarkable long time to wait for a first win.

It belatedly arrived in the 1995-96 season, a 3-1 win away at Bosham which set the Robins up for elimination in the next round against Langney Sports.

Hassocks were quick learners however and just one year after winning in the competition for the first time, they went all the way to the semi-finals.

Sidley were seen off in the second round, Mile Oak in round three and an almighty upset followed against the great Saltdean United side of the late 90s in the quarter finals.

That set up a semi-final showdown with another of the periods big names Wick, but unfortunately the Robins weren't able to repeat their heroics of the previous round and fell to a heavy 5-0 defeat in the last four.

Hassocks have made the quarter finals on xxx occasions, the most recent of which came in the 2015-16 season.

There was no shortage of controversy about Lancing hosting a 7.15pm kick off meaning a mad dash down to Culver Road for the Robins

squad, even without taking into account the traffic nightmare that unfolded due to Brighton playing at the Amex on the same evening.

That lack of preparation certainly didn't help the visitors, but they were outclassed 4-0 by a Lancing side who would go on to lift the trophy.

Both Lingfield and Crawley Down Gatwick were seen off en route to that semi, with both sides playing in Division One at the time.

The Robins wasted a glorious chance to make the semi finals in the 2012-13 season when one of the finest sides in the clubs history fell in the last eight.

That defeat came 1-0 away at Division One side Littlehampton Town and was owed a lot of a spectacular show of goalkeeping from Jonathan

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Hendrick.

Before that 2012-13 season, Hassocks had been on another barren run of form in the competition, failing to win in five seasons since the 2007-08 campaign.

They suffered some chastening

defeats in that time, going down 2-1 away at Southwick in 2011 in a game that was notable only for the fact that just 15 paying customers bothered to turn up at Old Barn Way, making it comfortably the lowest attendance Hassocks have ever played in front of in senior football.

Another defeat to lower league opposition came in 2008, when John Suter's side faced Rustington for the first and so far only time, losing 2-1 away from home.

Hassocks ended up making the quarter finals in that 2007-08 season before falling to Ringmer while the previous season may have been the Robins second best ever on record after Dave John's side achieved a sixth place finish, but they still couldn't get beyond round two of the League Cup after losing 1-0 at home to Sidley United.

It was on their way to another quarter final defeat in 2005-06 that Hassocks racked up their biggest win in the competition, hammering Crawley Down 6-0 at the Beacon.

That came in the second round and in the third round, the Robins chalked up the scalp of Eastbourne Town.

This was the final season that replays were used in the competition and after a 1-1 draw at the Beacon, Dave John's side went down to the Saffrons and triumphed 3-1 through two goals from Harding and one from Matt Robbins.

That set up a quarter final meeting with Crowborough Athletic who proved to be a real bogey team to Hassocks around this time and so it proved, the Crows running out 2-1 winners at the Beacon.



First Team 2018-19

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
04/08 – 15:00	Broadbridge Heath (H)	SCFLP	1-1	Benson
07/08 – 19:45	Chichester City (H)	SCFLP	0-6	
11/08 – 15:00	Erith Town (H)	FACEP	1-3	Slaughter
18/08 – 15:00	Peacehaven & Tels. (A)	SCFLP	1-3	Benson
21/08 – 19:45	Arundel (A)	SCFLP	3-1	Johnson (2), Stokes
25/08 – 15:00	Crawley Down Gatwick (H)	RURC2	2-1	Johnson, Benson
27/08 – 11:00	Saltdean United (H)	SCFLP	1-4	Johnson
01/09 – 15:00	K Sports (H)	FAVQ1	0-2	
04/09 – 19:45	Bexhill United (H)	PBLC2		
08/09 – 15:00	Loxwood (A)	SCFLP		
11/09 – 19:45	East Preston (A)	SCFLP		
22/09 – 15:00	Eastbourne United (H)	SCFLP		
29/09 – 15:00	Langney Wanderers (H)	SCFLP		
06/10 – 15:00	Crawley Down Gatwick (H)	SCFLP		
20/10 – 15:00	Little Common (A)	SCFLP		
27/10 – 15:00	Newhaven (H)	SCFLP		
03/11 – 15:00	AFC Uckfield Town (A)	SCFLP		
10/11 – 15:00	Broadbridge Heath (H)	SCFLP		
17/11 – 15:00	Pagham (A)	SCFLP		
24/11 – 15:00	Lingfield (H)	SCFLP		
01/12 – 15:00	Horsham YMCA (H)	SCFLP		
08/12 – 15:00	Eastbourne Town (A)	SCFLP		
15/12 – 15:00	Peacehaven & Tels. (H)	SCFLP		
22/12 – 15:00	Chichester City (A)	SCFLP		
26/12 – 11:00	Lancing (H)	SCFLP		
29/12 – 15:00	Shoreham (A)	SCFLP		
05/01 – 15:00	East Preston (H)	SCFLP		
19/01 – 15:00	Eastbourne United (A)	SCFLP		
26/01 – 15:00	Arundel (H)	SCFLP		
02/02 – 15:00	Saltdean United (A)	SCFLP		
09/02 – 15:00	Loxwood (H)	SCFLP		
16/02 – 15:00	Newhaven (A)	SCFLP		
23/02 – 15:00	Little Common (H)	SCFLP		
02/03 – 15:00	Lingfield (A)	SCFLP		
09/03 – 15:00	Pagham (H)	SCFLP		
16/03 – 15:00	Crawley Down Gatwick (A)	SCFLP		
23/03 – 15:00	Langney Wanderers (H)	SCFLP		
30/03 – 15:00	Eastbourne Town (H)	SCFLP		
06/04 – 15:00	Horsham YMCA (A)	SCFLP		
20/04 – 15:00	Shoreham (H)	SCFLP		
22/04 – 11:00	Lancing (A)	SCFLP		
27/04 – 15:00	AFC Uckfield Town (H)	SCFLP		

