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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 the visit of our high-flying opponents Horsham YMCA...

## **Robins bang in form**

It's been a good few weeks now for Hassocks with three consecutive wins picked up, including back-to-back 1-0 victories for the first time in nearly seven years.

The most recent of those came here last week against East Preston, a tight and tense affair that was decided by Phi Johnson's first half goal.

The result means that the Robins are now just three points away from equalling their total from the entire 2017-18 campaign, a mark of just how far the team have come this season under Mark Dalgleish.

A tough test lies in wait today against Peter Buckland's promotion chasing Horsham YMCA who Hassocks are playing for the first time in 2018-19.

The original game had had been due to be played on December 1<sup>st</sup> when YM were top of the league, but it was lost to Storm Diana.

Since then, our visitors have fallen to third but that won't make the Robins' task any easier this afternoon against quality opponents.

Whatever the result, we hope that the players, officials and supporters of YM enjoy their stay with us in Mid Sussex this afternoon.

## **Robins complete Kirkwood coup**

One noticeable name on the Hassocks team sheet for that win over East

Preston was Scott Kirkwood.

The experienced midfielder is a well-known face across Sussex non-league footballing circles having played for a whole host of the county's Isthmian League clubs including Lewes, Whitehawk, Horsham and Burgess Hill Town.

He joined the Robins in the run up to the EP win from Shoreham for whom he has played a handful of games so far this season.

Signing a player of Kirkwood's ability represents something of a coup for Hassocks and we're sure everyone would like to welcome him to the Beacon and wish him well for his time with the Robins.

## **Double delight for Under 18s and Ladies**

The Under 18s and Ladies played their first games since Christmas last Sunday and it was a good day for both as two victories were recorded.

For the Ladies, it was a 10<sup>th</sup> league win in succession as they consolidated their place at the top of the South East Counties Women's League Division One West with a 4-0 win over third placed Wandgas.

The goals in Surrey came from Billie Philpott, Kelly Rushworth, Kirsten Mair and Rosa Jump.

Martin Lee's side now have a week off before a massive game on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January against Montpelier Villa

in the Sussex Women's Challenge Trophy semi final here at the Beacon.

Kick off is at 1.30pm and any support would be greatly appreciated as Hassocks chase a first County Trophy.

The Under 18s meanwhile bounced back to winning ways after three consecutive defeats by defeating Broadbridge Heath 5-1.

Top scorer Tristan Hayes netted a hat-trick along with a first goal from the club for George Mercer and a late strike from captain Jack Baden from the substitutes bench.

Brad Sweetman's side take on Upper Beeding tomorrow at 11am in the league.

The Under 23s were due to return to league action on Thursday night away at Broadbridge Heath but we unfortunately went to print before the result was known.

If you're interested in how Nigel Pearce's side got on, then please speak to Owen behind the bar who will be able to advise.

## **Oaks in town this Tuesday**

Finally, just a reminder that Hassocks now have a game this coming Tuesday night against AFC Uckfield Town.

This will be the fourth attempt to get the game against the Oaks played with kick off at 7:45pm.



# Today's visitors...

**Assignments don't come much tougher than that being faced by the Robins today as Peter Buckland brings his title chasing Horsham YMCA side to the Beacon...**

**Horsham YMCA bidding for a first Southern Combination League title since 2006 and a return to the Isthmian League for the first time since 2011 and they look in a relatively decent position to do it, currently sitting third in the table with 16 games left to play.**

YM have dropped points in recent weeks but that is very much against the grain as until last Saturday's defeat against Shoreham, they hadn't lost to anyone outside of the top six.

The fact is that they simply don't drop points against sides lower down the table, with their losses coming against Chichester City, Pagham, Broadbridge Heath and Saltdean United United.

Any side that isn't in the top six they've swatted aside with consummate ease so far this season in the league, a fact that points to just what a difficult afternoon is in store for the Robins

If that wasn't bad enough, then Hassocks' record against YM doesn't exactly inspire confidence either.

Hassocks have won just 11 times

in 46 meetings with YM, losing 25.

There is the small crumb of comfort that this game takes place at the Beacon as the Robins record at Gorings Mead is even worse with just two league victories there since the turn of the decade.

One weapon that Hassocks do have in their armory is striker Phil Johnson, who returned to the Beacon this summer after two-and-a-half goal filled seasons with YMCA.

Everyone at Hassocks knows only too well Jonno's liking for scoring against his former clubs as the Robins were on the end of it more often than not during his time at Gorings Mead, so no doubt Mark Dalglish will be hoping that his top scorer can repeat the trick here.

Johnson's spot at the top of the scoring charts for YM has been taken by Dave Brown and he leads the way with 14 goals although in truth, Buckland's side have goals all over the park, as you would expect from a side with 51 to their name already this season.



## FACTFILE

**Horsham YMCA**

**Founded** 1898

**Nickname** YM

**Ground** Gorings Mead

**Website** horshamymcafc.co.uk

**Twitter** @horshamymcafc

**Manager** Peter Buckland

**Top Scorer** Dave Brown, 14

## HONOURS

**Southern Combination League**

Winners 2005, 2006

**Southern Combination Division 1**

Winners 1966, 1983

**Sussex RUR Charity Cup**

Winners 2001, 2014

**Peter Bentley League Cup**

Winners 1967, 1968, 1982, 2002

Runners up 1973, 2009, 2018

**SCFL Division One Cup**

Winners 1962, 1995

Runners up 1960, 1961, 1962

## 10 Key Moments

**1929...** YMCA move to their current Gorings Mead home ground  
**1959...** join the Southern Combination League and seven years later, win promotion to the top flight  
**1967...** win their first Peter Bentley League Cup, successfully defending the trophy the following season  
**1982...** relegated to Division One. They bounce back immediately though, winning the title the next year  
**1999...** YM embark on their best ever FA Cup run as they get to within onewin of the first round proper  
**2001...** shock Burgess Hill Town to win the RUR Cup, sparking a golden period at Gorings Mead  
**2005...** lift their first ever Southern Combination title but are denied promotion due to ground grading  
**2006...** defend the title and with Gorings Mead upgraded, move up to the Isthmian League  
**2008...** relegated back to the SCFL but win promotion again at the first attempt for another 2 year spell  
**2014...** lift their most recent silverware by beating East Preston in the RUR Cup final

## Last 20 Seasons

2017-18, Southern Combination Premier 4<sup>th</sup>  
2016-17, Southern Combination Premier 10<sup>th</sup>  
2015-16, Southern Combination Premier 7<sup>th</sup>  
2014-15, Southern Combination Premier 5<sup>th</sup>  
2013-14, Southern Combination Premier 4<sup>th</sup>  
2012-13, Southern Combination Premier 10<sup>th</sup>  
2011-12, Southern Combination Premier 16<sup>th</sup>  
2010-11, Isthmian South 22<sup>nd</sup>  
2009-10, Isthmian South 11<sup>th</sup>  
2008-09, Southern Combination Premier 3<sup>rd</sup>  
2007-08, Isthmian South 21<sup>st</sup>  
2006-07, Isthmian South, 9<sup>th</sup>  
2005-06, Southern Combination Premier 1<sup>st</sup>  
2004-05, Southern Combination Premier 1<sup>st</sup>  
2003-04, Southern Combination Premier 13<sup>th</sup>  
2002-03, Southern Combination Premier 3<sup>rd</sup>  
2001-02, Southern Combination Premier 10<sup>th</sup>  
2000-01, Southern Combination Premier 5<sup>th</sup>  
1999-00, Southern Combination Premier 5<sup>th</sup>  
1998-99, Southern Combination Premier 3<sup>rd</sup>

