



**Hassocks v Peacehaven & Telscombe
FA Vase First Qualifying Round
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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

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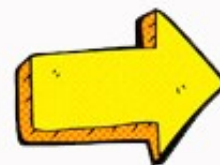
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Good afternoon and welcome to the Beacon for our first Saturday home game of the season against Peacehaven & Telscombe...

On the line today is a place in the second qualifying round of the FA Vase, a competition which ends with arguably the highlight of the non league season - a Wembley final for two lucky clubs.

No team from the Southern Combination League has ever gone all the way to the final although several have come close with Eastbourne United and Whitehawk the most recent visitors to the semi stage.

And whilst it is unlikely that we will become the first to do so this season, there is some handy prize money on offer for the victors this afternoon.

Money is obviously something that a lot of amateur clubs up and down the country are in desperate need of at the minute having lost six months of income between March and September.

We have put together a couple of sponsorship opportunities for supporters in an attempt to try and raise some much needed cash to go towards essential purchases like training equipment and supplies to keep all our team's kits washed.

The first of those comes with

Player Sponsorship, whereby you pay £40 for the year to sponsor your favourite Hassocks player.

This can be anyone at the club - it is not just restricted to the first team. Your name will appear in every matchday programme, on our website and on social media.

It is an easy and relatively cheap way of getting exposure for yourself or your business and most importantly of all, helping us out financially.

The other sponsorship scheme comes in the form of Sponsor a Goal, whereby you pledge to pay £1 for every goal that the first team score in the 2020-21 season.

It is that simple and the money raised goes a long way. We just need to get Charlie Pitcher and Lord Gault fit and firing to start extracting significant amounts of cash from your wallets!

If you would like to sign up for either sponsorship opportunity, then please speak to Owen behind the bar who can give you more details.

One way in which we are starting to claw back some of that lost money from the six month shutdown has been through attendances so far with

Tuesday night's crowd of 225 being our largest at the Beacon outside of Boxing Day and Easter Monday matches for several seasons.

Clearly, the lack of live football higher up the pyramid is benefitting us and it is great to see so many people coming along to the Beacon.

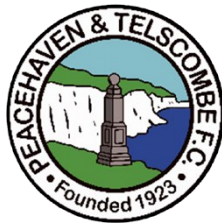
The players are doing their bit too, putting on quite a show even when results are not going our way, as was the case on Tuesday night against Steyning Town.

A missed penalty, a red card, a couple of quality goals and some very strange refereeing decisions all added to the spectacle and we are hopeful of similar this afternoon - just minus the referee bit and with a more positive result, please.

After today, our next home game takes place against Pagham on Tuesday 29th September at 7:45pm. We would love to see you all back here for that one.

Enjoy the game,

Owen & Scott



Peacehaven & Telscombe

Founded 1923

Nickname Tye

Ground The Sports Park

Website peacehavenfc.co.uk

Twitter @PT_FC

Manager Mark Shutt

Top Scorer Cam Wiltshire, 3

HONOURS

Isthmian League South

Winners 2014

Southern Combination League

Winners 1979, 1982, 1983, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 2013

SCFL Division 1

Winners 2009

SCFL Division 2

Winners 2006

Sussex Senior Cup

Winners 1982, 1994, 2014

Sussex RUR Charity Cup

Winners 1978, 1982, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 2010, 2019

Peter Bentley League Cup

Winners 1992, 1993, 2010, 2013

SCFL Division One Cup

Winners 1970, 1976, 2008, 2009

When the draw is made for a cup, the last thing you want is to be paired with a team considered knockout experts. That is the task facing us today against a Peacehaven side with plenty of pedigree...

The Tye have carved out a reputation for themselves as cup specialists over the past couple of seasons and that trend looked set to continue in 2019-20.

They had already booked their place in the RUR Charity Cup final - a competition they won the previous year with a shock win over our neighbours Haywards Heath Town in the final - and were still in the Peter Bentley League Cup when the season was cancelled.

Conference South side Eastbourne Borough needed penalties to eliminate Mark Shutt's side from the Sussex Senior Cup, proving that on their day, Peacehaven could be a match for the best teams in the county last season.

2020-21 began in a similar vein for Peacehaven as they picked up an excellent 5-3 win over Bearstead in the extra preliminary round of the FA Cup.