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Appearances 2018-19



	2018-19 Season:				Hassocks Career:	
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals	Games	Goals
Jordan Badger	8	0	8	0	83	4
Alex Harris	8	0	8	0	59	0
Liam Benson	7	1	8	3	74	20
Jack Wilkins	7	1	8	0	66	1
Harvey Blake	6	2	8	0	8	0
Harry Mills	6	1	7	0	73	2
Dan Stokes	6	1	7	1	111	6
Matt Berridge	5	1	6	0	21	0
Phil Johnson	5	1	6	4	116	50
Jake Lindsey	5	1	6	0	25	4
Spencer Slaughter	5	1	6	1	270	43
Will Broomfield	5	0	5	0	32	0
Alex Spinks	5	0	5	0	6	0
Bradley Bant	4	1	5	0	131	12
Joe Bull	1	4	5	0	5	0
Dan Webster	2	0	2	0	2	0
Ryan Collins	1	0	1	0	33	2
Harvey Enticknap	1	0	1	0	1	0
Dan Jacques	1	0	1	0	191	8
James Littlejohn	0	1	1	0	2	0
Ben O'Leary	0	1	1	0	7	0

Today's game poster...




Robins v Pirates
Peter Bentley League Cup
Tuesday 4th September
7.45pm. The Beacon
Adults £6. Concessions £3

ROBINS BARREN NATIONAL CUP RUN GOES ON

**Buildbase FA Vase First Qualifying Round
Saturday 1st September 2018, The Beacon
Hassocks 0-2 K Sports**



It will be at least another season before Hassocks end their barren run in national cup competitions after they were eliminated from the FA Vase at the hands of K Sports.

The Southern Counties East side triumphed 2-0 at the Beacon on Saturday to complete a clean sweep for that particular league when it comes to the Robins' hopes of Wembley or even just some decent prize money after the Paperboys' Kent compatriots Erith Town had knocked Hassocks out of the FA Cup at the Extra Preliminary Qualifying Round stage in the second week of the season.

All that means that the Robins are now without a win in national knockouts since triumphing 3-1 against Corinthian in the first round of the Vase in 2014.

Only three players from that day were in the Hassocks starting line up here and remarkably two of those were making their second debuts for the Robins.

Enigmatic fan favourite Dan Jacques was handed his first Hassocks start since February 2016 at centre back after two seasons with Lindfield in which he helped the Swans lift virtually every trophy going in the Mid Sussex.

Ryan Collins meanwhile left the Beacon in late 2015, enjoying spells at AFC Varndeanians and Ringmer since. He started in central midfield and clearly made a big impression on the home faithful if his showing in the supporters Man of the Match poll was anything to go by.

There weren't just two new-old faces either.

Mark Dalglish handed a full debut to Harvey Enticknap following an encouraging start to life in the Robins under 23 squad.

Enticknap in the process became the 300th player to represent the club since the move to the Beacon in 1992.

Despite the three enforced changes, Hassocks could and probably should have taken the game into extra time at least.

The Robins were the better side for the most part, dominating large periods of the game without ever managing to convert one of their numerous chances.

That will at least provide encouragement to Dalglish given that their opponents were no slouches.

"Both of Sports' goals came in the last five minutes of either half, the first arriving just one minute before the break and the second with two minutes of normal time remaining."

They'd already taken Pagham, one of the favourites for the Southern Combination League title, to a replay in the FA Cup and had made a solid start to their first ever season in the Southern Counties Premier Division after finishing Division One runners up last time out.

What will concern the Hassocks coaching staff on this showing however is the way in which the Robins couldn't quite see out each half defensively.

Both of Sports' goals came in the last five minutes of either half, the first arriving just one minute before the break and the second with two minutes of normal time remaining.

Liam Benson had one good chance saved low down by Paperboys' keeper Henry Lovering and a Matt Berridge

free kick set off a game of ping pong in the box with Jack Wilkins' deflected effort falling gratefully into the hands of Lovering in Hassocks' two best chances of the first half.

Then came that sucker punch as James Alderman gave the visitors the lead right on the stroke of half time.

Supporters of the Robins have seen their team concede just before the break and then follow that up with a nightmare start to the second half but they avoided that fate here as

Hassocks again showed plenty of intent through the hardworking Phil Johnson.

Sports' most likely route to a second looked to be from set pieces and Alex Harris had to be alert to save down to his left after a low corner was volleyed goalward and he then made a solid stop with his feet after another corner wasn't convincingly cleared.

In between those two Harris saves, Blake came close to opening his account for the club when he went bombing forward from right back and rounded the goalkeeper but the angle was against him and his effort was hacked off the line when all it required was the touch of a Hassocks player to poke it in.

There was one moment of outrageous skill from Sport's James West when he produced a perfect bicycle kick after yet another corner wasn't dealt with but his powerful effort cannoned off the crossbar.

It was Matt Gething who made the game safe for the visitors with two minutes remaining but that wasn't the end of the drama as there was still time for Sports' Tom Carr to be dismissed late on.

