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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 23 TEAM

Southern Combination Under 23 West Division

Runners up 2018, 2019

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, 2019

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 start of a hectic run of four consecutive home games...

The first two of those fixtures are in cup competitions and we kick off that run today with Horley Town the visitors in the second qualifying round of the FA Vase.

Welcome to the Clarets

We've rarely crossed paths with the Clarets in competitive football before with only two previous meetings - and this is the first time they've visited the Beacon.

We received excellent hospitality on our trip to the New Defence on the opening day of the campaign and we hope that the players, supporters and officials of Horley enjoy a similar day with us here - although hopefully with a different result!

Home games coming up

So, what of those home games coming up? We've had a hastily arranged Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup game with Pagham crammed in for this Tuesday night with a 7.45pm kick off.

After that, it's back-to-back Premier Division meetings with Lingfield and then Loxwood, offering the chance to hopefully put some much-needed points on the board to

start climbing the Premier Division table.

There is also a home Peter Bentley League Cup tie with Langney Wanderers to be arranged at some point, but the league have assured us that won't be until October given the packed nature of the fixture list.

Battling the top three

Our lowly league position can in part be attributed to a tricky run of fixtures which have seen away games against the sides sitting second and third in the table in the past two matches.

Broadbridge Heath ran out 2-1 winners at High Wood Hill on Tuesday night and Eastbourne Town 4-1 victors at the Saffrons on Saturday.

Despite those results, both performances were actually extremely encouraging, as was the previous Premier Division game we had when going down 2-1 to second placed Lancing.

Replicate those levels against the sides who are closer to us in the table and hopefully it won't be long before we're pulling away from the mire.

Benson back at the Beacon

Mark has been busy on the transfer front again with Liam Benson returning to the Beacon to boost our attacking options.

Liam left for Steyning Town in the summer but has decided to come back for a third spell in Hassocks colours, following the path trodden by Ben Bacon already this season.

Ben has three goals to his name, so hopefully Liam will have a similar effect now he's back in Robins red.

Under 18s and Ladies defeats

Both the Under 18s and the Ladies began their campaigns last weekend with defeats.

For Brad Sweetman's young Robins, it was a 3-1 loss at St Francis Rangers.

You can catch them here tomorrow against Shoreham at 11am with free entry.

The Ladies meanwhile went down 2-1 at home to Lewes. They're on the road to Newhaven tomorrow.

Enjoy the game,

Owen and Scott



Today's visitors...



Horley Town

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Nickname Clarets

Ground New Defence

Website horleytownfc.co.uk

Twitter @HorleyTownFC

Manager Anthony Jupp

Top Scorer Kerran Boylan, 6

HONOURS

Combined Counties Division 1

Runners up 2007

Surrey Senior League

Winners 1977

Surrey Senior League Cup

Winners 1977

Surrey I'mmediate League East

Winners 1951

Surrey Junior Cup

Winners 1925

Runners up 1924

You wait years to play Horley Town, and then two meetings come along in the space of five weeks. The newest members of the Southern Combination League are today's visitors in the FA Vase...

Nobody really knew how Horley would take to life in the SCFL following their sideways move in the summer.

The Combined Counties League is generally considered to be stronger than its Sussex based counterpart based on national cup results between the two leagues, and so a 10th placed finish there last season pointed to the fact that Anthony Jupp's men could make an impression in their new surroundings.

They're certainly doing that so far, having lost just once in six Premier Division fixtures, which leaves them sitting seventh in the early season table.

They also reached the first qualifying round of the FA Cup, one of only five Southern Combination sides to do so which gives them a game in hand on most of the teams above them. Win that and they could climb up to third and the cusp of the title race.

All of which points to a tough afternoon ahead for Hassocks.

Those who travelled to the New Defence for the opening game of the

season will already know that though, some poor defensive errors from the Robins coupled with clinical finishing from a well-organised Town ensuring it was a 2-0 win for the hosts.

That maintained their 100% record against the Robins - although in fairness, there have only been two meetings so far!

The other came in this competition back in September 2016, Horley running out 4-2 winners at home in a game in which they sauntered into a 3-0 lead inside of 30 minutes.

Hassocks will be hoping for better today on what is Horley's first visit to the Beacon for a competitive fixture.

If the Robins are to progress, then they'll need to stop Town's dangerous front pairing of Kerran Boylan and Tony Halsey.

Boylan already has six goals to his name and anyone who managed to catch the highlights of their 2-2 draw with Loxwood on Tuesday night would have been impressed with the finish he delivered at Plaistow Road.

10 Key Moments

1896... Horley FC are found, becoming affiliated to the Surrey County Football Association

1925... win the Surrey Junior Cup, earning promotion to intermediate football for the first time

1947... move to the Defence, their new home being named in honour of those who died in WWII

1952... enter senior football for the first time after being elected to the Surrey Senior League

1977... their most successful season ends in a Surrey League and Cup double

1978... moved to the Spartan League for a three year spell before joining the Athenian League

1984... joined the Combined Counties League, where they spent the next 11 years before relegation

2003... promoted back to the CCL after spells in the Crawley & District and Surrey Senior Leagues

2003... moved to their current home of the New Defence, one of the best facilities at this level

2019... moved by the FA from the Combined Counties League to the Southern Combination Premier

Last 20 Seasons

2018-19, Combined Counties Premier 10th

2017-18, Combined Counties Premier 14th

2016-17, Combined Counties Premier 7th

2015-16, Combined Counties Premier 6th

2014-15, Combined Counties Premier 16th

2013-14, Combined Counties Premier 19th

2012-13, Combined Counties Premier 12th

2011-12, Combined Counties Premier 7th

2010-11, Combined Counties Premier 16th

2009-10, Combined Counties Premier 14th

2008-09, Combined Counties Premier 12th

2007-08, Combined Counties Premier 5th

2006-07, Combined Counties One 2nd

2005-06, Combined Counties Premier 5th

2004-05, Combined Counties Premier 7th

2003-04, Surrey Senior League 3rd

2002-03, Combined Counties Premier 22nd

2001-02, Combined Counties Premier 5th

2000-01, Combined Counties Premier 19th

1999-00, Combined Counties Premier 14th

Hassocks v Horley Town :: Head-to-Head

SCFL Premier Division... Played 1 - Won 0 - Drawn 0 - Lost 1 - Scored 0 - Conceded 2

FA Vase... Played 1 - Won 0 - Drawn 0 - Lost 1 - Scored 2 - Conceded 4

Total... Played 2 - Won 0 - Drawn 0 - Lost 2 - Scored 2 - Conceded 6

Previous 2 Meetings

2019-20 SCFL Premier: Horley Town 2-0 Hassocks

2016-17 FA Vase: Horley Town 4-2 Hassocks

Played for both

There are just a couple of players who have played for both Hassocks and Horley Town through the years.

The first of those was defender Lee Bryant who moved to the Robins from the New Defence in the summer of 2012.

A former Brighton youth player, Bryant played reserve team football for the Albion at the tender age of 16 before deciding to concentrate instead on a music career.

He became a regular at left back in his first season with the Robins, helping Mickey Jewell's side to their highest ever league finish of fourth in the Premier Division as well as reaching the semi finals of the Sussex RUR Charity Cup.

Bryant found first team opportunities a little harder to come by in the 2013-14 season and he departed a few months into the campaign to play for Ditchling in the

Mid Sussex League with a number of his former Hassocks teammates.

He ended his Robins career having played 44 times for the club without scoring.

The other is **Steve Spies**, who played for Horley long before he turned up at the Beacon.

Spiesy has become something of a Hassocks legend for his prowess in both boxes as a striker and then a defender.

He is also responsible for one of the greatest individual performances in the club's history when turning out for the third team away at Wisdom Sports in their Mid Sussex Premier Division clash in March 2007.

Things didn't get off to the best of starts for Spiesy as he scored an own goal and then gave away a penalty in the first half.

Worse was to come though as in the second, he saw red after producing a brilliant full length diving

save to push the ball around the post with his hands.

Wisdom's scored the resulting penalty on their way to a 3-1 victory. Spiesy then joined them at their club Race Night and subsequent pub crawl to complete a quite amazing day.

He would later go onto manage Hassocks IIIs, once getting sent off for calling the linesman a "cheating *****" within 10 minutes of giving a team talk in which he had urged the older heads in the changing room to lead by example in a team packed full of Under 18s.

Spiesy also had great success as veterans manager, winning several Fred Pretty Cups for the Robins as well as taking the Mid Sussex League's Veterans' section top scorer award multiple times.

He celebrates his 50th birthday soon, but can still be found turning out for Lindfield IIIs on a Saturday and Hassocks Fatboys on a Sunday.

DEFENSIVE ERRORS COST HASSOCKS DEAR AT THE DEFENCE

As far as season openers go, there wasn't too much excitement to shout about as Hassocks met Southern Combination League new boys Horley Town at the New Defence.

It was the hosts who ran out 2-0 winners, but that owed much to two defensive lapses from the Robins.

This was a game devoid of any real quality as two pretty robust back lines ensured that chances were at a premium, save for the goals that Hassocks contrived to give away.

The manner in which they conceded left Mark Dalglish more than a little perplexed with the Hassocks boss knowing that with a little more concentration, his side could have been heading back from the north of the county come 5pm with a hard earned point.