## Hassocks v Horsham YMCA :: Head-to-Head

**SCFL Premier Division...** Played 38 - Won 10 - Drawn 5 - Lost 23 - Scored 46 - Conceded 83

**SCFL Division One...** Played 6 - Won 1 - Drawn 5 - Lost - 0 - Scored 6 - Conceded 4

**FA Cup...** Played 1 - Won 1 - Drawn 0 - Lost - 0 - Scored 3 - Conceded 2

**RUR Cup...** Played 1 - Won 0 - Drawn 0 - Lost 1 - Scored 2 - Conceded 3

**SCFL Division One Cup...** Played 1 - Won 1 - Drawn 0 - Lost 0 - Scored 3 - Conceded 1

**Total... Played 47 - Won 12 - Drawn 10 - Lost 25 - Scored 57 - Conceded 93**

## Last 10 meetings

2017-18 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 0-2 Horsham YMCA  
2017-18 SCFL Premier: Horsham YMCA 6-0 Hassocks  
2016-17 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 1-0 Horsham YMCA  
2016-17 SCFL Premier: Horsham YMCA 3-2 Hassocks  
2015-16 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 1-0 Horsham YMCA

2015-16 SCFL Premier: Horsham YMCA 4-1 Hassocks  
2014-15 SCFL Premier: Horsham YMCA 3-3 Hassocks  
2014-15 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 2-5 Horsham YMCA  
2013-14 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 1-1 Horsham YMCA  
2013-14 RUR Cup: Horsham YMCA 3-2 Hassocks

## Played for both

**Since John Suter's brief spell in charge of Hassocks at the start of the 2008-09 season, there have been a huge number of players to represent both clubs.**

Suter brought a whole host of names from Gorings Mead to the Beacon with him including Glen Woodburn, Matt Percival, Matt Russell, Ali Russell and James Bird.

Matt Russell was probably the stand out performer, scoring four times in eight games before following Suter to Worthing United like most of the YM contingent.

In more recent times, Phil Gault

enjoyed a brief stay with YM in between moving from Hassocks to Haywards Heath Town while Phil Johnson went the opposite way, playing one brief game for Heath before joining YM following a spell with Burgess Hill Town.

Johnson endured a highly productive two-and-a-half seasons at Gorings Mead, as did another Hassocks youth product Anthony Hibbert who joined YM midway through the 2014-15 season.

Hibbert had originally moved to East Preston after over 400 games and 100 goals for the Robins but

but Dom Di Paolo's resignation saw him transfer to YM, where he spent the next one-and-a-half seasons before retiring.

Hibbert wasn't the only player to move to YMCA that year, young defender Alex Gatherer also signing for Peter Buckland's side from the Beacon.

Finally, Hassocks signed defender Dan Webster from YMCA this summer but he played only two games before moving to Oakwood after the return of Will Broomfield to the Beacon from Haywards Heath limited his first team chances.

# NO SHOCK IN THE SNOW AS YM'S TITLE CHARGE CONTINUES

**The Beacon resembled a scene from a Christmas card as Jack and Jill and the snow topped South Downs looked down upon Hassocks' meeting with Horsham YMCA.**

And the seasonal scenes more reminiscent of December than mid-March almost inspired a miracle more magical than anything Christmas has thrown up down the years as the Robins came close to taking something from the Southern Combination League Premier Division's leaders.

YM only made sure of their 20th win of the campaign when Ashley Dugdale added their second goal five minutes from time to secure a 2-0 victory which leaves them six points clear at the top with 10 nine games remaining.

"If you were an outsider with no knowledge of the league table, you wouldn't have known there were 18 places between us today," said Hassocks joint-boss Phil Wickwar.

"The young players are doing us proud and when I say young, I'm not talking 23, 24 or 25 year olds but 17-21 year olds who have played their youth football here with us as well."

"The short term future in terms of

our league position looks challenging but the long term picture looks bright when these young lads, most of whom don't have even half a season of senior football behind them, are giving the divisions leaders a real fright."

There were eight youth team products on show for Hassocks and it was the oldest of those who was culpable for YM taking the lead on the 15 minute mark, Spencer Slaughter being caught in possession by Tony Garrord who went in one-on-one to score his first goal for YM since arriving from Burgess Hill Town.

The Robins moved the ball around well without ever really testing Aaron Jeal for the remainder of the first half while at the other end Haig Kingston also had a much quieter afternoon than he probably would've expected as Dave Brown, Dean Carden and Dugdale all failed to test the Hassocks number one.

Hassocks looked the livelier side in the second half as Matt Berridge and Joe Russell played their part in a fine move through the middle of the park which ended with Connor Bradley opting to try and find Jack Wilkins with a pass when a shot on goal looked the better option.

Bradley made way for Jake Atherton shortly after and Atherton should've been played in but the pass went the wrong way as again Hassocks' decision making when it came to the final ball continued to let them down.

The best chance of the half from a Hassocks point of view came when a brilliant Jake Lindsey cross was met by the head of Michael Death who saw his effort somehow kept out on the line by former Hassocks favourite Phil Johnson while Johnson himself had a header go close when he sent the ball from a Brown corner the wrong side of the post.

It was against the wrong of play somewhat when YM captain Dugdale made it 2-0 in the closing stages, side ooting home from 10 yards to spark wild celebrations which showed that it was somewhat of a relief for YM to escape the snow covered Beacon with all three points.

**Hassocks:** Kingston; Broomfield, Slaughter, Badger, Russell; Berridge, Mills, Bradley, Lindsey; Galbraith-Gibbons, Death.

**Subs:** Wilkins, Atherton (used), Wickwar (unused).



# HARDING BREAKS RECORD BUT JOHN IS LEFT SICK BY THE RESULT

**Before Hassocks' home game with Horsham YMCA, one supporter cheekily suggested that Dave John's recent absence from the dugout had been due to a bout of bird flu and the Hassocks boss was certainly left spitting feathers come the end as a controversial refereeing decision turned this game on its head.**

Having missed the weekend victory over Wick laid low with illness, John climbed off his sick bed for the clash with title chasing YM, led by his long-time friend John Suter.

And if rest is the best medicine, then the performance of man-in-the-middle Danny Austin would have set the Robins' manager's recovery back a few days.

John, normally so phlegmatic, laid the blame for his sides failure to take anything off their second placed visitors squarely at the door of Mr Austin after he awarded a 49<sup>th</sup> minute corner to YM which was one of the clearest goal kicks you will ever see.

Hassocks were incensed at the decision and their mood darkened when Dave Gellatly headed home the resulting set piece.

The Robins were still clearly reeling from that when five minutes later they allowed the dangerous Matt Russell far too much time and space to turn inside the box and produce a neat finish for 2-1.

It had been going all so well for Hassocks before that.

Pat Harding had given them the lead with his 36<sup>th</sup> goal of the campaign and his 124<sup>th</sup> in Hassocks colours, taking him past Robbie Kitchen as the club's all-time record scorer in senior football.

What is most impressive is the speed at which he has overhauled Kitchen's tally, reaching the landmark in just 178 appearances. Kitchen took 323 games, nearly double the number of Harding, to set his total.

With 15 games still left to play, it isn't inconceivable that Harding might yet hit a half-century of goals this season, an astonishing achievement which would only strengthen the rumoured interest from Eastbourne Borough about making him a permanent addition to their Conference South squad in the summer.

