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**Hassocks v Crawley Down Gatwick**

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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 afternoon and welcome to the Beacon for this afternoon's Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division game with Crawley Down Gatwick

## A familiar foe in town

We'd like to start by extending a warm welcome to our visitors from Crawley Down Gatwick, for what will be their second trip to the Beacon already this season.

We met back in the glorious sunshine of August when the Anvils made the short trip south in the second round of the Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup.

That turned out to be a good day for the Robins thanks to a 2-1 victory although both sides have improved immeasurably since then, as indicated by the fact that they both occupy spots in the top 10.

Whatever the result, we hope that everyone involved with Down as well as our match officials enjoy their stay with us this afternoon.

## Unbeaten run over but improvements there for all to see

Hassocks have played three times since we last penned a programme, winning one, drawing one and losing the other.

On Tuesday night, the Robins surrendered their five game unbeaten run, losing 2-1 at Chichester City in the Sussex Senior Cup.

There was no disgrace in going out to such talented opponents and indeed, this was a much improved effort on the sides August meeting when Chi ran out 6-0 winners at the Beacon.

The improvement in the team over the intervening two months was there for all to see, as were the new-found resilience and battling qualities during last weekends comeback draw at Langney Wanderers.

That was the third time in three games that Hassocks have rallied from two goals behind to take something, the clash at Priory Lane finishing 2-2.

There was no such comeback needed in our last match here, a convincing 3-0 win over Eastbourne United.

There are full reports included from each of those games elsewhere in the programme.

## Under 23s, Under 18s and Ladies continue to impress

It isn't just the first team who are in a good run of form at the minute, with two of the club's other sides topping their respective tables and one sitting pretty in second place.

The Under 23s continue to lead the way in the West Division after a battling 4-2 win at Mile Oak last Thursday.

They made the long journey down to Selsey last night and if you want to know the result from that one, please ask Owen behind the bar.

Nigel Pearce's side are next in action here on Thursday night in the

County Cup against Hailsham Town with a 7.45pm kick off.

The Under 18s got their defence of the League Cup up and running on Sunday thanks to a 4-2 win over Steyning Town.

Tristan Hayes helped himself to a hat-trick with Yahya Azizi the other player on target as Brad Sweetman's side made safe progress against the side who had last defeated them in the competition back in 2016.

The young Robins are away at Rottingdean Village with an 11am start.

The Ladies meanwhile maintained their 100% record in the league last weekend, winning 4-1 away at Mole Valley thanks to goals from Billie Philpott, Claire Stevens and a Katherine Chappell brace.

They look to maintain their grip on top spot tomorrow away at Milford & Witley.

## Sponsor a Goal money due

September was a good month in front of goal for the Robins, meaning that our Sponsor a Goal scheme raised £229.

If you are part of the scheme, please see Dave John today to pay up, unless you want to be hounded by the man himself!

If you'd like to sign up, then it's not too late – you simply pay £1 for every goal the first team score.



# Today's visitors...

**Crawley Down Gatwick are back at the Beacon for the second time this season following their visit in the Sussex RUR Charity Cup. Hassocks will be hoping for a repeat of that sunny August afternoon today...**

The Robins ran out 2-1 winners to progress to the third round of the competition in an entertaining game that wasn't short of controversy.

Down felt hard done by several of the referee's decisions and they had a point as Hassocks did benefit from some of the more generous awards that we've seen at the Beacon so far this season.

That win for Hassocks extended their lead in the head-to-head between the two sides to eight wins to the Anvils five.

There have been just two draws, so today is not one that you'll want to include on your coupon.

Although the Robins may have won that earlier contest, a much tougher test will lie in wait today with both sides coming into the game in flying form.

Down picked up an impressive 2-1 win over Eastbourne Town last weekend, coming from 1-0 down to defeat the visitors to the Haven thanks to goals from Nick Sullivan and Russell Malton.

That made it three wins, four draws and three defeats from their 10 league games so far, a record not too

dissimilar to Hassocks' which suggests it should be a relatively tight game this afternoon.

Down currently sit one place above the Robins in the table as they look to continue on the upwards trajectory they've been on since appointing Paul Cooper as manager.

Cooper took over at a difficult point for the Anvils with the club having suffered back-to-back relegations from the Isthmian League into Division One of the Southern Combination.

He helped the club return to its routes after those three seasons in the Isthmian by putting together a squad of relatively young, local players who continue to defy the expectations by consistently shocking some of the bigger sides in the league.

They won promotion in 2015-16 and followed that up by reaching the Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup final the following season.

Two midtable finishes have followed but on the basis of their showing so far this season, there is no reason why Cooper's side can't crack the top 10 this time around.



## FACTFILE

### **Crawley Down Gatwick**

**Founded** 1993

**Nickname** Anvils

**Ground** The Haven

**Website** [crawleydowngatwick.co.uk](http://crawleydowngatwick.co.uk)

**Twitter** @OfficialCDGFC

**Manager** Paul Cooper

**Top Scorer** Sam Cane, 6

## HONOURS

**Southern Combination League**

Winners 2011

**Southern Combination Division 1**

Runners up 2016

**Southern Combination Division 2**

Runners up 1996

**Peter Bentley League Cup**

Runners up 2010

**Sussex RUR Charity Cup**

Winners 2011

Runners up 2017

**Sussex Senior Cup**

Runners up 2012

**Mid Sussex League**

Winners 1995

## 10 Key Moments

**1993...** Crawley Down United and two other local sides merge to form Crawley Down Village  
**1995...** win promotion to the Southern Combination League after lifting the Mid Sussex League title  
**1996...** runners up in Division Two at the first attempt taking the Anvils into senior football for the first time  
**1999...** they drop 'Village' from their name & finish 3rd in Division 1 but can't go up due to ground grading  
**2007...** permission is finally granted to develop The Haven with floodlights, hard standing and seats  
**2009...** reach the fourth round of the FA Vase and finish 3rd to win promotion to the Premier Division  
**2011...** it's a double as the RUR Cup and Southern Combination title are lifted and promotion secured  
**2014...** after a three season stay in the Isthmian League, Down are relegated  
**2016...** back-to-back relegations see them slip back into Division One for one season before promotion  
**2017...** reached the RUR Cup final where they lost to Newhaven

## Last 20 Seasons

2017-18, Southern Combination Premier 12<sup>th</sup>  
2016-17, Southern Combination Premier 11<sup>th</sup>  
2015-16, Southern Combination One 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2014-15, Southern Combination Premier 19<sup>th</sup>  
2013-14, Isthmian South 23<sup>rd</sup>  
2012-13, Isthmian South 13<sup>th</sup>  
2011-12, Isthmian South 16<sup>th</sup>  
2010-11, Southern Combination Premier 1<sup>st</sup>  
2009-10, Southern Combination Premier 8<sup>th</sup>  
2008-09, Southern Combination One 3<sup>rd</sup>  
2007-08, Southern Combination One 6<sup>th</sup>  
2006-07, Southern Combination One 16<sup>th</sup>  
2005-06, Southern Combination One 5<sup>th</sup>  
2004-05, Southern Combination One 10<sup>th</sup>  
2003-04, Southern Combination One 11<sup>th</sup>  
2002-03, Southern Combination One 15<sup>th</sup>  
2001-02, Southern Combination One 11<sup>th</sup>  
2000-01, Southern Combination One 16<sup>th</sup>  
1999-00, Southern Combination One 4<sup>th</sup>  
1998-99, Southern Combination One 3<sup>rd</sup>

## Hassocks v Crawley Down Gatwick :: Head-to-Head

**SCFL Premier Division...** Played 10 - Won 4 - Drawn 2 - Lost 4 - Scored 19 - Conceded 21

**RUR Charity Cup...** Played 4 - Won 3 - Drawn 0 - Lost 1 - Scored 7 - Conceded 4

**Peter Bentley League Cup...** Played 1 - Won 1 - Drawn 0 - Lost 0 - Scored 3 - Conceded 2

**Total... Played 15 Won 8 Drawn 2 Lost 5 Scored 30 Conceded 27**

## Last 10 meetings

2018-19 RUR Charity Cup: Hassocks 3-2 Crawley Down

2017-18 SCFL Premier: Crawley Down 1-3 Hassocks

2017-18 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 1-3 Crawley Down

2016-17 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 3-2 Crawley Down

2016-17 RUR Charity Cup: Crawley Down 3-0 Hassocks

2016-17 SCFL Premier: Crawley Down 4-6 Hassocks

2015-16 Peter Bentley Cup: Crawley Down 2-3 Hassocks

2014-15 SCFL Premier: Crawley Down 1-2 Hassocks

2014-15 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 2-1 Crawley Down

2010-11 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 0-2 Crawley Down



# ROBINS ON SONG TO PICK UP A RARE CUP SUCCESS

**Cup competitions haven't been kind to Hassocks in recent seasons so this 2-1 Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup victory over Crawley Down Gatwick was a welcome result for everyone at the Beacon.**

The Robins managed just one win out of six in knockout ties last season.

