



Looking forward



Hassocks v Lingfield

Saturday 21st September 2019. 3pm kick off
Southern Combination League Premier Division
Programme £1



Respect 



CHARTER STANDARD CLUB

HASSOCKS FOOTBALL CLUB

Founded 1902

The Beacon Ground, Brighton Road, Hassocks, BN6 9LY
01273 846040
hassocksfc@outlook.com

CLUB OFFICIALS

CHAIRMAN / TREASURER / GENERAL MANAGER

Dave John 07787 563351

VICE CHAIR / MEMBERSHIP / BAR MANAGER

Owen John 07747 612526

SECRETARY

Sarah John 07703 346208

PROGRAMME EDITORS

Owen John 07747 612526

Scott McCarthy 07887 746222

WEBSITE MANAGER

Scott McCarthy 07887 746222

GROUNDSMAN

Alan John 01444 416155

FIRST TEAM MANAGER

Mark Dalgleish 07788 713954

ASSISTANT MANAGER

Brad Sweetman 07933729597

GOALKEEPER COACH

Haig Kingston

PHYSIO

Phil Wickwar 07762 779796

UNDER 23 TEAM MANAGER

Dave John 07787 563351

UNDER 18 TEAM MANAGER

Brad Sweetman 07933729597

ASSISTANT MANAGER

Owen John 07747 612526

LADIES MANAGER

Martin Lee 07713 452615

SECRETARY

Tallie Bright 07541 900786

VETERANS MANAGER

Steve Spies 07711 499496

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 today's Macron Store Hastings Southern Combination League Premier Division clash with Lingfield...

It seems like an age since we last took to the field for a league game after fixtures across various cup competitions.

As a result, today represents an opportunity to get back into Premier Division action and try and put some results together to push up the table.

That won't be easy against a Lingfield side who showed their quality with a blistering start to the season.

They've tailed off a little since then, but will still be dangerous opponents today - and we hope that they enjoy their stay with us here in Mid Sussex this afternoon.

Hammered in the Vase

It wasn't the best of afternoons a week ago as we exited the FA Vase with a 6-1 defeat at the hands of Horley Town.

A lack of availability didn't help the cause against opponents who are making a real mark on the Southern Combination League since their move across from the Combined Counties League.

Still, it's hard not to wonder might have been on another day had Hassocks turned up and Horley not

been in such blistering form.

There remain plenty of opportunities to do something in cup competitions this season with a couple of games which, at the time of going to press, were yet to be scheduled.

We've been drawn away at Arundel in the first round of the Sussex Senior Cup with that tie needing to take place before Wednesday October 2nd.

There is also our Peter Bentley League Cup Second Round clash here at the Beacon with Langney Wanderers to fit in, which we suspect will come shortly after the Senior Cup game.

To keep fully up-to-date with any fixture changes, then please keep an eye on the website and our social media channels.

Unbeaten Sunday for Under 18s and Ladies

We had a good time of it last Sunday as both the Under 18s and the Ladies picked up their first points of the season.

For Brad Sweetman's young Robins, that saw them win an entertaining clash 2-1 against

Shoreham here at the Beacon.

Harrison Lees made it two goals in two games with Alfie Loversidge the other scorer.

The Ladies meanwhile drew 1-1 away at Newhaven to gain their first point since promotion back to the South East Counties Women's Premier Division. Rose Jump was the Hassocks scorer.

Both sides are in action tomorrow if you're looking for a football fix; the Under 18s with an eagerly anticipated local derby away at Burgess Hill Town at 11am and the Ladies at home to Crawley Wasps.

That one kicks off at 2pm and entrance is free.

The Under 23s are on the road this Thursday night away at East Preston and then of course we have our fourth home game in a row a week today against Loxwood.

The fixtures are still coming thick and fast, so it would be great to see as many people here as possible cheering on the players.

Enjoy the game,

Owen and Scott



Lingfield

Founded 1893

Nickname Lingers

Ground The Sports Pavilion

Website lingfieldfc.com

Twitter @LingfieldFC

Manager David Deane

Top Scorer Ben Connolly, 9

HONOURS

SCFL Division Two

Winners 1998

Mid Sussex Football League

Winners 1993

Surrey Intermediate League

Winners 1978, 1979

Surrey Intermediate Cup

Winners 1978, 1979

Surrey County Centenary Cup

Winners 1978

Surrey Junior League

Winners 1914

Edenbridge & Caterham League

Winners 1935, 1936, 1937, 1953

Edenbridge & Caterham Cup

Winners 1962

After FA Cup, FA Vase and Sussex RUR Charity Cup commitments, Hassocks get back to the bread and butter of league football this afternoon with a tough looking game against Lingfield...

The Lingers underlined what a quality side they are on their day as they 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.

Given all the talk that had come out of the Oval about United being dark horses for the title, that was a result that really made the rest of the Premier Division sit up and take notice - so much so that United chairman Billy Reed offered to refund all the visiting supporters for their entry to the Sports Pavilion.

It's been a little bit more of a struggle since then however, not helped by a run of fixtures that has been nearly as tough as Hassocks' past few Premier Division games.

One thing that is sure to help Lingfield out of their recent rut is the goals of Ben Connolly, who has been one of the league's deadliest marksmen so far.

At the time of writing, he had nine to his name. The Robins backline could be in for a testing afternoon if Connolly brings his shooting boots with him.

David Dean and his squad will have mixed memories of their visits to the Beacon last season, having played here twice; once in the Premier Division and once in the Peter Bentley League Cup.

That cup meeting saw the Lingers run out easy 3-0 winners with goals from Thomas Stead, Joel Alexander and Christopher Ransome.

Fast forward a month and it was a much better afternoon from a Hassocks point of view.

On that occasion, a Phil Johnson double and a late goal from Jake Lindsey just about secured a 3-2 win with the visitors' responses coming from Callum Ridley and Jake Horn.

Overall, it's Hassocks that lead the head-to-head with 13 wins from 24.

Lingfield have won six with last season's exploits helping to close the gap; as well as that Peter Bentley Cup won, they triumphed 1-0 at the Sports Pavilion in March.

That result helped them on their way to an eighth place finish, the second highest they've ever recorded.

Dangerous opponents, indeed.

10 Key Moments

1938... after a trio of Edenbridge League titles, they move from the High Street to Talbot Road
1958... the Lingers move to their current home at Godstone Road
1978... lift the Surrey League and Intermediate Cup double, repeating the trick the following season
1980... join the Combined Counties League after being rejected by the Southern Combination
1982... floodlights are installed at Godstone Road and the club enter the FA Vase for the first time
1983... they finally join the Southern Combination, lasting six seasons before relegation to the Mid Sussex
1993... win the Mid Sussex League and a year later, earn promotion to SCFL Division One
2008... promoted to the Premier Division for the first time in the clubs history
2014... the FA force a move to the Southern Counties East League. One season later, they return to the ACL
2018... promoted back to the SCFL Premier Division four years after being moved

Last 20 Seasons

2018-19, Southern Combination Premier 8th
2017-18, Southern Combination One 3rd
2016-17, Southern Combination One 5th
2015-16, Southern Combination One 8th
2014-15, Southern Counties East Premier 17th
2013-14, Southern Combination Premier 15th
2012-13, Southern Combination Premier 6th
2011-12, Southern Combination Premier 7th
2010-11, Southern Combination Premier 11th
2009-10, Southern Combination Premier 10th
2008-09, Southern Combination Premier 8th
2007-08, Southern Combination One 2nd
2006-07, Southern Combination One 10th
2005-06, Southern Combination Two 2nd
2004-05, Southern Combination Two 3rd
2003-04, Southern Combination Two 8th
2002-03 Southern Combination Two 9th
2001-02 Southern Combination Two 16th
2000-01 Southern Combination One 18th
1999-00 Southern Combination One 18th

