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Four goals in two games for on-fire James



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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 this afternoon's Peter Bentley League Cup Second Round clash with Langney Wanderers...

This is our first home game for two weeks and it also happens to be Non League Day, so we'd like to welcome anyone joining us at the Beacon for the first time today and hope they enjoy their stay.

We'd also like to extend a warm welcome to our visitors from Langney who will arrive in Mid Sussex in good spirits after their 4-0 win last week against...us!

In one of the quirks of the fixture list, we're facing each other just seven days after that Premier Division clash in the Peter Bentley Cup and hoping for a much better result this time around!

Our recent revival stutters on the Sunshine Coast

We'd actually gone to Langney in good form having won 6-2 against Loxwood and 6-4 in an extraordinary Sussex Senior Cup game in the week preceding the clash at Priory Lane.

Those two matches suggested a corner had been turned, certainly in front of goal as it's no secret that our struggles this season have come as a result of not taking enough of our chances.

But it was back to the drawing

board after the heavy defeat to today's opponents, although the Robins' case wasn't helped by an outrageous injury and absentee list.

A quick look at the side named by Mark at Langney tells you all you need to know with assistant manager Brad and physio Wickers both named on the bench.

Hopefully, some of the walking wounded will return today and that allows us to give a much better account of ourselves than last week.

Under 23s fall to EP and Worthing United defeats

That injury and availability crisis has filtered its way through to the Under 23s as Dave John's side have also suffered defeats in their past two fixtures without scoring a goal.

Last Thursday they were beaten 2-0 at home by Worthing United, opponents who arrived at the Beacon bottom of the table without a win.

A week previously, it was a 1-0 defeat away at a handy East Preston unit.

They are on the road for over the coming weeks with your next chance to see them here being on Halloween night when Horsham YMCA visit.

The Under 23s struggles in front of goal are in stark contrast to the Under 18s who hit eight past Lewes Juniors in the County Cup last Sunday.

That sets them up for a potentially mouth watering local derby with local rivals and last year's runners up Burgess Hill Town, providing the Hillians overcome Maidenbower Colts in their first round clash.

Brad's Young Robins are next here on Sunday 27th October against Haywards Heath Town in another tasty looking derby.

As for the Ladies, they went down to a battling 1-0 defeat at Parkwood Rangers last Sunday and tomorrow they host Newhaven here at 2pm.

Entrance is free and any support would be greatly appreciated, so why not make in a Non League Day double and tick off the Robins' male and female teams in the same weekend?

Enjoy today's game,

Scott and Owen



Today's visitors...



Langney Wanderers

Founded 2009

Nickname Wanderers

Ground Priory Lane

Website langneywanderersfc.co.uk

Twitter @LangneyW

Manager Simon Colbran

Top Scorer Max Holloborne, 7

HONOURS

SCFL Division 1

Runners up 2018

SCFL Division 2

Winners 2014

SCFL Division 1 Cup

Winners 2017

You wait years to face Langney Wanderers and then you get four meetings in one season. This afternoon represents the third of those as Simon Colbran brings his side to the Beacon in the League Cup...

Before the start of the 2018-19 season, Hassocks had never faced Langney Wanderers in a competitive game at senior football.

That was hardly a surprise though given the remarkable rise that Wanderers have been on since they were founded as a Sunday League team a decade ago.

In 10 years, they've gone from the Lewes & District Sunday League to the top flight of the Southern Combination and they look like they should be on course to better last year's 15th placed finish.

That left them a comfortable 10 points clear of the relegation zone, largely thanks to a blistering end of season run under the management of the wily Kenny McCreadie.

McCreadie departed suddenly a month into the new season and his place at the helm has been taken by Simon Colbran, a vastly experienced operator at this level most notable for his time in charge of Crowborough Athletic who led from Division Two to Premier Division champions in a short space of time during the mid 00's.

Colbran has steadied the ship

since his arrival and has a talented squad at his disposal as Hassocks found out last week at Priory Lane where Wanderers sauntered to a 4-0 Premier Division win.

That was in stark contrast to the FA Cup meeting between the two here in August when goals from Jack Rowe-Hurst and Matt Berridge gave the Robins a 2-0 success.

Throw in the two draws from two Premier Division meetings last season and you've got a fixture that neither side is yet to truly dominate.

Those stalemates both finished 2-2 and both featured late levellers, Jordan Badger rescuing a point at Priory Lane in the 89th minute for Hassocks and Tyler Capon doing likewise for Langney in the return fixture here in March.

That day highlighted the never-say-die attitude that underpins this side and that was in evidence in one of their more extraordinary results in this campaign when they came from 3-0 down with 25 minutes remaining at Newhaven to draw 3-3.

Not that anybody who watched last week needs any reminding of their talents.

10 Key Moments

2009...Langney Wanderers are founded, joining the Lewes & District Sunday League
2012... move from Sunday League football to join the East Sussex Premier Division
2013... win 17 of their 18 games in their first East Sussex League season to win the title
2014... win SCFL Division Two at the first attempt but are unable to be promoted due to ground grading
2015... a 3rd placed finish the next year and planning permission for floodlights see's them promoted
2016... leave their Shinewater Lane home to groundshare with Eastbourne United at the Oval
2017... lift the Division One Cup, their first silverware in senior football
2017... leave the Oval after one season, moving in with Eastbourne Borough at Priory Lane
2018... win promotion to the Premier Division for the first ever time
2019... secure top flight survival with 15th placed finish

Last 7 Seasons

2018-19, Southern Combination Premier 15th
2017-18, Southern Combination One 2nd
2016-17, Southern Combination One 8th
2015-16, Southern Combination One 9th
2014-15, Southern Combination Two 3rd
2013-14, Southern Combination Two 1st
2012-13, East Sussex Premier 1st

Hassocks v Langney Wanderers :: Head-to-Head

SCFL Premier Division... Played 3 - Won 0 - Drawn 2 – Lost 1 - Scored 4 - Conceded 8
FA Cup... Played 1 - Won 1 - Drawn 0 – Lost 0 - Scored 2 - Conceded 0

Total... Played 4 - Won 1 - Drawn 2 - Lost 1 - Scored 6 - Conceded 8

Previous 2 Meetings

2019-20 SCFL Premier: Langney 4-0 Hassocks
2019-20 FA Cup: Hassocks 2-0 Langney Wanderers
2018-19 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 2-2 Langney
2018-19 SCFL Premier: Langney 2-2 Hassocks





Hassocks in the Peter Bentley League Cup

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

There was no shortage of controversy about Lancing hosting a 7.15pm kick off which meant a mad dash down to Culver Road for the Robins squad, even without taking into account the traffic nightmare that unfolded due to Brighton playing at the Amex on the same evening.

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

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

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

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

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

They suffered some chastening defeats in that time, going down 2-1 away at Division One side Southwick in 2011.

The only notable fact about that game was that just 15 paying customers bothered to turn up at Old Barn Way, making it comfortably the lowest attendance Hassocks have ever played in front of in senior football.

Another defeat to lower league

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Robins will be hoping to fare better in this year's competition to last season; they had to come from 2-0 to see off Bexhill United in the second round before Lingfield strolled to a 3-0 success here in round three.

HassocksLife

hassockslife.co.uk

Robins announce link with Hassocks Life magazine

Hassocks Football Club are happy to announce a new partnership with the village's very own Hassocks Life Magazine.

Starting with the October edition of the publication which was released on Tuesday, the monthly magazine will be carrying an update on goings on at the Beacon.

This is an exciting media partnership which will keep the local community in touch with their local non-league club.

Hassocks Life is a free, full colour community magazine which is published monthly.

Around 4,500 copies of each issue with the majority being hand-delivered to homes across Hassocks, Keymer and Clayton. It's also available as a downloadable PDF from the Hassocks Life website at hassockslife.co.uk

The first issue was launched at

the Hassocks May Day event on 6th May 2019 held at the Robins' former home ground of Adastra Park.

In five short months, it has already become a popular publication which brings news, information and details on events happening within the village to residents.

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The benefits for the football club are fairly obvious. We're always looking for ways to contribute more to the community and this is certainly one, helping us to reach 4,500 local residents in one swoop.

That gives us the chance to let supporters and potential supporters know what is happening at the Beacon, as well as raising awareness of non-league football in the area.