The Anvils meanwhile won this competition in 2011 and reached the final as recently as two seasons ago, eliminating Hassocks along the way.

The visitors would have been confident of another cup run had they overcome Hassocks, given that the winners will face either Southwick or Seaford Town from Division One in round three.

That opportunity will now go to Mark Dalgleish's side after goals from Phil Johnson and Liam Benson made it back-to-back wins for only the second time since October.

The Robins made three changes from the side that had been so impressive in defeating Arundel four days previously.

Alex Spinks was suspended which saw the outstanding Matt Berridge return to the line up while Jack Wilkins and Liam Benson dropped down to the bench with Joe Bull and Jake Lindsey taking their places.

Hassocks were quick out of the blocks and took the lead after only

five minutes.

There's a real energy and a strong work rate amongst this Hassocks side at the minute and that is led from Johnson at the front.

Needless to say, it was he who opened the scoring.

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Down were aggrieved that Johnson's finish had been allowed to stand and they were even more incensed when Sam Cane had an equaliser ruled out for an equally contentious decision midway through the first half.

The experienced Marc Pelling headed back to Cane who tucked the ball past Alex Harris.

The Anvils were adamant that Cane had run past the Robins'

defenders Jordan Badger and Will Broomfield to score but that wasn't the view of the match officials who chalked the goal off for offside.

Down were much more of a threat in the second half as they finally got to grips with Hassocks' pressing game and Cane put two decent chances over the bar while Pelling saw a header graze the wrong side of the post, much to the relief of Harris.

With the visitors on top, Dalgleish turned to his bench.

Whereas last season it was often filled with under 18 players, here Hassocks had three bona fide first team regulars to throw on in Benson, Wilkins and Bant.

It was the first of those who punished the Anvils for their succession of missed opportunities when he doubled the Robins lead on 70 minutes for his third goal of the season since re-signing from Lancing.

Cane did finally get on the score sheet in the 94th minute but that proved to be too little, too late for the Anvils.

Indeed, there were no more than 20 seconds between that goal and the full time whistle as Hassocks secured a rare safe passage into the next round of a knockout competition.

**Hassocks:** Harris; Blake, Broomfield, Badger, Mills; Berridge, Slaughter, Stokes; Bull, Johnson, Lindsey.

**Subs:** Benson, Wilkins, Bant (used), Russell, O'Leary (unused).

# CRAZY 10 GOAL THRILLER MARKS MARSH'S 500

**Ashley Marsh became only the third player to play 500 games for Hassocks in senior football and it is unlikely to be an occasion that anybody involved with the Robins will forget for some time.**

They shared 10 goals with Crawley Down Gatwick, eventually triumphing 6-4 in a game in which at one stage they trailed 4-2 on an absolutely crazy afternoon at the Haven.

Virtually everything that was aimed in the vague direction of the goal from both sides seemed to fly in and those who are paying to watch Hassocks at the minute are certainly getting their moneys worth, this result making it 13 goals scored and 12 conceded in their last five outings.

"There were certain defensive issues at half time which we had to sort out," Phil Wickwar said afterwards which, given that the Anvils had fired in three preventable goals by that point, seemed like a late contender for understatement of the year.

"The players worked themselves into the ground after that for an important win, especially given the personnel issues we had which meant Harry Mills playing out of position in midfield and the lack of match fitness that the likes of Nathan Miles, Jamie Hillwood and Ben Bacon currently have."

The game was less than five minutes old when Down took the lead through Oliver Leslie after the Hassocks defence was caught extremely flat footed from a long ball over the top from Josh Brown.

Inside of 10 minutes and it was 1-1, Hillwood producing an excellent centre which was swept home by Phil Gault.

Things didn't slow down after that, as the next 10 minutes yielded another goal apiece - Miles putting Hassocks into the lead with a

wonderfully calm finish after he was released by Gault only to see Down go up the other end virtually from kick off to equalise after the Robins failed to take the opportunity to clear, allowing Marc Pelling to head home.

A barren 15 minutes followed that despite the ball flying from end-to-end as both teams seemed to totally abandon any pretence of defending and the hosts added their third when Lewis Taylor teed up the dangerous Dan Sullivan who drilled in past James Broadbent.

Half time offered an opportunity for everyone to catch their breaths - surely the second half couldn't

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continue in the same vein?

Well it did, Hassocks needing less than five minutes to make it 3-3 as Lewis Westlake's corner was helped on by Jamie Hillwood to Jordan Badger who bundled in his first goal for the club.

If Wickwar and Mark Dalgleish thought that they had sorted those defensive problems at the break, then they were in for a rude awakening as it was just a matter of minutes again from Badger's equaliser to Down

retaking the lead, possession being squandered which allowed Josh Brown to net.

That made it 4-3 for those struggling to keep up.

Miles added his second of the afternoon after that, twisting and turning like a whirling dervish before netting with aplomb.

Badger didn't have to wait long for his second goal in Hassocks colours, either.

A quick free kick from the Robins caught their hosts napping with Gault nodding a brilliant deep cross back across goal where Badger was waiting to score with a thumping header to make it 5-4.

By this stage not even Mystic Meg could've predicted what would happen next.

Somehow, Hassocks asserted a sense of control on the game that had been missing for the previous hour and they moved 6-4 ahead through the industrious James Westlake who tapped in after substitute Bacon had produced a wild cross shot.

For a man returning from a month-long absence, Bacon looked lively and prior to teeing up Westlake for what would prove to be the final goal of the game he fostered a couple of chances himself, firing high, wide and handsome after good work from Hillwood and then hitting weakly at Martin Hopkins when he had Gault square and the goal gaping.

Hopkins himself made two great saves from Hillwood to prevent the score line becoming any more Sunday League while Marsh celebrated his landmark appearance in the only way he knows how - with a booking.

**Hassocks:** Broadbent; Akehurst, Badger, Barnes, Marsh; Mills; J Westlake, L Westlake; Gault; Hillwood, Miles.

**Subs:** Bacon (Hillwood), Price, Death, P Wickwar (unused).



# Up for the Cups

**Hassocks have found their opponents and dates for both their third round ties in the Peter Bentley League Cup and the Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup, with the first of those games taking place here at the Beacon next week..**

**The dates for Hassocks' Peter Bentley League Cup and Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup third round ties have been announced.**

Next weekend, on Saturday 13th October, Hassocks will host fellow top flight side Lingfield at the Beacon in the third round of the Peter Bentley League Cup.

The Robins booked their spot after coming from 2-0 behind to defeat Bexhill United 3-2 at the Beacon at the start of September.

James Littlejohn, Dan Jacques and Phil Johnson got the goals that sunk the Pirates.

Lingfield meanwhile saw off the challenge of recently relegated Shoreham 2-1 at Middle Road thanks to second half goals from Sam Clements and Blake Pickett.

Hassocks and Lingfield last met in a competitive fixture in the Peter

Bentley Cup in August 2015.

The Lingers were a Division One side back then and goals from Dan Stokes, Jonno Melia, Josh Hawkes and a Bradley Bant brace gave the Robins



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a convincing 5-1 victory.

Finally, the Robins will host Division One side Seaford Town in the third round of the Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup on Tuesday 30th

October with a 7.45pm kick off at the Beacon.

It will be the first meeting between the two in nine years, since Town pulled off a John O'Hara League Cup shock when winning 2-1 at the Beacon in the 2009-10 season. Arni Kublickas netted the Hassocks consolation.

The two previously faced off in the RUR Cup in the 2006-07 season. Hassocks were the victors on that occasion, running out 5-0 winners although that wasn't a true reflection of the game as Seaford were in it for long periods.

Hassocks' goals that day came from Mickey Turner with braces for both Matt Amos and Matt Robbins.

The Robins went onto crash out in the next round of the competition 3-0 away at Whitehawk.





# Slaughter named September Player of the Month

**It was a tight fought race for the second Hassocks Player of the Month vote of the season, but midfield stalwart Spencer Slaughter did jut enough to hold off the challenge of Phil Johnson to take September's award.**

Slaughter polled 38% which was just 7% more than the Robins' top scorer Johnson managed.

Third place went to James Littlejohn with 19%.

"Life in the old dog yet," was how Slaughter reacted when told the news and indeed this was arguably Slaughter's best month in a Hassocks shirt since his return to the Beacon a few weeks into the 2015-16 season after spells with Burgess Hill Town and Haywards Heath Town.

Slaughter missed the 2-0 FA Vase defeat to K Sports which kicked off September but he was instantly restored to the starting line up for the visit of Bexhill United in the Peter Bentley League Cup three days later, a game in which Hassocks came from 2-0 behind at the break to win 3-2.

That started a mini unbeaten run of five games with Slaughter scoring in two of those.

He rounded off a flowing counter attacking move with a tap in in the 4-0 win away at Loxwood.