John made one enforced change to the side who won 2-0 three days previously, Matt Robbins coming into the midfield three with Ian Dawson shifting out to left wing back in place of Richard Thompson who was working.

For all of John and Hassocks' complaints about Mr Austin's impact on proceedings, YM were just about the better side on the night.

They had the better of the first half, testing Joel Harding through Kris Trevor and Gellatly with the Hassocks goalkeeper pulling off solid stops to maintain parity.

Brother Pat's record-breaking moment arrived right on the stroke of half time and it was a goal of the highest quality as the forward c

collected a throw from Mickey Turner, turned inside and smashed a fierce drive that Ian Chatfield could get his hands to but could not keep out.

The second half was just four minutes old when Mr Austin's moment of controversy arrived although it must be said for however poor a decision it was, Hassocks' marking from the corner was non-existent.

That was also the case when it came to Russell claiming his 10<sup>th</sup> of the season with what proved to be the winner.

Hassocks continued to work hard after that but they never really looked like they were going to find a way back into the game, not even with the introduction of Anthony Hibbert, making his return as a 70<sup>th</sup> minute substitute for Robbins after missing the past seven games with injury.

YM really should have added to their total as they enjoyed the lions share of possession but tended to be too over-elaborate in the final third.

Not that Suter will mind as his side cut Ringmer's lead at the top to six points with two games in hand as they look to win back-to-back Sussex County Division One titles. For John, it was back to bed.

**Hassocks:** J Harding; Turner, Leahy, Marsh, Faith, Dawson; Beveridge, Brown, Robbins; Thomas, P Harding.

**Subs:** Hibbert (Robbins 70), Fisk, Laing, Woods, Wickwar (unused).

**Starman:** Brendan Leahy, some excellent defending.



# Westlake named in Mid Sussex Times top 10 sportspeople of 2018

## Hassocks midfielder James Westlake was named in the Mid Sussex Times' top 10 sportspeople of 2018.

The list produced by the local newspaper highlighted Westlake's marathon running achievements last year which culminated in his selection to represent England in the Toronto Marathon in October.

Sports Editor Mark Dunford selected Westlake in sixth place, writing; "Westlake had a year to remember. He finished the London Marathon with an impressive final time of 2:24:19. That time earned Westlake seventh place out of the British runners. He also won the Worthing 10k and was selected to represent England in October's Toronto Marathon."

Despite suffering an injury hit preparation for the race in Canada,

Westlake still managed to score a personal best time of 2:23:05.

That was enough to finish 20th in the race which was won by Kenya's Benson Kipruto in 2:07:24.

It also broke the long-standing marathon record for Westlake's athletics club, Crawley AC which was the 2:23:38 set by Dave Cowell at the 1974 Commonwealth Games.

"Today was one of the proudest moments for me and my family," said Westlake afterwards. "To say that I have now represented my country and worn the England vest is a dream come true."

As well as winning the Worthing 10k, Westlake also won the Brighton 10-mile event.

As a result of his running commitments, Westlake featured sporadically for the Robins over 2018, not making a first team appearance until late November.

He was soon back into his groove though, winning man-of-the-match in his second game back away at Eastbourne Town.

Westlake wasn't the only sportsperson with a Hassocks connection to feature either – Dan Strange, who made one first team appearance in the 2008-09 season a year after being part of the Under 18s side who lifted the League cup was selected in second position for his feats in bowling our friends at Burgess Hill Cricket Club to their first championship since 1999.

Strange's entry read; "Strange has had a fantastic year on both a personal and team basis, as his Burgess Hill team secured promotion to Division 2. Strange set a club record of 67 league wickets throughout the season."

Congratulations to both Westie and Strangey on their achievements.



# Benson wins December Player of the Month

**Liam Benson has been voted as Hassocks Player of the Month for December after a blistering run of goalscoring form to round of 2018.**

The striker notched in the Robins' final two games of the year to help Hassocks to a festive haul of seven points from a possible nine.

Coming up against his former club Lancing on Boxing Day, Benson showed his liking for notching against old employers – he'd scored twice at the Beacon back in March in the Lancers' colours on his first game against Hassocks since moving to Culver Road - when he netted a 58<sup>th</sup> minute equaliser for the Robins.

That paved the way for the Mark Dalgleish's side to go onto win the game and pick up three crucial points.

Benson was at it again three days later, this time scoring the only goal of the game as Hassocks came away from struggling Shoreham with all three points via a 1-0 win.

It was a clever goal from the striker which arrived with 30 minutes played at Middle Road.

Shoreham couldn't clear a Jake Lindsey corner and when Spencer Slaughter drove in a low shot from the edge of the box, Benson showed quick reactions to stick out a foot and divert the ball over the head of Ben Kirk-Patrick guarding the post and into the top corner.

That was Benson's ninth of the season, leaving him already two goals ahead of his best-ever tally for Hassocks.

The award is a particularly impressive achievement for Benson given that he'd started December out of the side and having to settle for

appearances from the substitutes bench in the month's first two matches against Eastbourne Town and Haywards Heath Town.

There was hardly anything between second and third in the voting, with Phil Johnson securing just one percent more of the vote than Will Broomfield to secure the runners up spot.

This was the third month in succession that Johnson has finished second – he was third in August's vote as well – which just highlights the consistency with which the Robins' top scorer has been performing so far this season.

Just like Benson, Johnson scored twice in December with his goals coming in the 3-3 draw away at Chichester City and the win over Lancing.

Both were of the highest quality, Johnson running onto a long ball over the top at the Countywide Gas Stadium to expertly poke past the hesitant Jordan Matthews in the Chi goal and kickstart the Robins comeback from 2-0 down against the league leaders.

His goal against Lancing was described by teammate Spencer Slaughter as "Thierry Henry-esque".

There didn't seem much on when the Robins' top scorer got the ball with his back to goal but he produced a sublime turn in the box and then slotted the ball across Lancers keeper Matt Evans and into the far corner.

Broomfield put in a string of superlative performances at the heart of the Hassocks defence to earn third place, his ability to build play from the back proving to be crucial in the Boxing Day win in particular.

It's been a good month all round really for the Robins and the fact that Harry Mills - also outstanding at the back, and Jake Lindsey - who was a livewire across all six fixture – didn't make the final three says everything about the level of Hassocks' performances across December.



# JOHNSON STRIKES FOR BACK-TO-BACK ONE NIL WINS

Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January, The Beacon  
Hassocks 1-0 East Preston



**Hassocks began the new year as they had ended the old by putting three points on the board with a gritty 1-0 win.**

Their final opponents of 2018 were Shoreham and just what a good three points that was at Middle Road was highlighted by the fact that this week, the Musselmen went and won 1-0 away at second place Horsham YMCA.

The Robins' first opponents of 2019 were East Preston and Hassocks had to show all their battling qualities at the Beacon against Bob Paine's talented young side to grind out another victory with a clean sheet to boot.

You have to go back nearly seven years to February 2012 to find the last time Hassocks managed back-to-back 1-0 wins, Phil Gault securing success against Sidley United and Chris Maynard doing likewise a week later against Shoreham.

This time, it was Liam Benson who won the three points against Shoreham and his strike partner Phil Johnson provided the only goal of the game here against EP.

Johnson struck for the 16<sup>th</sup> time this season 10 minutes before half time, the least that the Robins deserved for a first half in which they were the dominant side.

Bradley Tighe's decision to take a quick throw out on the right appeared to be a questionable one when it looked to have been cut out by Lewis Jenkins.