How good a point that would have been remains to be seen.

Horley are something of an unknown quality having been moved across to the Southern Combination League in the summer by the FA.

They finished 10th in the Combined Counties Premier last season, a league that is often considered stronger than its Sussex counterpart based on results in the national cup competitions.

Where that puts them in a Premier Division that doesn't have a clear cut favourite this year nobody yet knows.

But based on this showing, they'll be resolute, well organised and stubborn opponents – traits that could make them a threat to those towards the top of the table.

Hassocks had been scoring goals for fun in pre-season, registering 14 in four games.

Yet they couldn't land a real blow on a Horley back line that was marshalled superbly by the outstanding Ryan Brackpool.

True, Hassocks were well below

their best and created very little of the attacking verve that saw them give their Isthmian League neighbours Burgess Hill Town and Haywards Heath Town a real fright over the last month.

But credit should still go to Horley who defended doggedly when they needed to.

The closest that the Robins came to troubling George Hyde in the home goal was when Phil Johnson had a strong penalty claim waved away by referee Ciaran Kane.

That brought back memories of Hassocks' only previous visit to the New Defence for a competitive fixture, a 4-2 FA Vase defeat three years ago in which they had three cast-iron penalties turned down.

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They'd fallen three goals behind inside a horror opening half hour on that occasion.

It wasn't the best of starts this time around either as Horley took the lead with just five minutes on the clock.

A long throw into the Hassocks box caused chaos and in the ensuing confusion, it appeared to be the unfortunate Andy Whittingham who sliced into his own goal when attempting to clear.

Hassocks regrouped after that early setback and they did some decent things through midfield as the first half wore on.

Alex Spinks was a controlling presence after an injury-hit campaign last time out and Jack Troak, a new signing from Lewes, showed plenty

of promising touches.

The Robins back four looked relatively solid as well. Will Broomfield was partnered at the heart of the defence by Arni Kublickas, back at the Beacon after several seasons in the Mid Sussex League with Burgess Hill Albion.

With Harvey Blake and Whittingham in the full back positions, Josh Green a safe pair of hands in goal and the likes of Harry Mills and enigmatic fan favourite Dan Jacques sitting on the bench, Dalglish certainly appears to have plenty of options for his rear guard.

What will help Hassocks' cause is if this becomes the season when they can finally cut out conceding from set pieces.

Letting in cheap goals from corners and free kicks has been an ongoing problem dating back to 2015, and it was from yet another dead ball scenario that Horley added their second midway through the second half.

Brackpool was the scorer as he escaped the attentions of Rowe-Hurst to be left with a free header which he gleefully powered past Green.

Hassocks turned to James Littlejohn and Joe Bull to try and wrestle a way back into the game but in truth it never looked likely as proceedings petered out, giving Horley an historic first win on their Southern Combination debut.

For Hassocks, there were some promising moments on a tough assignment, although Dalglish and his players will know that they can perform much better than this.

Hassocks: Green; Blake, Broomfield, Kublickas, Whittingham; Stokes, Spinks, Berridge, Troak; Rowe-Hurst, Johnson.

Subs: Bull, Littlejohn (used), Jacques, Mills, Westlake (unused).

Horley Town 4-2 Hassocks

HORROR HALF HOUR ENDS ROBINS' VASE HOPES

Hassocks' return to the FA Vase after a seasons absence was all but over within half an hour of their first ever competitive visit to Horley Town.

By that point their Combined Counties Premier Division hosts were 3-0 up and well on their way to a 4-2 victory which sets them up for a home tie in the second qualifying round with either Selsey or Langney Wanderers, both Southern Combination Division One sides.

Hassocks would have fancied their chances against lower division opposition had they have got through here but a combination of some typically woeful defending from balls into the box and a number of baffling refereeing decisions meant it is Horley who now have that opportunity.

In the absence of Ashley Marsh and Tom Barnes, Hassocks were again forced into using Josh Hawkes as an emergency centre back and the defence were soon creaking under a bombardment of crosses from both flanks.

With just seven minutes gone Horley stuck one on the scoreboard as a Mark Bevan cross from the left was headed in by Kyle Hough.

Seven minutes after that it was two in virtually identical circumstances, the only difference being this time the ball came in from the right hand side via Hough with

Ryan Brackpool the gleeful recipient.

Goal three had a helping hand from the referee as he incensed Hassocks by missing a clear foul on Jordan Badger as the defender attempted to clear with the result being the loose ball being fired home by Richard Whetton.

That that wasn't even the worse decision of the afternoon spoke volumes for the day the man in the middle had.

30 minutes gone, 3-0 down and Hassocks belatedly began to play.

They dominated proceedings from that point and should have had a penalty, a rash tackle in the box leading to howls of protests and Horley players berating their own team mate for his stupidity in lunging in. The result? A goal kick.

Horley hardly had a kick in the opening exchanges of the second half as the excellent James Westlake began to run the show and they were even more under the cosh once the pace of Jamie Hillwood and Ben Bacon had been introduced from the bench in a double change just prior to the hour mark.

Hassocks are understandably fragile in the confidence department since their flying start to the season has come to a stuttering halt in the last few weeks.

But they had nothing to lose in terms of giving it a right go with the best two of a plethora of chances falling to Bacon and Nathan Miles in a two minute period around midway

through.

Investing so much in trying to get back into the game left them prone to the counter and that is exactly what happened with 15 minutes left to pay as any hopes of an unlikely comeback were all but dashed by Whetton as he – surprise, surprise – headed home a Liam Cox cross.

Hassocks added some respectability to the scoreline with two goals in the final 10 minutes, Jamie Hillwood firing home from the edge of the box and then Hawkes converting from the spot after the Robins were finally deemed worthy of a penalty.

Despite that disastrous opening spell which cost Hassocks any chance of winning the tie, it was the officials who were on the end of most of Phil Wickwar's ire at the final whistle.

"We were on the wrong end of two of the worst decisions I've seen in years which really did kill us."

"We got it wrong tactically in the first half but we can take a decent second half performance away with us. At least it is something to build on."

Hassocks: Broadbent; Mills, Hawkes, Badger, Akehurst; Price; J Westlake, Bant; Gault; Death, Miles.

Subs: Bacon (Michael Death), Hillwood (Phil Gault), Stokes, Tighe, L Westlake (unused).

Starman: James Westlake.



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Hassocks in the FA Vase

The FA Vase has never been the most fruitful of competitions for Hassocks as we are yet to progress past the second round stage since first entering in the 1995-96 season. We take a look at the Robins' record over the past 24 years....

Five games from Wembley

The closest Hassocks have ever got to reaching Wembley in the FA Vase is the second round of the competition, a stage that the Robins have reached on four previous occasions.

The most recent of those came in the 2014-15 season and it was an evening to forget for Dave John's young side as they were hammered 7-0 by Ashford United – Hassocks' heaviest defeat in the competition.

Before the 2-0 win over Meridian Valley Park two weeks ago, that was the season in which the Robins most recently won a game in the Vase when triumphing 3-1 at home against Cortinthian thanks to two goals in the final five minutes from Phil Johnson and Nathan Miles.

Hassocks' other games in the second round stage were less

chastening than that Ashford experience; 1-0 defeats away at Lymington Spa and Kingsbury Town in 2007-08 and 2005-06 respectively and a 2-1 loss at Banstead Athletic in 1998-99.

That Banstead defeat was preceded by probably Hassocks' best ever set of results in the competition.

The Robins weren't drawn at home in a single round but picked up quite brilliant wins on the road in tough away games at Knitbury Rangers (3-2) and then a stunning 3-0 win away at Ware.

Stung by the Hornets

The Vase seemed to love throwing up games with Horsham in the early 90s and Hassocks and the Hornets faced off three times in the FA Vase between 1995 and 2000.

The first of those came in the first

season that the Robins entered the competition, Horsham winning a topsy-turvy game 6-3 at Queen Street in the first round in 1995-96.

Ramsgate became the first side Hassocks ever beaten in a national cup competition in the previous round following a 2-1 away win.

John's side then were eliminated by the Hornets again in 2000/01 thanks to a 2-1 replay defeat at Queen Street after they'd done fantastically well to hold their higher division visitors 2-2 here at the Beacon.

The fact that game went to a replay was a rarity in itself, as only one other time in over 20 years of entering the competition have Hassocks needed an additional 90 minutes to decide a game.

That came in the first qualifying round game against Farnham Town

in 2011-12.

Both of those matches ended in 1-1 draws with Town eventually triumphing 8-7 on penalties on a horrible Tuesday night in Surrey.

Phil Gault scored the Hassocks goals in both games and it was the unfortunate James Westlake who missed the decisive spot kick.

No Deal at Deal

There have been five other exits at the first round stage, the most disappointing of which came at Deal Town in 2012-13.

Hassocks had finished the previous season in fourth place in the Sussex County League - their highest ever finish - and had arguably the best squad in the clubs history but they simply didn't turn up on the day, going down 2-0 to a set of gloating hosts.

The only positive from the experience came with meeting the 'Deal Duck', Town's mascot that was effectively a bloke dressed in a Donald Duck outfit.

Spencer Slaughter in particular was delighted to meet him, demanding a picture after the game in what was otherwise a pretty poor afternoon on the road.