Hassocks: Harris; Blake, Mills, Jacques, Badger; Collins, Enticknap, Berridge; Wilkins, Benson, Johnson.

Subs: Bull, Littlejohn, O'Leary (used), Oliver, Baden (unused).



UNDER 23S ON CLOUD NINE AS RECORDS TUMBLE

**Macron Store Southern Combination Under 23 West Division
Thursday 30th August 2018, The Beacon**

Hassocks Under 23 9-0 Midhurst & Easebourne Under 23

Hassocks Under 23s made history on Thursday night by racking up their biggest ever win.

The Robins 9-0 success over Midhurst & Easebourne was their largest since the Southern Combination League introduced under 21 football in the summer of 2015.

Midhurst had arrived at the Beacon having scored seven themselves in a ridiculous 7-5 opening day win over Horsham YMCA.

They couldn't land a glove on the Robins though as seven goals before half time handed Nigel Pearce's side their first win of the campaign.

Pearce made two changes from the side that drew 1-1 with Lancing six days ago.

Ryan Collins was unavailable and William Glenn dropped to the bench with James Oliver and Martin Ratcliffe coming into the starting line up.

Hassocks didn't have to wait long to take the lead as Max Willcox scored within two minutes of kick off, punishing any late stragglers who were yet to leave the bar.

There were at least 17 minutes between that goal and the second, netting by Connor Bradley with 19 on the clock.

That was the start of an astonishing run of six goals in 25 minutes with James Littlejohn opening his account for the season with the third on 21.

Willcox had departed by that point to be replaced by George Galbraith-Gibbons and last seasons under 18s top scorer wasted no time in getting in on the act, adding the Robins fourth on 25.

Galbraith-Gibbons notched the fifth with 25 played before two goals in less than 90 seconds just before half time from Littlejohn completed a 23 minute hat-trick for the Robins striker.



The second half was just five minutes old when Galbraith-Gibbons completed a treble of his own.

Hassocks' ninth and final goal of the game arrived in the 70th minute through Littlejohn with his fourth of the night to round off a memorable evenings work for the Robins.

They are next in action away at Southwick next Thursday with kick off at the slightly earlier time of 7.30pm at Old Barn Way.

Hassocks: Green, Common, Wells, Derham, Oliver, Ross, Bradley, Enticknap, Ratcliffe, Willcox, Littlejohn.

Subs: Lane, Galbraith-Gibbons, Miller, Glenn (used).

Under 23s Fixtures & Results 2018-

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
24/08 – 19:45	Lancing (A)	SCFL23	1-1	Willcox
30/08 – 19:45	Midhurst & E'bourne (H)	SCFL23	9-0	Willcox, Bradley, Littlejohn (4), Galbraith-Gibbons (3)
06/09 – 19:45	Southwick (A)	SCFL23		
20/09 – 19:45	Pagham (H)	SCFL23		
27/09 – 19:45	Mile Oak (H)	SCFL23		

Under 23s Appearances 2018-19

	2018-19 Season:			
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals
Connor Bradley	2	0	2	1
Ellis Common	2	0	2	0
Louie Derham	2	0	2	0
Harvey Enticknap	2	0	2	0
Josh Green	2	0	2	0
James Littlejohn	2	0	2	4
Solly Ross	2	0	2	0
Kieran Wells	2	0	2	0
Max Willcox	2	0	2	2
Will Glenn	1	1	2	0
James Oliver	1	1	2	0
Martin Ratcliffe	1	1	2	0
Ben Miller	0	2	2	0
Ryan Collins	1	0	1	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	0	1	1	3
Jake Lane	0	1	1	0
Joe Russell	0	1	1	0



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Under 18s 2018-19

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
02/09 – 11:00	St Francis Rangers (A)	SCFL18	4-1	Le-May, Loversidge, Azizi
09/09 – 11:00	Lancing (A)	SCFL18		
13/09 – 19:45	Upper Beeding (H)	SCFL18		
16/09 – 11:00	Broadbridge Heath (A)	SCFL18		
30/09 – 11:00	Steyning Town (H)	U18LC1		
07/10 – 11:00	Rottingdean Village (A)	SCFL18		
21/10 – 11:00	Haywards Heath Town (A)	SCFL18		
28/10 – 11:00	Steyning Town (A)	SCFL18		
04/11 – 11:00	Southwick (H)	SCFL18		
18/11 – 11:00	St Francis Rangers (H)	SCFL18		
02/12 – 11:00	Lancing (H)	SCFL18		
06/01 – 11:00	Broadbridge Heath (H)	SCFL18		
13/01 – 11:00	Upper Beeding (A)	SCFL18		
03/02 – 11:00	Rottingdean Village (H)	SCFL18		
10/02 – 11:00	Haywards Heath Town (H)	SCFL18		
17/02 – 11:00	Steyning Town (A)	SCFL18		
24/02 – 11:00	Southwick (A)	SCFL18		

Ladies 2018-19

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
02/09 – 14:00	Oakwood/Islington (H)	FACQ1		
09/09 – 14:00	Steyning Town (H)	SECW1		
16/09 – 14:00	Oakwood (A)	SECW1		
30/09 – 14:00	Mole Valley (A)	SECW1		
07/10 – 14:00	Milford & Witley (A)	SECW1		
14/10 – 14:00	Burgess Hill Town (H)	SECW1		
21/10 – 14:00	Bexhill United (H)	CWT1		
28/10 – 14:00	Victoire Development (H)	SECW1		
11/11 – 14:00	Wandgas (H)	SECW1		
25/11 – 14:00	Bexhill United (A)	SECW1		



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22 QUESTIONS WITH... Alex Spinks

Hassocks' summer signing Alex Spinks is next to answer 22 questions. Here's what the former Eastbourne Borough and Lancing midfielder had to say for himself...