Unfortunately for the Tye, they were found to have played an ineligible player and so the tie was awarded to the Bears.

Whilst a lot of clubs would have feigned innocence or kicked up a

fuss, Peacehaven chair Sue Norwood said: "We're really disappointed that we have been removed from this year's competition but we do acknowledge we have made a mistake and for this we apologise to our players and fans.

It was refreshing to see such honesty and a reminder of the class that Peacehaven have been blessed with behind the scenes since becoming a community owned club following serious financial troubles brought about by a dramatic rise and fall to the Isthmian League Premier Division several years ago.

In terms of the league, the Tye have had a mixed start to the campaign, winning one and losing three of their matches so far.

Their sole success came when hammering Horsham YMCA 4-0 a week ago with defeats to Eastbourne Town, Eastbourne United and Crawley Down Gatwick - not exactly an easy start to the campaign.

Hassocks connections will be hoping that Peacehaven bring their league form with them rather than their cup form if there is to be an FA Vase run in Mid Sussex in 2020-21.

10 Key Moments

1923... the current club formed following a merger of Peacehaven Rangers and Telscombe Tye

1970... Brighton League winners, earning promotion into the Southern Combination for the first time

1976... win promotion to the top flight of the Southern Combination League for the first time

1979... win their first of six titles league titles in 19 seasons, before relegation from the top flight in 1998

1999... bounce back to the Premier at the third time of asking, but are relegated just two seasons later

2005... relegated to Division Two but their stay there was brief, winning promotion back after one season

2009... promoted back to the Premier Division, finishing runners up in their first season.

2013... won SCFL title & promotion to the Isthmian League for the first time.

2014... Isthmian South and Sussex Senior Cup winners in the clubs most successful season to date

2016... back-to-back relegations complete a dramatic fall back to the Southern Combination League

Last 20 Seasons

2018-19, Southern Combination Premier 10th

2017-18, Southern Combination Premier 7th

2016-17, Southern Combination Premier 14th

2015-16, Isthmian South 24th

2014-15, Isthmian Premier 21st

2013-14, Isthmian South 1st

2012-13, Southern Combination Premier 1st

2011-12, Southern Combination Premier 5th

2010-11, Southern Combination Premier 3rd

2009-10, Southern Combination Premier 2nd

2008-09, Southern Combination One 1st

2007-08, Southern Combination One 4th

2006-07, Southern Combination One 5th

2005-06, Southern Combination Two 1st

2004-05, Southern Combination One 17th

2003-04, Southern Combination One 12th

2002-03, Southern Combination Premier 18th

2001-02, Southern Combination Premier 12th

2000-01, Southern Combination One 2nd

1999-00, Southern Combination One 14th

Hassocks v Peacehaven & Telscombe :: Head-to-Head

SCFL Premier Division... Played 25 - Won 4 - Drawn 6 - Lost 15 - Scored 30 - Conceded 51

Sussex Senior Cup... Played 3 - Won 1 - Drawn 0 - Lost 2 - Scored 2 - Conceded 4

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

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

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

Total... Played 33 - Won 7 - Drawn 7 - Lost 19 - Scored 38 - Conceded 60

Previous 10 Meetings

2019-20 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 0-1 Peacehaven

2018-19 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 0-4 Peacehaven

2018-19 SCFL Premier: Peacehaven 3-1 Hassocks

2017-18 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 0-6 Peacehaven

2017-18 SCFL Premier: Peacehaven 3-2 Hassocks

2016-17 SCFL Premier: Peacehaven 1-0 Hassocks

2016-17 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 2-1 Peacehaven

2013-14 Sussex Senior Cup: Peacehaven 2-0 Hassocks

2012-13 SCFL Premier: Peacehaven 2-1 Hassocks

2012-13 SCFL Premier: Hassocks 0-1 Peacehaven

Played for Both

It has been quite the summer for players swapping Hassocks for Peacehaven and there could be a number of individuals facing off against their former club as a result.

Let us start on our side. **Bradley Bant** was lured to the Beacon from the Sports Park this summer, joining Hassocks for a second spell at the club from the Tye and assuming the club captaincy in the process.