Hassocks v Lingfield :: Head-to-Head

SCFL Premier Division... Played 14 - Won 4 - Drawn 5 - Lost 5 - Scored 17 - Conceded 15

SCFL Division One... Played 2 - Won 2 - Drawn 0 - Lost - 0 - Scored 5 - Conceded 2

SCFL Division Two... Played 4 - Won 4 - Drawn 0 - Lost - 0 - Scored 18 - Conceded 1

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

Peter Bentley League Cup... Played 2 - Won 1 - Drawn 0 - Lost 1 - Scored 5 - Conceded 4

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

Total... Played 24 Won 13 Drawn 5 Lost 6 Scored 51 Conceded 25

Previous 10 Meetings

2018-19 SCFL Premier: Lingfield 1-0 Hassocks
2018-19 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 3-2 Lingfield
2018-19 Peter Bentley Cup: Hassocks 0-3 Lingfield
2015-16 Peter Bentley Cup: Hassocks 5-1 Lingfield
2013-14 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 3-1 Lingfield

2013-14 RUR Cup: Hassocks 3-2 Lingfield
2013-14 SCFL Premier: Lingfield 0-1 Hassocks
2012-13 SCFL Premier: Lingfield 1-1 Hassocks
2012-13 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 0-1 Lingfield
2011-12 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 0-1 Lingfield

Played for both

Striker Daley Clark joined Hassocks from Lingfield for the start of the 2009-10 season, going onto spend just over a year at the Beacon.

The former Burgess Hill Town Under 18s forward was bought in by Dave John to form a new look strike partnership with Neil Kane who made moved to Hassocks from Shoreham in the final throes of the previous campaign.

It was hoped that Clark would help the Robins to address the problem of scoring goals that had haunted them as they only just

survived relegation into Division Two of the County League in the 2008-09 season.

Unfortunately for Clark, he didn't prove to be the answer as the return to Hassocks of Phil Gault from St Francis Rangers saw the young forward shifted back into a midfield role.

The move however suited Clark and he played 34 times in his debut campaign, scoring once.

With Mickey Jewell taking the reigns for 2010-11 and an influx of new faces, Clark found his first team opportunities limited and he made

the move to St Francis Rangers a month into the new season.

Current Hassocks striker Ben Bacon enjoyed a brief spell with Lingfield last season in-between periods with Saltdean United and Steyning Town.

Bacon had played for the Tigers against Hassocks on August Bank Holiday Monday and ran amok, scoring all four goals as Saltdean left with a convincing victory.

He didn't feature in either of the Lingers' visits to the Beacon before moving to Steyning, from where Hassocks signed him in August.

HEAD OF CLEMENTS CONDEMNNS HASSOCKS TO DEFEAT

Hassocks made their first trip to Lingfield for five-and-a-half years but it wasn't a happy visit to the Sports Pavilion as they suffered a 1-0 defeat against their upwardly mobile hosts.

The last time the Robins made the trek to Surrey was in September 2013 when Mickey Jewell's side picked up a 1-0 win of their own courtesy of a Phil Gault penalty which was won by Phil Johnson.

Much has changed since that day when Hassocks went joint-top of the Southern Combination League Premier Division.

Only Johnson and Dan Jacques remain at the Beacon while the Lingers suffered the ordeal of being shunted by the FA to the Southern Counties East League for a season before returning to the Southern Combination in 2014, albeit in Division One.

They won promotion back to the top flight at the third time of asking last season and are enjoying a fantastic campaign again this time around with their sights firmly set on eclipsing their best ever finish of sixth.

That made this a difficult game for Hassocks, even before you take into account their recent inconsistent form which has seen them only draw at home with relegation threatened Loxwood and Little Common but win away at title chasing Newhaven.

Mark Dagleish largely kept faith with the side who'd rescued a late point against the Commoners, making only two changes as Harry Mills came in for Will Broomfield and Andy Whittingham replaced the injured Harvey Blake.

Blake's absence in particular was a blow to the Robins.

The young full back, who has made such an impression in his first season of senior football since

signing from Mid Sussex Premier Division side Sporting Lindfield, is set to be out for several weeks with a problem picked up in the first three minutes of last week's Beacon draw.

Lingfield made a bright start to proceedings and nearly went ahead inside of the opening five minutes.

Conor Wilford was a constant menace down the left flank for the hosts and his teasing cross looked like it was heading straight in at the far post until Josh Green did superbly to get the faintest of fingers to tip it onto the post.

Hassocks didn't deal with the resulting corner very effectively which allowed Rick Campbell the chance to produce a volley with his back to goal but despite being just a handful of yards out, he only succeeded in lifting the ball over the bar.

The Robins caused problems with a set piece of their own, Bradley Tighe's teasing corner from out on the left being punched clear by Olly Moore at the second attempt with Mills lurking dangerously.

A quick one-two between Campbell and Sammy Clements gave the latter a sight of goal with Green again doing well to get down low to his right and keep the shot out.

Hassocks had a glorious chance to take the lead within two minutes of the second half after an excellent move.

Jamie Bakhit had surrendered possession cheaply for Lingfield to Harvey Enticknap and a quick exchange of one-touch passes with Liam Benson released Joe Bull down the left, his low cross being fired wide by the unmarked James Littlejohn.

Benson was then also left unmarked in the box when Littlejohn this time crossed but a nasty bobble saw the ball bounce up just before it reached the Robins striker and although he did well to react and still manage to get a shot away, it looped

harmlessly into the arms of the grateful Moore.

Enticknap showed good strength to hold off Jay Mayhew and hit an effort goal wards after collecting an Andy Whittingham throw and top scorer Johnson also went close after his introduction from the substitutes bench.

Hassocks were made to rue not taking those opportunities with 20 minutes remaining as all their bright football of the second half was undone as they gave away a cheap goal which proved to be the winner.

Enticknap wasn't convincing enough in the tackle when challenging Clements which gave the Lingfield striker the chance to switch the ball to Wilford out on the right.

Wilford meanwhile was afforded far too much space with Whittingham being the nearest player to him, some 15 yards away.

That gave Wilford the time he needed to set himself and pick out a cross, delivering the perfect ball into the box which landed straight on the head of Clements who had arrived in the area under the noses of Tighe and Mills to nod past Green.

Chances were few and far between after that with Hassocks' only real opportunity failing to Benson, Whittingham having pushed forward to play him in but his effort from a tight angle was turned around the post by Moore.

Hassocks: Green; Tighe, Mills, Jacques, Whittingham; Bull, Enticknap, Rowe-Hurst, Stokes; Benson, Littlejohn.

Subs: Johnson, Brown, L Westlake (used), Lindsey, Broomfield (unused).

Starman: Dan Jacques

ROBINS ON THE PINCH IN DAYLIGHT ROBBERY

How Hassocks came away from this encounter with Lingfield with a share of the spoils was beyond the belief of even the most ardent of home supporters.

Lingfield were completely dominant in this first meeting between the two sides since 1995.

They were quicker to the ball, sharper in thought and their movement was impressive from front to back.

That they only led 2-0 going into the final five minutes was a travesty.

Ian Gillard had what appeared to be a perfectly good goal chalked off after Jack Simpson got himself into a bit of flap.

The 17-year-old goalkeeper was no doubt grateful to the referee for sparing his blushes there, but that was nothing compared to the gratitude that Simpson's teammates must have felt towards him by the time the final whistle blew.

Without a string of great saves at vital times from their young custodian, Lingfield would have been out of sight.