Whats your nickname?

Den, because I pulled off this rascal pair of sunglasses that snooker player Dennis Taylor would've been proud of.

Funniest thing you've seen in football?

Liam Benson in the showers.

Best player you've ever played with?

Gary Hart at Eastbourne Borough.

What team do your support?

Manchester United, because I am a glory hunter.

Best ground you've ever played at?

The Priestfield Stadium, Gillingham's finest.

Who was your footballing idol growing up?

David Beckham.

Favourite opposition team to play against?

I don't have a preference

What is the most valuable medal or award in your trophy collection?

Year Six Go-Karting Runners Up medal from Crawley Go-Karting

Who is the best trainer at Hassocks?

Matt Berridge.

Best moment in your career?

Notching four from central midfield as an 18-year-old for Eastbourne Borough

Worst dressed player?

Harry Mills.

Most embarrassing moment of your career?

Standing next to Harvey Blake in the showers.

What's the best thing about playing for Hassocks?

The location is great and the pitch maintenance is on another level.



What's the best piece of footballing advice you've been given?

"Confidence is one of the key aspects in football performance. If you feel right, look right, prepare correctly mentally and physically then you will naturally play to the best of your ability." That was from an ex-coach at Eastbourne Borough many years ago

If you could introduce one rule to football, what would it be?

I'd introduce a transfer window within the Southern Combination League or the non league pyramid in general. That way, it would develop more consistency within non league and stop an entire team walking out when their favourite manager leaves.

Messi, Ronaldo or another? Who is the greatest of all time?

Ronaldo.... Viva
Ronaldoooooooooooooooooo.

Which player do you dislike in football the most and why?

Lee Robinson at Newhaven, purely because he scores so many goals against whichever side I've been playing for at that time. I'm sure he's a top bloke off the pitch.

What do you do with your life away from the Beacon?

I regularly go to the gym, eat out and drink. I like weekends away, travelling around foreign destinations and holidays. All that in between watching as much life football as is humanly possible.

Which three famous people would you invite for dinner?

David Beckham - because he is an absolute idol of mine. Ricky Gervais and Karl Pilkington - I'm having them as a pair purely for the comical value. And Emily Ratajowski. I'm sure I don't need to explain that one.

If you could attend one sporting event from any moment in history, which would you pick?

The 1999 Champions League final. Ole Gunnar Solksjaer winner in the 92nd minute v Bayern Munich. What a dream.

If someone was playing you in a movie about your life, who would it be?

Leonardo Di Caprio, Brad Pitt, Ryan Reynolds, Bradley Cooper... we're all similar looks wise.

Give us one interesting fact about you?

I have a video on YouTube with over 325,000 views. I'll let you try and find it...

"My nickname is Den, because I pulled off this rascal pair of sunglasses that snooker player Dennis Taylor would've been proud of."



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ON THIS DAY

September 1st

2007

Mickey Jewell tasted defeat for the first time as Hassocks manager as he saw his side bow out of the FA Vase at the first hurdle in disappointing fashion at Wessex League side Blackfield and Langley.

Despite some curious decisions from the officials, the Robins only had themselves to blame for not extending their unbeaten start to the season to eight games as left-back Andy Whittingham saw red and assistant manager Mark Dalgleish removed himself from the dugout to avoid the same fate on a blustery day in Hampshire.

Hassocks were given the perfect start as they took the lead with only two minutes on the clock when Sam Jeremiah gained possession on the right and his clever through pass played in Neil Kane who beat the advancing Tom Hawkins with a deft finish.

The lead lasted for just two minutes though, as Jack Simpson failed to hold a wind-assisted delivery into his box and when the ball eventually dropped, Blackfield skipper Shaun Hughes was on hand to lash home with a powerful volley.

Jeremiah could have restored the visitors advantage on eight minutes when he met a dangerous whipped cross from Whittingham after good work by Chris Maynard but he saw his header fly inches over the bar.

The home side took the lead from the penalty spot on 22 minutes when a long ball over the top caught the Hassocks defence flat footed.

The impressive Fuhad Hamadou was wrestled to the ground by Ashley Marsh as the pair chased it down, leaving Hughes to step up and net his second of the game.

Spencer Slaughter pulled the Robins back into the game three minutes before half-time.

With Blackfield backing off, Marsh atoned for his conceding of the penalty with a mazy 60-yard run forward before laying the ball off to the midfielder who calmly stroked home.

Unlike their opponents, Hassocks failed to take advantage of the wind in the second half.

Phil Gault saw an effort come back off the post after Kane pulled back across goal from a long ball from substitute Stuart Brown, but the game changed with 15 minutes left on the clock as Whittingham received his marching orders following a mistimed kung fu kick that connected with Bell.

Down to ten men, the Robins found themselves trailing 3-2 four minutes later as nobody put a suitable challenge in on the advancing Bell and he played in Neil Williams who was left to beat Simpson one-on-one.