The magazine won't just focus on first team affairs either. Both Hassocks Life and the football club are keen to show that there is much more to the Robins than what happens at 3pm on a Saturday.

The Under 23s, Under 18s and Ladies side will all be receiving coverage and the club's work as an FA Charter Standard Community Club will also be highlighted through what goes on in the Juniors Section.

We'd like to thank Deidre and the team at Hassocks Life for the opportunity and we look forward to working with them over the coming months.

WASTEFUL ROBINS UNDONE BY QUALITY GOALS

**Southern Combination League Premier Division
Saturday 21st September 2019, The Beacon
Hassocks 1-3 Lingfield**



Two quality goals earned Lingfield all three points from their Premier Division visit to the Beacon, but it was what happened at the other end that was more symbolic of Hassocks' troubling start to the season.

To put it simply, they aren't taking their chances. The Robins had three or four good opportunities to make more of an impression on the 1-3 scoreline - including their second missed penalty in the space of three weeks.

Part of the reason that they're not scoring enough was apparent to anyone ordering a beer to enjoy under the Mid Sussex sun.

With normal bar manager Owen John taking part in a charity challenge of running 200 miles across Iceland in 10 days, Phil Johnson could be found serving alongside another injured player in Harvey Blake

The fact that a broken leg means that Johnson is pouring pints rather than scoring goals is a massive blow for Mark Dalgleish.

Take 27 goals out of any side at and they'll struggle, but especially one that last season relied so heavily on their captain.

Johnson and Blake's willingness to volunteer - they also took on tannoy announcement duties which were less successful - did at least highlight the spirit and dedication that exists among the players.

They are a tight-knit bunch who clearly want what's best for the club. And they'll need plenty of that resolve if there isn't to be a long, hard winter ahead.

It looked like it might be a long, hard afternoon when Lingfield had the ball in the back of the net after less than two minutes, a huge punt forward from Dan Burnett in the

visitors' goal bouncing over Will Broomfield but Ben Connolly was adjudged to have been marginally offside.

Connolly is to the Lingers what Johnson is to Hassocks and the diminutive forward already has nine goals to his name this season.

He was a real threat all afternoon, fashioning the second chance of the game just past the quarter of an hour mark when he skipped past four home challenges but fired wide with just Josh Green to beat.

Hassocks sparked into life after that and might have taken the lead had their final ball been better.

Matt Berridge tried to play in Ben Bacon but there was just a little too much on the pass and then Bacon picked the pocket of Corbin Turner but his low cross was out of the reach of Jamie Hillwood.

Hassocks opened the scoring on 27 minutes and it was a goal every bit as spectacular as those Lingfield would go onto muster in response.

There seemed little danger as Reece White tried to dribble out of his own half with the ball but 30 yards out from goal he was caught by Harvey Enticknap.

Having won possession back for the Robins with a firm but fair tackle, Enticknap advanced forward five yards and picked his spot, bending the ball into the very top corner.

Hassocks nearly doubled their advantage when James Littlejohn looked set to pull the trigger when played in one-on-one, only for a perfectly timed last man tackle from Zac Fairchild to deny him.

It was against the run of play when Lingfield equalised on 37. TJ Stead spotted a gap between Broomfield and Dan Jacques which he exploited with the perfect lofted pass from out on the left, finding Jake Horn who hit a superb first time volley past the helpless Green.

There wasn't much Hassocks could do about that but there were

certainly questions to be asked about Lingfield's second which arrived just a minute before the break.

White skipped away down the right and his low cross was somehow allowed to make it all the way to the back post where Horn was waiting for a tap in.

Hassocks replaced Bacon with Liam Benson at half time and he had a good run from kick off which ended with Burnett smothering bravely.

Straight up the other end and Lingfield added their third with the goal of the game.

White delivered a cross field pass to Connolly who defied his small stature with an impressive leap to get the ball under control with his chest.

Even better was to come as he then hit a first time volley from a full 30 yards that flew straight into the stanchion.

That was Lingfield's last meaningful effort on goal. In the remaining 38 minutes, Hassocks meanwhile saw Benson rattle the bar, Littlejohn put a one-on-one straight at Burnett and Broomfield head just over.

Benson had a header of his own which was off target and Berridge then drew another fine save from Burnett.

At that point, one Hassocks fan turned around and said, "We need the ref to give us a few penalties here as it's the only way we're going to score."

She got her wish in the 84th minute when a shot from substitute Joe Bull was blocked with a hand but if one moment summed up this day for Hassocks, it was Broomfield's spot kick being kept out by Burnett.

Hassocks: Green; Stokes, Jacques, Broomfield, Whittingham; Berridge, Enticknap; Hillwood, Troak, Littlejohn; Bacon.

Subs: Benson, Bull, Ransome (used), Pople (unused).

LITTLEJOHN GOES BIG WITH 7 MINUTE HAT-TRICK

**Southern Combination League Premier Division
Saturday 28th September 2019, The Beacon
Hassocks 6-2 Loxwood**



Can 22 minutes turn a stuttering season around? Hassocks will certainly be hoping so after they finally delivered a result that matched their performance.

Not that it looked like this day was going to be anything other than another disappointment in a season that has struggled to take off for the Robins so far.

They had trailed Loxwood 2-1 as late as the 68th minute of a clash between two of the Premier Division's early strugglers at the Beacon.

And yet 22 glorious minutes later, the hosts were walking off having won 6-2 against their visitors.

To complete a miserable day for Loxwood, they finished with 10 men after former Hassocks favourite Spencer Slaughter saw red on his first return to the Beacon since flying to the Magpies in the summer.

It was a breathless final 30 minutes to a fixture which always seems to deliver in the entertainment stakes - even if things traditionally go Loxwood's way. This was only the Robins' second win over their opponents in 11 attempts.

Hassocks came into the tie sitting 18th in the table with Loxwood one place better off in 17th, but league form only tells half the story.

Both have been impressive in the knockout competitions while not quite hitting those heights in the bread and butter of Premier Division football.

That's something that Loxwood boss Alex Walsh quite rightly identified in the build up, saying that he felt both sides would begin to claim the table soon.

Walsh also claimed that, given that we are only at the start of Autumn, what happened here wouldn't have a huge bearing on the season as a whole.

It didn't quite feel like that in the home camp.

Hassocks' poor start has been partly due to a tough fixture list in which four of their eight games had been against sides with top five aspirations.

The Robins' performances in those games have been good by-and-large, but this presented a real opportunity at home to lay down a marker for the rest of the campaign against a side who are on a similar level.

There was little sign of the drama that was to come in a pretty placid first half.

Young Joe Bull made the most of a rare start by giving Hassocks the lead with 21 minutes played.

Bull was deployed in a more central role than he has been used in in the past by Mark Dalglish and that left him well placed to fire a shot through a crowd of players and past Liam Matthews in the Loxwood goal for 1-0.

14 minutes later and the Magpies equalised with a real moment of quality from Callum Jenkins.

The left back bent a stunning free kick up and over the Hassocks wall and into the very top left hand corner of Josh Green's goal.

Slaughter wasn't the only ex-Robin involved in the thick of action in the second half.

It was Josh Hawkes who popped up with his first goal in Loxwood colours to give the Magpies the lead 10 minutes after the restart.

Hassocks had problems defending corners when Hawkes was captaining the club four years ago and those issues still haven't been ironed out as he rose to direct a free header past Green.

Given their wretched form of late, that goal could have deflated the Robins.

It says much about the belief and spirit among the squad though that they instead took the game by the

scruff of the neck, equalising through Littlejohn's first of the afternoon on 68 minutes as he nipped ahead of Matthews to turn home Jack Troak's left wing cross.

That sparked the crazy final half hour. Two minutes later and the same two Hassocks players linked up again to put the hosts 3-2 ahead, a low cross this time from Troak following Andy Whittingham's clip up the line being fired into the bottom corner by Littlejohn.

Slaughter was dismissed two minutes later for becoming involved with Troak as the momentum well and truly shifted in favour of Hassocks.

Littlejohn scored his third and the Robins' fourth within 180 seconds of Slaughter's early bath, an extraordinary seven minute hat-trick being some way for the forward to notch his first treble in senior football.