The fact that they weren't set the stage for Hassocks to commit daylight robbery, Laurence Robinson's 87th minute goal combining with Matt Russell's bundled effort in injury time giving the Robins the most underserved of points.

Ollie Davis gave Lingfield the lead as early as the eighth minute, firing home from a fine Sam McCarthy cross.

McCarthy should have doubled the advantage shortly after but he somehow contrived to completely miss the ball, producing a comical air kick from a Gillard centre.

Simpson ensured it was only 1-0 going into the break with a flurry of saves just before half time.

He pulled off an excellent stop at full stretch low down to his left to

keep out a Craig Abbott effort, showed brilliant reactions to keep out Gillard's header from a matter of yards and then scrambled across to his right to tip Aaron Courtney's distance drive around the post.

The second half was just a minute old when Simpson and Hassocks received their let off.

Gillard's cross in was a dangerous one and it caused Simpson enough problems to result in him punching the ball into this own net.

But referee Mr Machink had spotted what he deemed to be a foul on Simpson for what looked to be minimal contact; the goal was disallowed and Hassocks could breathe again.

"Lingfield were quicker to the ball, sharper in thought and their movement was impressive from front to back. That they only led 2-0 going into the final five minutes was a travesty"

Lingfield continued to surge forward with the skilful McCarthy wriggling away from Nick Pitcher, only to see his effort on the angle superbly saved by Simpson.

Gillard played in Courtney but he blazed well over and Spencer Slaughter put his body on the line to block a Gillard free kick from eight yards out after Simpson had handled a Glen Woodburn backpass.

Hassocks finally conjured up a genuine chance on 69 minutes, Matt Amos producing a deft flick which bamboozled two Lingfield defenders but Russell could only scuff wide with just Stacey Bowtell in the visitors' goal to beat.

Three minutes after that and Lingfield doubled their lead, McCarthy getting the goal that his performance deserved as he flicked in a Chris Charlery cross.

The visitors seemed content to

see out the rest of the game by getting the ball wide and heading to the corners, a strategy that although not advisable in most games appeared eminently sensible given the fact that Hassocks seemingly posed zero threat to Bowtell's goal.

But football is a funny game and when substitute James Laing's cross was hooked in at the far post by the long legs of Laurence Robinson on 87, the atmosphere both on the pitch and in the stands suddenly changed.

Gone was frustration and resignation to defeat and in its place came a sense that this one might not be over yet.

And so it proved. A long ball forward in the 91st minute was flicked on by Amos, leaving Russell in a footrace with Bowtell.

It was the Hassocks forward who won - just - nudging the ball past Botwell to pick the pockets of the Lingers.

Hassocks had played their get out of jail free card and judging by the smiles on their players' faces as they left the pitch, they knew it.

John Suter will also know that his side can't afford to put in many more performances like this one, especially as they haven't won in the league now since the opening day.

Lingfield meanwhile will cause plenty of problems for the established clubs in their first ever season in County One based on this showing.

Hassocks: J Simpson; White, Woodburn, Pitcher, Fitzgerald; Hibbert, Faith, Slaughter, Robinson; Russell, Amos.

Subs: Eynon (Woodburn 62), Laing (Slaughter 78), Bristow (White 90), McKenzie, Gander (unused).

Starman: Jack Simpson. He may not be the finished article yet but he made some vital saves to keep his side in it.



Burgess Hill Radio
Connecting With Your Community

103.8 FM

and available online at
www.burgesshillradio.co.uk
or on the free RadioPlayer App

Proud to support

**Hassoeks
Football Club**

Hassoeks lure Benson back to the Beacon



You may have noticed a familiar name back on the Hassoeks team sheet for the last few home games as Liam Benson has returned to the Beacon.

Benson made the move from the Robins to Steyning Town in the summer, playing seven times for the Barrowmen over the course of the opening five weeks of the season.

But Mark Dalglish has subsequently managed to lure him back to Mid Sussex to help boost Hassoeks' depleted

striking options.

Phil Johnson has been on the injury list since the Robins second game of the campaign when they defeated East Preston 2-1 and Jack Rowe-Hurst too has been struggling for fitness.

Dalglish has already raided the Shooting Field for one striker, Ben Bacon having made the move from Steyning just over a month ago.

This will be Benson's third spell with the Robins. He was part of the Under 18s side that lifted the Southern Combination League Central Division title in the 2013-14 season, making his first team debut under Mickey Jewell that same year.

A regular scorer in the reserves and Under 21s over the next few campaigns, Benson scored his first Hassoeks goal against Hailsham Town in a stunning 8-0 win for the Robins at the Beaconsfield in August 2016.

The 2016-17 season proved to be a breakthrough campaign and Benson really announced his arrival on the scene with a brace as Hassoeks shocked eventual Premier Division champions Shoreham 4-1 at the Beacon in February 2017.

He finished that campaign with 10 goals from 29 appearances, a total only bettered by Phil Gault and Michael Death.

Benson added a further seven in 22 in the first half of the 2017-18 season before moving to Lancing.

He spent six months at Culver Road, scoring twice for the Lancers against Hassoeks in a 4-0 Beacon win for the visitors in March 2018.

Benson came back to the Robins for his second spell in the summer of 2018, playing 44 times and scoring 13 goals.

When he left Hassoeks for the Barrowmen in June, his overall Robins record read 30 goals from 111 appearances.

He's made two appearances so far back in Hassoeks colours, coming on as a sub in the 2-1 defeat Premier Division defeat against Broadbridge Heath before starting in the 6-1 FA Vase loss to Horley Town.

In between those two first games, Benson was on target for the Under 23s as they went down 2-1 to reigning West Division champions Horsham YMCA last Thursday.

Hopefully, it will be the first of many goals back with the Robins.



Robins draw Mullets

The draw for the first round of the Sussex Senior Cup has thrown up a familiar foe for Hassocks...

Hassocks will face a potentially hair-raising experience in the Sussex Senior Cup as they go to the Mullets of Arundel in the first round of the competition.

The draw took place on Saturday 14th September live on BBC Radio Sussex and paired the Robins with an extremely familiar foe.

There aren't many clubs on the Southern Combination League circuit that Hassocks have faced as often as Arundel, with 49 previous meetings between the two.

And meeting number 50 will be the first time that we've crossed swords in the Sussex Senior Cup.

44 of the fixtures have taken place in the Premier Division, a result of Hassocks being the longest serving member of the top flight having played there since 1994.

Arundel's own unbroken run stretching back to 2000 only came to an end with relegation at the end of last season.

That could have made 2019-20 the first season for 20 years in which Hassocks and the Mullets hadn't met until the intervention of the Senior Cup.

The two games last season saw a win apiece. Hassocks went to Mill Road in August, where a 3-1 victory gave Mark Dalglish his first success in sole charge of the club.

Phil Johnson scored twice on that evening with a rare goal from Dan Stokes rounding off the result.

It was an altogether different story back in January when the Mullets won 2-0 at the Beacon through goals from Ben Gray and Harry Russell, one of the most disappointing performances of Hassocks' entire campaign.

Those two results are part of an interesting change in the dynamics of the fixture over the past few seasons.

It used to be the case that whoever was the home side would tend to win but that seems to have been flipped on its head in the last five years, culminating in away wins for both last season.

That will give Arundel confidence that they can pull off a shock when the teams meet, especially as they're flying in Division One so far having won three games out of three.

No date has yet been set for the tie, although it does have to be played before Wednesday 2nd October.