Going the other way from the Robins to Peacehaven was a man who wore the armband on several occasions for us last season, midfielder **Alex Spinks**.

Spinks managed 29 appearances

between 2018 and 2020 in what was an injury hit second spell at the Beacon.

Defender **Harry Mills** called time on his Hassocks career after 122 appearances made in four seasons to make the move to the Sports Park with **Liam Benson** also swapping Robins red for Peacehaven black and white in the summer.

Benson was a part of the Hassocks Under 18s side who won the Central Division title in 2013-14 and went score 31 times in 134 matches over three spells with us at the Beacon.

Before those four switched between the two clubs, you would be

hard pressed to find many players who turned out for both.

The most notable was striker **Dan Smith**, a bit of a nomadic figure at who played for Hassocks and Peacehaven across several spells.

Mickey Jewell first bought him to the Beacon from the Tye for the 2010-11 season when he scored 10 goals in 37 appearances.

He left for Saltdean United at the start of the 2011-12 campaign, but returned to the Beacon two further times in-between a couple of returns to Peacehaven too.

Smith finished his Hassocks career with a decent return of 26 goals from 63 games.

BATTLE AND SPIRIT BUT STILL NO POINTS AS HASSOCKS FALL AGAIN

For the second weekend running, Hassocks put in a relatively good performance in going down to a single goal defeat against one of the Southern Combination League Premier Division's big boys.

And yet for the second week running, results elsewhere deepened the Robins woes at the bottom of the table as they found themselves cast further adrift of safety.

Last Saturday, Mark Dalglish's side pushed Newhaven close before losing 3-2.

This week's showing was even better as Peacehaven & Telscombe were forced to battle every inch of the way for the 1-0 win that took them second in the table.

The positivity around the Beacon though in the wake of the hosts' performance didn't last long after the final whistle however as news filtered through that Pagham had won at home to Horsham YMCA and East Preston had picked up three points at Broadbridge Heath.

Those two results extended the gap between Hassocks and fourth bottom to six points, with the Robins set to visit EP next Saturday in what is already looking like a pivotal game, despite the fact that we haven't yet reached Christmas.

If Hassocks lose at the Lashmar they will find themselves nine points adrift; a huge gap for a side with just two league victories to their name so far this season.

It's hard to win games when you're conceding as many goals as Hassocks have over the past few months, so to restrict a Peacehaven outfit who are the division's second highest scorers to only one looks to be a step in the right direction.

So bad has the Robins' recent defensive record been this was in fact the first time in 15 matches that

they'd conceded one or less in a game, a run stretching right the way back to September 1st and a 2-0 FA Vase win away at Meridian Valley Park.

Charlie Pugh in goal was excellent and he was a deserved winner of the Supporters' Man of the Match Award afterwards, although it could have feasibly gone to any of the back four with Harry Mills, Arni Kublickas, young Luke Marshall and Jack Troak – playing out-of-position at left back – also having fine games.

“There were kind words from the Tye afterwards about how Hassocks' spirit and resilience will give them a chance of getting out of the mire, but plaudits don't win you points.”

Peacehaven may have dominated proceedings, but it was Hassocks who had the first chance of the afternoon when Blagomir Mastagarkov forced a corner inside the opening five minutes of his full debut.

Ben Bacon was inches away from connecting with the subsequent delivery but he couldn't quite get a head on it, leaving Conor Morley to clear.

Peacehaven responded to that with a sustained period of pressure on Hassocks goal, Tyler Capon firing wide and then being denied by Pugh.

Charlie Lambert's effort was blocked by Mills and Cam Wiltshire's distance strike after the Robins only half cleared their lines suffered the same fate.

Some desperate defending in a goalmouth scramble saw Marshall this time hack clear and then Troak cleared a Jack Brocklebank header off the line from a Josh Marshall free kick.

Marshall then drew the save of the game from Pugh with a curling

effort 25 yards which the Hassocks goalkeeper somehow managed to tip around the post at full stretch when most of the ground were expecting the net to bulge.

Liam Benson and Ben Bacon combined to launch a rare foray into the Peacehaven half with 10 minutes of the opening 45 remaining as Pugh and his defence enjoyed a brief respite, Peacehaven being restricted to harmless long range efforts from Capon.

Half time gave Hassocks a chance to catch their breath, knowing that it would take another monumental effort to keep the visitors out in the second half.