The EP defender's clearance was a poor one though and he only succeeded in giving the ball to James Littlejohn who burst forward at speed before fizzing in a low cross.

Johnson meanwhile had timed his run to perfection, arriving front and centre of the goal before using his knee in a brilliant piece of improvisation to send the ball past George Bentley in the visitor's goal.

Hassocks had fashioned other opportunities to take the lead before that, most notably when hitting a post in the 20<sup>th</sup> minute as they gave another encouraging display of attacking football.

That was despite several notable absentees. Spencer Slaughter and Harry Mills were both suspended, captain Jordan Badger was unavailable due to work commitments and Jake Lindsey fell ill in the lead up to the game.

Mark Dalgleish recalled November's Player of the Month Harvey Enticknap and he rewarded the manager's faith with a man-of-the-match showing in the midfield engine room alongside debutant Scott Kirkwood.

The former Burgess Hill Town favourite arrived in midweek from Shoreham and his signing is something of a coup for the Robins given that there will be other Premier Division clubs with bigger budgets who would surely love to have a player of his considerable talents.

Kirkwood showed glimpses of those talents, driving his new side on

and there will no doubt be more to come once he gets fully match fit, this being his first competitive action since his last appearance for Shoreham five weeks previously.

Littlejohn and Dan Jacques were the other beneficiaries of the absentees and both did their claims for more regular involvement no harm in what is a hectic 10 days in which the Robins play three home games.

EP emerged for the second half clearly fired up and it took an excellent save from Josh Green to deny Dan Huet just four minutes after the restart.

Yet for all their pressure, they never really managed to find a way past the Robins backline of Tighe, Jacques, Will Broomfield and Harvey Blake, who did an admirable job out of position at left back in the absence of Badger.

The closest EP came was when Luke Brodie fired just over in a melee from a corner.

Hassocks really should have put the game to bed, using Johnson and Littlejohn's pace on the counter to good effect, but they couldn't quite find the second goal with both Benson and Johnson missing good opportunities.

**Hassocks:** Green; Tighe, Jacques, Broomfield, Badger; Enticknap, Kirkwood, Bull; Littlejohn, Johnson, Benson.

**Subs:** Whittingham, Brown, O'Leary, Wickwar (unused)



# DOUBLE DELIGHT AS UNDER 18s & LADIES START 2019 WITH WINS

**Hassocks Under 18s and Hassocks Ladies began 2019 with big victories last weekend ahead of what is shaping up to be a big year for both sides...**



**After ending 2018 in their worst run of form for two-and-a-half years, Hassocks Under 18s got 2019 underway with an excellent 5-1 win at home against Broadbridge Heath.**

Three consecutive defeats against to St Francis Rangers, Montpelier Villa and AFC Vardeanians represented the Robins poorest sequence of results since February 2016 as a year in which they lifted an historic treble came to a close with something of a whimper.

Retaining their Central Division title looks a tall order now for Brad Sweetman's side with leaders Haywards Heath Town nine points clear but on this showing, Hassocks are going to give it a real go.

The Beacon pitch was in remarkable condition for early January, especially in light of the fact that it had been used less than 24 hours earlier as the first team ground out a 1-0 win over East Preston.

Sweetman made a raft of changes from the side that had exited the Sussex Dennis Probee Under 18 Cup at the third round stage in their last game before Christmas.

First choice goalkeeper Toby Fisher, Josh Sandilands, Harvey Ransome, Brandon Sheppard, Yahya Azizi and Sam Herd were all missing from the starting line up.

In their places came Danny Bulgin for a rare start in between the posts, Alex Moulvogny, Jordan Fowler, Harry Meredith and Tristan Hayes while there was also a full debut for Finlay McDermott.

The return of top scorer in Hayes was a big boost to the Robins in particular and it didn't take the striker long to showcase his considerable talents as he put Hassocks 1-0 ahead

with just seven minutes played.

That helped settle any nerves and alleviate any doubts that may have crept in during that pre-Christmas losing run and Hayes made sure that his side went into break two goals to the good when doubling the advantage right on the stroke of half time.

There was a scoring rush just past the hour mark as three goals were plundered in as many minutes.

Both sides scored with 62 on the clock, Luis Bhana to get the Bears on the scoresheet and George Mercer netting his first goal in Hassocks colours to maintain the hosts two goal advantage.

Three minutes later and Hayes completed his hat-trick to make it 4-1 with captain Jack Baden rounding off the scoring with the fifth in the 88<sup>th</sup> minute following his earlier introduction from the bench.



**Hassocks Ladies made it a perfect 10 as they made it 30 points from a possible 30 in Division One West of the South East Counties Women's League after a 4-0 win away at Wandgas.**

And the score against their third-placed hosts could have been even greater were it not for a brilliant performance from the Wandgas goalkeeper.

The home custodian set the tone for her afternoon by denying Kelly Rushworth and Kirsten Mair inside of the first 10 minutes while a good opportunity for Hassocks went begging when Rushworth and Billie Philpott got in each other's way as both attempted to shoot at the same time.

The Robins' top scorer Philpott had no such problems when she

opened the scoring with 11 minutes played, the Sussex Rep Squad player scoring with a quite brilliant lob from the tightest of angles.

There were a worrying few minutes afterwards when a Wandgas player was unable to continue after she had to be treated for breathing difficulties – thankfully, she appeared to have recovered satisfactorily a short time later.

Sarah Chappell in the Hassocks goal dealt well with a dangerous looking cross as Wandgas looked to impress themselves on the game but in truth, that was about as good as it got for the hosts.

Mair saw another shot saved and Rushworth dragged an effort wide before making up for that by scoring after a fine individual run midway through the half.

Katherine Chappell produced on a similar solo effort, but she was denied by the Wandgas goalkeeper before substitute Rose Jump scored with her first touch in the 34<sup>th</sup> minute to send Hassocks into the break with a 3-0 lead.

The second half was just eight minutes old when the Robins made it four, Jodie Johanson and Chappell linking up well to tee up Mair whose left footed shot proved too hot for the goalkeeper.

Philpott hit a ferocious shot against the bar, Stevens saw a header from a corner saved and then a Mair corner was kept out by a combination of keeper and post.

The Wandgas number one's best save of the afternoon came 15 minutes before the end when she somehow produced a fine reaction save to block Philpott's effort with her feet.

There were further chances for the Robins to add to their tally, Philpott again being denied, Tallie Bright fire just wide and then in the final minutes, Rushworth nearly broke the crossbar with the goalkeeper well beaten.