The full draw for the first round of the Sussex Senior Cup:

Broadbridge Heath v Mile Oak
Roffey v Billingshurst
Eastbourne Town v AFC Uckfield
Hailsham Town v Eastbourne United
Wick v East Preston
Pagham v Little Common
Southwick v Littlehampton Town
Langney Wanderers v Horsham YMCA
Shoreham v Loxwood
Worthing United v Selsey
Crawley Down v Midhurst & E'bourne
Storrington vs Bexhill United
Seaford vs Peacehaven & Telscombe
Steyning Town v Crowborough
Newhaven v Oakwood
AFC Varndeanians v Sidlesham
Lancing v Saltdean United

Bognor Regis Town, Brighton & Hove Albion, Burgess Hill Town, Chichester City, Crawley Town, East Grinstead Town, Eastbourne Borough, Hastings United, Haywards Heath Town, Horsham, Lewes, Three Bridges, Whitehawk and Worthing all enter the competition in the second round.

ROBINS HIT FOR SIX IN A VASE AFTERNOON TO FORGET

**Buildbase FA Vase Second Qualifying Round
Saturday 14th September 2019, The Beacon
Hassocks 1-6 Horley Town**

The cricket season may be all but over but Hassocks found themselves hit for six as their FA Vase adventure come to a shuddering end.

The Robins' fellow Southern Combination League Premier Division side Horley Town were the visitors to the Beacon and they cakewalked into the first round proper of the competition with a 6-1 victory.

It was a result that came out of nowhere really. Yes, Hassocks had lost their previous four games in a row but that only told half the story.

They'd gone down to single goal defeats to Isthmian League side Chipstead in the FA Cup and second placed Lancing and third placed Broadbridge Heath in the league.

Even the one fixture with a compelling scoreline was harsh, leaders Eastbourne Town's 4-1 win at the Saffrons being an encounter that was delicately poised until the final 30 minutes.

In fact, what probably sums this game up best is the man-of-the-match poll that the Robins' Twitter account ran afterwards.

Two of the nominations were goalkeeper James Earl - without whom it could have been even more than the half dozen it was - and left back Andy Whittingham.

So, that's a goalkeeper and a left back who were part of a back five that shipped six goals. Telling.

Then came groundsman Alan John for his work in preparing a fine playing surface and Christine Low who put on an excellent selection of food from the T-Bar.

At the time of writing, it was neck-and-neck between Christine and Alan as to who would win the vote.

Choosing between pitch or cheeseburger was a tough dilemma. Unfortunately, Mark Dalglish had no such headaches when it came to his

team selection as Hassocks were beset with a raft of unavailability.

Josh Green, Harvey Blake, Harry Mills and Jack Rowe-Hurst were all among the regulars missing, which contributed to a pretty disjointed showing.

Liam Benson came in for his first start since returning to the Beacon from Steyning Town while the bench included last season's Under 18s top scorer Tristan Hayes and Louis Pople, last seen in a Hassocks shirt in the 2012-13 season.

It was another substitute, Joe Bull, who provided Hassocks' only bright spot when he notched his first senior goal for the club midway through the second half.

"Hassocks' recent good performances against tough opponents seemed like a distant memory after 90 chastening minutes under the Mid Sussex sun."

The move started from a free kick in the Robins' own half which was played down the line, from where a decent cross was delivered which Bull slid in to meet at the far post.

Horley were already four goals to the good by that point. They opened the scoring inside the opening 10 minutes through the lively Kerran Boylan.

He's a player who is clearly thriving since the Clarets' move from the Combined Counties League into the Southern Combination having notched eight times already coming into this tie.

Boylan was a real handful all afternoon and alongside his strike partner Tony Halsey, they gave Dan Jacques and Arni Kublickas a torrid time of it.

Hassocks managed to make it past the half hour mark before goal



number two went in, Newson this time being the man on the scoresheet.

Number three arrived four minutes later, midfielder Russell Harvey popping up with his first goal of the season.

Most of those in attendance accepted that it was pretty much game over at that point, but Horley were in no mood to ease up going into the second half.

Plenty of the crowd were still in the clubhouse tucking into one of Christine's burgers when Boylan added his second and Horley's fourth within five minutes of the restart.

Bull then struck the hosts' consolation, a deserved goal for the 19-year-old as he looks to nail down a regular spot in Dalglish's side.

At 4-2, the Robins might have had hope of making things a little more respectable. They'd done so the last time these two sides met in the FA Vase in 2016, falling 4-0 behind but scoring two late goals to ensure it wasn't a hammering.

Unfortunately, there was to be no repeat of that on this occasion as Mario Quiassaca made it five shortly after.

The final goal arrived in the last five minutes, Dale Burgess rounding things off for Horley to give them a stylish win. For Hassocks, an afternoon to forget.

Hassocks: Earl; Stokes, Jacques, Kublickas, Whittingham; Berridge, Broomfield; Bacon, Troak, Hillwood; Benson.

Subs: Bull, Galbraith-Gibbons, Enticknap (used), Hayes, Pople (unused).

First Team Matches 2019-20

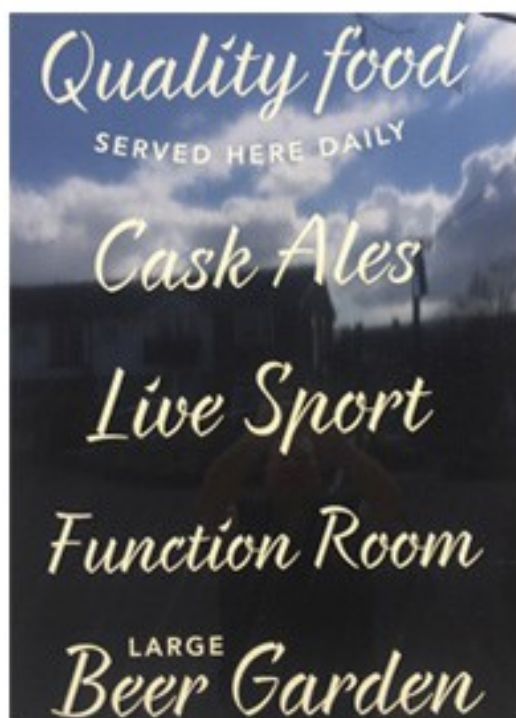
Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
August				
03/08 - 15:00	Horley Town (A)	SCFLP	0-2	
06/08 - 19:45	East Preston (H)	SCFLP	2-1	Troak, Johnson
10/08 - 15:00	Langney Wanderers (H)	FACEP	2-0	Rowe-Hurst, Berridge
17/08 - 15:00	Horsham YMCA (A)	SCFLP	2-2	Blake, Bacon
20/08 - 19:30	Pagham (A)	SCFLP	0-1	
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	1-6	Bull
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	12	0	12	1	42	2
Jack Troak	12	0	12	3	11	3
Andy Whittingham	11	0	11	0	75	0
Harvey Blake	10	0	10	1	50	2
Josh Green	10	0	10	0	49	0
Will Broomfield	9	1	10	0	67	3
James Littlejohn	7	3	10	2	38	6
Dan Stokes	4	6	10	0	152	10
Ben Bacon	9	0	9	3	33	12
Harry Mills	7	2	9	0	112	5
Arni Kublickas	7	0	7	0	56	1
Jamie Hillwood	6	1	7	1	109	23
Dan Jacques	6	1	7	0	227	9
Jack Rowe-Hurst	5	1	6	1	23	4
Joe Bull	1	5	6	0	43	0
Harvey Enticknap	3	2	5	0	34	1
Lewis Westlake	3	1	4	0	75	4
Alex Spinks	2	1	3	0	17	0
James Earl	2	0	2	0	2	0
Phil Johnson	2	0	2	1	152	74
Liam Benson	1	1	2	0	113	30
Nick Pitcher	1	0	1	0	131	13
Dan Turner	1	0	1	0	1	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	0	1	1	0	28	3
Harvey Ransome	0	1	1	0	1	0

THE HASSOCKS

— Traditional Pub —



OPENING TIMES

MONDAY	11.00 - 23.00
TUESDAY	11.00 - 23.00
WEDNESDAY	11.00 - 23.00
THURSDAY	11.00 - 23.00
FRIDAY	11.00 - 00.30
SATURDAY	11.00 - 00.30
SUNDAY	12.00 - 23.00

Come and visit us after today's game - next to Hassocks Station

RYDER THE DIFFERENCE AS HASSOCKS PUSH CHAMPS CLOSE

**Southern Combination League Under 23 West Division
Thursday 12th September 2019, Gorings Mead
Horsham YMCA U23 2-1 Hassocks U23**



The top two from last season's Southern Combination League Under 23 West Division met at Gorings Mead and it was familiar story as champions Horsham YMCA defeated runners up Hassocks.