Two games later and he started and ended the third and final Hassocks goal in the 3-0 win over Eastbourne United Association, winning possession in midfield before finding Dan Stokes out wide who sent in a pinpoint cross which Liam Benson laid back to Slaughter to slot home.

His virtuoso performance in that victory over United was one of two man of the match awards Slaughter picked up in September, the other coming a week later in the 2-2 draw against Langney Wanderers in which his free kick teed up Jordan Badger for the Robins late equaliser.

On another month, Johnson's haul of four goals from six starts might have been enough to win the prize but as it was, he had to settle for second place.

Just like Slaughter, Johnson won two man of the match votes for his performances in the Bexhill victory and the win away at Loxwood in which he captained the Robins for the first time.

The striker scored in both of those games, notching a brace in the

success at Plaistow Road with his other goal coming in the draw against Langney.

This was Johnson's second appearance in the top three without winning this season.

He finished in third place behind Jack Wilkins and Harvey Blake for the August award.

Littlejohn rounded off the top three, an impression showing for his first month as a regular first team player.

The forward made his first appearance of the season and only his second for the club from the substitutes bench in the Vase game with K Sports.

Mark Dagleish handed him a start three days later and he rewarded that decision with his first senior goal against Bexhill, going onto make three further starts and one appearance from the bench over the course of the month.

Littlejohn has been in sparkling form for Nigel Pearce's table topping Under 23 side as well, plundering four goals from three games in September to take his tally for the season onto eight in five appearances.



# First Team 2018-19

<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>Opponents</b>	<b>Comp</b>	<b>F-A</b>	<b>Scorers</b>
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	3-2	Littlejohn, Jacques, Johnson
08/09 – 15:00	Loxwood (A)	SCFLP	4-0	Benson, Slaughter, Johnson (2)
11/09 – 19:45	East Preston (A)	SCFLP	2-2	Stokes (2)
22/09 – 15:00	Eastbourne United (H)	SCFLP	3-0	Berridge, Benson, Slaughter
29/09 – 15:00	Langney Wanderers (A)	SCFLP	2-2	Johnson, Badger
02/10 – 19:45	Chichester City (A)	SSC1	1-2	Benson
06/10 – 15:00	Crawley Down Gatwick (H)	SCFLP		
13/10 – 15:00	Lingfield (H)	PBLC3		
20/10 – 15:00	Little Common (A)	SCFLP		
27/10 – 15:00	Newhaven (H)	SCFLP		
30/10 – 19:45	Seaford Town (H)	RURC3		
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
Liam Benson	13	1	14	6	80	23
Harvey Blake	12	2	14	0	14	0
Jordan Badger	12	1	13	1	88	5
Spencer Slaughter	11	1	12	3	276	45
Matt Berridge	10	2	12	0	27	0
Phil Johnson	10	2	12	8	122	54
Dan Stokes	9	3	12	3	116	8
Harry Mills	10	1	11	0	77	2
Jake Lindsey	7	3	10	0	29	4
Alex Harris	9	0	9	0	60	0
Joe Bull	3	6	9	0	9	0
Alex Spinks	7	1	8	0	9	0
Jack Wilkins	7	1	8	0	66	1
Will Broomfield	7	0	7	0	34	0
Dan Jacques	7	0	7	1	197	9
James Littlejohn	4	2	6	1	7	1
Josh Green	5	0	5	0	11	0
Bradley Bant	4	1	5	0	131	12
Ryan Collins	2	1	3	0	35	2
Harvey Enticknap	2	1	3	0	3	0
Dan Webster	2	0	2	0	2	0
Ben O'Leary	0	2	2	0	8	0
Ellis Common	1	0	1	0	27	2
Jack Baden	0	1	1	0	1	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	0	1	1	0	21	3

## Coming up...

**Will the Robins  
be at the races?**

**Hassocks v Lingfield**

Saturday 13/10/18. The Beacon. 3pm

Adults £6  
Concessions £3  
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# HASSOCKS EASE TO EASTBOURNE UNITED VICTORY

Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division  
Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018, The Beacon

**Hassocks 3-0 Eastbourne United Association**



**It's five wins in eight games now as Hassocks' resurgence after a difficult start to the 2018-19 season shows no signs of abating.**

Eastbourne United Association were the Robins latest conquest at a wet Beacon as goals from Matt Berridge, Liam Benson and Spencer Slaughter gave them a first home league victory of the campaign against one of the sides they spent last season fighting to avoid relegation against.

United came out on top in that battle, finishing six points and two places better off than Hassocks after a dazzling run over the last three months.

It's been a difficult summer at the Oval however.

While the Robins strengthened their squad with some impressive additions, United saw manager Tobi Hutchinson resign, and their young side had picked up only one point from an opening day draw at Arundel before they arrived in Mid Sussex.

Hassocks made four changes from the side that rallied from 2-0 down to take a point at East Preston in their last outing 11 days previously.

Two-goal super sub Dan Stokes came into the starting line up in place of Alex Spinks, Joe Bull was given a rare start in the absence of James Littlejohn, Jordan Badger replaced the injured Will Broomfield and Alex Harris returned in goal after suspension in place of Josh Green who was working.

It was a good afternoon for Stokes and Harris in particular.

Stokes put in another dazzling showing that on another day might have earned him the man-of-the-match award had his midfield partner Spencer Slaughter not had his best game in a Hassocks shirt since returning from travelling in January 2017.

Harris meanwhile recorded his first clean sheet for over a year although he was rarely troubled in truth, the back four of Harvey Blake, Harry Mills, Dan Jacques and Badger repelling what United managed to throw at them.

Berridge opened the scoring with 26 minutes on the clock with his first goal for the club.

Some neat passing football through the middle saw the young midfielder end up with the ball at his feet and although his initial effort was blocked, he struck the rebound with a crisp half volley into the bottom corner.

That was a just reward for some promising showings since his debut last season and Berridge has rightly become one of the first names on Mark Dalglish's team sheet this time around.

"A great feeling to score my first senior goal and reward us for our bright start," was how Berridge described it and you suspect it will be the first of many in a Robins shirt.

Benson added the second with an hour played, making a perfectly timed run off the back of the United left back to latch onto a brilliantly weighted through ball from Phil Johnson that split said left back and central defender.

The United defence appealed in vein for offside, but no flag was forthcoming. Benson still had plenty to do but he do it he did, keeping a cool head to round the goalkeeper and roll into the empty net.

Hassocks threw on teenage trio Ben O'Leary, Jake Lindsey and George Galbraith-Gibbons after that with Slaughter scoring the goal that his performance thoroughly deserved with 90 minutes on the clock.

Slaughter started the move, winning possession back in midfield for what felt like the thousandth time of the game before finding Stokes out

wide.

Stokes' resulting cross was a pinpoint one to Benson who held off the defender at the front post and laid back to Slaughter, continuing his run and on hand to slot home with his weaker left foot.

That rounded off a virtuoso showing from Slaughter and it wouldn't be a surprise to hear that he picked up a finger injury at some point throughout the 90 minutes given how many strings he pulled.

Slaughter was keen to share the credit with his team mates, praising a "brilliant team performance" after.

Tougher tests lie in wait, but for now the Robins are flying.

**Hassocks:** Harris; Blake, Mills, Jacques, Badger; Berridge, Slaughter, Stokes; Bull, Johnson, Benson.

**Subs:** O'Leary (Jacques), Lindsey (Bull), Galbraith-Gibbons (Johnson).

**Starman:** Spencer Slaughter.



# BADGER BAGS LATE EQUALISER IN ANOTHER HASSOCKS COMEBACK

Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division  
Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018, Priory Lane  
Langney Wanderers 2-2 Hassocks



**The comeback kings met the draw specialists as Hassocks took on Langney Wanderers and, unsurprisingly, there was a come-from-behind draw at Priory Lane.**

In this first ever competitive meeting between the two sides, Wanderers sauntered into a two-goal lead inside of 20 minutes, only for Hassocks to end up leaving Eastbourne with a share of the spoils in a 2-2 draw.

For the Robins, that made it three games out of the last five in which they've rallied from being two behind to claim something.

For Langney, it was a fifth draw in the opening nine games of their first ever season of Premier Division football.

While the Hassocks coaching staff weren't too impressed with the performance afterwards, they were certainly happy with the resilience shown again.

"Getting an away point on the board from such a poor performance shows how far we have come from last season," Spencer Slaughter said afterwards.

"It shows the togetherness of this group of players; that when things aren't working, our hard work and perseverance gets us through."

Slaughter felt that Hassocks looked slow and lethargic in the warm up and that translated into the opening 20 minutes of the game in which they found themselves 2-0 behind.

Lucas Mann opened the scoring for Wanderers with nine minutes on the clock, getting the deftest of touches onto Max Holloborne's delivery to turn the ball in at the far post.