The Robins other first round exits have come at the hands of Chessington & Hook United 3-0 in 2013-14, Witney United in 2004-05 just before a certain David Cameron became the local MP, fellow Sussex side Sidley United 3-1 in 2001-02 and away at Herne Bay in the 1996-97 season.

Sussex sides send the Robins crashing

Of the Robins six other second qualifying round exits, three of them have come at the hands of clubs from the Southern Combination League.

Littlehampton Town accounted for the Robins exit from the competition in 1997, Arundel in 2003 and Eastbourne Town in 2006.

That Eastbourne Town defeat was particularly harsh on the Robins as they took the eventual Premier Division champions all the way to extra time before succumbing 3-1.

Two of the other three exits were all by a single goal - 3-2 away at BAT Sports in the 1999-00 season and at home to Chertsey Town 3-2 AET in 2008-09.

There was also a disappointing 2-

0 defeat away at Molesey in the 2009-10 campaign and a 3-0 home loss to Spelthorne Sports two seasons ago.

Out at the earliest

Given that Hassocks have rarely finished in the bottom six during their 24 years in the top flight of the Southern Combination, it has not been often that they've entered the FA Vase at the first qualifying round.

They did so last season, losing 2-0 at home to K Sports.

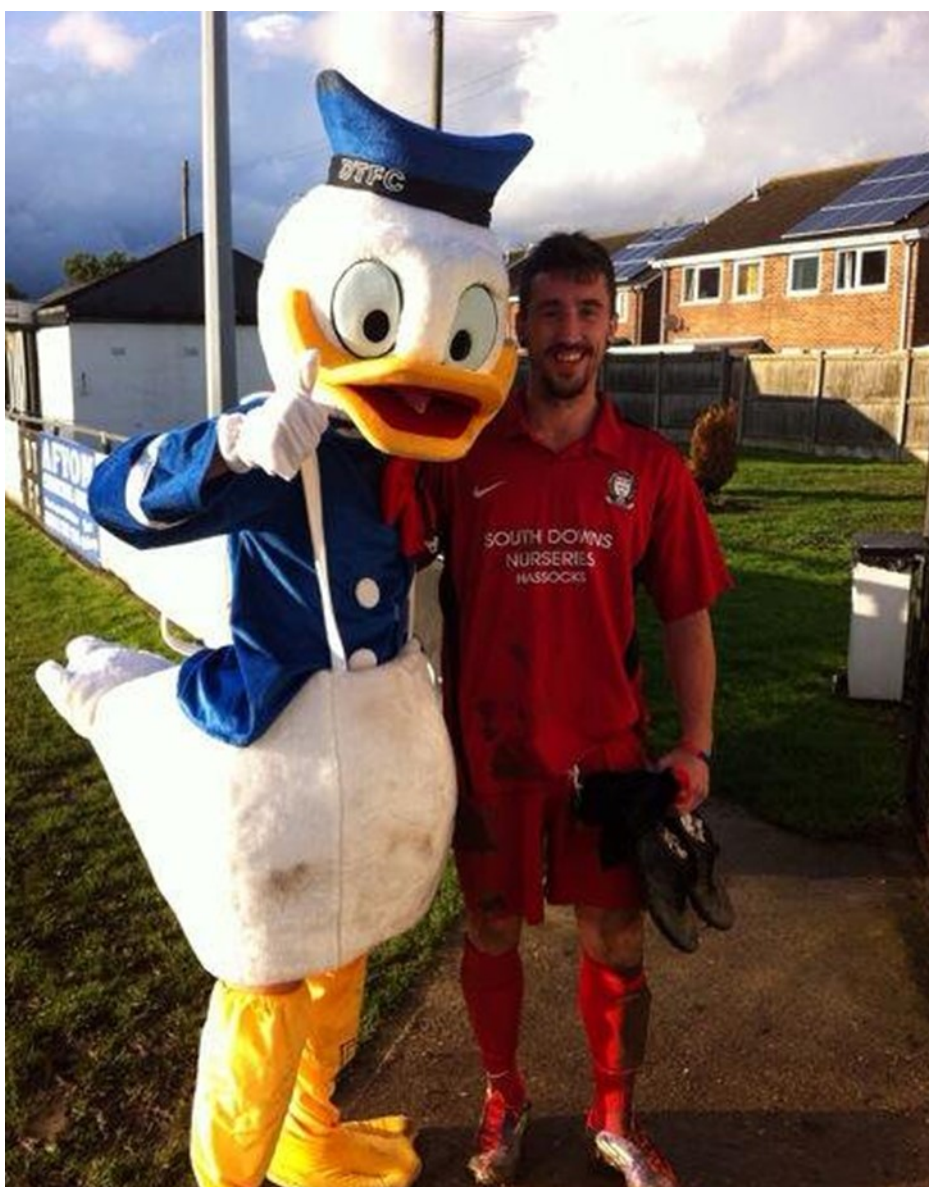
Today's opponents meanwhile provided the opposition in the 2016-17 campaign as the Robins were on the end of a 4-2 defeat at the New Defence in the club's first game in the competition for two years, having failed to enter for the 2015-16 season.

Hassocks' only other exits at the first qualifying round stage came in 2010-11, 3-2 away at Blackfield & Langley in a game that is probably best remembered for a young Andy Whittingham receiving a quite sensational red card for attempting to kung fu kick an opposition player in the face.

There was also a 3-2 defeat at big spending Moneyfields in 2003-04.

Hassocks have won two games at the first qualifying round of the competition previously including one of their most entertaining outings in the Vase, a 4-3 win over Three Bridges in 2008-09 in which Jack Simpson made his Hassocks debut.

The other victory came by three goals to one the following season at home to Sevenoaks Town.



Spencer and the Deal Duck - Hassocks' greatest FA Vase moment?



Robins to host Lions in RUR

Hassocks will face Southern Combination League Premier Division rivals Pagham in the second round of the Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup on Tuesday 17th September.

The tie will take place at the

Beacon with a 7.45pm kick off, giving the Robins a run of four consecutive home games.

The Robins host Horley Town in the FA Vase on Saturday 14th, the Lions now visit three days later with back-to-back league fixtures following against Lingfield and Loxwood on Saturday 21st and Saturday 28th.

This will be Hassocks' first game in the RUR Cup of the season having been given a bye in the first round.

Pagham meanwhile had been due to face Isthmian League side Chichester City, but their local rivals decided to pull out of the competition to hand the Lions their place in round two.

It will be the first meeting in the RUR Cup between the two sides since the 2003-04 season when Dave John's side went 4-2 away at Nyetimber Lane.

That's one of three previous clashes in the competition and ominously for Hassocks, it's Pagham who have won every one so far.

The Lions denied Hassocks a first ever appearance in a senior final when winning 2-0 in extra time at the semi-final stage in 1994 and a year previous to that it had been a similar story in the last eight where Pagham were 2-1 victors.

Bob Paine's side are currently below Hassocks in the Premier Division table, but they'll be buoyed by the early season league fixture between the two.

That took place on Tuesday August 20th at Nyetimber Lane and saw the Lions run out 1-0 winners. Lewis Jenkins scored the only goal of the game nine minutes from time to end the Robins' resistance with the three points being Pagham's only maximum haul so far this season.

Likewise, Hassocks only have one league win to their name and that came against East Preston in the second game of the campaign.

They have however been excellent in the cup competitions so far, defeating Langney Wanderers and Meridian Valley Park and taking Isthmian League side Chipstead to an FA Cup replay, where only a couple of controversial refereeing decisions denied them giant killing headlines.

The winners will go onto face either high flying Division One outfit Mile Oak or another Premier Division side in Newhaven in the third round.

Entrance will be at the normal prices of £6 adults and £3 concessions with a portion of the gate receipts going towards charities chosen by the Sussex County Football Association.



Owen goes to Iceland

Owen's latest running challenge will see him running 200 miles across Iceland in 10 days. Here's how you can support him, both in terms of raising money for good causes and by helping out around the Beacon in his absence...

On my fitness and running journey, I've been lucky enough to meet and rub shoulders with some pretty impressive people - world champions, Guinness World Record Holders, and some pretty bad ass individuals who provide plenty of inspiration on a daily basis.

Danny Bent is one such individual. He was voted one of the 100 happiest people in the UK, and one of the 50 most inspirational people in London.

He is an award winning author and journalist, Guinness World Record holder, and celebrated adventurer and community leader.

Motivating people to be the best version of themselves is Danny's passion and trade.

Encouraging them to do more, give more and live more.

Living dreams, facing fears, and loving themselves, others and life with abandon are his tool kit.

He set up and founded One Run For Boston, a 3328.2 mile relay run across the US, that raised \$550,000 for those affected by the Boston Marathon bombings.

He is also the founder of Project Awesome in the UK providing free fitness in Central London, and The London Relay (which I've run a leg

of) where a 10k leg made up part of a relay which ran for 24 hours a day for a month.

It all started with an idea on Facebook, where Danny was looking for people to help him celebrate his birthday by joining him on a run across Iceland, and before I knew it I and a band of intrepid runners and adventurers had agreed and The Great Norse Run was born.

Not just a run, this has been described as a nomadic journey covering 200 miles in just 10 days, camping in the wilds of Iceland and fully experiencing all the beauty it has to offer.