Hassocks had their chances to force a replay in the last five minutes, firstly when Gault played in Kane who put his effort wide with only the keeper to beat, and then in the 94th minute when a long ball released Slaughter but he saw his low cross evade the charging cavalry.

Hassocks: Simpson; Kublickas, Marsh, Lear, Whittingham; Jeremiah, O'Callaghan, Gault, Slaughter, Maynard; Kane.

Subs: Hibbert (Lear 70), Brown (Jeremiah 55), Thomas, Clark, Hugo, Abbott (unused).

Starman: Phil Gault. Drove the team in difficult circumstances.

2004

Hassocks exited the FA Cup at the Preliminary Round stage after a 3-1 defeat away at Merstham.

Pat Harding netted the Hassocks consolation in what was a disappointing day for Dave John's side.

The result was all the more disappointing given that it followed a terrible performance a week previously in which the Robins went down 3-1 away at Hailsham Town.

2005

Hassocks Youth Team started their campaign with a hard-fought point in a 1-1 draw at home to Mile Oak.

The young Robins had gone into the break 1-0 behind. Having lost a remarkable five games in succession 1-0 last season, there was a real sense of déjà vu around the Beacon for Dave Charker's side.

It could have got much worse after the break as only some last ditch defending from Ian Simpson and two excellent stops from Scott McCarthy prevented Oak from increasing their advantage.

That proved costly from the visitors point of view as Hassocks grabbed an equaliser midway through the second half when Mike Goulden's right wing cross was met by Matt Amos at the back post for his first goal in Hassocks colours.

The Robins pushed forward after that but couldn't quite find a winner as both Laurence Robinson and substitute Zaid Ali went close.

COMING UP



Loxwood

When?

Saturday 8th September 2018

Where?

Plaistow Road

Time?

3pm

Competition?

Macron Store Southern Combination
Premier Division

Admission?

£6 adults, £5 over 65s and students,
Under 18s free

Loxwood last season?

The 2017-18 season was Loxwood's most disappointing in terms of league position since their promotion to the Premier Division in 2014. The Magpies 11th placed finish was still a huge success though as it proved to be something of a transitional campaign at Plaistow Road. Loxwood famously provided over half the Sussex Squad that reached the FA County National Cup Final in 2015 but the core of the squad began to leave them last season, lured away by the money on offer at other Premier Division teams. With that in mind, last year should be considered a success.

Hassocks' record against Loxwood?

The Robins have never defeated Loxwood in a game at senior level. There have been eight previous meetings between the two with Loxwood winning six and two draws. The Robins have conceded 17 times

against the Magpies and scored just six goals of their own

Last time we met?

Four days after they'd been hammered 6-0 at home by Peacehaven & Telscombe, Hassocks put in a much improved performance but it still wasn't enough to avoid defeat at Plaistow Road. Dean Wright opened the scoring early on and Reece Hallard doubled the lead midway through the second half with Michael Death grabbing an injury time consolation for the Robins.

How to get to Plaistow Road?

Follow the A272 to and through Billingshurst, crossing the roundabout with the A29 before joining the B2133 shortly after. Pass through Newpound and Roundstreet Common, approaching a fork in the road with Skiff Lane. Plaistow Road is just on the left after that with the ground on your left a very short distance down it.



East Preston

When?

Tuesday 11th September

Where?

The Lashmar

Time?

7:30pm

Competition?

Macron Store Southern Combination
Premier Division

East Preston last season?

Survival was the name of the game for East Preston in their first season back in the Premier Division after winning promotion from Division One at the end of 2016-17. They achieved that comfortably in the end, Bob Paine's young side ending up in 13th spot, some 17 points clear of Hassocks in the final relegation place. There were some real highlights along the way, including inflicting Peacehaven & Telscombe's first defeat of the season and taking Brighton and Hove Albion Under 23s to extra time in the Sussex Senior Cup.

Hassocks' record against East Preston?

There have been 41 meetings between the two sides with Hassocks winning 13, nine draws and EP tasting success on the remaining 19 occasions. EP are normally good for a goal or two in the fixture as well, having scored 79 times.

Last time we met?

It was a case of two players at very different ends of the age spectrum shining as the sides drew 2-2 at the Beacon in February. 40-year-old Phil Wickwar had to done the gloves because of a goalkeeper crisis and took the man-of-the-match plaudits for a string of excellent saves while it was 17-year-old Jake Lindsey's 87th minute equaliser that rescued a point for Hassocks. Michael Death had opened the scoring on 10 minutes with Ryan Quirke getting both of EP's goals.

How to get to the Lashmar?

Take the A259 through Worthing heading through Littlehampton. After going through Worthing and passing Roundstone Farm on your right, take the first exit at the roundabout onto Old Worthing Road. Cross the railway line, taking a left after it followed by the next right onto Roundstone Drive and the ground is at the end of the road on the left.



Eastbourne United

When?

Saturday 22nd September

Where?

The Beacon

Time?

3pm

Competition?

Macron Store Southern Combination
Premier Division

Eastbourne United last season?

For the majority of last season it looked like United were in real relegation trouble, but as it was Tobi Hutchinson's side ended up avoiding the drop with something to spare. Thanks to a fantastic end of season run of form, they eventually finished six points and two places clear of Hassocks who will filled the last relegation spot.

Last time we met?