Josh Green pulled off a stunning save to somehow keep out Adam Davidson's bullet but Wanderers

weren't to be denied their second for long, Gary Ingram doubling the advantage with 19 played as he picked up a Billy Pout pass and cut inside his man to fire home.

That belatedly stirred Hassocks into life and Phil Johnson soon headed them back into the game.

It was a brilliant ball in from out on the right that led to the goal, Stokes whipping in a cross that the Robins' talismanic forward rose to meet with a precision header.

They still weren't quite at the races for the remainder of the first half and Langney nearly added a third, Gary Ingram seeing an effort beaten away by Green and then another Davidson header was scrambled off the line.

Whatever was said at the interval clearly had a galvanising effect and Hassocks began the second half the better side, forcing Dan Hutchins in the Langney goal into a couple of routine saves.

Mark Dagleish shuffled his pack, throwing on striker James Littlejohn in place of left back Joe Bull.

That move saw Harvey Blake shift across to take up Bull's position with Stokes dropping in at right back in place of Blake. It was end-to-end from that point on and either side could've scored. Green blocked an effort from Paul Weatherby but nobody in white could get to the rebound in time and then Davidson received a yellow card when he tripped Johnson as the Hassocks striker looked to make a break for goal.

That was in the 81<sup>st</sup> minute and seven minutes later, Davidson was heading for an early bath.

Benson was the man who was tripped this time, leaving Langney to try and see out the remaining two minutes plus injury time with only 10 men.

More pertinently, Davidson's indiscretion left Hassocks with a free kick right on the edge of the box.

There was some kerfuffle over who should take it with Littlejohn and the excellent Jake Lindsey consulted before it was decided that Slaughter was the man to step up.

This proved to be a wise decision as Slaughter bent an exquisite effort over the wall which drew a stunning save from Hutchins.

Hassocks captain Jordan Badger had anticipated that however and was in exactly the right place at the right time to head home the rebound for the equaliser.

"Spencer told me he was going to hit top bins so I positioned myself just outside the post in anticipation of a tap in," Badger revealed.

"He hit the ball sweet, the keepers made a great save and I managed to get a good connection on the loose ball to lift it over him."

"That's my first goal of the season and it was great to get off the mark with such an important one.

"It's an area of my game I'm looking to improve to contribute more as captain."

It was certainly a telling contribution on this occasion, extending Hassocks' unbeaten streak to five games - their best such run of form for over a year.

**Hassocks:** Green; Blake, Badger, Jacques, Bull; Stokes, Slaughter, Berridge; Benson, Johnson, Lindsey.

**Subs:** Littlejohn (Bull), Enticknap (Berridge).



# Badger and Kingston hail Robins resilience

**Hassocks captain Jordan Badger and goalkeeping coach Haig Kingston both praised their side's resilience after seeing them come from 2-0 down to take something for the third time in five games...**

**The Robins found themselves trailing to goals from Lucas Mann and Gary Ingram away at Langney Wanderers before rallying to leave Priory Lane with a point following a 2-2 draw.**

That followed an identical result in their last away game at East Preston and a come-from-behind 3-2 victory over Bexhill United a week prior to that in the Peter Bentley League Cup.

"It's another game in which we've come back from being two behind and it just goes to show where we are as a team right now," Badger said afterwards.

"We've got a terrific attitude in a fantastic side and it took real grit and determination to get something after the start we made."

Badger scored the Robins' 88th minute equaliser with what was his first goal of the season, and he's keen to contribute more on the scoring

front this season after scoring two goals apiece in each of his first two seasons at the Beacon.

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"He hit the ball sweet, the keepers made a great save and I managed to get a good connection on the loose ball to lift it over him."

Kingston wasn't too impressed by Hassocks' performance but was full of praise for the way in which the Robins rescued a point.

"After what was a below par performance all round, to come away from a point away from home is a real plus and means we continue our unbeaten run."

"The manner in which we equalised in the dying moments of the game shows how united we are as a group and gave everyone a real buzz afterwards.

"We can be really happy to take away the fact that, just like at East Preston, we're proving to be a very hard team to beat."



# ROBINS OUT OF CUP BUT IMPROVEMENT THERE FOR ALL TO SEE

**Sussex Senior Cup First Round  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018, Oaklands Park  
Chichester City 2-1 Hassocks**



**They may have been eliminated from the Sussex Senior Cup at the first hurdle, but Hassocks' 2-1 defeat at Chichester City was a sign of how far the Robins have come so far this season.**

Rewind the clock to August 7th and the second game of the Southern Combination League Premier Division campaign.

Chi were the visitors to the Beacon and demonstrated why they were one of the pre-season favourites for the title, dismantling Mark Dalglish's side 6-0.

Two months later and the improvement in Hassocks is clear for all to see.

They went to Oaklands Park, rested arguably their most important player in Phil Johnson and one of their most consistent in Matt Berridge and still pushed a quality Chi outfit all the way.

Taking the place of Johnson and Berridge were James Littlejohn and Harvey Enticknap, while Dalglish made one further change with Ellis Common coming in for Joe Bull.

The Robins also gave a debut to Under 18's captain Jack Baden as a second half substitute.

The first half was a fairly even affair with Chi taking the lead with 30 minutes played.

Rob Hutchins delivered an excellent cross which led to chaos and confusion in the Robins box with Scott Jones eventually bundling home.

Liam Benson levelled things up five minutes before the break. Hassocks worked the ball out to the left where Lindsey cut back onto his favoured right foot and whip in a brilliant cross which Benson rose to glance home past Anthony Ender.

That signalled the beginning of a manic final five minutes of the half as immediately from Chi's restart, Hassocks won back possession and strung together an identical move to their equaliser, only for Benson to head this one narrowly wide.

Chi punished that miss right on the stroke of half time when a long-range effort from Gicu Iordache went through Josh Green in the Hassocks goal a little too easily.

The hosts were more of a force in the second half and Green atoned for that soft concede with a string of excellent saves.

Terrell Lewis grazed the bar with a free kick and the woodwork earned it's keep as well, being rattled on a couple of other occasions.

Hassocks had a glorious chance to force the game into extra time right at the death, but Johnson uncharacteristically snatched at the opportunity, leaving Chi to breathe a huge sigh of relief.

The hosts knew they'd been in a game come the final whistle and that itself is evidence of the progress the Robins are making, even if their hopes of an Amex Stadium final are over for another season.

**Hassocks:** Green; Common, Jacques, Badger, Blake; Stokes, Slaughter, Enticknap; Littlejohn, Benson, Lindsey.

**Subs:** Johnson (Lindsey), Berridge (Enticknap), Baden (Littlejohn).

# Under 23s Fixtures & Results 2018-19

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	2-1	Littlejohn
20/09 – 19:45	Pagham (H)	SCFL23	2-0	Lindsey, Littlejohn
27/09 – 19:45	Mile Oak (H)	SCFL23	4-2	Enticknap, Bradley (2), Littlejohn
05/10 – 19:45	Selsey (A)	SCFL23		
11/10 – 19:45	Hailsham Town (H)	CU23C1		
18/10 – 19:45	Mile Oak (H)	SCFL23		
25/10 – 19:45	Lancing (H)	SCFL23		

# Under 23s Appearances 2018-19

	Starts	2018-19 Season:		Goals
		Used Sub	Games	
Connor Bradley	5	0	5	3
Ellis Common	5	0	5	0
Louie Derham	5	0	5	0
Harvey Enticknap	5	0	5	1
Josh Green	5	0	5	0
James Littlejohn	5	0	5	8
James Oliver	4	1	5	0
Kieran Wells	3	2	5	0
Will Glenn	2	3	5	0
Solly Ross	3	1	4	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	2	2	4	3
Martin Ratcliffe	2	2	4	0
Joe Russell	2	2	4	0
Jake Lane	1	3	4	0
Max Willcox	3	0	3	2
Ben Jonas	2	1	3	0
Kieran Dimelow	0	2	2	0
Ben Miller	0	2	2	0
Ryan Collins	1	0	1	0
Matt Denyer	0	1	1	0
Jake Lindsey	0	1	1	1





# TWO MORE WINS LEAVE UNDER 23S TOP OF THE PILE

Victories for Hassocks Under 23s over reigning champions Pagham and away at Mile Oak have left the Robins leading the way in the West Division...



**Hassocks Under 23s announced themselves as genuine title contenders after defeating the reigning Southern Combination League West Division champions Pagham 2-0 at the Beacon.**

The Lions have been the dominant force in Under 21 football over the past two seasons.

Prior to this summer's reorganisation which saw the division change to Under 23s, they'd won the previous two West Division titles.

Hassocks had finished runners up to Pagham last season although there was quite a chasm between the two.

The Lions ended the campaign six points clear having secured the championship with a 3-1 win at the Beacon in early May.

They'd also defeated the Robins 3-2 in the sides league meeting at Nyetimber Lane in November, meaning that this success was the first time Hassocks have overcome Pagham at this level of football.

Nigel Pearce made three changes to the side that had defeated Southwick 2-1 in the Robins last outing two weeks ago.