In typical Danny fashion he also wants to leave a legacy, so we have joined with The Committed Project to raise funds to support the work they do.

Their aim is to help young people get the skills and experience they need for a meaningful and positive life.

They do this through adventures, mentoring and interventions lead by some really inspirational people.

I've never run this far in such a short space of time, so this is going to be a huge test of both my physical and mental ability.

Any support you can give to both me and the charity would be amazing, especially as a group we are trying to raise in excess of £30K!!

You can sponsor me on the following link http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/owen-john3?utm_id=124 or by finding me behind the bar.

Along with any financial support, I'm also asking for some help here at the Beacon whilst I'm away. I fly out on Thursday and in the 11 days I'm away we play both Lingfield and Loxwood here.

If anyone is able to help with any of the jobs on match day - behind the bar, tannoy, team sheet board etc please come and speak to me or Dave and we will happily discuss where you can help.

We're only a small group here, so any help you, or someone you know might be able to provide will be greatly appreciated.

I'd just like to thank you in advance for any help, be that physical here, or financially for the charity, and look forward to boring you all with stories of my travels once I return!



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TOWN TRIUMPH BUT THIS WAS FAR FROM A CAKEWALK

**Southern Combination League Premier Division
Saturday 7th September 2019, The Saffrons
Eastbourne Town 4-1 Hassocks**



Sometimes in football, the scoreline doesn't tell the whole story. Hassocks' visit to Eastbourne Town was one of those occasions.

On the face of it, a 4-1 defeat at the Saffrons for Mark Dalgleish's side is a result that looks about right to the casual Premier Division observer.

Town are the favourites to lift the Southern Combination title this season and came into the fixture unbeaten. They'd only conceded once in their five previous games.

Hassocks meanwhile had just one league win to their name and that came against the division's bottom club, East Preston.

The current table suggests that it could be a long season ahead for the Robins.

But the Hassocks' league position is another falsity. While they may have been undercooking in the Premier Division, in the cups Hassocks have been delivering some outstanding displays.

They've beaten Langney Wanderers and Meridian Valley Park and took Isthmian League side Chipstead to an FA Cup replay, where only a couple of controversial refereeing decisions denied them giant killing headlines.

Believe it or not, but they brought that cup form to the Sunshine Coast; while the final score suggests an easy day at the office for Town, in reality it was anything but.

What ensured that there was a three-goal difference between the two sides was Town's ruthlessness in front of goal as the hosts finished with clinical aplomb the chances that came their way.

Aaron Capon scored Town's first two with the outstanding Dan Perry adding the third and fourth.

Perry now has eight for the season already; two more than Hassocks have managed in the Premier Division in total.

It wasn't like the visitors didn't have chances. The Robins created four or five good opportunities across the course of the afternoon which unfortunately for them they failed to take.

Perhaps most costly of all, they hit the post early in the second half with the scores level at 1-1.

Had that gone in, then things may well have been very different. Town would have been forced to chase the game, which would have left the sort of spaces that Hassocks can so brutally take advantage of with their counter attacking ability.

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Clearly, Hassocks are missing the services of last season's 27-goal top scorer Phil Johnson, who hasn't been seen since limping off in that win over EP back at the start of August.

No timeframe appears to have been put on Johnson's return, but install a player with his knack of knowing where the goal is into a side who, on their day can threaten even the best teams in the league and the omens look good.

Dalgleish did at least have Jack Rowe-Hurst available here to boost his attacking options after a couple of weeks on the side lines.

That's timely, as the games are coming thick and fast now. By the time September reaches it's conclusion, Hassocks will have played twice a week in six of the first eight weeks of the season.

Despite the glut of fixtures caused

by the Robins' aforementioned success in knockout competitions, Dalgleish named a rare unchanged line up from the side that felt so hard done by against Chipstead in midweek.

That showing against the Chips was full of steel and determination but it looked like those attributes had deserted Hassocks as it took Town just seven minutes to take the lead through Capon.

Going behind so early proved to be something of a wake up call to the Robins and they battled their way back into the tie, eventually levelling things up right on the stroke of half time.

Ben Bacon was the man on target, his second goal since returning to the club from Steyning Town a fortnight into the new campaign and the least he deserved for another hardworking showing leading the line.

Town goalkeeper Jason Tibble could then only watch when the Robins rattled the woodwork within five minutes of the restart.

Two minutes later and that miss proved to be doubly costly as Capon added his second of the afternoon to put the hosts 2-1 ahead.

Like all good teams, Town turned the screw after that and Perry's quick-fire double arrived between minutes 64 and 70, ending any Hassocks hopes of returning to Mid Sussex with something to show for their efforts.

Hassocks: Green; Blake, Jacques, Mills, Whittingham; Broomfield, Berridge; Troak, Littlejohn, Hillwood; Bacon.

Subs: Rowe-Hurst, Stokes, Bull (used), Earl (unused).

First Team Matches 2019-20

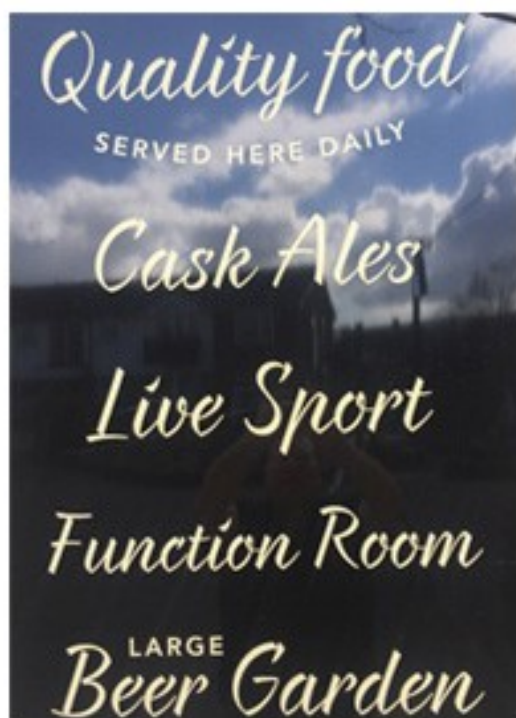
Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
August				
03/08 - 15:00	Horley Town (A)	SCFLP	0-2	
06/08 - 19:45	East Preston (H)	SCFLP	2-1	Troak, Johnson
10/08 - 15:00	Langney Wanderers (H)	FACEP	2-0	Rowe-Hurst, Berridge
17/08 - 15:00	Horsham YMCA (A)	SCFLP	2-2	Blake, Bacon
20/08 - 19:30	Pagham (A)	SCFLP	0-1	
24/08 - 15:00	Chipstead (A)	FACEP	0-0	
26/08 - 11:00	Lancing (H)	SCFLP	1-2	Littlejohn
01/09 - 15:00	Meridian Valley Park (A)	FAVQ1	2-0	Hillwood, Troak
September				
03/09 - 19:45	Chipstead (H)	FACEPR	2-3	Littlejohn, Troak
07/09 - 15:00	Eastbourne Town (A)	SCFLP	1-4	Bacon
10/09 - 19:45	Broadbridge Heath (A)	SCFLP	1-2	Bacon
14/09 - 15:00	Horley Town (H)	FAVQ2		
17/09 - 19:45	Pagham (H)	RURC2		
21/09 - 15:00	Lingfield (H)	SCFLP		
28/09 - 15:00	Loxwood (H)	SCFLP		
October				
05/10 - 15:00	Langney Wanderers (A)	SCFLP		
19/10 - 15:00	AFC Uckfield Town (H)	SCFLP		
26/10 - 15:00	Eastbourne United (A)	SCFLP		
November				
02/11 - 15:00	Little Common (H)	SCFLP		
09/11 - 15:00	Alford (A)	SCFLP		
16/11 - 15:00	Crawley Down Gatwick (A)	SCFLP		
23/11 - 15:00	Newhaven (H)	SCFLP		
30/11 - 15:00	Peacehaven & Tels. (H)	SCFLP		
December				
07/12 - 15:00	East Preston (A)	SCFLP		
14/12 - 15:00	Horley (H)	SCFLP		
21/12 - 15:00	Steyning Town (H)	SCFLP		
26/12 - 11:00	Saltdean United (A)	SCFLP		
January				
04/01 - 15:00	Pagham (H)	SCFLP		
11/01 - 15:00	Lancing (A)	SCFLP		
18/01 - 15:00	Eastbourne Town (H)	SCFLP		
February				
01/02 - 15:00	Horsham YMCA (H)	SCFLP		
08/02 - 15:00	Loxwood (A)	SCFLP		
15/02 - 15:00	Langney Wanderers (H)	SCFLP		
22/02 - 15:00	AFC Uckfield Town (A)	SCFLP		
29/02 - 15:00	Broadbridge Heath (H)	SCFLP		
March				
07/03 - 15:00	Lingfield (A)	SCFLP		
14/03 - 15:00	Alford (H)	SCFLP		
21/03 - 15:00	Little Common (A)	SCFLP		
28/03 - 15:00	Newhaven (A)	SCFLP		
April				
04/04 - 15:00	Crawley Down Gatwick (H)	SCFLP		
11/04 - 15:00	Steyning Town (A)	SCFLP		
13/04 - 11:00	Saltdean United (H)	SCFLP		
18/04 - 15:00	Peacehaven & Tels. (A)	SCFLP		
25/04 - 15:00	Eastbourne United (H)	SCFLP		