It was a terrible afternoon from a Hassocks point of view as the Robins went down to a 2-1 defeat against United at the Beacon back in February. The visitors having arrived without a win in 17 league games, a run stretching back five months but first half goals from Jamie Fielding and Tyler O'Callaghan gave them a commanding half time lead. Although Michael Death pulled one back with 15 minutes left to play, that was too little too late

Hassocks' record against Eastbourne United?

The Robins dominate the head-to-head with 18 wins to United's 10 and 12 draws in our 40 meetings. Hassocks also have a very good record of hitting the net against them, having notched 78 times at an average of more than two goals a game – although that was helped hugely by a 7-1 win in the FA Cup in 2010 which remains the Robins second biggest win of the last decade.

Played for both?

Goalkeeper James Broadbent won every award going at the end of Hassocks' 2016-17 season, picking up a clean sheet of Players Player, Managers Player and Supporters Player. He plied his trade at the Oval the season before he signed for the Robins. Midfielder Zak Dove played 11 times and scoring once in the 2013-14 season after signing for Hassocks from Ryman side Lewes. He spent three years at the Oval between 2015 and 2018.

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Around the League

Twelve Southern Combination League side made safe progress to the second qualifying round of the FA Vase at the weekend with the majority of those securing wins against sides from other leagues...

AFC Uckfield Town picked up one of the more impressive results as they continued their excellent start to the season with a 2-0 home win over **Hollands and Blair**.

Both of **AFC Uckfield Town's** goals came from Callum Smith in the space of two second half minutes as he notched on 57 and 59 to secure safe passage for the Oaks.

Little Common are also through although they were made to work hard for their place in the next round, eventually triumphing 3-2 away at Croydon.

Russell Eldridge scored twice for Common with Nicholas Richardson the other score, his goal coming in the second half.

It was the same score line at Kent Football United where **Steyping Town** needed extra time to secure victory.

Josh Maher and Connor Bull had scored in the 90 minutes for the Barrowmen with Mike Neatherway's winner arriving with replay just two minutes away.

AFC Varndeanians took their Division One form into the Vase by securing a superb 4-1 win at Knaphill while **Broadbridge Heath** went the distance with Lewisham Borough before Robert Godfrey's eventual winner 17 minutes into extra time secured a 2-1.

Devon Fender had netted in the first half for the Bears.

Jamie McKenzie got the only goal of the game just three minutes into **Southwick's** visit to Meridian VP and Jake Botting was also the only scorer at exactly the same time in **Seaford Town's** 1-0 win over Tooting BEC at the Crouch.

All of the **Newhaven** goals in their 3-2 win at Snodland Town came in the second half as Lee Robinson, Thomas Cooklin and Tristan Jarvis sent the Dockers through while **St Francis Rangers** also picked up an impressive win, defeating FC Elmstead 3-1 through goals from Luke Manley, Karel Kutaa and Christopher Haskell.

The Southern Combination League's other side to make it through were **Wick**, who ran out 2-1 winners at home to Godalming Town thanks to goals from Jack Cole and Kieron Playle-Howard.

The game between **Mile Oak** and **Selsey** ended 2-2 and so those two sides will face off in a replay this evening.

Mark Rewell had given Oak a half time lead which was cancelled out by Liam-Jay Bush.

Both sides scored another in extra time, the hosts through Adam Dine and the visitors through Joseph Bennett.

In an all-Premier Division match up, **Saltdean United** saw off the challenge of **Crawley Down Gatwick** 2-1 at Hill Park.

Down had taken a surprise lead inside of three minutes through Lee Thomas but they were ahead for only five more before Toby House equalised.

Ben Bacon added the winner for the Tigers just before the hour mark.

East Preston and **Eastbourne United** shared seven goals as EP won 5-2 at the Lashmar.

Jack Barnes and Luke Brodie scored two apiece for the hosts along with Jakob Heryet while Tyler O'Callaghan and Terry Dodd were on target for United.

Of those to exit the competition, **Oakwood** suffered the heaviest defeat after losing 7-0 to Chessington & Hook United while there was also a heavy defeat for **Arundel** who went down 5-0 at Erith Town.

This evening's visitors **Bexhill United** were beaten 4-1 away at Bearsted with Nathan Lopez scoring their late consolation and Billingshurst were well beaten 3-0 at home by Tunbridge Wells.

Loxwood's trip to Glebe ended in a 3-0 defeat while **Langney Wanderers** also failed to score at home, losing 2-0 at Priory Lane to Canterbury City.

The FA Vase's other game saw **Midhurst & Easebourne** lose 4-3 at Sporting Club Thamesmead.

There was one game in the second round of the Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup where Callum Hart hit a hat-trick as **Peacehaven & Telscombe** brushed aside the challenge of **Hailsham Town** 4-0 at the Sports Park. The Tye's other goal came from Reilly Grant.

In the Premier Division, **Horsham YMCA** moved up into third spot in the table, taking full advantage of being the only game to be played by beating **Shoreham** 2-0 at Middle Road.

Anthony Nwachukwu and Dean Brown scored the goals for YM in the second half.

In Division Two, there were wins for Worthing Town, Angmering Seniors, Cowfold, Roffey, Rottingdean Village and Copthorne with the biggest of those coming at **Roffey** where the hosts inflicted a 13-1 defeat on **Ferring**.



How they stand...

Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chichester City	5	4	1	0	14	1	13
Horsham YMCA	5	4	0	1	12	5	12
Pagham	5	3	2	0	14	4	11
Saltdean United	4	3	1	0	12	6	10
Newhaven	5	3	1	1	11	7	10
AFC Uckfield Town	5	2	2	1	13	10	8
Broadbridge Heath	5	2	2	1	13	12	8
Lingfield	6	2	2	2	10	9	8
Peacehaven & Tels.	4	2	1	1	8	6	7
Little Common	5	2	1	2	7	5	7
Shoreham	6	2	1	3	10	10	7
Crawley Down	5	1	3	1	8	8	6
Lancing	5	1	2	2	5	9	5
East Preston	5	1	2	2	3	8	5
Eastbourne Town	5	1	1	3	7	9	4
Arundel	5	0	4	1	2	4	4
Hassocks	5	1	1	3	6	15	4
Langney Wanderers	5	0	3	2	7	9	3
Eastbourne United	5	0	1	4	4	15	1
Loxwood	5	0	1	4	4	16	1

Premier Division Attendances

	Ave	Tot	High	Low
Eastbourne Town	302	604	321	283
Peacehaven & Tels.	187	374	210	164
Eastbourne United	137	410	125	81
Pagham	130	260	156	104
Horsham YMCA	127	253	138	115
Langney Wanderers	113	225	125	100
East Preston	110	330	128	79
Lancing	109	327	132	95
Hassocks	93	277	104	84
Newhaven	86	171	97	74
Little Common	83	165	102	63
Shoreham	81	242	99	55
Crawley Down	77	229	91	68
Broadbridge Heath	67	134	89	45
Loxwood	63	125	63	62
Lingfield	59	118	73	45
Chichester City	52	156	78	78
Saltdean United	52	52	52	52
AFC Uckfield Town	49	145	57	36
Arundel	42	125	47	36

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Chichester City	WWWDW
Horsham YMCA	WWLWW
Pagham	WWDWD
Saltdean United	DWWW
Newhaven	LDWWW
AFC Uckfield Town	LDDWW
Lingfield	DLLWWD
Broadbridge Heath	DLWDW
Peacehaven & Tels.	LWWD
Little Common	WWLLD
Shoreham	LWWLDL
Crawley Down	DDDWL
East Preston	DLWDL
Lancing	WLLDD
Arundel	DDDLD
Hassocks	DLLWL
Eastbourne Town	DWLLL
Langney Wanderers	DLDDL
Loxwood	LLDLL
Eastbourne United	DLLLL

Premier Division Scorers

Lee Robinson	Newhaven	7
Callum Smith	AFC Uckfield	6
Ben Bacon	Saltdean	5
Devon Fender	B'bridge Heath	5
Callum Overton	Pagham	5
Andy Dalhouse	Shoreham	4
Oliver Leslie	Crawley Down	4
George Gaskin	Pagham	4
Wayne Wilkinson	Langney Wand	4
Alex Barbary	Horsham YMCA	4
Scott Jones	Chichester City	3
Evan Archibald	Eastbourne T	3
Sam Carrington	Eastbourne T	3
Phil Johnson	Hassocks	3
Chris Ransome	Lingfield	3
Lewis Hole	Little Common	3
Daniel Simmonds	Pagham	2
Curtis Gayler	Saltdean United	2
George Cousins	B'bridge Heath	2
David Herbert	Chichester City	2
Gicu Iordache	Chichester City	2

Macron Store Southern Combination Under 23 West Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lancing	2	1	1	0	11	1	4
Hassocks	2	1	1	0	10	1	4
Horsham YMCA	2	1	0	1	11	8	3
Broadbridge Heath	1	1	0	0	3	1	3
Pagham	2	1	0	1	4	5	3
East Preston	2	1	0	1	4	4	3
Arundel	2	1	0	1	4	6	3
Southwick	2	1	0	1	3	7	3
Midhurst & E'bourne	2	1	0	1	7	14	3
Selsey	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Mile Oak	2	0	0	2	1	12	0

Under 23 West Scorers

James Littlejohn	Hassocks	4
Jake Goulding	Midhurst	4
George G'Gibbons	Hassocks	3
Bradley Ross	Horsham YMCA	2
Sam James	Midhurst	2
George Cody	Pagham	2
Max Willcox	Hassocks	2
Dion Jarvis	Arundel	2
Harry Batchelor	Horsham YMCA	2
Leon Earles	Horsham YMCA	2
Bradley Ross	Horsham YMCA	2
Jack Ryder	Horsham YMCA	2
Sam Jones	Midhurst	2

Macron Store Southern Combination Under 18 Central Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Upper Beeding	1	1	0	0	8	3	3
Hassocks	1	1	0	0	4	1	3
Haywards Heath	1	1	0	0	4	3	3
Lancing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rottingdean	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Steyning Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwick	1	0	0	1	3	4	0
St Francis Rangers	1	0	0	1	1	4	0
Broadbridge Heath	1	0	0	1	3	8	0

Under 18 Central Scorers**South East Counties Womens League Division One West Table**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bexhill United	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burgess Hill Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hassocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Milford & Witley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mole Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oakwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Steyning Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Victoire	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wandgas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division One West Scorers**Mid Sussex League Veterans Group 1A Table**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brockham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hassocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Horley Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jarvis Brook	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lingfield	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maresfield Village	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ROBINS AWARDS

To vote for your Hassocks Man of the Match, simply head on over to our Twitter page after each game to cast your selection. And keep an eye out for the monthly poll to pick the winner of our Player of the Month Awards