Ben Jonas was handed a full debut in place of Kieran Wells.

Solly Ross also dropped down to the bench with Joe Russell making his first start of the season while Will Glenn returned to the starting line up in place of Martin Ratcliffe.

After a relatively even first half in which nothing could separate the two sides, it was Jake Lindsey who broke the deadlock on the hour mark.

Lindsey has struggled for game time in the first team of late thanks to the form of Phil Johnson, Liam Benson and James Littlejohn but he offered a stark reminder of his prodigious talents with the opener after being introduced from the substitutes bench.

It was his first goal for the club at Under 23 level and a timely one at that, breaking the Lions resistance and offering a platform for Hassocks to build on.

And build on it they did with Littlejohn adding the second to wrap up the tie with nine minutes remaining.

That continued the strikers recent sparkling form and takes him onto seven goals for the Under 23s in just four appearances so far this season.

Hassocks handed a debut to another member of last season's treble winning Under 18s squad when Matt Denyer came off the bench.

**Hassocks:** Green, Common, Oliver, Derham, Jonas, Russell, Bradley, Enticknap, Glenn, Galbraith-Gibbons, Littlejohn.

**Subs:** Lane, Ross, Denyer, Wells, Jake Lindsey (used).



**Connor Bradley made sure the short journey over the South Downs to Mile Oak was a worthwhile one for Hassocks Under 23s.**

The Robins midfielder struck a brace to help his side on their way to a 4-2 victory over a dogged Oak side who defied their current position towards the bottom of the Southern Combination League West Division table.

Oak came into the game with one just one point from a possible four, a draw in their last outing at home to Arundel.

They met a Hassocks side who by contrast were flying, still on a high having defeated reigning champions Pagham 2-0 to consolidate their spot at the top of the pile and mark themselves out as genuine title contenders.

Hassocks manager Nigel Pearce made two changes from the side who had knocked off the Lions so impressively.

Jake Lane came in for a full debut in place of Will Glenn when last season's top scorer Max Willcox was brought straight back into the starting line up in place of George Galbraith-Gibbons after recovering from the injury he'd picked up in last month's 9-1 win over Midhurst & Easebourne.

The Robins took the lead with only seven minutes on the clock through Harvey Enticknap, netting his first goal for the club.

Oak's response was to hit Josh Green's crossbar with an absolute rocket from 25 yards from Jack Marriott.

Bradley notched his first of the evening with half an hour played to double the advantage but Oak continued to create chances and they duly pulled one back two minutes before half time.

Louis Denyer was the scorer, embarking on a great solo run which he rounded off with a finish placed just out of the reach of Green.

Bradley restored Hassocks' two goal advantage with a quarter of an hour left to play but if the Robins thought that would kill off Oak, they were wrong as almost instantly the hosts went up the other end and reduced the deficit through Aaron Clarke.

That looked like it might set up a nervy final 15 minutes but James Littlejohn had other ideas and just a couple of minutes after Clarke's effort, the Robin's top scorer netted his eighth of the season to wrap up victory for the visitors.

**Hassocks:** Green, Lane, Oliver, Derham, Jonas, Russell, Bradley, Enticknap, Common, Willcox, Littlejohn.

**Subs:** Ratcliffe, Glenn, Galbraith-Gibbons, Wells, Dimelow.

# Under 18s 2018-19

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
02/09 – 11:00	St Francis Rangers (A)	SCFL18	4-1	Le-May, Loveridge, Azizi (2)
09/09 – 11:00	Lancing (A)	SCFL18	5-4	Moulvogne, Hayes (3), Baden
13/09 – 19:45	Upper Beeding (H)	SCFL18	4-0	Hayes (2), Azizi
16/09 – 11:00	Broadbridge Heath (A)	SCFL18	5-1	Azizi (2), Dimelow, Herd
30/09 – 11:00	Steyning Town (H)	U18LC1	4-2	Azizi, Hayes (3)
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		

# Under 18s Appearances 2018-19

	2018-19 Season:			
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals
Yahya Azizi	5	0	5	7
Jack Gardner	5	0	5	0
Alex Moulvogne	5	0	5	1
Josh Sandilands	5	0	5	0
Brandon Sheppard	4	1	5	0
Toby Fisher	2	3	5	0
Sam Herd	1	4	5	1
Jack Baden	4	0	4	1
Jordan Fowler	4	0	4	0
Tristan Hayes	4	0	4	8
George Mercer	4	0	4	0
Harvey Ransome	3	0	3	0
Ross Pedley	2	1	3	0
Harry Meredith	2	0	2	0
Henry Le-May	1	2	3	1
Alfie Loveridge	1	1	2	1
Luke Brayne	0	2	2	0
Danny Bulgin	1	0	1	0
Connor Curran	0	1	1	0
Kieran Dimelow	0	1	1	0
Wilfres Tunley-Ho	0	1	1	0

# Ladies 2018-19

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
02/09 – 14:00	Oakwood/Islington (H)	FACQ1	2-4	Rushworth, OG
09/09 – 14:00	Steyping Town (H)	SECW1	8-1	K.Chappell (3), Philpott (3), Mair
16/09 – 14:00	Oakwood (A)	SECW1	1-0	Philpott
23/09 – 14:00	Steyping Town (A)	SECW1	3-1	G.Craig (2), Philpott
30/09 – 14:00	Mole Valley (A)	SECW1	4-2	K.Chappell (2), Philpott, Stevens
07/10 – 14:00	Milford & Witley (A)	SECW1		
14/10 – 14:00	Burgess Hill Town (A)	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		

# Ladies Appearances 2018-19

	Starts	2018-19 Season:		Goals
		Used Sub	Games	
Gemma Craig	5	0	5	2
Chloe John	5	0	5	0
Sam Newman	5	0	5	0
Billie Philpott	5	0	5	6
Kelly Rushworth	5	0	5	1
Emma Young	5	0	5	0
Tallie Bright	4	0	4	0
Katherine Chappell	4	0	4	5
Sarah Chappell	4	0	4	0
Kirsten Mair	4	0	4	2
Jodie Johanson	1	3	4	0
Liz King	1	3	4	0
Claire Stevens	2	1	3	1
Lisa Callow	1	2	3	0
Ria Banitas	2	0	2	0
Laura Espana	1	1	2	0
Ellie Moquet	1	1	2	0
Jess Craig	0	1	1	0
Rose Jump	0	1	1	0



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# CRAIG AT THE DOUBLE AS HASSOCKS LADIES MAINTAIN 100 PERCENT RECORD

**South East Counties Women's League Division One West  
Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018, The Shooting Field  
Steining Town Ladies 1-3 Hassocks Ladies**



**Hassocks Ladies made it three wins from three to begin their South East Counties Women's Division One West campaign with a 3-1 victory away at Steining Town.**

The season may be less than a month old, but this was the second league meeting between the two already.

The first ended with Hassocks running out 8-1 winners on the opening day but Steining, playing in their first ever season, have come on leaps and bounds since then and this was a much harder fought game and a spirited effort from the hosts

The first half was a fairly even affair which ended goalless although both teams enjoyed some good moments.

Hassocks had the first chance as early as the third minute when a Kelly Rushworth pass nearly found Billie Philpott in space.

Steining soon retaliated and it took a good saving tackle by Claire Stevens to avert the danger.

Sarah Chappell had to make her first save in the 13th minute before a Sam Newman through ball was chased by Philpott but the defender reacted well to win the race.

Philpott then saw a shot parried by the keeper who also reacted quickly to reach the rebound before Philpott could.

Hassocks gradually took the upper hand as the half progressed and a skilful touch and pass by Lisa Callow nearly sent Philpott through on goal.

The Robins were now enjoying more possession and a superb move involving Chloe John, who had been making several important

interceptions at the back, and Lisa Callow just failed to find Tallie Bright.

Shortly before half-time, substitute Rose Jump was brought on for Rushworth who was nursing an injury and Hassocks nearly took the lead but couldn't force the ball home following a goalmouth scramble.

Steining started the second half the brighter with Emma Young forced into clearing for a corner and two efforts being registered on Sarah Chappell's goal.

After surviving those scares,

**"With Hassocks now winning the midfield battle through the efforts of Craig and Liz King, playing a full 90 minutes for the first time in well over a year, they were able to double their lead in the 67th minute with a superb team goal."**

Hassocks began to assert themselves on proceedings with Lia Callow continuing to demonstrate her superb control with a series of pin point passes before Young came into her own with an excellent saving tackle and then in the 54th minute, an expertly delivered free kick which was headed home by Gemma Craig to give Hassocks the lead.

Jodie Johanson was brought on in the 61st minute and immediately had to clear a dangerous looking corner. John had to make another timely interception, passing to Callow who's through ball was just too hard.

With Hassocks now winning the midfield battle through the efforts of Craig and Liz King, playing a full 90 minutes for the first time in well over a year, they were able to double their lead in the 67th minute with a superb team goal.