# 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	1-2	Johnson
13/10 – 15:00	Lingfield (H)	PBLC3	0-3	
20/10 – 15:00	Little Common (A)	SCFLP	2-4	Lindsey, Blake
27/10 – 15:00	Newhaven (H)	SCFLP	1-2	Johnson
30/10 – 19:45	Seaford Town (H)	RURC3	6-2	Benson, Badger, Johnson, Lindsey (2), Mills
10/11 – 15:00	Broadbridge Heath (A)	SCFLP	0-6	
17/11 – 15:00	Pagham (A)	SCFLP	2-5	Lindsey, Badger
24/11 – 15:00	Lingfield (H)	SCFLP	3-2	Johnson (2), Lindsey
08/12 – 15:00	Eastbourne Town (A)	SCFLP	1-2	Westlake
11/12 – 19:45	Haywards Heath Town (H)	RURCQF	0-3	
15/12 – 15:00	Peacehaven & Tels. (H)	SCFLP	0-4	
22/12 – 15:00	Chichester City (A)	SCFLP	3-3	Johnson, Mills, Littlejohn
26/12 – 11:00	Lancing (H)	SCFLP	3-1	Benson, Johnson, Lindsey
29/12 – 15:00	Shoreham (A)	SCFLP	1-0	Benson
05/01 – 15:00	East Preston (H)	SCFLP	1-0	Johnson
12/01 – 15:00	Horsham YMCA (H)	SCFLP		
15/01 – 19:45	AFC Uckfield Town (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 (A)	SCFLP		

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# Appearances 2018-19



	2018-19 Season:				Hassocks Career:	
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals	Games	Goals
Liam Benson	24	4	28	9	94	26
Harvey Blake	25	2	27	1	27	1
Phil Johnson	24	2	26	16	136	62
Jordan Badger	24	1	25	3	100	7
Jake Lindsey	17	7	24	6	43	10
Harry Mills	21	2	23	2	89	4
Dan Stokes	16	6	22	3	126	8
Joe Bull	11	11	22	0	22	0
Spencer Slaughter	19	1	20	3	284	45
Will Broomfield	18	1	19	0	46	0
Josh Green	17	0	17	0	23	0
Dan Jacques	16	1	17	1	207	9
James Littlejohn	9	7	16	2	17	2
Matt Berridge	12	3	15	1	30	1
Alex Spinks	9	3	12	0	13	0
Harvey Enticknap	7	5	12	0	12	0
Jack Wilkins	8	2	10	0	68	1
Alex Harris	9	0	9	0	60	0
Bradley Tighe	7	0	7	0	81	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	0	7	7	0	27	3
Bradley Bant	4	1	5	0	131	12
James Westlake	4	0	4	1	194	29
Ellis Common	3	0	3	0	29	2
Matt Ford	3	0	3	0	3	0
Andy Whittingham	3	0	3	0	54	0
Ryan Collins	2	1	3	0	35	2
Toby Fisher	2	0	2	0	2	0
Dan Webster	2	0	2	0	2	0
Phil Wickwar	1	1	2	0	40	0
Jack Baden	0	2	2	0	2	0
Ben O'Leary	0	2	2	0	8	0
Scott Kirkwood	1	0	1	0	1	0
Joe Russell	1	0	1	0	14	0

## Coming up...



# 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	0-1	
11/10 – 19:45	Hailsham Town (H)	CU23C1	6-0	Willcox (4), Littlejohn, Bradley
18/10 – 19:45	Mile Oak (H)	SCFL23	5-0	Russell, Willcox (2), Enticknap
25/10 – 19:45	Lancing (H)	SCFL23	3-2	OG, Glenn, Galbraith-Gibbons
15/11 – 19:45	Hastings United (H)	CU23C2	2-4	Common, Littlejohn
22/11 – 19:45	Peacehaven & Tels. (H)	U23LC2	6-0	Littlejohn (2), Willcox (2), Hayes (2)
06/12 – 19:45	Horsham YMCA (H)	SCFL23	1-1	Bradley
13/12 – 19:45	East Preston (A)	SCFL23	3-1	Willcox, Berridge (2)
10/01 – 19:45	Broadbridge Heath (A)	SCFL23		
31/01 – 19:45	Midhurst & E'bourne (H)	U23LC3		

# Under 23s Appearances 2018-19

	2018-19 Season:			
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals
Josh Green	13	0	13	0
Harvey Enticknap	11	2	13	2
James Oliver	10	3	13	0
Kieran Wells	8	5	13	0
Will Glenn	8	5	13	1
Connor Bradley	12	0	12	5
James Littlejohn	12	0	12	12
Louie Derham	10	2	12	0
Ellis Common	11	0	11	1
Joe Russell	7	4	11	1
Jake Lane	6	5	11	0
Max Willcox	9	0	9	11
Ben Jonas	8	1	9	0
Martin Ratcliffe	5	4	9	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	2	5	7	4
Matt Berridge	4	0	4	2
Solly Ross	3	1	4	0
Tristan Hayes	2	2	4	2
Kieran Dimelow	1	3	4	0
Steve Bright	1	1	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



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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, Loveridge, Azizi (2)
09/09 – 11:00	Lancing (A)	SCFL18	5-4	Moulvogny, 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	8-1	Hayes (2), Baden (2), Sandilands (2), Fowler, Azizi
21/10 – 11:00	Haywards Heath Town (A)	SCFL18	3-5	Hayes, Azizi, Sandilands
28/10 – 11:00	Steyning Town (A)	SCFL18	2-1	OG, Moulvogny
18/11 – 11:00	St Francis Rangers (H)	SCFL18	2-3	Hayes (2)
25/11 – 11:00	Montpelier Villa (H)	U18LC2	2-3	Azizi, McDermott
09/12 – 11:00	AFC Varndeanians (H)	CU18C3	1-4	Ransome
06/01 – 11:00	Broadbridge Heath (H)	SCFL18	5-1	Hayes (3), Mercer, Baden
13/01 – 11:00	Upper Beeding (A)	SCFL18		
20/01 – 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 (H)	SCFL18		

# Under 18s Appearances 2018-19

## 2018-19 Season:

	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals
Jack Gardner	11	0	11	0
Josh Sandilands	11	0	11	3
Yahya Azizi	10	1	11	10
Brandon Sheppard	6	5	11	0
George Mercer	10	0	10	0
Toby Fisher	7	3	10	0
Henry Le-May	7	3	10	1
Jack Baden	9	0	9	3
Jordan Fowler	9	0	9	1
Harvey Ransome	9	0	9	1
Alex Moulvogny	8	1	9	2
Tristan Hayes	8	0	8	13
Ross Pedley	5	3	8	0
Sam Herd	2	6	8	1
Alfie Loveridge	4	2	6	1
Harry Meredith	2	2	4	0
Danny Bulgin	2	0	2	0
Luke Brayne	0	3	3	0
Finley McDermott	0	2	2	1
Connor Curran	0	1	1	0
Kieran Dimelow	0	1	1	0
Wilfres Tunley-Ho	0	1	1	0

# Mid Sussex Times

# 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	Steyning 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	Steyning 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	4-0	Philpott (2), K.Chappell (2)
21/10 – 14:00	Bexhill United (H)	CWT1	2-1	Philpott, Rushworth
04/11 – 13:30	Cray Valley (H)	WLC1	5-0	Philpott, Rushworth, Johansson, K.Chappell, Mair
11/11 – 14:00	Wandgas (H)	SECW1	7-0	K.Chappell, G.Craig, Philpott (2), Rushworth, Callow (2)
18/11 – 14:00	Victorie Development (A)	SECW1	11-0	K.Chappell (3), Mair (3), Philpott (3), Callow, Rushworth
25/11 – 14:00	Bexhill United (A)	SECW1	17-0	Philpott (6), Johansson, K.Chappell (3), Rushworth (3), Mair (2), Bright (2)
09/12 – 13:30	Anchorians (A)	WLC2	5-1	K.Chappell (2), Johansson (2), Mair
16/12 – 13:30	Littlehampton (H)	CWTQF	3-1	K.Chappell, Philpott, Rushworth
06/01 – 14:00	Wandgas (A)	SECW1	4-0	Mair, Philpott, Rushworth, Jump
20/01 – 14:00	Montpelier Villa (H)	CWTSF		
27/01 – 14:00	Oakwood (H)	SECW1		

# Ladies Appearances 2018-19

	Starts	2018-19 Season:		Goals
		Used	Sub	
Sam Newman	13	0	13	0
Kelly Rushworth	12	1	13	9
Emma Young	12	1	13	0
Katherine Chappell	12	0	12	18
Kirsten Mair	12	0	12	10
Billie Philpott	12	0	12	22
Chloe John	11	0	11	0
Sarah Chappell	10	1	11	0
Claire Stevens	9	2	11	1
Tallie Bright	10	0	10	2
Jodie Johanson	6	4	10	4
Liz King	6	4	10	0
Gemma Craig	8	0	8	3
Ellie Moquet	4	2	6	0
Lisa Callow	1	5	6	3
Ria Banitas	3	0	3	0
Laura Espana	1	2	3	0
Rose Jump	0	3	3	1
Hollie Larmar	0	3	3	0
Banna Hannes	0	2	2	0
Jess Craig	0	1	1	0



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# 22 QUESTIONS WITH...