Eight points separated the sides last season, but in reality the title race was actually much closer than that final margin suggests.

The two sides were pretty much neck-and-neck right up until the middle of April.

And while Hassocks managed to pick up only one point from their final five games, YM embarked on an imperious run with their first championship at Under 23 level being all but confirmed when they defeated the Robins 2-1 as part of their end-of-season charge.

It was the same score line on this occasion, although Hassocks in particular have a very different look about them this year.

In fact, not one of the 13 players used by Dave John here featured in either of the league games between the two last season, the first of which ended 1-1 at the Beacon back in December.

In the Robins' previous game, a 2-1 win away at Broadbridge Heath a fortnight previously, John had named a starting line up with only one player over the age of 19.

He had a bit more experience to call upon here as Nick Pitcher

returned from injury alongside two familiar faces making their first appearances at this level for a couple of years.

Liam Benson led the line for the Under 23s for the first time since 2017 as he seeks to build up match fitness following his recent return to the Robins from a brief spell at Steyning Town.

It turned out to be a good night for Benson as he scored Hassocks' goal on 35 minutes, no doubt pushing himself into the reckoning for a first team start when Horley

"Ultimately, the difference proved to be YM's Jack Ryder who struck in the 35th and 73rd minutes to ensure that the three points stayed with the champions."

Town come to Mid Sussex in the FA Vase in two days time.

Meanwhile in goal, Reece Wickwar was back in a Hassocks shirt having last played for the club in the 2015-16 campaign.

His return was necessitated by James Earl making his first team debut 48 hours previously in the 2-1 defeat against Broadbridge Heath.

Earl impressed at High Wood Hill and with regular number one Josh Green away for Saturday's clash with Horley, the 18-year-old now has an

opportunity get a run of games under his belt at senior level.

Those three came in for Earl, Joe Russell and Joe Tatford with John making one other change to the side who'd delivered three points against the Bears, Harvey Ransome being handed his first start in place of Thomas Jupp.

YM were struck a blow early on when Leon Eales exited the action after just 11 minutes.

Eales had scored the winner in that April meeting but any hopes that the Robins might have had that his departure would lead to an easier evening where dashed when they saw the identity of his replacement, former Hassocks first team forward Jake Lindsey who moved to Gorings Mead in the summer.

Benson's goal was part of a dogged performance from the visitors and they came close to leaving with a point.

Ultimately, the difference proved to be YM's Jack Ryder who struck in the 35th and 73rd minutes to ensure that the three points stayed with the champions.

Hassocks: R Wickwar, Ross, Pitcher, Turner, O'Leary, Bull, Gardner, Dimelow, Ransome, Galbraith-Gibbons, Benson.

Subs: Atherton, Denyer (used).

Mid Sussex Times

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	1-2	Benson
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	3	0	3	1
Kieran Dimelow	3	0	3	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	3	0	3	1
Jack Gardner	3	0	3	0
Solly Ross	3	0	3	0
Dan Turner	3	0	3	0
Matt Denyer	1	2	3	0
James Earl	2	0	2	0
Ben O'Leary	2	0	2	0
Nick Pitcher	2	0	2	0
Joe Russell	2	0	2	0
Joe Tatford	2	0	2	0
Thomas Jupp	1	1	2	0
Jake Atherton	0	2	2	1
Liam Benson	1	0	1	1
Harvey Ransome	1	0	1	0
Reece Wickwar	1	0	1	0
Charlie Alderton	0	1	1	0
Connor Bradley	0	1	1	0
Alfie Loversidge	0	1	1	0
Connor Weir	0	1	1	0



**sports
massage
brighton**

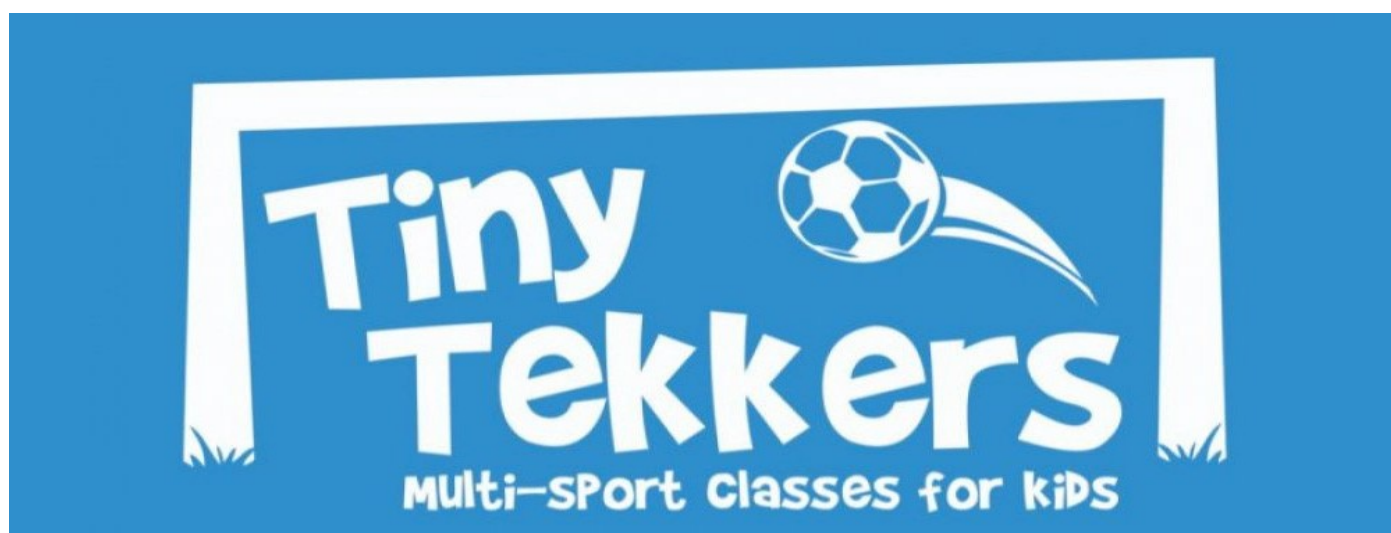
Relaxation or deep tissue massage
07843 762 132

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	2-1	Loversidge, Lees
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	2	0	2	0
Lewis Beebee	2	0	2	0
Oliver Charlesworth	2	0	2	0
Alex Crawford	2	0	2	0
Toby Fisher	2	0	2	0
Jack Gardner	2	0	2	0
Charlie Jones	2	0	2	0
Harrison Lees	2	0	2	2
Alfie Loversidge	2	0	2	0
Luke Marshall	2	0	2	1
Finlay McDermott	2	0	2	0
Freddie Gamblin	0	2	2	0
Guy Underwood	0	2	2	0
Lewis Reep	0	1	1	0
Archie Tunnell	0	1	1	0