The final two goals came from Ben Bacon, who had been ill in the lead up to the game and was only deemed well enough for a place on the bench by Mark Dalglish.

The striker will have been feeling much better after his introduction as he notched in the 86th and 90th minutes to complete an excellent afternoon for the Robins.

The turning point in their season? That remains to be seen. But with further winnable Premier Division games coming up against Langney Wanderers, Eastbourne United and Little Common before the end of October, they've at least set themselves up for a big month in the best possible way.

Hassocks: Green; Blake, Kublickas, Jacques, Whittingham; Enitcknap, Broomfield; Hillwood, Bull, Troak; Littlejohn.

Subs: Bacon, Benson, Stokes (used), Pople, Ransome (unused).

ROBINS FIND A WAY TO WIN CRAZY SENIOR CUP TIE

**Sussex Senior Cup First Round
Tuesday 1st October 2019, Mill Road
Arundel 4-6 Hassocks (AET)**



"A big three points," joked Hassocks assistant Brad Sweetman as Jack Troak slammed in the 10th goal of the night at the end of an extraordinary 120 minutes of Sussex Senior Cup football at Mill Road.

The Robins bench were in good spirits by that point, and why not? They were now 6-4 ahead and dreaming of a glamour clash with one of the big boys of Sussex football such as Brighton's Under 21s or Crawley Town in the second round of the competition.

The mood in the home dugout a few feet away couldn't have been more stark as the Arundel management were left scratching their heads - how had they taken the lead four times against their higher division opponents and yet ended the game with nothing to show for their efforts?

That was just one of the many questions to come out of a thrilling contest. Others included how have Hassocks gone from a side who couldn't finish their dinner to notching 12 goals in their past two games and where does Mark Dalgleish keep plucking teenage defenders from?

The latest youth team products to roll off the production line and be given first team debuts were 19-year-old Thomas Jupp at left back and 17-year-old Luke Marshall at right back.

Both impressed and both could have scored, Jupp going close with a second half free kick which Mulletts' keeper Matt Kelman turned away.

From the resulting corner, the towering Marshall struck a post with a header.

As for the free scoring recent performances, well it appears that Troak, James Littlejohn and Ben Bacon are all beginning to hit form at exactly the same time. A welcome

boost for Dalgleish ahead of an October full of winnable games.

After 15 relatively quiet opening minutes, it was a brilliant piece of opportunism from Eli Amoo that gave Arundel the lead for the first time.

Amoo was some 35 yards out from goal when the ball fell at his feet, a result of a poor clearing header from Josh Green who'd come haring out of his area and an unfortunate slip from Dan Stokes.

The shout of "shoot" came from the stand but that looked like it would be a brave decision until Amoo hit a stunning volley over the head of the stranded Green and into the top corner.

Arundel weren't ahead for long as six minutes later, the Robins scored a devastating counter attacking goal.

A long ball out of defence set Littlejohn away down the right and his low cross was perfectly placed for Troak to fire home without breaking stride.

Littlejohn and Harvey Enticknap both stung the palms of Kelman after some pleasing build up play before Arundel notched their second, Jack Collins' in-swinging corner from the left somehow evading Green to fly straight in.

Hassocks levelled things up on 36 minutes, Enticknap releasing Bull who took the shot on early and from a tight angle to finish with aplomb across Kelman and into the bottom corner.

Four blocks in a row followed from a combination of Arundel goalkeeper, defender, goalkeeper, defender to deny Troak, Jamie Hillwood, Littlejohn and Troak again.

Arundel then made it 3-2, Gwill Flint-Roberts' curling effort from the edge of the box going in via a post.

That was on 42 minutes. On 43 minutes, Hassocks equalised for the third time when Littlejohn scampered away down the left and his low cross was turned in by one of two Arundel defenders sliding in to try and

prevent the ball reaching Bull.

After that breathless opening 45 minutes, the second half was a bit of a bore in comparison as neither side could add to the score line.

That wasn't for the want of trying though, particularly from a Hassocks point of view.

Enticknap, Littlejohn and substitute Bacon all drew good saves from Kelman as well as those aforementioned opportunities for the teenage defensive duo of Jupp and Marshall.

At the other end, Mills produced a goal line block from Callum Chalmers, Harry Callaghan rattled the bar with his first touch after coming on and Green had to be alert to snatch Chalmers' clipped pass over the top from the boot of Jack Collins.

Extra time beckoned and it was Arundel who struck first in the additional 30 minutes, Chalmers finding himself with the chance to run at Harry Mills who he duly tied into knots before firing past Green for 4-3.

The following 11 minutes represented the longest period that Arundel led for, until Bacon buried a one-on-one low into the corner for 4-4.

Penalties were looming large as the tie entered the final five minutes still level and given what had gone before, it wouldn't have been a surprise if the shootout went on until the early hours of the morning and ended 31-30.

Thankfully, there was no need to find out. Stokes' placed shot after a Bacon effort was blocked put Hassocks ahead for the first time with four minutes remaining and Bacon then played in Troak for the sixth in the final seconds.

Hassocks: Green; Marshall, Mills, Kublickas, Jupp; Enticknap, Stokes; Hillwood, Bull, Troak; Littlejohn.

Subs: Bacon, Benson, Pople (used).

BARE BONES HASSOCKS LOSE AT LANGNEY

Southern Combination League Premier Division
Saturday 5th October 2019, Priory Lane
Langney Wanderers 4-0 Hassocks



It's two steps forward, one step back for Hassocks at the minute. After winning their previous two games and scoring 12 goals in the process, the Robins returned to Earth with a bang at Priory Lane.

Langney Wanderers were the opponents, a familiar foe who they've played once already against this season in the FA Cup - and with whom they'll get further acquainted at the Beacon next Saturday in the Peter Bentley League Cup.

Meeting one saw Hassocks run out 2-0 winners in August; meeting two was the polar opposite as Wanderers took all three points via a 4-0 win; what meeting three will have in store is anybody's guess given the Robins' current unpredictability.

What would help Mark Dalgleish's cause is the return to fitness and availability of some of his squad as they were down to the bare bones for this trip to the Sunshine Coast.

Striker Ben Bacon said afterwards, "I've never seen a side with so many injuries and absentees. I don't want to hear Ole Gunnar Solksjaer complaining on Match of the Day again."

A quick look at the Hassocks bench told its own story about how much the Robins are struggling in the players department.

Dalgleish named his assistant manager Brad Sweetman and physio Phil Wickwar among the substitutes.

There was even a place for Phil Johnson who is currently side lined with a broken leg, although by the end you couldn't have blamed the travelling Hassocks support if they'd begun to wonder whether Johnson might have improved their fortunes playing on just one leg.

After all, they were shorn of some crucial attacking players. Jack Troak

and Joe Bull have both been in good goalscoring form and they were absent along with Jamie Hillwood who has looked a real threat.

James Littlejohn meanwhile was forced into a deeper and wider role after four goals in his last two games as well as winning the Robins' September Player of the Month award.

"So short were Hassocks that they even named Phil Johnson on the bench, who is currently side lined with a broken leg - although by the end you couldn't have blamed the travelling support if they'd begun to wonder whether Johnson might have improved their fortunes playing on one leg."

Those who had played in that gruelling 6-4 extra time Sussex Senior Cup win at Arundel four days previously were understandably looking a little leggy, and then there were a couple of faces who haven't tasted senior action for a few years.

Louis Pople was one of those, leading the line in Hassocks colours for the first time since 2012 while teenage striker George Galbraith-Gibbons was given 90 minutes for the first time since the 2017-18 campaign.

With so much unfamiliarity in their line up and particularly in attack, Hassocks knew that they'd need to keep it tight at the back if they were to have any chance of leaving Eastbourne with something to show for their efforts.

Those hopes were dealt something of a blow then when they managed to score an own goal inside of 17 minutes to hand the hosts the advantage.

The Robins' back four deserves a little credit for the way they responded to that, especially playing with two teenagers in Thomas Jupp and Luke Marshall.

It was a defence missing Andy Whittingham, Dan Jacques, Arni Kublickas and Dan Turner.

Dan Stokes - who can do a job as an emergency right back - was also absent, meaning that the Robins were without an entire defence who could have reasonably expected to start. Problems at both ends, as you're probably starting to realise.