Johanson found Young out on the right and her pin-point cross was met first time by Craig to put Hassocks 2-0 ahead.

The Robins looked to be coasting to victory after that until Steining unexpectedly pulled one back through substitute Leanne Short after some sloppy play saw Hassocks gift the ball away to set up a tense final 15 minutes.

In response, Hassocks brought Bright back on in place of brace scorer Craig in order to introduce some more pace for the closing stages and her willing running out on the left helped push Steining back.

The Robins made the game safe with three minutes remaining. An excellent pass from Johanson found Philpott who slotted past the keeper to restore the two goal advantage.

There was still time for Hassocks to nearly score a fourth when Rushworth found Jump whose effort hit the post and Steining briefly threatened in added on time in an almighty goalmouth scramble before Hassocks eventually cleared the ball to safety.

**Hassocks:** S Chappell, Young, Newman, King, Stevens, John, Callow, G Craig, Philpott, Rushworth, Bright.

**Subs:** Jump, Johanson (used).

# ON THIS DAY

## October 6th

2007

### **Hassocks are into the second round of the FA Vase for only the third time in their history after a gutsy 2-0 victory over Combined Counties League side Ash United.**

This was a hugely impressive performance and result from Dave John's side as they defeated an Ash side who are flying in the league to set up a trip to either Marlow United or Lymington Town.

Should they win that, then they will become the first Hassocks side in history to make it through the third round of the national cup competition.

What made the result so impressive was that they had to see out the final 35 minutes with only 10 men after the dismissal of Stuart Faith for two bookable offences.

The first of those for a foul was extremely harsh and the second, for kicking the ball away, nothing short of a joke.

Referee Mr Walsh from Waterlooville seemed out of his depth all afternoon and earned the wrath of the Robins faithful on multiple occasions.

Despite Mr Walsh's best efforts to penalise Hassocks at every turn, they dug deep and weathered a bit of a storm late on to grind out a superb win.

For the first 20 minutes of the tie, Ash passed around confidently, looked assured on the ball and had a lively front pairing in Brad Smith and Gavin Evans who gave the Hassocks defence plenty to think about.

Despite dominating possession, the visitors weren't able to take the lead their possession perhaps deserved and Hassocks began to work their way back into it.

Chances were at a real premium at both ends, Faith sending a looping header over and Joel Harding smothering a Davis effort with ease.

Phil Gault had the best chance of the first half on 25 minutes when he was sent clear by Matt Robbins but the normally reliable striker could only place his effort straight at Chris Andrews in the Ash goal.

Gault had another half chance when his effort from an Anthony Hibbert corner was blocked and the reliable Pete Lear cleared a goal bound header from Chris Atkins away for corner.

It was Hibbert who gave Hassocks the lead three minutes into the second half, catching Andrews off his line with an exquisite 25-yard curler that nestled in the right hand corner of the net after Gault's fine lay off.

Lear missed a glorious opportunity to make it 2-0 on 57 minutes when a firm but fair challenge from Gault on Andrews saw the goalkeeper spill the ball and end up flailing on the ground.

Lear had an open goal in front of him and was no more than 10 yards out but he could succeed only in lazing the ball a mile over the goal.

That miss looked like it could prove costly when Faith was shown red on the hour mark.

Mr Walsh awarded a free kick against the Robins defender and a split second after the whistle had blown, Faith kicked the ball away.

In order for it to be a deliberate piece of time wasting, Faith would've needed the psychic powers of Mystic Meg given how quickly he reacted to the decision and had Mr Walsh applied a small slice of common sense, then he'd have realised that

this was not an intentional ploy to hold play up.

Unfortunately, common sense seemed to be something that the referee was missing and so Faith headed for an early bath.

John re-organised his side immediately, sacrificing Richard Thompson on the left in favour of Brendan Leahy who took up Faith's position at centre back.

Sam Fisk moved from midfield across to left wing back in place of Thompson and Robbins dropped into midfield.

Hassocks had been playing shorthanded for only seven minutes when they doubled their lead, Gault holding off his man, rolling his way into the box and then striking past Andrews from eight yards.

That was the breathing space Hassocks needed and it allowed them to retreat and man the trenches, something they did superbly.

Ash enjoyed plenty of possession but never really managed to hurt the home defence with Harding having a relatively quiet time of it in goal, although he did react smartly to parry away a volley from Smith which stung the palms.

Hassocks left the field to a fine reception from the home crowd at the final whistle and a possible place in the history beckons in five weeks' time.

**Hassocks:** Harding; Turner, Lear, Marsh, Faith, Thompson; Fisk, Slaughter, Hibbert; Gault, Robbins.

**Subs:** Leahy (Thompson 63), Thomas (Gault 87), Jacques, Robinson, Wickwar (unused).

# 22 QUESTIONS WITH...

## Harry Mills

When Harry Mills was asked to name his former clubs, he began reeling off the likes of Juventus Under 9s, Barcelona Under 10s, Real Madrid U13s, PSG Under 16s...and Seaford Town. We get the feeling this should be quite the entertaining 22 questions from the man known as Sheriff...

### Whats your nickname?

Sheriff. I used to ride a horse for a little while.

### What team do your support?

Tottenham Hotspur. A club that can have the likes of Gazza, David Ginola, Jurgen Klinsmann and Gary Mabbutt must be doing something right.

### Who was your footballing idol growing up?

Robbie Savage. I'd watch him, and do the complete opposite.

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

I won something for Under 14s baton twirling once.

### Best moment in your career?

Scoring an overhead kick from a full 30 yards.

### Most embarrassing moment of your career?

The fact that that overhead kick was actually an overhead kick from a full 30 yards that went into my own goal.

### Funniest thing you've seen in football?

Seeing somebody actually bark like a dog while chasing an opposition player. I'm not going to name who it was, but it was Jack Wilkins.

### Best player you've ever played with?

Ian Walker.

### Best ground you've ever played at?

The Old Wembley.

### Favourite opposition team to play against?

Anyone who we can actually beat.

### Who is the best trainer at Hassocks?

Me, obviously.

### Worst dressed player?

Everyone at this football club dresses pretty badly.

### What's the best thing about playing for Hassocks?

The shorts and socks are the best fitting I've ever played in.

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

"Don't think, just do" which was said by one of my old managers at Seaford.

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

I'd get rid of goalkeepers and let teams play with 12 outfield players. One of those players can then be the goalkeeper at any point in the game.



## Mills scores his first goal for Hassocks away at Worthing United in 2016...

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

None of those – it's Ledley King.

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

Pascal Chimbonda absolutely broke my heart when he missed a penalty in the UEFA Cup against PSV to knock Spurs out of the competition.

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

I work on my sun tan, I love to surf and sometimes I play poker with fruit.

**Which three famous people would you invite for dinner?**

Pascal Chimbonda, so I could break his heart in revenge by giving him a warm beer when he turned up and then serving him a cold dinner. David Beckham and Jamie Redknapp would be the other two and they'd both be treated nicely.

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

The finals of the Extreme Ironing competition.

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

Vinnie Jones.

**Give us one interesting fact about you?**

You might have noticed this, but I can't actually play football.



...and follows it with...



...the worst celebration ever...



# COMING UP



## Lingfield

### When?

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2018

### Where?

The Beacon

### Time?

3pm

### Competition?

Peter Bentley League Cup  
Third Round

### Admission?

£6 adults, £3 concessions,  
Under 16s free

### Lingfield this season?

Lingfield are playing in their first Southern Combination League Premier Division season since 2014 and have made an excellent start to life back in the top flight. They've won three, drawn two and lost four of their games so far and on this form look well placed to avoid an immediate return to Division One. Their cup form has also been relatively good, a 2-1 win over Shoreham to set up their visit to the Beacon in the previous round of the Peter Bentley League Cup and there was also a 6-1 win over Epsom & Ewell in the FA Vase. The number of horse related puns you could cram in for that game would stretch for furlongs.

### Hassocks' record against Lingfield?

There have been 14 previous meetings between Hassocks and Lingfield with the Robins triumphing in five of them, five draws and four victories for the Lingers.

### Last time Hassocks played Lingfield?

The sides last met in the same competition back in the early part of the 2015-16 season. Lingfield were a Division One side then, having just returned from a brief spell in the Southern Counties East League after the FA forced them across for the 2014-15 season. Hassocks ran out 5-1 winners that day with Bradley Bant netting a brace to go with goals from Dan Stokes, Jonno Melia and Josh Hawkes.

### Played for both?

Striker Daley Clark joined Hassocks from Lingfield in the summer of 2009 and went onto play 40 games for the Robins in the next season and a bit. He was converted into a midfielder early into his spell at the Beacon and notched two goals for the club before moving to St Francis Rangers six games into the 2010-11 campaign.