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	Newhaven (A)	SECWP	1-1	Jump
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
Sarah Chappell	2	0	2	0
Gemma Craig	2	0	2	0
Jess Craig	2	0	2	0
Chloe John	2	0	2	0
Rose Jump	2	0	2	1
Sam Newman	2	0	2	0
Kelly Rushworth	2	0	2	1
Claire Stevens	2	0	2	0
Ria Banitas	1	1	2	0
Emma Flin	1	1	2	0
Liz King	1	1	2	0
Emily Brocklehurst	1	0	1	0
Jodie Johanson	1	0	1	0
Kirstin Mair	1	0	1	0





GR Teamwear
Suppliers of teamwear, clothing and equipment

PARKER
BUILDING SUPPLIES



Keymer Double Glazing
"The Name You Can Trust"

ON THIS DAY



The Mickey Jewell era was off to a good start at the Beacon. Hassocks were unbeaten in the league under their new boss and had just hammered Selsey 5-0 at the Beacon. Next up, a tough assignment against Ringmer on this day in **2010**...

ANOTHER FIVE STAR SHOWING FOR RAMPANT ROBINS

Hassocks are starting to fly now under Mickey Jewell. Three days after hitting five past Selsey without reply at the Beacon, the Robins repeated the trick to hammer a helpless Ringmer by the same score.

If anything, this performance was even more impressive than the one that they'd delivered at the weekend; the Blues after all are no slouches and yet they had no answer to a rampant Hassocks.

The goals came from five different scorers with Sam Jeremiah, Phil Gault, Anthony Hibbert, Spencer Slaughter and Nathan Miles all on target and the result lifted Hassocks up into eighth spot in the table.

Jewell is still to taste defeat in the league as Hassocks boss and had his charges managed to turn a couple of their early season draws into wins, they could even have been well in the title race at this early stage.

As it is, they're on the periphery. But showings like this will be enough to strike fear into even the best sides in the division.

Jack Simpson was a virtual spectator, the rock solid back four in front of him of Rob South, Ashley Marsh, Pete Lear and Andy Whittingham securing a second successive clean sheet.

The only minor criticism you could level at Hassocks is that it took them

a little while to get into their stride but once they did, they produced some magnificent football which delighted and entertained in equal measure.

From about the 15th minute onward they were totally dominant with the first goal arriving with 33 on the clock.

Aaran Hasan didn't deal with a bouncing all at all well and Jeremiah reacted the quickest, steaming past Hasan and coolly rounding Ringer goalkeeper Gary Trott before rolling into the empty net.

Gault made it 2-0 just before the break, sending a wonderful half volley from 25 yards arrowing into the top corner after Ringmer only managed to half clear a corner to the edge of the box.

In between those two goals, Jeremiah fired wide and Gault curled one just the wrong side of the post as Hassocks attempted to wrap things up before they tucked into their half time oranges.

The killer third eventually arrived on the hour mark and it came from a counter attacking goal of the highest quality.

Ringmer were enjoying a rare sighting of the ball in the Hassocks half when Kieran O'Callaghan seized possession to send Whittingham scampering away down the left from where his centre found Hibbert who turned and poked home from eight yards.

Straight from the restart and Hassocks again won the ball, this

time working a chance for Lee Waterhouse who blazed over from the angle.

They didn't have long to wait for number four though, Jeremiah's slide rule pass releasing Slaughter who slid in to beat Trott on 69 minutes.

That's Slaughter's seventh of the campaign already from midfield. He was denied the chance to add any more to his total as Jewell rung the changes with Slaughter, Jeremiah and Waterhouse being replaced by Miles, Dan Smith and Elliott Butler.

And just as it had been at the weekend, the three players that Jewell introduced all combined to add the fifth in another fine move rounded off by Miles' sweet 85th minute strike from the edge of the box.

Hassocks lost concentration briefly in injury time but Marc Whiteman could only fire Ringmer's best chance over the bar from six yards.

That miss made it 10 goals scored and none conceded in the space of three days for the hosts and left their supporters glowing with praise come the final whistle. The Robins are on the rise.

Hassocks: J Simpson; South, Marsh, Lear, Whittingham; Hibbert, Slaughter, Gault, O'Callaghan, Waterhouse; Jeremiah.

Subs: Smith (Jeremiah 71), Butter (Waterhouse 73), Miles (Slaughter 76), Kane, Gander (unused).



Coming up...

The domination by cup competitions of the fixture list comes to an end after tonight with the Robins returning to Premier Division action with a run of games against clubs around us towards the bottom of the table...



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.



Langney Wanderers

When?
Saturday 5th October

Where?
Priory Lane

Time?
3pm

Competition?
Southern Combination League
Premier Division

Langney Wanderers this season?

This is Wanderers' second campaign at Premier Division level and they've made a pretty solid start. They currently sit in 11th spot in the table with two wins, three draws and two defeats from seven games. Among their most impressive results are a 5-1 hammering of Broadbridge Heath on the opening day and a 3-3 draw away at Newhaven in a game in which they were 3-0 down as late as the 68th minute. Under manager Kenny McCreadie, they are a side who don't know why they're beaten.

Hassocks' record against Langney Wanderers?

Before last season, Hassocks had never faced Langney in a competitive game in senior football. But with the teams having already tangled in the FA Cup and with two league games and a Peter Bentley League Cup clash still to come, we'll be meeting four times in 2019-20 alone. Both meetings last year ended in draws, the Robins leaving Eastbourne with a

point from a 2-2 in September with the exact same scoreline being recorded in the reverse fixture in March.

Last time we met

That was the FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round meeting here back in August. Hassocks triumphed 2-0 that day thanks to second half goals from Jack Rowe-Hurst and Matt Berridge in a thoroughly entertaining tie.

How to get to Priory Lane?

Take the A27 towards Eastbourne and around the Polegate bypass before joining the A22 into Eastbourne. At the second roundabout, take the first exit onto the B2191 and head towards Eastbourne Crematorium. Once you've passed the Crematorium, take the third exit at the roundabout onto Priory Road and the ground is about 500 metres down the road on your right.



AFC Uckfield Town

When?
Saturday 19th October

Where?
The Beacon

Time?
3pm

Competition?
Southern Combination League
Premier Division

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

AFC Uckfield this season?

AFC Uckfield Town are a club that has been on the up for several seasons now. Ever since they received a relegation reprieve at the end of the 2016-17 season, they've been slowly climbing the Premier Division table. Last season they finished in seventh spot - which represents their highest ever placing - reached the final of the Peter Bentley League Cup and were the last Southern Combination League team standing in the FA Vase, going as far as the fourth round. They've started the new campaign where they left off and currently sit eighth with three wins, a draw and two defeats from their six league games.

Hassocks' record against AFC Uckfield Town?

It's dead even. The Robins have won eight of the 16 meetings between the two with Uckfield also having eight wins to their name, in seven. The mathematicians among you will have deduced that means that there has

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

Last time we met

The Oakmen secured their highest ever finish on the final day of the season with a 4-0 hammering of Hassocks. The Robins' season was already over which goes part of the way towards explaining the lacklustre showing as the all Uckfield goals came in the first half. Dee Okojie helped himself to a brace with Brett Patton and Callum Smith the other players on target.

Played for both?