First Team Appearances 2019-20

Player	2019-20 Season				Hassocks Career	
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals	Games	Goals
Matt Berridge	10	0	10	1	40	2
Harvey Blake	10	0	10	1	50	2
Josh Green	10	0	10	0	49	0
Jack Troak	10	0	10	3	10	3
Andy Whittingham	9	0	9	0	73	0
James Littlejohn	7	2	9	2	37	6
Harry Mills	7	2	9	0	112	5
Will Broomfield	7	1	8	0	65	3
Dan Stokes	2	6	8	0	150	10
Ben Bacon	7	0	7	2	31	11
Arni Kublickas	5	0	5	0	54	1
Jack Rowe-Hurst	4	1	5	1	22	4
Jamie Hillwood	4	1	5	1	107	23
Dan Jacques	4	1	5	0	225	9
Joe Bull	1	4	5	0	42	0
Harvey Enticknap	3	1	4	0	33	1
Lewis Westlake	3	1	4	0	75	4
Alex Spinks	2	1	3	0	17	0
Phil Johnson	2	0	2	1	152	74
Nick Pitcher	1	0	1	0	131	13
Dan Turner	1	0	1	0	1	0
Harvey Ransome	0	1	1	0	1	0

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ROBINS LEAVE IT LATE TO SPOIL THE BEARS BIG DAY

**Southern Combination League Under 23 West Division
Thursday 29th August 2019, High Wood Hill Sports Ground
Hassocks U23 1-2 Oakwood U23**

It was an historic occasion for Broadbridge Heath Under 23s as they played their first game at their new High Wood Hill Sports Ground.

But Hassocks seemingly hadn't read the script as they spoilt the party, coming from behind to win 2-1 and get their season up and running.

A week ago, the Robins had suffered defeat in their opening game as they went down 2-1 at home to West Division newcomers Oakwood.

While that fixture was taking place at the Beacon, Heath were busy securing a hugely impressive 1-0 win in a local derby away at reigning champions Horsham YMCA.

Despite that result against the Oaks, Hassocks' performance had been a good one - especially with Dave John handing Under 23 debuts to eight players in his starting 11 and another two from the bench.

John made two changes from the defeat to Oakwood, one by choice and one enforced.

The first of those saw Ben O'Leary - John's captain when the Under 18s completed their historic treble in 2018 - make his first start of the season at the expense of Matt Denyer who dropped to the bench.

Nick Pitcher's injury picked up in the first team's 2-1 defeat to early Premier Division leaders Lancing on Monday morning ruled him out with Thomas Jupp coming in for his full debut as a result.

Pitcher's absence also meant that Hassocks didn't field any of their permitted players over the age of 23.

In fact, Joe Russell was the only one of the Robins' squad who was over the age of 19, making it the youngest side they've fielded since the advent of Under 21 football in 2015.

Pitcher wasn't the only injury concern following Monday either.

Dan Turner had also started against Lancing before a knee problem brought a premature end to his first team debut as he hobbled

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out of the action at half time.

Thankfully for Hassocks, Turner had recovered sufficiently to start here at the heart of the Robins defence.

It was Heath who went into half time with the lead, Kyle Sim opening the scoring for the hosts and it stayed at 1-0 right up until the 75th minute.



John had thrown on Jake Atherton for his first Under 23s appearance for two years by that point and it was Atherton who levelled things up to set up a tense final 15 minutes.

Heath looked a little rattle by that equaliser and it wasn't long before Hassocks had what proved to be the winner.

It came just five minutes after Atherton's equaliser and was scored by Joe Bull, his first goal in Hassocks colours and a timely one at that as he pushes for a spot in the first team.

Hassocks were largely untroubled after Bull's strike and they saw the game out comfortably for a first three points of the season.

With next week's scheduled game against early leaders Pagham postponed, Hassocks will now wait two weeks until their next fixture - an equally difficult assignment away at a YMCA side who beat the Robins to the title last season.

Hassocks: Earl, Tatford, Turner, Jupp, O'Leary, Ross, Gardner, Dimelow, Russell, Bull, Galbraith-Gibbons.

Subs: Atherton, Denyer, Loversidge.

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Under 23 Matches 2019-20

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
August				
22/08 - 19:45	Oakwood (H)	SCFL23	1-2	Galbraith-Gibbons
29/08 - 19:45	Broadbridge Heath (A)	SCFL23	2-1	Bull, Atherton
September				
12/09 - 19:45	Horsham YMCA (A)	SCFL23		
19/09 - 19:45	Selsey (H)	SCFL23		
27/09 - 19:45	Lancing (A)	SCFL23		

Under 23 Appearances 2019-20

Player	2019-20 Season			
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals
Joe Bull	2	0	2	1
Kieran Dimelow	2	0	2	0
James Earl	2	0	2	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	2	0	2	1
Jack Gardner	2	0	2	0
Solly Ross	2	0	2	0
Joe Russell	2	0	2	0
Joe Tatford	2	0	2	0
Dan Turner	2	0	2	0
Matt Denyer	1	2	2	0
Thomas Jupp	1	1	2	0
Ben O'Leary	1	0	1	0
Nick Pitcher	1	0	1	0
Charlie Alderton	0	1	1	0
Jake Atherton	0	1	1	1
Connor Bradley	0	1	1	0
Alfie Loversidge	0	1	1	0
Connor Weir	0	1	1	0



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YOUNG ROBINS KICK OFF WITH DERBY DAY DEFEAT

**Southern Combination League Under 18 Central Division
Sunday 8th September 2019, Colwell Road
St Francis Rangers U18 3-1 Hassocks U18**

There will be six local derbies for Hassocks Under 18s to look forward to in the 2019-20 season and they kicked off the campaign with such an occasion away at St Francis Rangers.

Unfortunately for Brad Sweetman's side, the morning ended in a 3-1 defeat at Colwell Road although there was much to be pleased with after a decent showing against quality opponents.

This remains a young Hassocks side and they were up against impressive opponents who had opened their season by beating reigning champions Haywards Heath Town 4-1 at Hanbury Park a week previously.

The impressiveness of that result was hammered home as while this game was going, Heath were busy getting their title defence up and running by hitting nine goals past Shoreham.

Based on that then, you'd expect Rangers to be there or thereabouts come the end of the season.

As for Hassocks, there have been a fair few personnel changes over the summer to the side that won a play off final to secure runners up spot last time out.

The Robins had actually finished in fourth place in the Central Division,

but level on points with Steyning Town and Upper Beeding.

A strange rule put in place by the Southern Combination League meant that goal difference could not decide who claimed the medals for second place and so a round robin was set up between the three.

Steyning were unable to participate due to the late notice of an extra two games coming bang in A Level exam time and so it was a straight shoot out between Hassocks and Beeding, which the Robins won 4-3 in extra time.

Sweetman has retained the services of all his goal scorers from that night with Finlay McDermott, Alfie Loverside and Yahya Azizi all signed up at the Beacon for the new campaign.

Toby Fisher remains in goal while the Robins also managed to hold onto Jack Gardner; Fisher having already made his first team debut with Gardner having made the bench.

Alex Crawford and Luke Marshall made only a handful of appearances last season but started against Rangers while three new faces completed the starting line up as Oliver Charlesworth, Charlie Jones and Harrison Lees all made full debuts.

There were also first appearances for the club for three players from the bench.

Freddie Gamblin, Lewis Reep and



Guy Underwood all played their parts as the Robins sought to turn the game around in the second half.

None could quite match the impact of Rangers substitute Joe Marchant however.

Marchant was introduced to the action early, replacing Dylan Little after just half an hour and it was his two goals from the bench which effectively sealed the tie for the hosts.

Lees had earlier been on target for the Robins in the 35th minute with the other Rangers goal coming from Callum Ward.

Hassocks are next in action on Sunday 15th September when they play their first home game of the season at the Beacon.

Shoreham are the visitors who will no doubt be smarting from that hammering at the hands of Heath.

Entrance is free and kick off is at 11am.

Hassocks: Fisher, Beebee, Charlesworth, Marshall, Jones, Crawford, Gardner, Lees, Loverside, McDermott, Azizi.

Subs: Gamblin, Reep, Underwood.