Sadly for the Robins, they lasted just 120 seconds before Capon struck, bundling home from close range after Pugh was unable to gather convincingly.

Peacehaven might have expected Hassocks to crumble at that point as they far too often recently but the Robins kept plugging away, continuing to frustrate the visitors who were eager to put the game to bed.

Pugh pushed another long range effort over the bar, this time from Marshall.

Capon fired just wide and substitute Curtis Ford had only been on the pitch a matter of minutes when his header was superbly kept out by Pugh.

There were kind words from the Tye afterwards about how Hassocks' spirit and resilience will give them a chance of getting out of the mire, but plaudits don't win you points.

The Robins have to start doing that themselves – starting next week at EP.

Hassocks: Pugh; Marshall, Mills, Kublickas, Troak; Spinks, Enticknap, Bacon, Stokes, Mastagarkov; Benson.

Subs: Johnson (used), Bull, Cash, P Wickwar (unused).

Peacehaven & Telscombe 0-3 Hassocks

ROBINS BACK ON SONG AS SUPERB PERFORMANCE SHOCKS THE TYE

After a winless run stretching back seven games to the opening day, Hassocks finally tasted victory for the second time this season as they shocked third placed Peacehaven & Telscombe 3-0 at the Sports Park.

Goals from Phil Gault, Nathan Miles and James Westlake ended the Robins barren spell, bringing huge relief to Robins boss Mickey Jewell in the process.

Jewell deserves that. He was bold enough to abandon his favoured 4-5-1 formation and switch to a more attacking 4-4-2, pairing Miles and Gault up front in a lively combination that on this evidence could provide plenty of goals if it is persevered with.

Behind those two, Jewell selected a naturally defensive midfield pairing of Kieran O'Callaghan and Matt Carruthers and that also proved to be a clever move as it allowed James Westlake and Jamie Weston to get forward on numerous occasions down the flanks.

Unfortunately for Hassocks, O'Callaghan now misses two games due to suspension but the Robins remain hopeful that Anthony Hibbert will soon return from a nagging knee injury.

Having been 2-0 down inside the first quarter of an hour in successive games, it was important for Hassocks not to concede and although Craig Bunch nudged an effort just wide early on and former Robin Sol Bowra

rattled the bar with a header, Hassocks weathered early Peacehaven pressure and grew in confidence.

Carruthers had an effort blocked on the line from a Westlake corner and then following a flowing move involving O'Callaghan, Weston and Westlake, Gault rounded Jake Buss in the Peacehaven goal but his effort hit the side netting.

Westlake then played in Nathan Miles who shot straight at Buss and then Miles fired over from another Westlake centre.

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However, on the half hour Hassocks got the reward that their dominance deserved when Gault rose to head home a typically excellent Chris Maynard free kick.

Stuart Faith earned his customary booking from referee Darren Eaton for upending Bunch before Hassocks doubled their lead on 39 minutes.

Gault had dropped deep to win the ball in midfield and he fed Westlake who's shot rebounded off the post to Miles who stretched to tap in for his second goal of the season.

The second half saw Bunch booked early on for a bad tackle but the same player then nearly halved the deficit, only to be denied by an excellent Ashley Marsh block.

Jamie Weston shot over and Gault smashed wide whilst Wes Millis volleyed over for the home side.

In the 85th minute it was 3-0, O'Callaghan beat the offside trap and squared it to Miles whose shot deflected off the backside of Westlake to wrong foot Buss.

Things got even worse for Peacehaven when Bowra was shown a straight red card in the 88th minute for a two footed tackle on Marsh, which was a little out of character for the former Hassocks defender.

That rounded off a disappointing evening for the hosts but take nothing away from Hassocks who produced a fine all round team performance from the Robins after some poor efforts of late.

With more players soon returning and Jewell said to be on the verge of making a couple more additions to his squad, hopefully this will be the confidence booster needed to start climbing the table.

Hassocks: Simpson; Jacques, Marsh, Faith, Maynard; Westlake, O'Callaghan, Carruthers, Weston; Miles, Gault.

Subs: Hearne (Miles 89), Parsons (Gault 90), Goodridge, R Wickwar (unused).