Hassocks managed to make it through to half time without any further mishaps, giving a little bit of belief that if they could create something going forward then maybe it would yet turn out to be their day.

The second half was a different story however as Langney went onto score three further times, inflicting on Hassocks a heaviest Premier Division defeat of the season so far in the process.

The hosts added their second within three minutes of the restart through Gary Ingram and the third followed on 74 when Dan Blackmore pounced.

Shaun Lee rounded off the scoring for Langney in 88th minute, a deserved goal for the defender who was the best player on the park.

There was at least some good news for Hassocks with Alex Spinks' return to action as a substitute but the Robins will need many more of their walking wounded back before next Saturday when they take on the ominous task of facing Langney again.

Hassocks: Green; Blake, Marshall, Mills, Jupp; Broomfield, Enticknap; Littlejohn, Bacon, Galbraith-Gibbons; Pople.

Subs: Spinks, Gardner (used), Johnson, Sweetman, P Wickwar (unused).

First Team Matches 2019-20

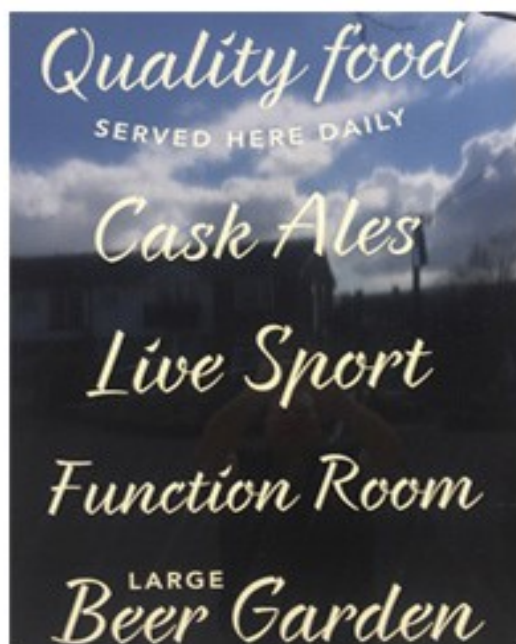
Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
August				
03/08 - 15:00	Horley Town (A)	SCFLP	0-2	
06/08 - 19:45	East Preston (H)	SCFLP	2-1	Troak, Johnson
10/08 - 15:00	Langney Wanderers (H)	FACEP	2-0	Rowe-Hurst, Berridge
17/08 - 15:00	Horsham YMCA (A)	SCFLP	2-2	Blake, Bacon
20/08 - 19:30	Pagham (A)	SCFLP	0-1	
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	0-3	
21/09 - 15:00	Lingfield (H)	SCFLP	1-3	Enticknap
28/09 - 15:00	Loxwood (H)	SCFLP	6-2	Bull, Littlejohn (3), Bacon (2)
October				
01/10 - 19:45	Arundel (A)	SSC1	6-4 AET	Troak (2), Bull, Littlejohn, Bacon, Stokes
05/10 - 15:00	Langney Wanderers (A)	SCFLP	0-4	
12/10 - 15:00	Langney Wanderers (H)	PBLC2		
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			Goals	Hassocks Career	
	Starts	Used Sub	Games		Games	Goals
Jack Troak	16	0	16	5	16	5
James Littlejohn	11	4	15	6	43	10
Josh Green	14	0	14	0	53	0
Andy Whittingham	14	0	14	0	78	0
Matt Berridge	13	1	14	1	44	2
Will Broomfield	13	1	14	0	71	3
Ben Bacon	12	2	14	6	38	15
Dan Stokes	7	7	14	1	156	11
Harvey Blake	12	0	12	1	52	2
Jamie Hillwood	10	1	11	1	113	23
Harry Mills	9	2	11	0	114	5
Arni Kublickas	10	0	10	0	59	1
Harvey Enticknap	8	2	10	1	39	2
Joe Bull	4	6	10	3	47	3
Dan Jacques	8	1	9	0	229	9
Jack Rowe-Hurst	5	1	6	1	23	4
Liam Benson	1	5	6	0	117	30
Lewis Westlake	3	1	4	0	75	4
Alex Spinks	2	2	4	0	18	0
James Earl	3	0	3	0	3	30
Phil Johnson	2	0	2	1	152	74
Thomas Jupp	2	0	2	0	2	0
Luke Marshall	2	0	2	0	2	0
Dan Turner	2	0	2	0	2	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	1	1	2	0	29	3
Louis Pople	1	1	2	0	23	3
Harvey Ransome	0	2	2	0	2	0
Nick Pitcher	1	0	1	0	131	13
Jack Gardner	0	1	1	0	1	0

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BENJAMIN BUTTON BENSON AT THE DOUBLE FOR ROBINS

**Southern Combination League Under 23 West Division
Wednesday 18th September 2019, The Beacon
Hassocks U23 3-2 Selsey U23**

It was a rare Wednesday night outing for Hassocks Under 23s and if their experience against Selsey at the Beacon was anything to go by, they might be keen to repeat the experience going forward.

This 3-2 win was the Robins' first at home since March. It probably should have been more comfortable too as Hassocks had been 3-0 ahead at the hour mark, only to see the Blues stage a late fightback which led to an unnecessary nervy finish.

Selsey arrived in Mid Sussex having lost three games out of three. They haven't been helped by a tough fixture list which featured games against two of the early pacesetters in leaders Pagham and newcomers Oakwood, both of whom have 100% records.

Hassocks were also acutely aware of the threat their visitors would pose after last season's clash at the Bunn Leisure Stadium in October.

That was where Selsey inflicted a first defeat of the campaign on the Robins, winning 1-0 and deservedly so.

Dave John made four changes from the side that had gone down to a 2-1 defeat against reigning champions Horsham YMCA a week ago.

One of last year's stalwarts Ben

Jonas was back for his first start of the campaign in place of Nick Pitcher.

Thomas Jupp replaced Harvey Ransome, Joe Russell returned for Jack Gardner and Joe Bull was rested after starting for the first team in their 3-0 Sussex Principal RUR Charity Cup defeat to Pagham 24 hours previously.

Bull's place was taken by Louis Pople for what was his first competitive appearance in Hassocks colours since the 2012-13 campaign.

Pople has since played for Ringmer and taken some time out from the game.

The Robins will be hoping that a run of matches for Pople in the Under 23s can help him build up match fitness, especially given the lack of available forwards currently at the Beacon with Phil Johnson sidelined with a broken leg and Jack Rowe-Hurst's departure to Seaford Town as he continues his quest to play for every club on the Southern Combination League circuit.

Pople partnered another striker to have recently returned to the Robins in Liam Benson, the duo forming a Benjamin Button strike force being two of the permitted players over the age of 23.

Benson was on the scoresheet twice, notching Hassocks' second and third goals in the space of five second half minutes.

That made it three in two Under 23 games so far for him and it should



have put the Robins on easy street.

Dan Turner had given them a half time lead with his first of the season midway through the first half.

But Selsey set up a tense finale as Toby Evans and then Sam Conolly made it 3-2 with 15 minutes remaining.

Hassocks managed to see that out despite losing Turner, who went off injured with a nasty arm injury which required a sling.

That couldn't have come at a worse time for the defender, given that he's just broken into the senior squad and was voted man-of-the-match in the previous evening's defeat to Pagham.

Both John and Mark Dalglish will be without his services for a number of weeks now as Hassocks' injury problems show no sign of abating; the only negative on an evening in which the Robins showed a welcome return to form.

Hassocks: Wickwar, Ross, Jupp, Turner, O'Leary, Russell, Jonas, Dimelow, Galbraith-Gibbons, Pople, Benson.

Subs: Denyer, Hayes, Ransome, Bull (used).

Mid Sussex Times

STOP-START SEASON CONTINUES WITH ANOTHER LOSS

**Southern Combination League Under 23 West Division
Thursday 26th September 2019, The Lashmar
East Preston U23 1-0 Hassocks U23**

Hassocks Under 23's stop-start season continued as they went down to a narrow 1-0 defeat away at East Preston.

Jamie Carroll notched the only goal of the game as the Robins lose-win-lose-win sequence saw another loss added after last week's 3-2 success against Selsey.