## Jake Lindsey

Hassocks' talented young striker Jake Lindsey talks about his love for Lionel Messi, coming from a family where nobody else has an interest in football and what it is like looking like Draco Malfoy from the Harry Potter movies...



### What's your nickname?

Malfoy. Somebody in the crowd shouted it out when we played against Chichester City. He's the character from Harry Potter that I supposedly look like.

### What team do you support?

Chelsea, as my Uncle was the only football fan in our family and that is the team he supports.

### Who was your footballing idol growing up?

Always Lionel Messi, the guy plays like he is not from this planet.

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

Winning the treble of the Under 18s Central Division, Champions of Champions and League Cup title last season.

### Best moment in your career?

Playing against Portsmouth at Fratton Park in the FA Youth Cup when I was playing for Lewes.

### Most embarrassing moment of your career?

I've managed to hit the post with an open goal before. Can't say I was too pleased about that.

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

When a load of bird's mess landed in Ashley Young's mouth during a Manchester United game.

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

Tom McGill. He plays in goal and is currently to do with both Brighton and England.

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

Fratton Park or Upton Park.

### Favourite opposition team to play against?

I've always liked playing against Haywards Heath Town as they're our rivals.

### Who is the best trainer at Hassocks?

Liam Benson.

**Worst dressed player?**

Brad can take this one.

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

We've got a great bunch of lads – in most cases!

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

Dogsey (Mark Dalgleish) always says to me "You might have bags of ability but this is men's football now".

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

Making the games longer would be great.

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

I've said it already, but Messi.

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

Sergio Ramos is this guy is a cheat.

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

Just spend time meeting mates or with my family and girlfriend.

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

Michael McIntyre, Lionel Messi and Frank Lampard.

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

When England won the World Cup Final.

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

The guy who plays Draco Malfoy as we look the same according to Jacquesy and others.

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

None of my immediate family members even like football. I don't know why I'm so obsessed with it!



**lindsey or Malfoy?**



# COMING UP



## AFC Uckfield Town

### When?

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December

### Where?

The Beacon

### Time?

7:45pm

### Competition?

Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division

### Admission?

£6 adults, £3 concessions,  
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### AFC Uckfield Town this season?

After being spared relegation to Division One only by ground grading at the end of the 2016-17 season, AFC Uckfield Town haven't looked back. They finished in 14<sup>th</sup> spot last season although that was with a nine-point penalty – without that deduction, it would have been a 10<sup>th</sup> place finish which would've been close to their highest ever. They've taken that impressive form into this season and are in a mid-table position while also being the only Southern Combination League sides to have made it to the fourth round of the FA Vase, a brave run that ended with a 4-1 defeat against Windsor last weekend. Among their impressive league results are victories over Eastbourne Town and points taken from both Saltdean United and Newhaven.

### Hassocks' record against AFC Uckfield Town?

It's pretty mixed. The Robins have won eight of the 14 meetings between the two with the Oaks

triumphing in six. There has never been a draw, which means it won't be one that you'll want to include on your coupon.

### Last time Hassocks played AFC Uckfield Town?

It was a complete disaster from a Hassocks point of the view as the Robins were plunged further into the relegation mire with a 3-1 defeat at the Beacon in February. Bright Temba, Bailo Camara and Matt McLean all scored in the space of five second half minutes to give the Oaks victory. Spencer Slaughter netted the consolation.

### Played for both?

Goalkeeper Alex Harris is one of a number of players to have represented both clubs over the last eight years or so, having played for Town briefly at the end the 2016-17 season in between his second and third spells with Hassocks. Others include left back Andy Whittingham, central defender Matt Carruthers and striker Dan Barnard.



**Eastbourne United**

**When?**

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January

**Where?**

The Oval

**Time?**

3pm

**Competition?**

Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division

**Admission?**

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**Eastbourne United this season?**

It's been a difficult campaign for Eastbourne United so far. Manager Tobi Hutchinson resigned on the eve of the season with player Ryan Cooper stepping into the breach. His chances of success were hamstrung by a lack of players, with Cooper even having to play himself in goal on occasion as United sunk to the bottom of the table without a win in their first 16 league games. By that point, Cooper had stepped down with assistant manager Arron Hopkinson assuming control. Hopkinson was able to appoint former Hastings United boss Jason Hopkinson as his number two and the duo have secured a glut of impressive signings, including Sam Schaff from Horsham YMCA. Results have also picked up and they now have two wins on the board and a credible last minute defeat to title challenging Newhaven.

**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. hugely by a 7-1 win in the FA Cup in 2010 which remains the Robins second biggest win of the last decade.

**Last time we Hassocks played Eastbourne United?**

It was a routine victory for the Robins as they ran out 3-0 winners at the Beacon in September. Matt Berridge notched his first senior goal for the club along with strikes from Liam Benson and Spencer Slaughter.

**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.

**Played for both?**

Goalkeeper James Broadbent and midfielder Zak Dove have played for both sides in the last five years.



**Arundel**

**When?**

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January

**Where?**

The Beacon

**Time?**

3pm

**Competition?**

Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division

**Admission?**

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

**Arundel this season?**

Arundel's place as the Premier Division's second longest serving club after Hassocks looks under threat with the Mullets currently sitting second from bottom in the table having recently been overtaken by Loxwood. The Magpies climb has been fuelled by a new-manager bounce with Eastbourne United possibly set to experience the same uplift, Arundel are probably in more danger than at any time in their recent history. They did escape from a similarly perilous position last season and their supporters will have to hope that the Mullets can get produce another great escape to get out of the mire.

**Hassocks' record against Arundel?**

Having played each other at least twice every season since 2000, the head-to-head record is pretty even. Hassocks have won 17 of the meetings with 17 draws and 14 Arundel wins. Both sides much prefer

track record at Mill Road with just a handful of wins from their last 20 league visits.

**Last time Hassocks played Arundel?**

Having just mentioned Hassocks' woeful record away at Arundel, the Robins did actually manage a rare victory on the banks of the Arun back in August. Benjamin Gray had given the Mullets a half time lead but a brace from Phil Johnson – his first goals since returning to the Robins from Horsham YMCA – and a Dan Stokes strike gave Mark Dalglish's side a 3-1 win and their first three points of the campaign.

**What is Arundel famous for?**

Beautiful Arundel Castle, home to the Duke of Norfolk, which sets above Mill Road and makes the Mullet's home one of the most picturesque grounds in the whole country to visit.