Starman: Unfair to pick out individuals after such a good team performance.



Hassocks in the FA Vase

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

Five games from Wembley

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

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

Before the 2-0 win over Meridian Valley Park in 2019-20, that was the season in which the Robins most recently won a game in the Vase when triumphing 3-1 at home against Cortinthian thanks to two goals in the final five minutes from Phil Johnson and Nathan Miles.

Hassocks' other games in the second round stage were less

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

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

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

Stung by the Hornets

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

The first of those came in the first

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

Ramsgate had become the first side we had defeated in a national cup competition in the previous round following a 2-1 away win.

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

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

That came in the first qualifying round game against Farnham Town

in 2011-12.

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

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

No Deal at Deal

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

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

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

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

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

Sussex sides send the Robins crashing

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

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

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

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

2008-09.

There was also a disappointing 2-0 defeat away at Molesey in the 2009-10 campaign and a 3-0 home loss to Spelthorne Sports two seasons ago.

Out at the earliest

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

They did so in 2018-19, losing 2-0 at home to K Sports and in 2016-17 when going down 4-2 at Horley.

Hassocks' only other exits at the first qualifying round stage came in 2010-11, 3-2 away at Blackfield & Langley in a game that is probably best remembered for a young Andy Whittingham receiving a quite

sensational red card for attempting to kung fu kick an opposition player in the face.

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

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

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

And as for Peacehaven?

We have met the Tye once before in the FA Vase, Hassocks winning 2-0 at the Beacon in the 2004-05 season through goals from Pat Harding and James Laing.



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

First Team Matches 2020-21

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
September				
02/09 - 19:45	Balham (A)	FACEP	2-2	Littlejohn, Troak (Won 5-3 on penalties)
05/09 - 15:00	Alfold (A)	SCFLP	1-3	Pitcher
08/09 - 19:45	Lancing (H)	SCFLP	3-2	Pitcher, Bull, Troak
12/09 - 15:00	Bedfont Sports (A)	FACPO	1-3	Pitcher
15/09 - 19:45	Steining Town (H)	SCFLP	1-3	Troak
19/09 - 15:00	Peacehaven & Tels. (H)	FAVQ1		
26/09—15:00	Eastbourne Town (A)	SCFLP		
29/09 - 19:45	Pagham (H)	SCFLP		

First Team Appearances 2020-21

Player	2020-21 Season				Hassocks Career	
	Starts	Used Sub	Games	Goals	Games	Goals
Bradley Bant	5	0	5	0	136	12
George Brown	5	0	5	0	11	1
Harvey Enticknap	5	0	5	0	58	3
James Littlejohn	5	0	5	1	61	13
Charlie Pitcher	5	0	5	3	27	6
Jack Troak	5	0	5	2	37	7
Dan Turner	5	0	5	0	18	2
Andy Whittingham	5	0	5	0	86	1
Joe Bull	1	4	5	1	56	4
Alfie Loversidge	0	5	5	0	6	0
Dave Carruthers	4	0	4	0	4	0
Louis Pittock	4	0	4	0	4	0
Jack Gardner	1	3	4	0	6	0
Chris Neatherway	2	1	3	0	3	0
George Galbraith-Gibbons	0	2	2	0	35	4
Phil Gault	1	0	1	0	334	185
Ben O'Leary	1	0	1	0	10	0
Phil Wickwar	1	0	1	0	42	0

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**Southern Combination League Premier Division
Tuesday 15th September 2020, The Beacon
Hassocks 1-3 Steyning Town**



Rarely does the outcome of a football match hinge on two moments inside the opening eight minutes, but that was the case as Hassocks suffered a 3-1 home reversal against Steyning Town.

Seven minutes had elapsed when Charlie Pitcher chased a cause which the Steyning defence had given up on into the corner, collected it and made his way into the box where he was clumsily brought down by Scott Faber.

Referee Mark Gidman pointed to the spot, giving Hassocks the perfect opportunity to make the perfect start to proceedings.

Unfortunately for the Robins, Jack Troak saw his penalty repelled by Steyning goalkeeper Alex Theobald. Blow number one to Hassocks' hopes of victory.

Blow number two arrived seconds later with the sight of Pitcher going to ground, holding his leg and in an obvious amount of pain.