## Little Common

### When?

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October

### Where?

The Oval

### Time?

3pm

### Competition?

Macron Store Southern Combination  
Premier Division

### Little Common this season?

Just like Lingfield, Little Common are also new to the Premier Division for this campaign having been crowned Division One champions last time out. This is their first ever campaign in the Southern Combination League's top flight although they've been banging on the promotion door for a couple of seasons now, only to be denied by ground grading rules. A move to share with Eastbourne United at the Oval has seen them overcome those problems and they made a solid start to life, winning their first two league games of the season.

### Hassocks' record against Little Common?

There have been 13 previous meetings between the two sides with Hassocks winning five, four Common wins and four draws. This will be the sides first ever meeting in the Premier Division, the previous 13 coming in the lower divisions and various cup competitions.

## COMING UP...

### Last time Hassocks played Little Common?

A remarkable Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup tie in 2012 which ended in a 5-5 draw at the Beacon. Dan Smith, Kieran O'Callaghan, an own goal and a Louis Pople brace all ensured that the game finished level, with Common winning the resulting penalty shoot out 4-3. The last league meeting between the two took place in the 1993-94 season with Hassocks winning 3-0 at the Beacon.

### How to get to The Oval?

Take the A27 to Eastbourne, joining the A22 when you reach the Sunshine Coast. Follow that until you reach the second roundabout, turning left onto Lottbridge Drove. Turn right onto the A259 when you hit the roundabout by Homebase, then turn right into Channel View Road with The Oval a little further down on the right.



## Newhaven

### When?

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October

### Where?

The Beacon

### Time?

3pm

### Competition?

Macron Store Southern Combination  
Premier Division

### Newhaven this season?

With no one stand out candidate for the Southern Combination League title so far this season, Newhaven have positioned themselves as possible dark horses for a title at the championship. They've lost just once so far, winning six and drawing two of their other games to sit nicely positioned a few points behind the leaders. One thing you can guarantee with the Dockers is that they will get goals – Lee Robinson has been one of the most dangerous marksmen in the league over many years and recently passed the unbelievable landmark of 300 goals for Newhaven.

### Hassocks' record against Newhaven?

The Robins have only ever managed three victories over Newhaven in 13 previous meetings. Hassocks will at least be happy that this one is taking place at the Beacon – their record at the Trafalgar Ground is absolutely dreadful with six of their seven competitive visits there ending in defeat with 24 goals conceded at an average of over three a game.

### Last time Hassocks played Newhaven?

That was the first time the Robins have ever come away from Newhaven with a point, a 2-2 draw in December last year. George Galbraith-Gibbons chose a good time to score his first senior goal for Hassocks with Spencer Slaughter also on target in a game that saw goalkeeper Nathan Stroomborg sent off for a WWE style choke slam.

### Played for both?

Two former Hassocks youth products spent time with Newhaven with Terry Gacias and Naim Rouane both playing parts in the Dockers side that won promotion to the top flight in 2013. Rob Boddy and Jake Forward are other names to have briefly represented both clubs in the early part of this decade.

### Admission?

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# Around the League

**There was a full Southern Combination League fixture list last weekend, with four of the top five in the Premier Division picking up victories...**

**At the top of the table, Horsham YMCA continue to lead the way after they swatted aside bottom club Eastbourne United Association 4-0 at the Oval.**

First half goals from Dean Brown, Dan Mobsby and Tom Gilbert put **Horsham YMCA** firmly in control against **Eastbourne United** as they led 3-0 at the break with Brown completing his brace in the second half to round off an easy win for Peter Buckland's side.

Second place **Chichester City** racked up another big win as they hammered **Lingfield** 7-0 at Oaklands Park.

Kaleem Haitham and Scott Jones both scored braces for Chi with their other goals coming from Matt Axell, Rob Hutchings and Gicu Iordache.

Third met sixth at **Broabridge Heath** where **Newhaven** came away with a 3-1 win to keep the pressure on the top two.

Lee Robinson scored twice for the Dockers along with Tristan Jarvis while the Bears consolation came from Devon Fender.

**Saltdean United** suffered a shock 1-0 defeat away at **East Preston** where Daniel Huet got the only goal of the game while it was the same score at the Sports Park where **Peacehaven & Telscombe** saw off **Loxwood** thanks to a Callum Hart strike early in the second half.

Aaron Capon gave **Eastbourne Town** the lead inside of five minutes away at **Crawley Down Gatwick** but Town's difficult start to the season shows no sign of abating as they ended up losing 2-1, goals from Nick Sullivan and Russell Malton earning Down an impressive victory.

At the Oaks, **Pagham** found themselves 3-2 down with 20 minutes

left to play but ended up taking all three points from **AFC Uckfield Town** via a 4-3 success.

George Gaskin and Jack Rowe-Hurst had put the Lions 2-0 ahead but goals from Dee Okojie, Ellis Cormack and Callum Smith turned the game on its head.

There was still another twist to come though as Howard Neighbour and Daryl Woolers struck for the Lions to ensure all three points went back to Nyetimber Lane.

Somehow, there was an even more entertaining game at Culver Road where **Lancing** ran out 8-4 winners over **Little Common**.

Jack Langford scored a remarkable six times for the Lancers with Matt Daniel and Finlay Pittock their other scorers.

For Common, there was a hat-trick from Leis Hole and a Sam Ellis goal.

The divisions other game saw **Shoreham** and **Arundel** play out a 1-1 draw at Middle Road with Andrew Dalhouse netting for the hosts and Benjamin Gray for the Mulletts.

Nothing changed at the top of Division One where **AFC Vardeanians** continue to lead the way after winning 4-1 away at managerless **Worthing United**.

All five goals came in the first half, Matt Waterman scoring a hat-trick for V's along with a Mark Goldson effort while Tim Tapscott got the Mavericks consolation.

Second met third at **Alford** where the hosts beat **Steyning Town** 2-1 while fourth place **Bexhill United** were held 3-3 at home to **Selsey** with the Blues having stormed into a 2-0 lead inside of 11 minutes in that one.

**Hailsham Town's** promotion bid took a bit of a setback as they were beaten 4-2 away at Sidlesham.

The Stringers had led 2-1 entering the final 10 minutes but three Sids goals from Joe Gromett, Tommy Lee-Smith and Gromett again completed a remarkable turnaround.

There were late goals at Jubilee Fields as well where **Billingshurst** scored in the 90<sup>th</sup> and 91<sup>st</sup> minute to defeat **Wick** 3-1.

3-1 was a popular score line in Division One, with **Oakwood** beating **Littlehampton Town** and **Seaford Town** beating **Storrington** by the same result.

**Mile Oak** meanwhile saw off **Midhurst & Easebourne** 4-1 with former Robin Michael Gould in the goals and **St Francis Rangers** rallied from 3-1 down to take a point at home to **Southwick** with late goals coming from Oluwaseun Olabiyi and Christopher Capper.

In Division Two, **Angmering Seniors** impressive start to life following promotion goes on as Ben Hamilton's 89<sup>th</sup> minute goal gave them a 1-0 win at **Littlehampton United**.

**Cowfold** remain in second place after second half goals from Jermaine Beer and Tim Martin secured a 2-0 win over **Worthing Town** and **Rottingdean Village** are third after a 4-2 win against **Cophorne**.

There was a first ever Southern Combination League win for **Brighton Electricity** as they beat **Jarvis Brook** 2-1 at Withead Stadium while **Roffey** were the division's big winners, triumphing 6-1 at home to **Westfield**.

In the other games, **Bosham** and **Upper Beeding** shared the points in a 1-1 draw and it was the same score at **Rustington** where the hosts drew with bottom side **Montpelier Villa**.



# How they stand...

## Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Horsham YMCA	10	8	0	2	28	11	24
Chichester City	9	7	1	1	31	6	22
Saltdean United	9	6	2	1	24	13	20
Newhaven	9	6	2	1	22	14	20
Pagham	9	5	4	0	22	10	19
Peacehaven & Tels.	9	5	1	3	12	16	16
Broadbridge Heath	9	4	3	2	21	15	15
<b>Crawley Down</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>12</b>
East Preston	9	3	3	3	13	16	12
AFC Uckfield Town	8	3	2	3	19	18	11
Lingfield	9	3	2	4	17	19	11
Eastbourne Town	9	3	1	5	17	18	10
Shoreham	9	2	3	4	14	17	9
Langney Wanderers	9	1	5	3	15	17	8
Lancing	8	2	2	4	16	22	8
Little Common	9	2	1	6	11	20	7
Arundel	7	0	5	2	5	8	5
Loxwood	9	0	1	8	8	28	1
Eastbourne United	9	0	1	8	5	29	1