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Under 18 Matches 2019-20

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
September				
08/09 - 11:00	St Francis Rangers (A)	SCFL18	1-3	Lees
15/09 - 11:00	Shoreham (H)	SCFL18		
22/09 - 11:00	Burgess Hill Town (A)	SCFL18		
29/09 - 11:00	Broadbridge Heath (H)	SCFL18		
October				
13/10 - 11:00	Mile Oak (H)	U18LC1		
20/10 - 11:00	Southwick (A)	SCFL18		
27/10 - 11:00	Haywards Heath Town (H)	SCFL18		
November				
03/11 - 11:00	Mile Oak (A)	SCFL18		
17/11 - 11:00	St Francis Rangers (H)	SCFL18		
January				
05/01 - 11:00	Burgess Hill Town (H)	SCFL18		
12/01 - 11:00	Broadridge Heath (A)	SCFL18		
19/01 - 11:00	Southwick (H)	SCFL18		
26/01 - 11:00	Shoreham (A)	SCFL18		
February				
02/02 - 11:00	Haywards Heath Town (A)	SCFL18		
16/02 - 11:00	Mile Oak (H)	SCFL18		

Under 18 Appearances 2019-20

Player	2019-20 Season			
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals
Yahya Azizi	1	0	1	0
Lewis Beebee	1	0	1	0
Oliver Charlesworth	1	0	1	0
Alex Crawford	1	0	1	0
Toby Fisher	1	0	1	0
Jack Gardner	1	0	1	0
Charlie Jones	1	0	1	0
Harrison Lees	1	0	1	1
Alfie Loversidge	1	0	1	0
Luke Marshall	1	0	1	0
Finlay McDermott	1	0	1	0
Freddie Gamblin	0	1	1	0
Lewis Reep	0	1	1	0
Guy Underwood	0	1	1	0
	2	1	3	1
	2	1	3	0





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Ladies Matches 2019-20

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
September				
08/09 - 14:00	Lewes (H)	SECWP	1-2	Rushworth
15/09 - 14:00	Phoenix Sports (A)	SECWP		
22/09 - 14:00	Crawley Wasps (H)	SECWP		
29/09 - 14:00	Ashford (A)	SECWP		
October				
06/10 - 14:00	Parkwood Rangers (A)	SECWP		
13/10 - 14:00	Worthing (H)	SECWP		
20/10 - 14:00	Lewes (A)	SECWP		
27/10 - 14:00	Eastbourne United (H)	SECWP		
November				
10/11 - 14:00	Phoenix Sports (H)	SECWP		
24/11 - 14:00	Herne Bay (H)	SECWP		

Ladies Appearances 2019-20

Player	2019-20 Season			
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals
Ria Banitas	1	0	1	0
Emily Brocklehurst	1	0	1	0
Sarah Chappell	1	0	1	0
Gemma Craig	1	0	1	0
Jess Craig	1	0	1	0
Jodie Johanson	1	0	1	0
Chloe John	1	0	1	0
Rose Jump	1	0	1	0
Sam Newman	1	0	1	0
Kelly Rushworth	1	0	1	1
Claire Stevens	1	0	1	0
Emma Flin	0	1	1	0
Liz King	0	1	1	0



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Four days after progressing to the second qualifying round of the FA Cup for only the second time in their history in **2005**, Hassocks faced a much more mundane task as lower division side Crawley Down came to the Beacon in the RUR Cup...

HIBBERT STRIKE SEES HASSOCKS PROGRESS

After Saturday's magnificent display in winning 3-0 away at Chessington & Hook United in the FA Cup, this was very much a case of after the Lord Mayor's show for Hassocks as they got their Sussex RUR Charity Cup campaign underway.

They struggled to break down a resolute Crawley Down outfit from a division below in the first ever meeting between the two sides.

Perhaps that shouldn't have come as a surprise given their exertions four days previously.

In fact, you could even argue that this performance and result highlighted the Robins' other qualities such as determination as they were forced to keep plugging away against determined opposition.

Hassocks had lots of possession but squandered plenty of good opportunities before Anthony Hibbert volleyed home his fourth goal of the season with just nine minutes remaining.

That ensured that the Robins won't have to try and cram a replay into an already packed fixture list - they're still in all four knockout competitions - and sets up a home time with either holders Ringmer or Eastbourne Town in round three.

As well as being wasteful in front of goal, Hassocks also came up against an inspired goalkeeping

display from the visitors' Matt Heasman.

The Down goalkeeper produced several excellent saves which kept Hassocks at bay for much of the match. He deserved a replay.

Dave John made two changes from the side that had been so impressive at the weekend.

James Laing was rested with Matt Robbins coming in to partner Pat Harding in attack and Chris Brown was handed a start in midfield.

Brown coming in necessitated a position change for Stuart Faith who dropped into the back five in place of Brendan Leahy.

Faith may have to get used to a defensive role over the coming weeks as the early prognosis is that Leahy could be out for some time after being forced off just before the break at Chessington.

Hibbert had the first two chances of the game with a couple of distance efforts, firing over from 25 yards and 20 yards respectively.

The second of those was the closest, whistling just past the upright with Heasman stranded in no mans land.

Pat Harding had one of his quieter evenings in front of goal but his work rate across the backline troubled a Down defence who didn't appear to know what to do with him.

Graham Beveridge headed over, Harding shot straight at Heasman and Robbins fire over in a goalless first half that left Hassocks frustrated but in charge of the game.

Down tried to attack a little more after the break and they had a good chance to take the lead on 56 minutes, the lively Dan Sullivan firing over when well placed.

At the other end, Hibbert again found himself with a shooting opportunity but was denied by a smart stop from the legs of Heasman.

Sullivan continued to look like Down's most likely route to causing an upset and it took an excellent diving save from Joel Harding to deny him after the striker had managed to find a pocket of space in the box.

Substitute Mark Saunders then went close after his driving run from the halfway line ended with a shot from the edge of the area that was inches wide.

Laing was introduced for the injured Robbins on 66 minutes and on 73 minutes, John made a minor adjustment by replacing Beveridge with Kieron Leahy who slotted into the back line, freeing Faith up to move into midfield.

Those changes paid dividends on 81 minutes as Faith's forward pass found Laing who produced a delightful flick to set up Hibbert for his match winning volley.

Hassocks: J Harding; Turner, Faith, Hewitt, Marsh, Thompson; Beveridge, Brown, Hibbert; Robbins, P Harding.

Subs: K Leahy (Beveridge 73), Laing (Robbins 66), S Fisk, Wickwar (unused).



Today is the first of four consecutive games here at the Beacon, a run of fixtures that will hopefully allow the Robins to progress in a couple of cup competitions as well as get some needed points on the board. Here's what's to come...



Pagham

When?

Tuesday 17th September

Where?

The Beacon

Time?

7:45pm

Competition?

Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup
Second Round

Admission?

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

Pagham this season?

It was a busy summer at Nyetimber Lane as the Lions brought in a new manager and an entire new squad. Bob Paine is now the man at the helm having moved west from East Preston in an appointment that the Lions hoped would arrest a decline that saw them pick up just 14 points from 23 games from November onwards last season. Prior to that, they had accumulated 31 from 15. When a club makes such wholesale changes it can obviously take time to gel, something the Lions are experiencing as their currently second bottom with one win from seven games.

Hassocks' record against Pagham?

Games with Pagham aren't clashes that Hassocks have tended to enjoy through the years. The Lions lead the head-to-head by some way, having won 26 games to the Robins' 17 with nine draws. Still, at least this isn't a league game - since 2014, Hassocks have taken a grand total of four points out of a possible 33.

Last time we met?

Given that terrible record, it probably wont surprise you to hear that Pagham's only league win so far this season came against Hassocks. Lewis Jenkins scored the only goal nine minutes from time to give the hosts a 1-0 win at Nyetimber Lane back in August.

What about in the RUR Cup?

Not much better to be honest. Pagham have won all three of the previous meetings in the RUR Cup. The most recent of those came in the 2003-04 season while older fans will remember the heartbreak of a 2-0 extra time defeat in the semi final of the competition in the 1993-94 season.

Played for both?

Jack Rowe-Hurst had a brief spell at Nyetimber Lane in the middle of last season, one of four clubs including Hassocks who he played for in 2018-19.

**Lingfield****When?**

Saturday 21st September

Where?

The Beacon

Time?

3pm

Competition?Southern Combination League
Premier Division**Admission?**£6 adults, £3 concessions,
Under 16s go free**Lingfield this season?**

Lingfield started the season with two big results, hammering East Preston 3-0 at the Lashmar in their opening game before dispatching of Eastbourne United 6-0 in a result that really made the rest of the Premier Division sit up and take notice. It's been a little bit more of a struggle since then however and at the time of writing, they'd lost their past eight games in a row in all competitions since drawing 1-1 with Spelthorne Sports in the extra preliminary qualifying round of the FA Cup.

Hassocks' record against Lingfield?

There have been 24 meetings between Hassocks and Lingfield in the past with the Robins leading the head-to-head with 12 wins to the Lingers' seven. Lingfield did complete a Premier Division double last season with Hassocks winning 3-2 in the Peter Bentley League Cup at the Beacon.

Last time we met?

It was at the Sports Pavilion back in March where Lingfield picked up all three points via a 1-0 win. Sam Clements scored the only goal of the game with 20 minutes remaining in what was a pretty entertaining game. Both sides created plenty of opportunities and while Hassocks were wasteful in front of goal, at the other end the Lingers could be found cursing Josh Green for a string of excellent stops.

Played for both?

Current Hassocks top scorer Ben Bacon had a brief spell with the Lingers last season in between his time with Saltdean United and Steyning Town. Daley Clark is the only other man to have represented both clubs, the striker moving to the Beacon from the Lingers in the summer of 2009. He would go onto play 40 times for the Robins, scoring twice before moving onto St Francis Rangers.

**Loxwood****When?**

Saturday 28th September

Where?

The Beacon

Time?