The final score at the Lashmar also happened to be exactly the same as last time these sides met in the final game of the previous campaign when EP ran out winners at the Beacon.

On that occasion, the visitors needed the three points to guarantee a third placed finish in the West Division. Hassocks meanwhile had already secured the runners up spot behind Horsham YMCA.

That didn't mean there was nothing for the Robins to play for though - after all, there was the small matter of avenging their 3-1 defeat to EP in the semi finals of the League Cup a month previously.

Two wins out of three last year - the other clash saw Hassocks triumph 3-1 at the Lashmar just prior to Christmas - meant that EP dominated the fixture and this really was a

continuation of that.

Dave John was forced into making five changes from the side that had knocked off Selsey seven days ago.

One of those absentees was Dan Turner who picked up a serious arm injury in the victory over the Blues and he could be out for some time, a significant blow for the 19-year-old who had been voted the first team's man-of-the-match 48 hours previously in the Sussex RUR Charity Cup defeat to Pagham.

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James Earl played alongside Turner in that and he was back in goal after three first team appearances at the expense of Reece Wickwar.

Also missing were Kieran Dimelow, Ben Jonas and Ben



O'Leary with Jack Gardner, Luke Marshall, Harvey Ransome and Joe Bull all coming into the starting line up.

Crucially, John could call upon his Benjamin Button strike force of Liam Benson and Louis Pople, Benson having scored three times in two appearances since his return to the Beacon from Steyning Town.

Despite having such an experienced strike force, they could find no way past a determined EP backline who hung on to claim a deserved clean sheet.

Carroll's strike decided the tie and came at the end of a good week for the youngster who'd been given his senior debut on Tuesday night in EP's 3-1 Premier Division loss at Horley Town.

Hassocks: Earl, Ross, Jupp, Marshall, Bull, Russell, Ransome, Gardner, Galbraith-Gibbons, Pople, Benson.

Subs: Loversidge, Denyer, Bright, Tatford (used).



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ROBINS DRAW BLANK IN DEFEAT TO MAVERICKS

Southern Combination League Under 23 West Division
Thursday 3rd October 2019, The Beacon

Hassocks U23 0-2 Worthing United U23

For the second week running, Hassocks Under 23s drew a blank against opponents from down on the west coast as the Robins fell to a fourth defeat of the season.

Last Thursday it was a 1-0 loss away at East Preston, a side who on early season form could be one of the teams who gives chase to reigning champions and current leaders Horsham YMCA in the title race.

There was no disgrace in losing as the Lashmar. Less expected would have been this 2-0 defeat to a Worthing United side who arrived in Mid Sussex having lost five games out of five so far in the league.

Not that their winless start tells the whole story. The Mavericks had been scoring goals for fun, averaging over two a game which left them with a higher total than six of the division's other 10 teams despite the fact they sit bottom of the pile.

The problems for United have been at the other end, where 24 goals have flown into their net at an average of nearly five a game.

The general impression of the West Division's newcomers then was that if they sort out their defensive frailties, they could be a force to be reckoned with given their fire power

at the other end.

Unfortunately for Hassocks, it was at the Beacon that both parts of United's game together against a Robins' side who are struggling with injury and unavailability at the moment.

It's a problem that's afflicting the whole club, from first team right the way through to Under 18s.

Five of Dave John's squad had been involved in the first team's extraordinary 6-4 Sussex Senior Cup

"Injury and unavailability is a problem that's afflicting the whole club, from first team right the way through to Under 18s and five of Dave John's squad for this one had been involved in the first team's extraordinary 6-4 Sussex Senior Cup win just 48 hours previously."

win just 48 hours previously.

Thomas Jupp played the whole 120 minutes at Mill Road, Joe Bull and Liam Benson both had around an hour each and Louis Pople was thrown on for the final few minutes.

17-year-old defender Luke Marshall also played the full two hours with John deciding to name him on the bench here as a result.

First team assistant manager Brad



Sweetman was even pressed into action from the bench, marking his first appearance as a player for the club.

John also gave first starts of the season to Steve Bright and Max Donaldson in what was a much changed line up to what we have seen over the first five weeks of the campaign.

United were well placed to take advantage of that unfamiliarity and they duly took the lead with 18 minutes on the clock through Dan Hills.

Substitute Kieran Sellick ensured that the three points went back to the Robert Albion Memorial Ground when adding the Mavericks' second of the evening on 72 minutes.

Hassocks do at least have a break from the league to look forward to although their next task looks particularly difficult as they travel to Isthmian League side Three Bridges in the County Cup next Thursday.

Hassocks: Earl, Bright, Jupp, Donaldson, O'Leary, Russell, Ransome, Bull, Galbraith-Gibbons, Pople, Benson.

Subs: Gardner, Loversidge, Marshall, Sweetman (used).



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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	1-2	Benson
19/09 - 19:45	Selsey (H)	SCFL23	3-2	Turner, Benson (2)
26/09 - 13:30	East Preston (A)	SCFL23	0-1	
October				
03/10 - 19:45	Worthing United (H)	SCFL23	0-2	
10/10 - 19:45	Three Bridges (A)	CU23C1		
18/10 - 19:45	Lancing (A)	SCFL23		
24/10 - 19:45	Arundel (A)	SCFL23		
31/10 - 19:45	Horsham YMCA (H)	SCFL23		

Under 23 Appearances 2019-20

Player	2019-20 Season			
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals
George Galbraith-Gibbons	6	0	6	1
Joe Bull	5	1	6	1
Solly Ross	5	0	5	0
Joe Russell	5	0	5	0
Jack Gardner	4	1	5	0
Thomas Jupp	4	1	5	0
Matt Denyer	1	4	5	0
Liam Benson	4	0	4	3
Kieran Dimelow	4	0	4	0
James Earl	4	0	4	0
Ben O'Leary	4	0	4	0
Dan Turner	4	0	4	1
Harvey Ransome	3	1	4	0
Louis Pople	3	0	3	0
Joe Tatford	2	1	3	0
Alfie Loversidge	0	3	3	0
Nick Pitcher	2	0	2	0
Reece Wickwar	2	0	2	0
Steve Bright	1	1	2	0
Luke Marshall	1	1	2	0
Jake Atherton	0	2	2	1
Max Donaldson	1	0	1	0
Ben Jonas	1	0	1	0
Charlie Alderton	0	1	1	0
Connor Bradley	0	1	1	0
Tristan Hayes	0	1	1	0
Brad Sweetman	0	1	1	0
Connor Weir	0	1	1	0



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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	2-1	Loversidge, Lees
October				
06/10 - 11:00	Lewes Juniors (A)	CU18C1	8-1	Beebee (3), Gamblin (2), Lees (2), McDermott
20/10 - 11:00	Southwick (A)	SCFL18		
27/10 - 11:00	Haywards Heath Town (H)	SCFL18		
November				
03/11 - 11:00	Mile Oak (H)	SCFL18		
17/11 - 11:00	St Francis Rangers (H)	SCFL18		
December				
01/12 - 11:00	Broadbridge Heath (H)	SCFL18		
08/12 - 11:00	Mile Oak (A)	SCFL18		
15/12 - 11:00	Burgess Hill Town (A)	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				Goals
	Starts	Used Sub	Games		
Lewis Beebee	3	0	3		3
Oliver Charlesworth	3	0	3		0
Alex Crawford	3	0	3		0
Toby Fisher	3	0	3		0
Jack Gardner	3	0	3		0
Harrison Lees	3	0	3		4
Alfie Loversidge	3	0	3		0
Finlay McDermott	3	0	3		1
Luke Marshall	2	1	3		1
Freddie Gamblin	1	2	3		2
Guy Underwood	0	3	3		0
Yahya Azizi	2	0	2		0
Charlie Jones	2	0	2		0
Lewis Reep	1	1	2		0
Harry Meredith	1	0	1		0
Archie Tunnell	0	1	1		0



KING STRIKES LATE AS HASSOCKS STING WASPS

South East Counties Women's League Premier Division
Sunday 22nd September 2019, The Beacon
Hassocks Ladies 3-2 Crawley Wasps

Despite missing several key players through injury, Hassocks Ladies got their first three points of the South East Counties Women's League Premier Division season on the board.