Nobody seemed to know whether Pitcher had injured himself when galloping to retrieve the ball or in the foul itself, but whatever the reason he was unable to continue.

On another night, Hassocks are 1-0 ahead after a blistering start and with their star striker already tormenting another opposition defence.

Instead, they found themselves still at 0-0 and with their main goal getter facing a spell on the sidelines.

It was little wonder that Hassocks' early momentum deserted them after Pitcher was replaced by Chris Neatherway.

What's more, Steyning knew they had been let off the hook. The lucky escape galvanised them and within a couple of minutes, Dave Carruthers made the first of several smart stops as the Barrowmen turned what had been a one-way contest into an end-to-end contest.

The action ebbed and flowed,

only slowing down briefly when a headed clearance from Faber bounced through the door of the ladies' toilet with a bit of delay in proceedings until a brave man stepped forward to go and collect.

10 minutes later and the ball had gone from the women's facilities to the back of the Steyning net as Troak made up for his penalty miss by rounding off an excellent counter attack.

Carruthers began the move, collecting a cross which he bowled out to Louis Pittock on the right.

Pittock carried the ball 30 yards down the pitch, making ground just into the Steyning half before hitting a brilliant switch to Troak who brought it down on the edge of the box, danced away from Rob Clark and rifled a shot across Theobald to finish with aplomb.

The lead did not last long. Straight from the restart and Steyning worked their way to just outside the Hassocks area, where Dan Turner was harshly adjudged to have fouled George Cousins.

Tom Bold made no mistake from the resulting free kick, curling a stunning effort over the wall and into the top corner.

Steyning took the lead right on the stroke of half time when Cian Griffin-Tilley found himself in one-on-one with Carruthers.

The Hassocks goalkeeper pulled off a superb save to keep out the initial effort, only to see the ball stop just short of going out for a corner with Griffin-Tilley gleefully collecting to score at the second attempt.

Having conceded so late at the end of the first half, Hassocks needed to keep it tight early in the second if they were to have any hope of getting back into the tie.

Frustratingly for the home faithful, they did the complete opposite. Turner was guilty of overplaying when he should have cleared his lines and as the young

centre back tried to retrieve the situation, he gave Mr Gidman the excuse to harshly penalise him for a second time.

Turner's foul this time was in the area and Bold duly stepped up to make it 3-1 with a penalty which gave Carruthers no chance.

Hassocks responded well to the setback and Joe Bull was not far away with an ambitious dipping volley from 30 yards which dropped just wide.

Steyning should have gone down to 10 on the hour mark when Charlie Roman put a two-footed horror lunge in on George Brown, who was booked for his reaction.

The red mist was clearly descending for Brown and it was sadly inevitable when four minutes later, Brown repaid the favour with an equally bad challenge on the innocent Bold.

Mr Gidman had little choice but to dismiss the Hassocks defender, although the Robins point that Romain should have gone for the initial tackle which sparked Brown's head loss had plenty of merit.

Any hope Hassocks had of getting back into the game evaporated once they went down to 10.

They did have an 89th minute appeal for another penalty turned down when Pittock crossed deep for Bull who was bundled over.

Steyning could have added to the score before that incident, Carruthers making excellent saves to deny Harry Heath, Romain and Cousins.

Hassocks: Carruthers; Pittock, Brown, Turner, Whittingham; Littlejohn, Enticknap, Bant, Troak; Pitcher, Bull.

Subs: Neatherway (Pitcher 08), Gardner (Neatherway 65), Loversidge (Enticknap 78), Galbraith-Gibbons, Dunkley (unused).



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Under 23 Matches 2020-21

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
September				
16/09 - 19:30	St Francis Rangers (A)	SCFL23	1-2	Dimelow
24/09 - 19:45	Horley Town (H)	SCFL23		
October				
01/10 - 19:45	Broadbridge Heath (A)	SCFL23		

Under 18 Matches 2020-21

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
September				
13/09 - 11:00	Roffey (A)	SCFL18	6-1	Azizi, Beebee (3), Sprigg, Russell
20/09 - 11:00	Steyning Town (H)	SCFL18		
27/09 - 11:00	Burgess Hill Town (A)	SCFL18		
October				
11/10 - 11:00	Broadbridge Heath (A)	SCFL18		