Hassocks Twitter Man of the Match 2018-19

Broadbridge Heath home **Liam Benson**
Chichester City home **Jack Wilkins**
Erith Town home **Spencer Slaughter**
Peacehaven & Telscombe away **Liam Benson**
Arundel away **Jack Wilkins**
Crawley Down Gatwick home **Matt Berridge**
Saltdean United home **Harvey Blake**
K Sports home
Bexhill United home
Loxwood away
East Preston away
Eatbourne United home
Langney Wanderers away
Crawley Down Gatwick home
Little Common away
Newhaven home
AFC Uckfield Town away
Broadbridge Heath away
Pagham away
Lingfield home
Horsham YMCA home
Eastbourne Town away
Peacehaven & Telscombe home
Chichester City away
Lancing home
Shoreham away
East Preston home
Eastbourne United away
Arundel home
Saltdean United away
Loxwood home
Newhaven away
Little Common home
Lingfield away
Pagham home
Crawley Down Gatwick away
Langney Wanderers home
Eastbourne Town home
Horsham YMCA away
Shoreham home
Lancing away
AFC Uckfield Town home

Player of the Month 2018-19

August 2018
1st: **Jack Wilkins**
2nd: **Harvey Blake**
3rd: **Phil Johnson**

September 2018
1st:
2nd:
3rd:

October 2018
1st:
2nd:
3rd:

November 2018
1st:
2nd:
3rd:

December 2018
1st:
2nd:
3rd:

January 2019
1st:
2nd:
3rd:

February 2019
1st:
2nd:
3rd:

March 2019
1st:
2nd:
3rd:

April 2019
1st:
2nd:
3rd:



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Money raised in 2018/19

**August £144
September £0
October
November
December
January
February
March
April**

TOTAL £144

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Who's who of Hassocks

The top 50 appearance makers for the Robins in senior football

	Start	Sub	Total	Goals
Mickey Turner	573	21	594	63
Ashley Marsh	519	6	525	4
Chris Hewitt	493	15	508	22
Ashley Low	445	30	475	14
Anthony Hibbert	407	55	462	124
Andy Fisk	445	11	456	14
James Laing	298	53	351	143
Warren Dodds	311	37	348	3
Joel Harding	340	0	340	0
Phil Gault	323	10	333	185
Paul John	329	0	329	0
Richard Thompson	305	19	324	11
Robbie Kitchen	284	39	323	123
Stuart Faith	276	13	289	22
Spencer Slaughter	232	38	270	42
Dave Smith	203	57	260	53
Joe Fernley	205	40	245	45
Neil Smith	232	10	242	68
Mark Burnham	209	22	231	44
Nathan Miles	156	55	211	74
Pat Harding	178	17	195	131
Dan Jacques	163	28	191	8
James Westlake	177	13	190	28
Marc Rendall	150	33	183	37
Stuart Agate	172	7	179	4
Graham Beveridge	142	23	165	17
Jack Simpson	161	0	161	0
Matt Robbins	142	15	157	20
Steve Hards	146	9	155	65
Kieran O'Callaghan	141	14	155	17
Luke Flomo	126	20	146	31
Rob South	130	14	144	3
Peter Lear	137	3	140	6
Ian Dawson	70	66	136	7
Andy Burt	77	56	133	35
Bradley Bant	117	14	131	12
Nick Pitcher	111	19	130	13
Steve Wilkins	107	19	126	11
Phil Johnson	95	21	116	50
Nick Newman	110	4	114	2
Michael Death	87	25	112	38
Dan Stokes	81	30	111	6
Jamie Weston	84	23	107	14
Mark Launder	77	29	106	1
Sam Fisk	84	20	104	6
Tom Barnes	90	13	103	0
Jamie Hillwood	79	23	102	22
Eddie French	97	2	99	10
Luke Akehurst	86	10	96	1
Chris Brown	84	8	92	0



Jamie Hillwood

Jamie Hillwood was part of the Hassocks Under 18s side that won the Southern Combination League Youth Cup Final in 2008, although he probably doesn't remember it too fondly given he was sent off in that game!

Hillwood was one of several players promoted to the first team squad by new boss John Suter for the 2008-09 season and he was soon making quite the impression, scoring a stunning solo goal from left wing back for his first strike for the first team against tonight's opponents in the Sussex Senior Cup.

The mercurial wide man moved away to work abroad between 2009 and 2013 when he returned to the Beacon to play a bit-part role in Roy Staughton's treble winning reserve side of the 2012-13 season.

It was after that that he became a semi-first team regular under Mickey Jewell and then Mark Dalgleish and Phil Wickwar, racking up 1-2 appearances when work allowed and scoring 22 goals along the way.

He had a brief spell with Haywards Heath Town at the start of last season before returning to the Beacon for an ill-fated spell.

Hillwood can now be found playing for Burgess Hill Albion in the Mid Sussex Premier League.

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Bexhill United

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	Chris Rea
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	Alan McMinigal
	Terry Robinson

Referee

Alex Howard

Assistants

Daniel Hague &
Adrian Hudson

Manager Ryan Light

Next at the Beacon



Eastbourne United
Saturday 22nd September. 3pm
SCFL Premier Division

Tonight's other Peter Bentley Cup games

Arundel v Midhurst & Easebourne
Eastbourne Town v Hailsham Town
Eastbourne United v AFC Uckfield Town
Horsham YMCA v Lancing
Littlehampton Town v Wick
Newhaven v Little Common
Pagham v East Preston
Shoreham v Lingfield
Steyning Town v Worthing United