They left it late, Liz King's 88th minute strike proving to be just about enough to see off a spirited Crawley Wasps Development Squad 3-2 at the Beacon.

It was a strange afternoon of football from the Robins' point of view. They were completely dominant for the opening half hour and stormed into a 2-0 lead in that time through Kelly Rushworth and Claire Stevens.

After that though they took their foot off the gas and that allowed a young Wasps side to come back into the tie with Gina Johnson's brace looking like it would rescue a point for the visitors until King's late intervention.

There was little sign of the struggles that were to come for Hassocks as they were on the front foot from the first whistle.

Two good chances came the hosts way inside the opening 10 minutes, Rushworth hitting a shot on the turn after a Chloe John cross straight at the goalkeeper before turning provider for Kirsten Mair whose effort rose just over the bar.

Gemma Craig saw an effort parried by the Wasps custodian and Mair couldn't quite slot the rebound home from a tight angle.

Wasps responded to that by making a rare foray forward, King clearing well at the expense of a corner.

The resulting set piece was headed away by Stevens but only as far as the edge of the box from where a clever lobbed effort dropped just over the top of the Hassocks

goal.

Rushworth had two more good chances, volleying a snap shot wide and then firing in an excellent free kick following a foul on Chloe John which drew an equally impressive save from the Wasps goalkeeper.

Rushworth wouldn't be denied for much longer and on 27 minutes she had a deserved goal, latching onto Jess Craig's through ball to slow home for 1-0.

Wasps responded well and Sarah Chappell was forced into her first save of the day at full stretch shortly after Rushworth's opener.

"The Robins winner really did come out of nowhere, Rushworth playing in King who fired home low and hard with the outside of her right boot for an exquisite finish with just two minutes remaining"

From there, Hassocks went up the other end and Gemma Craig rattled the bar.

You sensed a second goal was coming and it duly arrived when Mair sent in a brilliant whipped cross which Stevens applied the finishing touch too although the suspicion was that it would have gone in without the intervention of the midfielder.

Disappointingly from a Hassocks point of view, they allowed the visitors a relatively simple route back into the game when Johnson turned home a low cross for 2-1.

Wasps did get the ball in the back of the net again before the half was up but the goal was quite rightly ruled out for offside while Mair saw a shot saved in the final action of the half.

Hassocks were dealt a blow when Chappell was unable to continue in goal after the break following injury.

Ellie Moquet took her place and



was instantly into the action, saving a one-on-one and then producing a fine stop on the stretch.

Wasps were well on top and as a result, Martin Lee turned to his bench to try and shift the momentum back in his favour with Ria Banitas and Tallie Bright replacing John and Sam Newman in a double swap.

But those changes failed to disrupt Wasps' momentum and they levelled things up on 70 minutes with a high lob from Johnson giving her a second of the game and leaving Moquet with no chance.

At this stage, there only looked like there would be one winner as Wasps turned the screw.

Moquet made another excellent diving save as the game entered the final 10 minutes and Hassocks would almost certainly have taken the point if you'd offered it to them there and then.

The Robins winner really did come out of nowhere, Rushworth playing in King who fired home low and hard with the outside of her right boot for an exquisite finish.

Wasps poured forward after that in search of what would have been a deserved leveller and they nearly got one, smashing the post and then seeing Stevens somehow head clear from virtually under the cross bar.

Hassocks though somehow held on and while the result may have been hard on the visitors, to find a way to win when they haven't played particularly well augurs well for the season ahead for the Robins.

Hassocks: S Chappell, John, Newman, Stevens, Flin, King, Jump, Mair, G Craig, J Craig, Rushworth.

Subs: Banitas, Moquet, Bright (used).

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	3-2	King, Rushworth, Stevens
October				
06/10 - 14:00	Parkwood Rangers (A)	SECWP	0-1	
13/10 - 14:00	Newhaven (H)	SECWP		
20/10 - 14:00	Lewes (A)	SECWP		
27/10 - 14:00	Eastbourne United (H)	SECWP		
November				
03/11 - 14:00	Worthing (H)	SECWP		
10/11 - 14:00	Phoenix Sports (H)	SECWP		
24/11 - 14:00	Herne Bay (H)	SECWP		
December				
08/12 - 14:00	Ashford (H)	SECWP		
15/12 - 14:00	Crawley Wasps (A)	SECWP		

Ladies Appearances 2019-20

Player	2019-20 Season			
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals
Sarah Chappell	4	0	4	0
Gemma Craig	4	0	4	0
Jess Craig	4	0	4	0
Sam Newman	4	0	4	0
Claire Stevens	4	0	4	1
Emma Flin	3	1	4	0
Rose Jump	3	1	4	1
Ria Banitas	2	2	4	0
Chloe John	3	0	3	0
Kirstin Mair	3	0	3	0
Kelly Rushworth	3	0	3	2
Liz King	2	1	3	1
Tallie Bright	1	1	2	0
Jodie Johanson	1	1	2	0
Emily Brocklehurst	1	0	1	0
Katherine Chappell	1	0	1	0
Beth Purse	1	0	1	0
Ellie Moquet	0	1	1	0



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REARGUARD ROBINS END BRIDGES 100% START

Something had to give at Jubilee Field as unbeaten Hassocks took on the 100% Division One record of Three Bridges.

Either the Robins would be tasting defeat in the league for the first time under Mickey Jewell or Bridges would be dropping their first points in a campaign in which they have made all the running thus far.

In the end, it was Bridges who faltered, their perfect start ending after nine successive wins as an excellent rear guard action helped Hassocks to earn a deserved 1-1 draw.

Neither side could have too many complaints afterwards. Jewell was in fact delighted, a reaction that shouldn't have come as a surprise given that he stood in as manager for the ill Dave John on Hassocks' last visit to Bridges back in January and promptly oversaw a chastising 6-0 defeat.

Paul Faili in the opposite dugout meanwhile was extremely complimentary about the visitors, stating they'd given his side their toughest test so far thanks to a mixture of some quality football going forward and a stubborn defence.

Faili's words would be music to the ears of the Hassocks faithful after two disappointing performances.

The Robins had only drawn at home to Lingfield in their previous outing at the weekend.

A week previously, there'd been an abysmal 1-0 exit from the Sussex RUR Charity Cup at the hands of a Sidley United side who Hassocks had hammered 5-0 in the league 17 days earlier.

Hassocks took the lead on 42 minutes and for all the praise that their controlled football received, it was route one that did the trick for the opener.

Jack Simpson's huge punt up field caught out Dean Carden with the ball bouncing over the flummoxed Bridges defender.

Simon Lockwood in the home goal didn't seem to know what to do either and as he tried to backpedal towards his line, Sam Jeremiah stole in to cheekily fire the ball through Lockwood's legs and into the back of the net.

That was third time lucky for the lively Jeremiah. He'd earlier sent a header wide from around two yards and was then denied by Lockwood from a one-on-one.

Bridges had chances too, Ashley Dugdale rattling the bar after only five minutes in their best opportunity of the first half.

Hassocks actually led for over half an hour after breaking the deadlock, Simpson and his back four of Rob South, Ashley Marsh, Kieran O'Callaghan and Andy Whittingham thwarting most of what Bridges could throw at them.

That was until the hour mark when Faili turned to his bench for a double substitution, throwing on

George Hillier and Elliott Romain.

With the quality of those two joining the Bridges attack, the Robins didn't look quite so comfortable and that allowed Bridges to really turn the screw.

James Grant hit the bar from 25 yards on 62 minutes and Hillier fired over a good opportunity just before the equaliser arrived on 75.

It came from Chris Head's whipped free kick out on the right which was met by the giant Ellis Hooper whose flicked header left Simpson with no chance.

The Robins retreated to the trenches after that with Anthony Hibbert in particular getting through an astonishing amount of work in front of the defence.

That helped Hassocks see out the remaining 15 minutes although they did have one scare right at the death when Romain somehow managed to completely miss a header from point blank range.

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

Subs: Smith (Jeremiah 63), Miles (Waterhouse 76), Kane (Slaughter 89).

Starman: A great team performance from everyone involved but Anthony Hibbert edges out skipper Ashley Marsh after some excellent defensive work for the cause.



Coming up...