Hassocks have two former Oakmen among their current squad with Harry Mills and Andy Whittingham both having played for Uckfield earlier in their careers. Others to have done so include goalkeeper duo James Broadbent and Alex Harris, defender Matt Carruthers and striker Dan Barnard.

macron[®]
store
| *Hastings*

**Official Sponsors of
The Southern Combination
Football League**

*South Coasts leading supplier
of Macron Sportswear*

**Football kit's
Training Wear
Match Day Wear
& Equipment**

tel : 01424 852225

hastings@macronstore.com

www.macronstorehastings.com

Around the League



Last Saturday saw the second qualifying round of the FA Vase take place with plenty of Southern Combination League sides in action. There were also fixtures in the Peter Bentley League Cup and Premier Division on a busy weekend...

The best Vase game of the day came at the Haven where Division One high flyers Mile Oak shocked their Premier Division hosts Crawley Down Gatwick with a 6-4 victory.

Oak went into half time with a 2-1 lead courtesy of Craig Anderson and David Marsh and it was after the break that the drama really kicked off.

Within three minutes of the restart, Joseph Benn made it 3-1 to Oak. Less than 60 seconds later, Oliver Leslie pulled it back to 3-2.

Four minutes later and it was 4-2 to the visitors thanks to Thomas Biggs. A bit of a lull in proceedings followed until a mad last 10 minutes.

On 83, former Robins midfielder George Rudwick made it 5-2, which most would surely assume meant game over.

Yet it wasn't. Down scored two quick-fire goals through substitutes Michael Wood on 85 and Oliver on 89 to set up a grandstand finish.

Any hopes of a miraculous comeback were finally extinguished when Oak notched a sixth in injury time as Anderson completed his brace.

At Culver Road, **Lancing** made light work of Division One's bottom side **Worthing United** by dishing out a 7-0 hammering in the first local derby between the two for two seasons.

Alex Fair scored four for the Lancers with James Rhodes, Mahamadou Juwara and George Fenton the other players on target for Naime Rouane's side.

There was a hugely impressive result for **Peacehaven &**

Telscombe as they saw off Spelthorne Sports 3-2 in extra time.

The game had finished 2-2 with Michael Lloyd and Josh Marshall netting for the Tye. Marshall's second 10 minutes from the end of the additional half hour proved to be enough to win it.

Loxwood couldn't quite follow in Peachehaven's steps as they exited the competition with a 3-2 defeat away at Punjab United. Mark Goldson and Luke Floyd were the scorers for the Magpies.

Division One leaders **Littlehampton Town** underlined their promotion credentials by shocking this afternoon's visitors **Lingfield** at the Sportsfield with Harry Russell scoring the only goal seven minutes before half time.

Seaford Town were the other side from the second tier to progress after they won 2-0 at home to FC Deportivo Galicia.

Alex Saunders opened the scoring after just five minutes at the Crouch with Jack Webber confirming the Hornets' safe passage in the 70th minute.

Of those who exited the competition, **Midhurst & Easebourne** pushed Crowborough **Athletic** all the way before losing 2-0 at the Rotherfield, **Bexhill United** went down to a close fought 3-2 defeat away at Westside and Sidlesham were beaten 4-2 at home by Kennington.

There were heavy losses meanwhile for **Oakwood** who lost 9-2 at Erith & Belvedere and **Arundel** who were beaten 7-1 at home by Welling Town.

Away from the Vase, and

Eastbourne Town were made to work hard for their 3-1 Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup win over Division One **Shoreham** at the Saffrons.

Bradley Pritchard's 31st minute opener, an own goal and Tom Vickers second half strike sent John Lambert's side through with the Musselmen's consolation coming from Mohamed Diallo.

In the same competition, **Steyning Town** were another Premier Division outfit to rack up a big win over Division One opponents as they defeated **Selsey** 5-1 at the Shooting Field.

Jamie Weston scored twice for the Barrowmen who also had Joao Andrade, Billy White and Harry Kent on target. Joe Bennett notched the Blues' consolation.

Last season's Peter Bentley League Cup runners up **AFC Uckfield Town** played their first match in the competition of the season, advancing to the third round with a 3-1 success against **AFC Varndeanians**.

The scores were level entering the final five minutes, Liam Baitup's early opener for the Oakmen having been cancelled out by Josh Gould before goals in the 84th and 92nd minutes from Bailo Camara and Matthew Rodrigues respectively sent Anthony Storey's side through.

The one Premier Division game played saw **Alford** continue their impressive start to life in the top flight by winning 1-0 away at **Little Common**.

Kelvin Lucas scored the only goal of the game five minutes into the second half.



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
Alford	7	4	2	1	15	10	14
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
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	7	2	2	3	12	12	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	WDWLDW
Horley Town	DWWDLW
AFC Uckfield	DWLWLW
Steyning Town	WDWLWL
Crawley Down Gatwick	DWLLWW
Saltdean United	LWLDDW
Newhaven	WDDDL
Horsham YMCA	WLWDL
Langney Wanderers	WDLDL
Eastbourne United	LLLWWL
Little Common	LDWDL
Loxwood	DDDL
Hassocks	LLLLDW
Pagham	DLLWLL
Lingfield	LLLLLW
East Preston	LDDLLL

Premier Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Goals
Lewis Finney	Lancing	18
Ben Connolly	Lingfield	9
Dan Perry	Eastbourne Town	9
Kerran Boylan	Horley Town	8
Jamie Crone	Little Common	8
Alex Laing	Saltdean United	7
Oliver Leslie	Crawley Down	7
Kelvin Lucas	Alford	7
Liam Baitup	AFC Uckfield	6
Sam Cruttwell	Little Common	6
Matt Daniel	Horsham YMCA	6
Ebou Jallow	Newhaven	6
Josh Marshall	Peacehaven	6
Martin Smith	Horsham YMCA	6
Jamie Taylor	B'bridge Heath	6
Matt Black	AFC Uckfield	6
Bailo Camara	AFC Uckfield	6
Alfie Gritt	Loxwood	5
David Crouch	East Preston	5
Tony Halsey	Horley Town	5

Southern Combination Under 23 West Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Pagham	3	3	0	0	14	0	9
Horsham YMCA	4	3	0	1	11	5	9
Oakwood	4	3	0	1	13	9	9
East Preston	3	2	1	0	6	3	7
Broadbridge Heath	3	2	0	1	7	2	6
Lancing	3	1	1	1	3	8	4
Hassocks	3	1	0	2	4	5	3
Selsey	3	0	0	3	3	8	0
Arundel	3	0	0	3	3	13	0
Worthing United	3	0	0	3	4	15	0

Under 23 West Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
Josh Neathey	Oakwood	7
Cian Griffin-Tilley	Pagham	5
Dan O'Brien	Pagham	4
Jack Ryder	Horsham YMCA	4
Mitchell Casselman	Oakwood	3
Josh Irish	East Preston	3
Will Read	Horsham YMCA	3
Matt Ryan	East Preston	3
James Senra	Oakwood	3
Harry Balfour	B'bridge Heath	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	2	1	1	0	13	3	4
Haywards Heath Town	3	1	1	1	13	8	4
Mile Oak	1	1	0	0	5	4	3
Broadbridge Heath	2	1	0	1	10	6	3
Hassocks	2	1	0	1	3	4	3
Shoreham	3	1	0	2	8	12	3
Souhwick	3	0	0	3	2	22	0

Under 18 Central Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
Harry Naylor	Haywards Heath	7
Luis Bhana	B'bridge Heath	3
Michael Howard-Bold	B'bridge Heath	3
Isaac Andrews	Mile Oak	2
Archie Cook	B'bridge Heath	2
Adam Cranfield	St Francis	2
Thomas Kieley	Haywards Heath	2
Harrison Lees	Hassocks	2