## Premier Division Form Guide

Newhaven	WWWWDW
Horsham YMCA	WWWLW
Chichester City	DWWWLW
Saltdean United	WWDWWL
Pagham	WDDWDW
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>WLWDWD</b>
Broadbridge Heath	DWDWWL
Peacehaven & Tels.	DWLWLW
Lingfield	WWDLWL
AFC Uckfield Town	DWWWLL
<b>Crawley Down</b>	<b>LLDLWW</b>
East Preston	DLWDLW
Eastbourne Town	LLWLWL
Langney Wanderers	DLDLWD
Lancing	LDDLWL
Arundel	DDLDDL
Shoreham	LDLDDL
Little Common	LDLLLL
Eastbourne Utd	LLLLLL
Loxwood	LLLLLL

## Premier Division Attendances

	Ave	Tot	High	Low
Eastbourne Town	302	604	321	283
Pagham	130	260	156	104
Horsham YMCA	127	253	138	115
Peacehaven & Tels.	121	482	210	108
Lancing	109	327	132	95
Langney Wanderers	102	405	125	55
<b>Eastbourne United</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>71</b>
East Preston	98	391	128	61
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>84</b>
Newhaven	86	171	97	74
Little Common	83	165	102	63
Shoreham	81	242	99	55
Crawley Down	72	359	92	38
Broadbridge Heath	63	188	89	45
Chichester City	61	301	80	65
Loxwood	57	171	63	46
Lingfield	57	170	73	45
AFC Uckfield Town	51	202	57	36
Saltdean United	45	90	52	38
Arundel	42	166	47	36

## Premier Division Scorers

Lee Robinson	Newhaven	8
Ben Bacon	Saltdean United	8
Devon Fender	B'bridge Heath	7
Callum Smith	AFC Uckfield	6
Alex Barbary	Horsham YMCA	6
David Herbert	Chichester City	5
<b>Phil Johnson</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>5</b>
Oliver Leslie	Crawley Down	5
Callum Overton	Pagham	5
Andy Dalhouse	Shoreham	5
Wayne Wilkinson	Langney Wand	5
George Gaskin	Pagham	4
Scott Jones	Chichester City	4
Evan Archibald	Eastbourne T	3
Sam Carrington	Eastbourne T	3
Chris Ransome	Lingfield	3
Lewis Hole	Little Common	3
Matt Black	AFC Uckfield	3
Ben Gray	Arundel	3
Joao Andrade	Chichester City	3

### Macron Store Southern Combination Under 23 West Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>
Horsham YMCA	5	4	0	1	19	11	12
Pagham	5	3	0	2	15	7	9
Lancing	5	2	2	1	16	6	8
Arundel	5	2	2	1	11	12	8
Broadbridge Heath	4	2	1	1	5	5	7
East Preston	4	1	1	2	11	19	4
Midhurst & E'bourne	4	1	1	2	11	19	4
Southwick	4	1	0	3	4	15	3
Selsey	4	0	1	3	7	10	1
Mile Oak	5	0	1	4	6	22	0

### Under 23 West Scorers

<b>James Littlejohn</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>8</b>
Taku Madhlazi	Lancing	4
Jake Goulding	Midhurst	4
Dion Jarvis	Arundel	4
<b>George G'Gibbons</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>3</b>
Leon Eales	Horsham YMCA	3
Connah G'Lowe	Lancing	3
Lewis Jenkins	East Preston	3
<b>Connor Bradley</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>3</b>
Ant Nwachukwu	Horsham YMCA	3
Aaron Clarke	Mile Oak	3
Leon Earles	Horsham YMCA	3
George Cody	Pagham	3

### Macron Store Southern Combination Under 18 Central Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Haywards Heath	4	4	0	0	23	7	12
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>
Southwick	3	2	0	1	16	7	6
Upper Beeding	4	2	0	2	13	14	6
Broadbridge Heath	3	1	0	2	9	16	3
Steyning Town	2	0	0	2	2	6	0
St Francis Rangers	2	0	0	2	3	9	0
Rottingdean	2	0	0	2	6	15	0
Lancing	2	0	0	2	4	14	0

### Under 18 Central Scorers

<b>Yahya Azizi</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>6</b>
Ollie Broad	Haywards Heath	6
<b>Tristan Hayes</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>5</b>
Jacob Ross	Southwick	5
Ethan Carrick	Haywards Heath	4
Mahamadou Juwala	Haywards Heath	4
Morgan Kennett	Southwick	4
Max Lester	Upper Beeding	4
Kai Green	Upper Beeding	3
Cameron Watts	B'bridge Heath	2

### South East Counties Womens League Division One West Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>
Mole Valley	4	2	1	1	15	11	7
Steyning Town	4	2	0	2	13	12	6
Wandgas	3	2	0	1	8	7	6
Milford & Witley	3	1	1	1	13	7	4
Burgess Hill Town	1	1	0	0	10	0	3
Oakwood	3	1	0	2	6	8	3
Victoire	2	0	0	2	1	14	0
Bexhill United	4	0	0	4	5	25	0

### Division One West Scorers

Keeley Wheatley	Burgess Hill	7
Billie Philpott	Hassocks	5
Charlotte Blunt	Mole Valley	4
Sydney Offord	Mole Valley	4
Imogen Burns	Mole Valley	3
<b>Katherine Chappell</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>3</b>
Millie Morley	Burgess Hill	3
Liz Neatherway	Steyning Town	3
Louise Skerry	Milford & Witley	3
Iona Vilciu	Burgess Hill	3



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## Hassocks Twitter Man of the Match 2018-19

Broadbridge Heath home **Liam Benson**  
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Erith Town home **Spencer Slaughter**  
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Arundel away **Jack Wilkins**  
Crawley Down Gatwick home **Matt Berridge**  
Saltdean United home **Harvey Blake**  
K Sports home **Ryan Collins**  
Bexhill United home **Phil Johnson**  
Loxwood away **Phil Johnson**  
East Preston away **Dan Stokes**  
Eastbourne United home **Spencer Slaughter**  
Langney Wanderers away **Spencer Slaughter**  
Chichester City away  
Crawley Down Gatwick home  
Lingfield home  
Little Common away  
Newhaven home  
Seaford Town home  
AFC Uckfield Town away  
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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

1<sup>st</sup>: **Jack Wilkins**  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **Harvey Blake**  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **Phil Johnson**

September 2018

1<sup>st</sup>: **Spencer Slaughter**  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **Phil Johnson**  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **James Littlejohn**

October 2018

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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	238	38	276	45
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
Dan Jacques	169	28	197	9
Pat Harding	178	17	195	131
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
<b>Peter Lear</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>6</b>
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	100	22	122	54
Dan Stokes	85	31	116	8
Nick Newman	110	4	114	2
Michael Death	87	25	112	38
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



**Pete Lear**

Pete Lear joined the Robins when a student at University in Brighton in 2005, spending the 2005-06 season playing in Phil Wickwar's reserve side.

The towering centre back won a clean sweep of awards, taking home both Reserve Team Player's Player and Reserve Team Manager's Player at the end of his first campaign for the club.

That attracted the attention of Dave John and Lear was given his first team debut on the opening day of the 2006-07, becoming a first team regular and gaining instant popularity among the Robins faithful for his hard-working and no-nonsense approach to the game.

Standing at well over six feet tall, Lear was a constant threat from attacking set pieces and it's really quite surprising that he managed only six goals from his 140 appearances in a Hassocks shirt.

Those game were spread over a five-season period although he missed most of the 2008-09 season while traveling.

Lear left the Beacon during the 2010-11 season and could last be found playing Mid Sussex League football with Barcombe.

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Will Broomfield	
Spencer Slaughter	
Matt Berridge	
Dan Stokes	
Alex Spinks	
Harvey Enticknap	
Phil Johnson	
James Littlejohn	
Liam Benson	
Jake Lindsey	
Jack Wilkins	
George Galbraith-Gibbons	
Joe Bull	

**Manager** Mark Dalglish  
**Coach** Mark Price  
**Goalkeeper Coach** Haig Kingston  
**Physio** Phil Wickwar



## Crawley Down Gatwick

	Andrew Greaves
	Michael Spence
	Lee Thomas
	Blair Cooney
	Marc Pelling
	Sonny Barton
	Josh Brown
	Michael Belli
	Nick Sullivan
	Harry Petty
	Russell Malton
	Andrew Goodwin
	Billy Wraight
	Joshua Martin
	Sam Cane
	Oliver Leslie
	Dan Sullivan
	Sam Packham
	Lewis Croal
	Seb Bos

**Referee**  
David Ellis

**Assistants**  
Konrad Kaminski  
& Graeme Bolton

**Managers** Paul Cooper & James Day  
**Coaches** Dean Blackmore & Karl Scott  
**Physio** Lewis Costick

### Next at the Beacon



Lingfield  
 Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October. 3pm  
 Peter Bentley Cup Third Round

### Today's other Premier Division games

Arundel v Peacehaven & Telscombe  
 Eastbourne Town v Broadbridge Heath  
 Lingfield v Shoreham  
 Little Common v Chichester City  
 Loxwood v Eastbourne United  
 Newhaven v East Preston  
 Pagham v Langney Wanderers  
 Saltdean United v AFC Uckfield Town