After four consecutive home games, two of our next three fixtures are on the road to Eastbourne with visits to Priory Lane and the Oval dominating the confirmed October fixtures so far...



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 11th with four wins, a draw and four defeats from their nine 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. 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 goalkeeping duo James Broadbent and Alex Harris, defender Matt Carruthers and striker Dan Barnard.

COMING UP...



Eastbourne United

When?

Saturday 26th October

Where?

The Oval

Time?

3pm

Competition?

Southern Combination League
Premier Division

Eastbourne United this season?

Eastbourne United look to be a side on the up. They pulled off an extraordinary escape from relegation in 2018-19, scoring in the last minute of the final game to overtake Arundel having been miles adrift of safety at Christmas. That turnaround was sparked by Billy Reed taking over as chairman at the Oval and the inspired appointment of Arron Hopkinson as boss. Reed in particular was bullish over the summer about United's chances of making a real impression this year, but he's since departed to Hastings United and Hopkinson has also resigned as boss. Matt Crabb has since taken over as manager and that looks an inspired appointment with United one of the form teams in the division currently, sitting ninth in the table.

Hassocks' record against Eastbourne United?

The Robins dominate the head-to-head with 18 wins to United's 10 and 12 draws in our 40 meetings. That record is helped hugely by the fact

that Hassocks seem to love visiting the Oval for some reason. We've won on our past six visits there, an incredible run that stretches all the way back to 2010

Last time we met?

It was the sixth of those successive wins at the Oval back in January. Hopkinson was only a month into the job but the improvement in United was already clear and Hassocks were made to work extremely hard for their 2-0 success which came thanks to a Goal of the Season contender from James Littlejohn and a trademark Phil Johnson finish.

How to get to The Oval?

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



Little Common

When?

Saturday 2nd November

Where?

The Beacon

Time?

3pm

Competition?

Southern Combination League
Premier Division

Admission?

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

Little Common this season?

This is Common's second season as a Premier Division club having been crowned Division One champions in 2017-18. Consolidation was the name of the game last time around and they had a solid campaign, never really being dragged into the dogfight at the bottom of the table and eventually finishing in 16th spot, eight points clear of the relegation zone. It looks like 2019-20 will be a similar season as they sit 15th in the table currently with three wins from 10 games coming against Lingfield, Horsham YMCA and Saltdean United. They also claimed the notable FA Cup scalp of Isthmian League side Three Bridges on a run to the first qualifying round of the competition.

Hassocks' record against Little Common?

The two sides have met on 15 previous occasions although last season represented their first ever clashes in the top flight of the Southern Combination League. Both

sides have won five games apiece with five draws, so there is a very little to separate the two historically although Common were unbeaten last season so Hassocks are yet to win a Premier Division game against them.

Last time we met?

It was a bit of a case of after the Lord Mayor's Show as a week after we'd won 1-0 away at title chasing Newhaven, it took an 80th minute equaliser from Liam Benson to secure a 1-1 draw against Common at the Beacon. Lewis Hole had given the visitors the lead while there were second debuts for the Robins for Jack Rowe-Hurst who had just returned to the club from Shoreham and Lewis Westlake who was re-signed from Loxwood.

Players to watch out for?

Jamie Crone has been one of the most deadly marksmen in the league so far with 11 goals from 15 appearances to his name.

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Around the League



Eastbourne Town's lead is up five points at the top of the Premier Division table while Littlehampton Town and Montpelier Villa lead Division One and Division Two respectively by four points as we enter the third month of the campaign...

Town made it eight wins from 10 games as they overcame bottom side Loxwood 4-2 at Plaistow Road.

The visitors probably thought it would be plain sailing when Dan Perry and George Taggart had them 2-0 ahead inside six minutes but Loxwood refused to throw in the towel and came roaring back to level through Sam Karl and Matthew Boiling.

Perry's 70th minute goal put Town back ahead with Aaron Capon adding a fourth with two minutes remaining.

10-man **Peacehaven & Telscombe** climbed to second after a 1-0 win away at **Pagham**.

Michael Lloyd scored for the Tye on 26 minutes and four minutes later they had Scott Marshall sent off, despite which they managed to see out the remaining hour to leapfrog **Lancing** in the table who were held 2-2 at **Horsham YMCA**.

Lewis Taylor gave YM the lead at Gorings Mead but Naim Rouane's side must have thought they'd won it as they entered the 94th minute leading 2-1 thanks to goals from George Fenton and James Rhodes.

That was before Matt Daniel struck five minutes into injury time to earn a point for Peter Buckland's side.

East Preston took a sixth minute lead at home to **Newhaven** but that wasn't enough to stop the Dockers' recent revival as they ran out 4-1 winners at the Lashmar to move up to fourth.

The rise of **Steyning Town** shows no signs of abating either as September's Team of the Month

made it seven consecutive victories by beating **Broadbridge Heath** 3-1 at the Shooting Field.

Joao Andrade, Grant Radmore and Mayckol Sabino were on target for the Barrowmen while the Bears' hopes weren't helped by an eighth minute red card shown to Alfie Hadfield.

Matt Crabb continues to make quite the impression as **Eastbourne United** boss as his new charges defeat **Alford** 3-1 at the Oval with Crabb's brother Nathan scoring twice.

At the New Defence, **Horley Town** suffered a rare home defeat as **Lingfield** left with a 2-0 victory thanks to goals from Sammy Clemments and Ben Connolly.

In the division's final game, **Saltdean United** didn't make the best of starts to life under their new manager Bryan O'Toole as they were defeated 2-1 by **Little Common** with Wes Tate hitting an 87th minute winner for the Commoners.

The biggest win of the Southern Combination League season so far was recorded in Division One where leaders **Littlehampton Town** hammered **Billingshurst** 10-0 at the Sports Field with hat-tricks for Lucas Pattendon and Harry Russell.

Arundel were 3-0 winners in an Arun Derby against **Wick** with Harry Callaghan, Callum Chalmers and Jack Collins scoring while there was an Adur Derby at Middle Road where Chris Gerr's penalty gave **Shoreham** a 1-0 win over **Southwick**.

Bottom of the table **Worthing United** were involved in an eight-goal thriller with third placed **AFC Vardeanians** with the V's eventually getting over the line 5-3

while **Bexhill United** beat **Selsey** 2-0 thanks to goals from Sammy Bunn and Jack Shonk.

Mile Oak left it late to get their promotion push back on track as Enzo Benn's 85th minute winner helped them defeat **Oakwood** 3-2 with Josh Neathey continuing his fine scoring form with another brace for the visitors to Mile Oak Rec.

Finally, **Hailsham Town** had two goals in the final eight minutes from Connor Townsend to thank for giving them victory away at **Roffey**.

Rhys Taylor had out the Stringers in the lead before Patrick O'Sullivan levelled things up for the hosts early in the second half.

Top met bottom in Division Two and it was a lot closer than many would have predicted as **Montpelier Villa** had to work hard for their 2-1 win over 10-man **Brighton Electricity**.

TD Shipley suffered their first defeat since promotion back to the Southern Combination League as they were well beaten 3-0 at home by **Upper Beeding** while it was the same score at **Ferring** who fell to defeat against **Angmering Village**.

Joe Marchant scored the only goal for **St Francis Rangers** as they won 1-0 away at **Jarvis Brook** while a hat-trick from Joshua Allard set **Copthorne** on their way to a 7-0 win over **Bosham**.

Cowfold proved to be too good for **Worthing Town** with a 4-1 success while the game of the day undoubtedly came at **Rottingdean Village** where the hosts went down to a 6-5 defeat against **Littlehampton United**.



How they stand...