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# Around the League



**Chichester City kicked off 2019 by extending their lead at the top of the Premier Division on a day that saw three of the bottom four picking up victories to shake things up in the battle to avoid relegation...**

**It was a routine win for Miles Rutherford's leaders away at Loxwood where first half goals from Gicu Iordache and David Herbert secured a 2-0 win which moved Chi five points clear at the top.**

**Newhaven's** 4-0 win over **Langney Wanderers** lifted them up into second with two games in hand on Chi.

Lee Robinson's prolific season continued with another hat-trick and brother Ian was also on target in their victory at the Trafalgar Ground.

There was a shock at Gorings Mead where struggling **Shoreham** got their first win under new boss Curtis Foster with a 1-0 success over **Horsham YMCA**.

Thomas Johnston got the only goal of the game with 15 minutes remaining as Peter Buckland's YM slipped to third in the table.

Bailie Rogers and Ross Barclay looked like they had put **Saltdean United** on course for victory against **Crawley Down Gatwick** as the Tigers stormed into a two-goal lead inside of 30 minutes but Down struck back through a Nick Sullivan brace to earn a share of the spoils.

Nothing could separate fifth placed **Broadbridge Heath** and seventh placed **Pagham** as they played out a goalless draw at Nyetimber Lane while **Peacehaven & Telscombe** shared a seven-goal thriller at **Little Common**.

The Tye were three goals to the good inside of 20 minutes through Brandon Kilula, Jake Legrange and Callum Hart but any thoughts that it was going to be a cakewalk were quickly dispelled as the hosts pulled two back before the break via Lewis Parsons and Lewis Hole.

Peacehaven left it late to sew up the win, Fergus Burton and Hart again striking in the final 20 minutes.

Second bottom **Arundel** ended up being easy 3-1 winners at home to **Lancing**, Harry Russell and David Crouch scoring for the Mullets after the Lancers' Matthew Daniel had cancelled Benjamin Gray's early opener.

Bottom of the pile **Eastbourne United** also hauled themselves closer towards safety, shocking **Lingfield** 4-2 at the Sports Pavilion.

Charlie Ball scored twice for United along with Tyler Pearson and Chris Cumming-Bart while the hosts had Samuel Clements and Ben Connolly on the scoresheet.

Division One leaders **Steyning Town** dropped points as they were held to a 0-0 draw away at a **Selsey** side who are themselves on the cusp of the promotion battle.

**Bexhill United** took advantage of Alford not having a game to move up into second after winning 4-3 at home to **Seaford Town**.

Jamie Bunn scored twice for the Pirates along with Drew Greenall and Sammy Bunn with Town's goals coming from Shaun Lee and a brace from Jack Webber.

There was a return to winning ways for **AFC Varndeanians** who won 4-0 at **Southwick** with Ryan Storrie, former Hassocks Under 21 player Luke Manley and a double for Joe Keehan securing all three points whilst sixth placed **Hailsham Town** became the latest scalp to be claimed by improving **Mile Oak** as Adam Dine scored the only goal of the game to give hosts a 1-0 win at Mile Oak Rec.

**Littlehampton Town's** recent resurgence was halted as they crashed 3-2 at home to **Sidlesham**.

Jack Williamson and Darren Boswell scored for the hosts with the Sids goals coming from Cameron Corell, David Rough and Joe Gromett.

There was an impressive 3-0 win for **Wick** at home to manager less **Worthing United** and **Oakwood** scored four first half goals from Oluwaseun Olabiyi, Ross Jones, Abubacarr Touray Drammeh and Charlie Adsett as they ran out 4-1 winners away at **Midhurst & Easebourne**.

The day's big winners were **Billingshurst** who hammered **Storrington** 6-1 at Jubilee Fields.

Benjamin Brooker helped himself to a hat-trick with the other Hurst goals coming from Chris Spiers and a double from Nicholas Tilley.

Division Two leaders **Angmering Seniors** were made to work hard for all three points at home to **Rottingdean Village**, eventually triumphing 5-3 with five different scorers as Jonathan Hendrick, Michael Hendrick, Danny Cooper, Thomas Hamilton and Daniel Swain were all on target.

Josh Irish's hat-trick for second placed **Rustington** gave them a 3-2 win over **Upper Beeding** to keep them a point behind the leaders and there was also a hat-trick for third placed **Roffey**, Patrick O'Sullivan netting a treble to secure a 4-2 win over **Cowfold**.

Terry Robinson scored twice for **Westfield** in the final eight minutes to secure a 3-2 win over **Littlehampton United**, a remarkable game at the Limekiln saw **Jarvis Brook** beat spirited **Ferring** 9-4, **Bosham** drew 2-2 away at **Brighton Electricity** and **Worthing Town** and **Montpelier Villa** shared the spoils in a 1-1 draw.



# How they stand...

## Macron Store Southern Combination Premier Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chichester City	22	17	2	3	63	19	53
Newhaven	20	15	3	2	51	26	48
<b>Horsham YMCA</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>46</b>
Saltdean United	21	12	5	4	46	27	41
Broadbridge Heath	24	11	6	7	47	30	39
Eastbourne Town	21	11	4	6	48	32	37
Pagham	21	9	9	3	44	23	36
Crawley Down	22	10	6	6	45	36	36
Lingfield	22	11	3	8	41	39	36
Peacehaven & Tels.	23	11	3	9	41	44	36
East Preston	21	8	5	8	30	31	29
AFC Uckfield Town	19	8	4	7	41	31	28
Lancing	23	8	3	12	36	52	27
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>25</b>
Shoreham	24	5	5	14	24	51	20
Langney Wanderers	24	3	9	12	29	55	18
Little Common	21	4	4	13	30	49	16
Arundel	22	3	7	12	31	57	16
Loxwood	22	4	2	16	33	55	14
Eastbourne United	21	2	3	16	18	56	9

## Premier Division Form Guide

Chichester City	WWDWWW
Newhaven	WWDWWW
Lingfield	WWWWWL
Eastbourne Town	WWWWDW
AFC Uckfield	WWWLWD
Saltdean United	WLWWWL
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>LLDWWW</b>
Broadbridge Heath	LLWWDD
Pagham	WLWLDD
Crawley Down	LLWLWD
Eastbourne Utd	LWLLWD
East Preston	LLWDLW
Peacehaven & Tels.	WLLDWL
<b>Horsham YMCA</b>	<b>WDLWLL</b>
Lancing	WWLLDL
Loxwood	WWLLLL
Shoreham	LLLLWD
Arundel	LDLLLL
Little Common	LLWDLL
Langney Wanderers	LDDDLL

## Premier Division Attendances

	Ave	Tot	High	Low
Eastbourne Town	283	2830	856	117
Peacehaven & Tels.	182	2184	444	108
Newhaven	123	1227	351	74
Pagham	123	1102	307	66
<b>Horsham YMCA</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>1248</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>65</b>
Langney Wanderers	108	1287	245	55
East Preston	106	1054	128	61
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1050</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>79</b>
Eastbourne United	98	980	125	71
Chichester City	95	1130	160	47
Shoreham	79	867	137	55
Little Common	79	790	147	32
Lancing	75	820	132	54
Crawley Down	65	833	92	38
Broadbridge Heath	54	593	89	38
Loxwood	54	586	100	44
Lingfield	52	562	73	41
Arundel	44	525	72	29
AFC Uckfield Town	45	356	57	24
Saltdean United	43	472	73	27