Ladies Matches 2020-21

Date & Time	Opponents	Comp	F-A	Scorers
September				
13/09 - 14:00	Worthing (H)	LSE1S	0-10	
20/09 - 14:00	Crawley Wasps (A)	LSE1S		
27/09 - 14:00	Parkwood Rangers (H)	LSE1S		
October				
04/10 - 14:00	Newhaven (A)	LSE1S		
11/10 - 14:00	Crawley Wasps (H)	LSE1S		
25/10 - 14:00	Ashford (H)	LSE1S		



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SUPER SIX AS ROBINS RATTLE ROFFEY IN SEASON OPENER

**Southern Combination League Under 18 North Division
Sunday 13th September 2020, Bartholomew Way
Roffey U18 1-6 Hassocks U18**



New division, same Hassocks Under 18s. The Robins may now be playing in the renamed North Division of the Southern Combination League, but they look determined to record another top two finish if their 6-1 opening day demolition of Roffey was anything to go by.

Hassocks finished as runners up in the old Central Division in 2018-19 and winners in 2017-18.

They looked to have a decent shot of claiming second spot last time out until the season was curtailed as a ding-dong battle with local rivals St Francis Rangers raged with both Mid Sussex clubs hanging onto the coattails of Mile Oak.

The Central Division is now no more having been realigned on a northerly basis.

As a result, the Robins have a glut of new opponents for 2020-21, including Crowborough Athletic, Horsham YMCA, Billingshurst, Crawley Down Gatwick and their hosts in this first game of the season, Roffey.

The last time that Hassocks competed in the North Division was as long ago as the 2005-06 campaign.

That was quite a memorable year as a squad featuring future first team favourites Spencer Slaughter, Sam Fisk, Matt Amos, Laurence Robinson, Ian Simpson and Michael Bates went onto lift the league title.

If Brad Sweetman's class of 2021 can have half the season - and supply a similar number of players for the senior set up—as those 2006 championship winners, then the future will look very bright indeed.

As is always the case with a new season of Under 18s football, there were plenty of new faces in the Hassocks ranks for the first game.

Sweetman gave debuts to Harry Bundy, Kobe Dersley, Daniel Llewellyn, Archie Messent, Joshua Sprigg and Louis Thwaites with Archie Russell and Own Parker making their first appearances from the bench.

Also in the starting line up where Jack Gardner and Alfie Loversidge, both of whom have made a decent impression in the first team over the opening few weeks of the season.

Loversidge had given a very lively performance after replacing Harvey Enticknap in the centre of midfield early in the second half as the Robins came from behind to beat Lancing 2-1 on Tuesday night.

Gardner meanwhile had started at right back in the 3-1 FA Cup elimination against Isthmian League side Bedfont Sports less than 24 hours before the trip to Roffey.

It was another player who has been knocking on the senior door in pre-season who took the headlines at Bartholomew Way.

Lewis Beebee had scored both of the Robins' goals in the first team's friendly against Upper Beeding which kicked off the friendly campaign a little over a month ago.

Beebee put hapless Roffey to the

sword with a sensational hat-trick, striking in the 24th, 57th and 71st minutes to continue where he left off from a 2019-20 campaign in which he notched 12 times from nine appearances.

Another regular Under 18s scorer joined Beebee in the goals as Yahya Azizi started his third season with Hassocks with a 69th minute strike from the bench.

Azizi's goal made it 4-1 after Sprigg netted the Robins' second two minutes before half time, the debutant's goal being sandwiched by Beebee's first two.

The Hassocks scoring was rounded off by another debutant scorer in Russell who wrapped up the six with 75 on the clock.

Arman Ahmed was on target for Roffey's consolation, beating Jayden Dunkley in the Robins goal.

Hassocks next face Steyning Town at the Beacon this coming Sunday. Kick off is at 11am and entrance is free for anyone who would like to check out the Young Robins in action.

Hassocks: Dunkley, Bundy, Gardner, Thwaites, Dersley, Llewellyn, Loversidge, Mears, Sprigg, Messent, Beebee.

Subs: Azizi, Parker, Russell (used).