3pm

Competition?Southern Combination League
Premier Division**Admission?**£6 adults, £3 concessions,
Under 16s go free**Loxwood this season?**

Having pulled off a late escape from relegation under the leadership of former Haywards Heath Town assistant boss Alex Walsh last season, hopes were high that Loxwood would continue to be upwardly mobile in 2019-20. Things haven't quite worked out like that although they are proving difficult to beat, having drawn four of their seven games so far. Problematically, the win column is still showing zero but their cup form suggests that won't be the case for much longer as they've made good progress in the FA Vase, the RUR Charity Cup and most impressively the Peter Bentley League Cup where they became the first opponents to win at Broadbridge Heath's new High Wood Hill ground.

Hassocks' record against Loxwood?

The sides first clashed in the 2014-15 season, since when there have been 10 meetings. Hassocks have only ever beaten the Magpies once, a 4-0 win at Plaistow Road last year. That means that Loxwood are yet to taste

defeat at the Beacon having won six times overall. There have been three draws, the most extraordinary of which took place back in February.

Last time we met

You'll be hard pushed to find a more crazy game than this one to have been played at the Beacon in the 27 years the ground has been open for. Loxwood had gone into half time 3-0 ahead thanks to goals from Mark Goldson, Sam Karl and former Hassocks favourite Eddie French. And yet within 11 minutes of the second half, the Robins had scored three of their own to level things up. Mark Dalglish introduced Spencer Slaughter and George Brown at the break and they were both on target alongside Harvey Enticknap. Sadly, that was the end of the scoring?

Played for both?

Slaughter moved to Loxwood in the summer where he was joined by another former Hassocks favourite in Josh Hawkes. Enticknap and Lewis Westlake meanwhile are both ex-Magpies

Around the League



Last Saturday was a busy day for clubs across the Southern Combination League as there were fixtures in all three divisions as well as five clubs flying the flag for Sussex in the first qualifying round of the FA Cup...

Division One side Arundel were the only Southern Combination League club who avoided defeat in the FA Cup.

The Mullets picked up a hugely creditable 0-0 draw away at Isthmian League South East Division outfit Ramsgate, earning a replay on Tuesday night back at Mill Road.

Unfortunately, that's where the dream died as the two divisions difference between the two eventually told with the Rams running out 4-0 winners.

This afternoon's opponents **Horley Town** gave a brave account of themselves before suffering a 3-1 defeat at the hands of Balham at the New Defence. Tony Halsey notched the Clarets goal.

Horsham YMCA underlined their recent improvement by pushing Margate of the Isthmian Premier Division all the way as they went down 2-1 at Gorings Mead.

The visitors never had things completely under control with Matt Daniel's 83rd minute strike setting up a tense final seven minutes which Margate just about saw out.

For the final two Southern Combination clubs involved in the first qualifying round, they were historic occasions as neither had reached this stage of the competition before.

Little Common's reward was a bumper crowd packing out the Oval to witness a close-fought 1-0 defeat to Hendon.

AFC Vardeanians' meawhile went down to a 3-1 defeat against Tooting & Mitcham with midfielder Matt Ford, who had a brief spell here at the Beacon last season, scoring

the V's consolation.

Into the Premier Division and **Lancing** dropped their first points of the season when drawing 2-2 at home to **Newhaven**.

Jack Langford scored his first goal in Dockers colours following his move from Saltdean United to give the visitors the lead but that lasted all of two minutes before James Rhodes levelled things up.

The division's top scorer Lewis Finney put Lancing ahead going into half time and it stayed that way until just past the hour mark when Freddie Beale struck to ensure the spoils were shared.

The Bears of **Broadbridge Heath** maintained their unbeaten start to life at High Wood Hill by defeating **Lingfield** 3-2.

Thomas Howard-Bold, Jamie Taylor and substitute Tim Cook were all on target for Steve Painter's side with Ben Connolly and Finley Woods replying for the Lingers.

Crawley Down Gatwick maintained their impressive start to the campaign with a 2-0 win away at **Pagham**.

Nick Sullivan struck in the final minute of the first half to give the Anvils the lead with Connor Baston eventually killing off the game in the 82nd minute.

It's taken **Steining Town** a little bit of time to adjust to life in the Premier Division but they're now beginning to climb the league with their latest impressive result being a 1-1 draw away at **Peacehaven & Telscombe**.

Joe Fitzpatrick's 79th minute strike secured a point for the Barrowmen after Josh Marshall had

given the hosts a first half lead at the Sports Park.

An 80th minute goal from **Langney Wanderers** substitute Peter Cooper denied **Loxood** their first league win of the season as the two sides drew 2-2 at Plaistow Road.

Bayley Colbran had given Wanderers a first half lead but second half goals from Luke Brodie and Sam Karl looked like they might have broken the Magpies' duck until Cooper's late intervention.

There was another hammering for **Eastbourne United** as their difficult start to the season continued with a 5-1 defeat away at **Saltdean United**.

Harry Shooman scored twice for the Tigers with the other goals coming from Billy Barker, Will Berry and Alex Laing.

Before those, Paul Rogers had given United the lead inside of 60 seconds.

In Division One and leaders **Littlehampton Town** dropped their first points of the season as they were held to a 1-1 draw away at **Sidlesham**.

Mitchel Hand had given the Golds the lead in the 43rd minute but Jonathan Tallent's 65th minute equaliser was enough to end Town's 100% record and earn Sids only their second point of the campaign.

That result allowed **Midhurst & Easebourne** to draw level with Littlehampton at the top of the table after they had an impressive 5-2 win away at **Shoreham**.

Remarkably, only two of the seven goals scored at Middle Road came in the first half when Danny Lane gave the visitors the lead with

34 minutes on the clock.

Liam Dreckmann doubled the advantage in time added on before both teams went goal mad in the second 45 with James Liddiard, Harry Tollworthy and Lane again on target for the Stags and George Stone and Neil Munday hitting the hosts consolations.

It was a pretty straightforward victory at the Bunn Leisure Stadium for hosts **Selsey** who inflicted more misery upon bottom side **Worthing United**.

Quick-fire first half goals from Max Davies and Callum Dowdell put the Blues firmly in control and Bradley Hayward made it 3-0 midway through the second half before substitute Yassine Jilal pulled one back for United.

All the goals came in the final 30 minutes at the Crouch where visitors **Hailsham Town** left with a 2-1 win over **Seaford Town**.

Beckham Pout gave the visitors the lead before former Hassocks striker Jamie Buckett equalised for the Hornets.

They were level for less than 60 seconds however, Andy Saunders putting the Stringers back into the lead and on course for three big points.

It was the opposite story at Chennells Brook where all the goals came in the opening 30 minutes between **Roffey** and **Storrington**.

Ross Fraser put Storrington 1-0 ahead as early as the fifth minute with Jake Chadwick equalising with 19 played.

What proved to be the winner arrived three minutes later via the Swans' Owen Cave.

Billingshurst picked up their league win of the season with a 3-1 home success against **Oakwood**.

That was despite the fact that

they finished the game with 10 men following Ben Wilson's red card.

Hurst's goals came from Fred Bowles and a brace from Hakim Griffiths with young substitute Josh Neathey scored the consolation for the Oaks.

There was late drama in the division's final game at Old Barn Way where **Southwick** and **Bexhill United** couldn't be separated in a 2-2 draw.

Jack Shonk gave Bexhill an early lead which was cancelled out by James Walker's 75th minute equaliser, setting up a blockbuster finish.

Sam Blundell thought he'd won it for the Wickers when he put them into the lead with just four minutes remaining but the visitors refused to give up and were duly rewarded when Lewis McGuigan scored 90th minute leveller.

Division Two's early leaders **Montpelier Villa** extended their lead at the top after beating **Worthing Town** 4-2 at the University of Sussex.

They had to come from 2-0 behind to do it as well, an own goal and a Tom Donnelly strike leaving the visitors in a strong position entering the final 20 minutes.

That's when Villa sparked into life though as two goals from Liam O'Hanlon alongside efforts from Craig Avens and Chris Grant secured a fourth win from five games.

Second placed **Upper Beeding** were held to a 2-2 draw away at **Jarvis Brook**.

Ollie Hyland gave Brook the lead but a brace from Henry Hayden looked like it might secure all three points for Beeding.

That was until Jake Broomfield popped up with an 85th minute equalise for Brook.

TD Shipley are continuing to enjoy life back in the Southern Combination League and they picked up their third win out of four since winning promotion with a 3-0 success away at **Ferring**.

Jermaine Beer, Mark Cave and Michael Neatherway were all on target for the visitors.

Reigning champions **Rustington** are starting to climb the table with their latest victory being a 3-1 success over **St Francis Rangers** at Jubilee Avenue.

Krzysztof Paraficz scored twice for the Blues alongside substitute Marcus Robertshaw while Louie Derham, another player once of Hassocks, netted his first goal in Rangers colours since his summer move from the Beacon.

The division's biggest win of the tie went to **Bosham** who hammered **Brighton Electricity** 5-1.

There were five different scores for the Robins as well as Alex Barnes, Andy Brown, Conor Crabb, Nick Edgington and Joel Jackson all found the back of the net. Electricity's goal came from Daniel Harris.

Rottingdean Village got their first win of the season on the board as they saw off **Cowfold** 3-2.

Connor Martin scored twice for Rottingdean with Richard Cloake the other scorer. The visitors goals came from Greg Brabon and Samuel Redfearn.