Southern Combination Premier Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Eastbourne Town	10	8	2	0	31	5	26
Peacehaven & Tels.	10	6	3	1	25	16	21
Lancing	10	6	3	1	22	13	21
Newhaven	10	5	4	1	23	17	19
Steyning Town	10	6	1	3	20	15	19
Alford	10	5	2	3	21	17	17
Horley Town	10	5	2	3	19	15	17
Crawley Down Gatwick	9	5	1	3	19	16	16
Eastbourne United	10	5	0	5	19	20	15
Broadbridge Heath	10	4	2	4	14	20	14
AFC Uckfield Town	9	4	1	4	20	15	13
Langney Wanderers	10	3	4	3	22	22	13
Lingfield	10	4	0	6	19	20	12
Saltdean United	10	3	2	5	17	21	11
Little Common	10	3	2	5	15	19	11
Horsham YMCA	10	3	2	5	19	27	11
Hassocks	10	2	1	7	14	23	7
East Preston	10	1	2	7	9	23	5
Pagham	10	1	2	7	6	20	5
Loxwood	10	0	4	6	19	29	4

Premier Division Attendances

	Ave	High	Low
Eastbourne Town	212	233	176
Broadbridge Heath	192	337	112
Peacehaven & Telscombe	163	183	142
Newhaven	156	223	102
Langney Wanderers	153	240	75
Eastbourne United	152	121	110
Lancing	98	110	75
Hassocks	95	125	73
Saltdean United	95	137	47
Steyning Town	90	138	30
Pagham	87	114	71
Crawley Down Gatwick	86	119	55
Horsham YMCA	82	115	67
East Preston	76	103	69
Alford	70	98	52
Lingfield	69	112	51
Little Common	65	153	32
Loxwood	57	69	42
AFC Uckfield Town	52	81	37
Horley Town	51	78	39

Premier Division Form Guide

Last 6

Steyning Town	WWWWDW
Eastbourne Town	WWWWDW
Newhaven	WWWWDW
Peacehaven & Tels.	WWWDDW
Alford	LWLWDW
Horley Town	LLWWDW
Eastbourne United	WWWLLL
Lancing	DLWDDW
Broadbridge Heath	LLLWWW
Langney Wanderers	WDLWDL
AFC Uckfield Town	WLLDWL
Crawley Down Gatwick	LWDWLL
Little Common	WLLLDW
Horsham YMCA	DLWLWL
Lingfield	WLWLLL
Saltdean United	LLWLWL
East Preston	LWLLLD
Hassocks	LWLLLL
Loxwood	LLLDL
Pagham	LDDL

Premier Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Goals
Lewis Finney	Lancing	22
Dan Perry	Eastbourne Town	14
Kerran Boylan	Horley Town	12
Alex Laing	Saltdean United	12
Kelvin Lucas	Alford	12
Grant Redmore	Steyning Town	12
Ben Connolly	Lingfield	11
Jamie Crone	Little Common	11
Matt Daniel	Horsham YMCA	10
Josh Marshall	Peacehaven	10
Michael Wood	Crawley Down	10
Bailo Camara	AFC Uckfield	8
Nathan Crabb	Eastbourne Utd	8
David Crouch	East Preston	8
Jack Langford	Newhaven	8
Oli Leslie	Crawley Down	8
Nick Sullivan	Crawley Down	8
Joao Andrade	Steyning Town	8
Liam Baitup	AFC Uckfield	7
Sam Crutwell	Little Common	7

Southern Combination Under 23 West Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Horsham YMCA	7	6	0	1	20	10	18
Pagham	5	5	0	0	18	2	15
Oakwood	6	4	0	2	18	12	12
East Preston	6	3	1	2	11	9	10
Broadbridge Heath	5	3	0	2	10	6	9
Lancing	6	2	1	3	11	17	7
Hassocks	6	2	0	4	7	10	6
Selsey	6	1	0	5	10	16	3
Arundel	5	1	0	4	8	19	3
Worthing United	6	1	0	5	12	24	3

Under 23 West Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
Josh Neathey	Oakwood	11
Cian Griffin-Tilley	Pagham	5
Will Read	Horsham YMCA	5
Jack Ryder	Horsham YMCA	5
Daniel Bua	Pagham	4
Leon Eales	Horsham YMCA	4
Ben Whiteley	B'bridge Heath	4
Liam Benson	Hassocks	3
Harry Callaghan	Arundel	3
Mitchell Casselman	Oakwood	3

Southern Combination Under 18 Central Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St Francis Rangers	4	3	1	0	23	7	10
Mile Oak	3	3	0	0	22	5	9
Haywards Heath Town	4	2	1	1	19	9	7
Burgess Hill Town	3	1	2	0	17	7	5
Hassocks	2	1	0	1	3	4	3
Broadbridge Heath	3	1	0	2	11	12	3
Shoreham	5	1	0	4	10	32	3
Souhwick	4	0	0	4	2	31	0

Under 18 Central Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
Harry Naylor	Haywards Heath	7
Herbie Rogers	Burgess Hill	6
Luis Channon	Mile Oak	5
Isaac Andrews	Mile Oak	5
Alfie Towsey	Burgess Hill	5
Luis Bhana	B'bridge Heath	4
Harrison Lees	Hassocks	4
Sidney O'Neill	St Francis	4

South East Counties Women's Premier Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lewes	3	3	0	0	11	1	9
Parkwood Rangers	5	2	2	1	10	6	8
Worthing	2	2	0	0	13	0	6
Phoenix Sports	2	2	0	0	6	3	6
Ashford	2	1	1	0	7	2	4
Hassocks	4	1	1	2	5	6	4
Herne Bay	3	1	0	2	6	11	3
Newhaven	2	0	1	1	2	3	1
Eastbourne United	3	0	1	2	2	11	1
Crawley Wasps	4	0	0	4	5	24	0

Premier Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
Gemma Worsfold	Worthing	8
Lia Skingley	Phoenix Sports	5
Abigail Duff	Herne Bay	5
Kate Foster	Herne Bay	4
Yasmin Howard	Ashford	4
Grace Laverick	Phoenix Sports	4
Rebecca Wyatt	Ashford	4
Jemma Barton	Herne Bay	3
Katie Cooper	Lewes	3
Mika Keen	Phoenix Sports	3

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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**
Pagham home **Dan Turner**
Lingfield home **Dan Jaques**
Loxwood home **James Littlejohn**
Arundel away **Jack Troak**
Langney Wanderers away **Harvey Enticknap**
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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 **Will Broomfield**
2nd **Matt Berridge**
3rd **Jack Troak**

September 2019
1st
2nd
3rd

October 2019
1st
2nd
3rd

November 2019
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December 2019
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January 2020
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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	199	30	229	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
Dan Stokes	110	46	156	11
Steve Hards	146	9	155	65
Kieran O'Callaghan	141	14	155	17
Phil Johnson	129	23	152	74
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
Liam Benson	82	35	117	30
Harry Mills	104	10	114	5
Nick Newman	110	4	114	2
Michael Death	87	25	112	38
Jordan Badger	106	4	110	4
Jamie Hillwood	86	24	110	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



Kieran O'Callaghan

Kieran O'Callaghan remains the only international footballer to have played for Hassocks.

He travelled the world representing England at beach football while turning out for Hassocks between 2004 and 2015.

O'Callaghan made his debut in the 2004-05 season while still a student and he played a handful of games between then and 2010. After that, he became a far more regular presence and racked up 155 games.

O'Callaghan's versatility proved invaluable and at various points during his time at the Beacon he played as a central defender, in the centre of midfield and even as an emergency striker.

He was also the politest man to ever represent the club which made his disciplinary record even more remarkable with the general consensus being that referees were baffled by O'Callaghan's use of the English language and so booked him for being too intelligent.

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Next at the Beacon



AFC Uckfield Town
 Saturday 19th October. 3pm
 Southern Combination Premier Division



Langney Wanderers

	Matty Astle
	Dan Blackmore
	Peter Cooper
	Billy Crittenden
	Matty Cunnington
	Adam Davidson
	Peter Featherstone
	Michael Ginno
	Max Hollobone
	Dan Hutchins
	Gary Ingram
	Shaun Lee
	Ali Mekawir
	Connor Saunders
	Shane Saunders
	Matt Simpson
	Dan Stevens
	Joe Summerbell
	Wayne Wilkinson

Referee
 Jamie Wells

Assistants
 Peter Coleman &
 Paul Farmer

Manager Simon Colbran
Assistant Daryl Willard
Coach Pedro Barros
Physio Norman Smith

Today's Peter Bentley Cup fixtures

AFC Uckfield Town v Little Common
 Eastbourne United v Pagham
 Loxwood v East Preston

Today's FA Vase fixtures

Eastbourne Town v Horsham YMCA
 Peacehaven & Telscombe v Glebe United
 Punjab United v Newhaven
 Rusthall v Lancing
 Seaford Town v Horley Town