South East Counties Women's Premier Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Worthing	2	2	0	0	13	0	6
Parkwood Rangers	2	1	1	0	8	4	4
Ashford	1	1	0	0	6	1	3
Lewes	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
Phoenix Sports	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
Hassocks	2	0	1	1	2	3	1
Newhaven	2	0	1	1	2	3	1
Eastbourne United	2	0	1	1	2	7	1
Herne Bay	1	0	0	1	0	7	0
Crawley Wasps	2	0	0	2	3	13	0

Premier Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
Gemma Worsfold	Worthing	8
Rebecca Wyatt	Ashford	4
Yasmin Howard	Ashford	4
Katie Jeffries	Parkwood	3
Lillian Tucker	Herne Bay	3
Danieele Alcani	Ashford	2
Jemma Barton	Herne Bay	2
Nieve Gilman	Eastbourne Utd	2
Sacha Coleman	Ashford	2

WE ARE BRIGHTON.COM

"Infuriating, angry and often simply wrong"

- Four Four Two Magazine

"You really are very silly"

- David Stockdale

"A bargain bin Arsenal Fan TV with even less humour"

- North Stand Chat

Robins Awards

Head on over to the Hassocks Twitter feed after every game to cast your vote for the Robins' man-of-the-match - where you can also select your Player of the Month

Here are our winners so far this season...

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 **Jack Rowe-Hurst**
Horley Town home **Alan John**
Lingfield home
Loxwood home
Langney Wanderers away
AFC Uckfield Town home
Eastbourne United away
Little Common home
Alford away
Crawley Down Gatwick away
Newhaven home
Peacehaven & Telscombe home
East Preston away
Horley Town home
Steyning Town home
Saltdean United away
Pagham home
Lancing away
Eastbourne Town home
Horsham YMCA home
Loxwood away
Langney Wanderers home
AFC Uckfield Town away
Broadbridge Heath home
Lingfield away
Alford home
Little Common away
Newhaven away
Crawley Down Gatwick home
Steyning Town away
Saltdean United home
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

2nd

3rd

November 2019

1st

2nd

3rd

December 2019

1st

2nd

3rd

January 2020

1st

2nd

3rd

February 2020

1st

2nd

3rd

March 2020

1st

2nd

3rd

April 2020

1st

2nd

3rd



Want to help the Robins raise vital funds throughout the 2019-20 season? Then sign up for

SPONSOR A GOAL

For each time the first team score in the 2019-20 season, you pay the club £1. This goes towards expenses such as kit washing, matchday equipment and improvements to the facilities at the Beacon.

**Dave John
Alan John
Owen John
Bob Preston
Ken Finn
Keith Low
Ray Mills
Steve Mills**

**Ken Deaville
Jim Marsh
Mark Dalglish
Frank Marshall
Paul Elphick
Matt Hicks
Ian Plummer**

Money raised in 2019-20

**August £105
September £105
October
November
December
January
February
March
April**

TOTAL £210

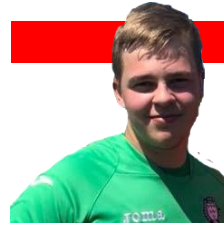
Thank you to all our goal sponsors in the 2019-20 season. If you'd like to join them, then please speak to either Dave John, Owen behind the bar or send us an email to hassocksfc@outlook.com

Player Sponsors 2019-20



Josh Green

Sponsorship
Available



Ben John

Sponsorship
Available



Bradley Tighe

Tighe Scaffolding



Harry Mills

Ray Mills



Andy Whittingham

Ken Deaville



Jordan Badger

Sponsorship
Available



Will Broomfield

Hassocks Juniors



Dan Jacques

WeAreBrighton.com



Nick Pitcher

Sponsorship
Available



Arni Kublickas

Sponsorship
Available



James Oliver

Sponsorship
Available



Alex Spinks

Sponsorship
Available



Dan Stokes

Sponsorship
Available



Lewis Westlake

Sponsorship
Available

Player sponsorship costs just £40 for the season and you or your companies name will appear in every match day programme as well as on our social media profiles. Please speak to Owen John behind the bar or email hassocksfc@outlook.com for more information or to sponsor your favourite player. More players from the Under 23 and Under 18s squad are available on request.



Harvey Enitcknap

Sponsorship
Available



Joe Bull

Sponsorship
Available



Jack Rowe-Hurst

Sponsorship
Available



Joe Russell

Sponsorship
Available



Harvey Blake

Sponsorship
Available



Connor Bradley

Sponsorship
Available



Phil Johnson

Sponsorship
Available



Jamie Hillwood

Jim Marsh Dairies



James Littlejohn

Sponsorship
Available



George Galbraith-Gibbons

Sponsorship
Available



Mark Dalgleish

Sponsorship
Available



Brad Sweetman

Sweetman Electrical Solutions



Haig Kingston

Sponsorship
Available



Phil Wickwar

Sports Massage Brighton



HASSOCKS CENTURIIONS

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	197	30	227	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	107	45	152	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
Liam Benson	82	31	113	30
Michael Death	87	25	112	38
Jordan Badger	106	4	110	4
Jamie Hillwood	85	24	109	23
Jamie Weston	84	23	107	14
Mark Launder	77	29	106	1
Sam Fisk	84	20	104	6
Tom Barnes	90	13	103	0



Joel Harding

Goalkeeper Joel Harding first burst onto the scene as a 17-year-old at the start of the 2001-02 season.

An injury to regular number one Paul John saw Harding thrown in at the deep end but he didn't look back, going onto rack up 340 appearances for the club to become the Robins' most picked number one in senior football.

Harding was appointed as club captain for the 2007-08 season before going travelling during 2008-09.

He returned to the Beacon for the following campaign before enjoying spells with Burgess Hill Town, Lancing and East Preston with whom he won the Southern Combination League title in 2014 before retiring to spend more time with his family.

**Keep abreast
of the Robins
in 2019-20**



**For all the latest news, views
and updates from the Beacon...**



hassocksfc



@hassocksfc

www.hassocksfc.net



Hassocks

Josh Green	
James Earl	
Harvey Blake	
Andy Whittingham	
Arni Kublickas	
Dan Jacques	
Harry Mills	
Alex Spinks	
Will Broomfield	
Matt Berridge	
Dan Stokes	
Harvey Enticknap	
Jack Rowe-Hurst	
Jack Troak	
Joe Bull	
James Littlejohn	
Ben Bacon	
Phil Johnson	
Liam Benson	
Jamie Hillwood	

Manager Mark Dalgleish
Assistant Brad Sweetman
Goalkeeper Coach Haig Kingston
Physio Phil Wickwar



Lingfield

	Daniel Burnett
	Charlie Naylor
	Connor Wilford
	Scott Johnson
	Stephen Hodge
	TJ Stead
	Zac Fairchild
	Blake Pickett
	David Heaton
	Jake Horn
	Jamie Bakhit
	Naseem James
	Sammy Clements
	Ben Connolly
	Jamie Wanstall
	Rhys White
	Daniel Field
	Ross Waghorn
	Spencer Clements
	Daniel Baptiste

Referee
Harry Wood

Assistants
John Walker &
Ade Wiloughby

Manager David Dean
Coach Bob Clements
Coach Simon Horn

Next at the Beacon



Lingfield
 Saturday 21st September. 3pm
 Southern Combination Premier Division

Today's other Premier Division fixtures

AFC Uckfield Town v Saltdean United
 Crawley Down Gatwick v Little Common
 Eastbourne Town v Pagham
 Eastbourne United v East Preston
 Horley Town v Langney Wanderers
 Horsham YMCA v Peacehaven & Telscombe
 Lancing v Alford
 Newhaven v Broadbridge Heath
 Steyning Town v Loxwood