## Premier Division Scorers

Lee Robinson	Newhaven	29
Callum Overton	Pagham	14
Dean Brown	Horsham YMCA	14
Ben Gray	Arundel	13
<b>Phil Johnson</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>13</b>
Scott Jones	Chichester City	12
Oliver Leslie	Crawley Down	12
Devon Fender	B'bridge Heath	11
Sam Clements	Lingfield	10
Dan Perry	Eastbourne Town	10
Matt MacLean	AFC Uckfield	10
Callum Smith	AFC Uckfield	10
Jamie Brotherton	Saltdean	10
<b>Alex Barbary</b>	<b>Horsham YM</b>	<b>10</b>
George Gaskin	Pagham	9
Sam Cane	Crawley Down	9
Callum Hart	Peacehaven	9
Lewis Hole	Little Common	9
Dave Herbert	Chichester City	8
Wayne Wilkinson	Langney Wand	7



## Macron Store Southern Combination Under 23 West Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Horsham YMCA	12	8	2	2	33	20	26
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>
Pagham	11	6	1	4	38	15	19
<b>East Preston</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>19</b>
Lancing	13	5	2	6	29	20	17
Arundel	11	3	5	3	24	28	14
Southwick	12	4	2	6	19	33	14
Broadbridge Heath	8	3	2	3	13	14	11
Selsey	8	3	1	4	17	14	10
Midhurst & E'bourne	10	2	1	7	16	44	7
Mile Oak	12	2	1	9	13	44	7

## Under 23 West Scorers

Dion Jarvis	Arundel	12
<b>Jakob Heryet</b>	<b>East Preston</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>James Littlejohn</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>8</b>
James Hubbard	Pagham	8
Luke Richards	Lancing	7
Leon Earles	Horsham YMCA	7
<b>Max Willcox</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>6</b>
Taku Madhlazi	Lancing	5
Tom Shergold	B'bridge Heath	5
Jake Goulding	Midhurst	4
<b>Jack Collins</b>	<b>East Preston</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>George G'Gibbons</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>4</b>

## Macron Store Southern Combination Under 18 Central Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Haywards Heath	10	10	0	0	70	17	30
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>
Upper Beeding	8	6	0	2	33	18	18
Southwick	7	4	0	3	31	18	12
Steyning Town	9	4	0	5	29	20	12
Lancing	8	3	0	5	24	23	9
St Francis Rangers	8	3	0	5	20	28	9
Broadbridge Heath	10	2	0	8	17	49	6
Rottingdean	9	0	0	9	16	88	0

## Under 18 Central Scorers

Ollie Broad	Haywards Heath	24
Jacob Ross	Southwick	11
<b>Tristan Hayes</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>10</b>
Mahamadou Juwala	Haywards Heath	10
<b>Yahya Azizi</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>8</b>
Alex Bridger	Steyning Town	8
Morgan Kennett	Southwick	8
Charlie Millard	Lancing	7
Joey Biner	Haywards Heath	7
Harvey Gallis	Steyning Town	7

## South East Counties Womens League Division One West Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>30</b>
Mole Valley	9	6	1	2	36	19	19
Wandgas	11	6	1	4	24	24	19
Steyning Town	9	5	1	3	37	18	16
Oakwood	9	4	0	5	30	16	12
Burgess Hill Town	5	3	1	1	20	5	10
Milford & Witley	8	3	1	4	25	19	10
Bexhill United	10	0	1	9	8	73	1
Victoire	9	0	0	9	3	65	0

## Division One West Scorers

<b>Billie Philpott</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Katherine Chappell</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>19</b>
Charlotte Blunt	Mole Valley	13
Leigh Anne Jordan	Steyning Town	10
<b>Kirstin Mair</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Kelly Rushworth</b>	<b>Hassocks</b>	<b>9</b>
Maria Bardea	Burgess Hill	8
Shauna Mann	Wandgas	8
Lauren Tyler	Oakwood	7
Keeley Wheatley	Burgess Hill	7
Sydnee Offord	Milford & Witley	7



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Broadbridge Heath home **Liam Benson**  
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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 **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 **Spencer Slaughter**  
Crawley Down Gatwick home **Harvey Blake**  
Lingfield home **Harvey Blake**  
Little Common away **Jake Lindsey**  
Newhaven home **Harvey Blake**  
Seaford Town home **Jake Lindsey**  
Broadbridge Heath away **Jack Wilkins**  
Pagham away **Harvey Enticknap**  
Lingfield home **Harvey Enticknap**  
Eastbourne Town away **James Westlake**  
Haywards Heath Town home **Jake Lindsey**  
Peacehaven & Telscombe home **Dan Jacques**  
Chichester City away **Jake Lindsey**  
Lancing home **Liam Benson**  
Shoreham away **Josh Green**  
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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

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

November 2018

1<sup>st</sup>: **Harvey Enticknap**  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **Phil Johnson**  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **Jake Lindsey**

December 2018

1<sup>st</sup>: **Liam Benson**  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **Phil Johnson**  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **Will Broomfield**

January 2019

1<sup>st</sup>:  
2<sup>nd</sup>:  
3<sup>rd</sup>:

February 2019

1<sup>st</sup>:  
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March 2019

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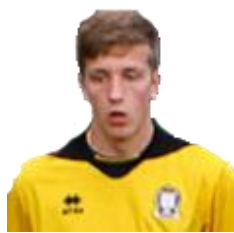
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# Who's who of Hassocks

## 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	246	38	284	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	178	29	207	9
Pat Harding	178	17	195	131
James Westlake	181	13	194	29
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
Phil Johnson	114	22	136	62
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
Dan Stokes	91	35	126	8
Nick Newman	110	4	114	2
Michael Death	87	25	112	38
<b>Jamie Weston</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>14</b>
Mark Lauder	77	29	106	1
Sam Fisk	84	20	104	6
Tom Barnes	90	13	103	0
Jamie Hillwood	79	23	102	22
Jordan Badger	98	2	100	7
Eddie French	97	2	99	10
Luke Akehurst	86	10	96	1



**Jamie Weston**

Jamie Weston spent two-and-a-half-seasons with Hassocks in which time his wand of a left foot earned him the nickname "The Wizard".

Weston was part of Burgess Hill Town's treble winning Under 18 side of 2005 but couldn't make the breakthrough to the first team at Leylands Park and so dropped down to Upper Beeding.

St Francis Rangers soon recognised his talents and he made the move to Colwell Road, spending a few happy seasons with Rangers before Mickey Jewell brought him to the Beacon in November 2010.

Weston instantly established himself in the first team and was a virtual ever present over the next 30 months, racking up 107 appearances and scoring 14 times.

Comfortable anywhere down the left, in central midfield or as a striker, he became a popular player with the Beacon faithful before his return to St Francis in the summer of 2013.

Weston joined Haywards Heath Town in 2015, helping the Blues to the Division One title, the Division One Cup, the Premier Division title and the Peter Bentley Cup in three trophy-laden seasons before leaving in the summer to join Balcombe in the Mid Sussex League.

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Jake Lindsey	
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James Littlejohn	
Jack Wilkins	

**Manager** Mark Dalglish  
**Coach** Mark Price  
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## Horsham YMCA

	Aaron Jeal
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**Assistant** Julian Miller  
**Coach** Ben Godfrey

### Next at the Beacon



AFC Uckfield Town  
 Tuesday 15th January 2019. 7:45pm  
 SCFL Premier Division

### Today's other Premier Division games

AFC Uckfield Town v East Preston  
 Eastbourne United v Chichester City  
 Lingfield v Saltdean United  
 Loxwood v Eastbourne Town  
 Newhaven v Arundel  
 Pagham v Little Common