It was the same score in Division Two's final game where **Copthorne** also registered their first victory with success over **Littlehampton United** at the Sportsfield.

Ryan Fenton, Jack Jenkins and Wes Nash were all on target for the visitors. Tom Foxon meanwhile helped himself to a brace for United.



How they stand...

Southern Combination Premier Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Eastbourne Town	7	5	2	0	19	3	17
Lancing	7	5	2	0	17	9	17
Broadbridge Heath	7	4	2	1	12	12	14
Crawley Down Gatwick	7	4	1	2	14	13	13
Peacehaven & Tels.	7	3	3	1	19	14	12
Alford	6	3	2	1	14	10	11
Horley Town	6	3	2	1	13	10	11
AFC Uckfield Town	6	3	1	2	17	11	10
Newhaven	7	2	4	1	16	16	10
Steyning Town	7	3	1	3	13	13	10
Langney Wanderers	7	2	3	2	13	17	9
Little Common	6	2	2	2	12	11	8
Saltdean United	7	2	2	3	13	14	8
Horsham YMCA	6	2	1	3	14	16	7
Lingfield	7	2	0	5	14	17	6
Eastbourne United	7	2	0	5	9	18	6
Loxwood	7	0	4	3	13	17	4
Hassocks	7	1	1	5	7	14	4
Pagham	7	1	1	5	5	14	4
East Preston	6	0	2	4	5	12	2

Premier Division Attendances

	Ave	High	Low
Broadbridge Heath	239	337	112
Eastbourne Town	210	233	176
Newhaven	197	223	171
Peacehaven & Telscombe	158	181	142
Langney Wanderers	150	240	75
Eastbourne United	133	152	110
Crawley Down Gatwick	119	119	119
Hassocks	105	125	85
Lancing	103	110	95
Saltdean United	97	137	47
Horsham YMCA	88	115	67
East Preston	86	103	69
Lingfield	82	112	51
Pagham	80	97	71
Steyning Town	78	98	30
Alford	77	77	77
Loxwood	62	69	62
AFC Uckfield Town	57	81	39
Horley Town	57	78	39
Little Common	55	67	42

Premier Division Form Guide

	Last 6
Eastbourne Town	DWDWWW
Lancing	DDWWWW
Broadbridge Heath	WWWWD
Peacehaven & Tels.	DDWDWW
Alford	DWLDWW
Horley Town	DWWDWLW
AFC Uckfield	DWLWLW
Steyning Town	WDWLWL
Crawley Down Gatwick	DWLLWW
Saltdean United	LWLDDW
Little Common	DWDLWL
Newhaven	WDDDL
Horsham YMCA	WLWDL
Langney Wanderers	WDLDL
Eastbourne United	LLLWWL
Loxwood	DDDL
Hassocks	LLLLDW
Pagham	DLLWL
Lingfield	LLLLLW
East Preston	LDDLL

Premier Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Goals
Lewis Finney	Lancing	12
Liam Baitup	AFC Uckfield	6
Ebou Jallow	Newhaven	6
Alex Laing	Saltdean United	6
Dan Perry	Eastbourne Town	6
Matt Black	AFC Uckfield	5
Kerran Boylan	Horley Town	5
Ben Connolly	Lingfield	5
Jamie Crone	Little Common	5
Sam Cruttwell	Little Common	5
Alfie Gritt	Loxwood	5
Kelvin Lucas	Alford	5
Martin Smith	Horsham YMCA	5
Sam Lemon	Alford	5
David Crouch	East Preston	4
Matt Daniel	Horsham YMCA	4
Tony Halsey	Horley Town	4
Alfie Headland	Eastbourne Utd	4
Charlie Lambert	Peacehaven	4
Nick Sullivan	Crawley Down	4

Southern Combination Under 23 West Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Pagham	3	3	0	0	14	0	9
Oakwood	3	3	0	0	12	6	9
Horsham YMCA	3	2	0	1	9	4	6
East Preston	2	1	1	0	3	2	4
Lancing	3	1	1	1	3	8	4
Hassocks	2	1	0	1	3	3	3
Broadbridge Heath	2	1	0	1	2	2	3
Selsey	3	0	0	3	3	8	0
Worthing United	2	0	0	2	4	10	0
Arundel	3	0	0	3	3	13	0

Under 23 West Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
Josh Neathey	Oakwood	6
Cian Griffin-Tilley	Pagham	5
Dan O'Brien	Pagham	4
Mitchell Casselman	Oakwood	3
Will Reed	Horsham YMCA	3
Matt Ryan	East Preston	3
James Senra	Oakwood	3
James Pearce	Horsham YMCA	2
Joji Phillips	Worthing Utd	2
Jack Ryder	Horsham YMCA	2

Southern Combination Under 18 Central Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St Francis Rangers	2	2	0	0	7	2	6
Burgess Hill Town	1	1	0	0	10	0	3
Mile Oak	1	1	0	0	5	4	3
Haywards Heath Town	2	1	0	1	10	5	3
Shoreham	2	1	0	1	7	10	3
Broadbridge Heath	1	0	0	1	4	5	0
Hassocks	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Souhwick	2	0	0	2	1	16	0

Under 18 Central Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
Harry Naylor	Haywards Heath	5
Isaac Andrews	Mile Oak	2
Adam Cranfield	St Francis	2
Thomas Kiely	Haywards Heath	2
Joe Marchant	St Francis	2
Luca Slaney	Shoreham	2
Rocky Taylor	Shoreham	2
Isaac Abatan	Lancing	1

South East Counties Women's Premier Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Worthing	1	1	0	0	7	0	3
Ashford	1	1	0	0	6	1	3
Parkwood Rangers	1	1	0	0	7	3	3
Lewes	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
Phoenix Sports	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
Hassocks	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Newhaven	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Crawley Wasps	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Eastbourne United	1	0	0	1	1	6	0
Herne Bay	1	0	0	1	0	7	0

Premier Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
Gemma Worsfold	Worthing	6
Rebecca Wyatt	Ashford	4
Yasmin Howard	Ashford	3
Katie Jeffries	Parkwood	3
Nieve Gilman	Eastbourne Utd	2
Abbey Davies	Ashford	2
Katie Franks	Newhaven	2
Corrie Goodhew	Parkwood	2
Sophie Humphrey	Worthing	2

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Hassocks Man of the Match 2019-20

Horley Town away **Phil Johnson**
East Preston home **Lewis Westlake**
Langney Wanderers home **Will Broomfield**
Horsham YMCA away **Ben Bacon**
Pagham away **Dan Jacques**
Chipstead away **Dan Jacques**
Lancing home **Matt Berridge**
Meridian Valley Park away **Will Broomfield**
Chipstead home **Jack Troak**
Eastbourne Town away **Dan Jacques**
Broadbridge Heath away
Horley Town home
Lingfield home
Loxwood home
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Peacehaven & Telscombe away
Eastbourne United home

Hassocks Player of the Month 2019-20

August 2019

1st

2nd

3rd

September 2019

1st

2nd

3rd

October 2019

1st

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November 2019

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December 2019

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3rd

January 2020

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February 2020

1st

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March 2020

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April 2020

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2nd

3rd



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The 50 players to have made 100 appearances for Hassocks in senior football

	Starts	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
Spencer Slaughter	248	42	290	47
Stuart Faith	276	13	289	22
Dave Smith	203	57	260	53
Joe Fernley	205	40	245	45
Neil Smith	232	10	242	68
Mark Burnham	209	22	231	44
Dan Jacques	195	30	225	9
Nathan Miles	156	55	211	74
Pat Harding	178	17	195	131
James Westlake	183	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
Phil Johnson	129	23	152	74
Dan Stokes	105	45	150	10
Luke Flomo	126	20	146	31
Rob South	130	14	144	3
Pete Lear	137	3	140	6
Ian Dawson	70	66	136	7
Andy Burt	77	56	133	35
Bradley Bant	117	14	131	12
Nick Pitcher	112	19	131	13
Steve Wilkins	107	19	126	11
Harry Mills	102	10	112	5
Nick Newman	110	4	114	2
Michael Death	87	25	112	38
Liam Benson	81	30	111	30
Jordan Badger	106	4	110	4
Jamie Weston	84	23	107	14
Jamie Hillwood	83	24	107	23
Mark Launder	77	29	106	1
Sam Fisk	84	20	104	6
Tom Barnes	90	13	103	0



Matt Robbins

When Matt Robbins was fit and on form, there weren't many better central midfielders on the Southern Combination League circuit in the mid-2000's.

Robbins arrived at the Beacon in 2004 having moved to Brighton for University. Originally from Suffolk, he'd helped Beccles United win the Anglian Combination League in 2002 at the age of 18 and after a few reserve outings for the Robins, it became apparent very quickly that Hassocks had a serious talent.

As a result, Dave John fast tracked him into the first team squad and he made his debut early in the 2004-05 season, going onto become a mainstay of the side over the next four seasons.

Robbins was mainly used as a central midfielder but he could also do a job up front and even played the odd game at left wing back, his versatility nearly matching his technical ability in his 157 appearances which yielded 20 goals.

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Today's Premier Division fixtures
 Little Common v Alford

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 AFC Uckfield Town v AFC Varndeanians
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