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TESTING START FOR ROBINS AGAINST OUTSTANDING REBELS

London & South East Regional League Division One South
Sunday 13th September 2020, The Beacon
Hassocks Ladies 0-10 Worthing



Hassocks Ladies could not have asked for a tougher start to the new London & South East Regional Women's League season.

Worthing won every game they played in 2019-20 before the season was ended prematurely, denying them what would probably have been the league title and a 100% record to go with it.

Ominously for the rest of the league, the Rebels appeared to have become even stronger for the new campaign.

Hassocks discovered that to their cost as they were hammered 10-0 visitors to the Beacon who demonstrated a level of skill well above that normally encountered in Division One South.

From the first whistle, Worthing were straight on the front foot with Claire Stevens and debutant Jo Brown both having to make good interceptions for the Robins.

There was a brief break into the Rebels' half but another debutant, Mia Porradge, was just unable to get a shot away.

Worthing took the lead with seven minutes on the clock and it was pretty much the Alamo from that point on.

Sarah Chappell prevented a second with an excellent one-on-one save but the visitors did not have to wait long to double their advantage with a second goal arriving with 14 on the clock.

Worthing were more than a little fortunate with how it arrived, their

forward taking a tumble in the area to earn a penalty which was confidently despatched past Chappell.

A third goal arrived shortly after and Chappell had to pull off another fine stop to prevent Worthing adding a fourth before the game had even reached the half hour point.

Hassocks nearly forced a goal on 35 when Kirsten Mair's free kick caused chaos in the Rebels box but there was nobody on hand to provide the touch needed to put it into the back of the Worthing goal.

That chance seemed to galvanise the Robins and the midfield began to see more of the ball with Mair, Katherine Chappell, Gemma Craig, Tallie Bright and Liz King all displaying some nice touches.

Unfortunately, Hassocks struggled to make much headway beyond a well marshalled Worthing defence with Porradge and Jess Craig in attack working hard but struggling to be found.

More heroic defending was needed from Stevens, Brown and Emma Flin to help Hassocks make it to the half without conceding again and there was another good stop from Chappell which kept it at 3-0 to Worthing going into the break.

Hassocks actually began the second half the brighter side, using possession well although they again could not no way to get Porradge or Jess Craig involved.

Once Worthing added their fourth, the floodgates opened and by the time the game reached the hour mark, the Robins found themselves 6-0 behind with two of the goals

coming from pinpoint corner deliveries.

Katie Read came on for her Hassocks debut with 67 played but she could not help stem the side and Worthing soon had their second penalty of the afternoon to make it 7-0.

An eighth followed from another corner and Worthing's ninth came from their third spot kick, the harshest of the lot given that the Hassocks tackle and clearly won the ball and the visiting players barely put up an appeal.

Jodie Johansson came on for Hassocks in between those two goals with Worthing's 10th arriving late on.

It was the best goal of the game too, a wonderful effort from 30 yards which gave Chappell absolutely no chance.

The defeat was Hassocks' heaviest for some time and although disappointed, the Robins should not be too upset with the final scoreline.

Clearly, Worthing are a class side who should comfortably win Division One South, presuming coronavirus does not prevent the season being completed.

The task now for the Robins is to refocus on the task of getting their campaign up and running away at Crawley Wasps next week.

Hassocks: S Chappell, Brown, Stevens, Flin, Bright, Mair, King, G Craig, K Chappell, Craig, Porradge.

Subs: Read, Johansson (used),



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ON THIS DAY



Today is not the first time we have played an FA Vase game on September 19th. Rewind 11 years and the Robins went to the banks of the Thames, looking to progress to the first round of the competition against Molesey...

RAGGED ROBINS CAUGHT COLD ON BANKS OF THE THAMES

Within 17 seconds of their FA Vase Second Qualifying Round tie away at Molesey, Hassocks must have known that it wasn't going to be their day.

That is how long it took the hosts' James McShane to open the scoring.

Hassocks had plenty of opportunities to find a way back into the game against their Combined Counties Premier Division opponents, but they were thwarted by a combination of woodwork and a string of excellent saves from home goalkeeper Wester Young.

At the final whistle, Hassocks boss Dave John said, "I really don't know how we failed to score. But we could have stayed out there until 10 o'clock tonight and I don't think we would have done."

The Robins made the journey to Surrey in confident mood to take on opponents who are yet to win in the league so far this season.

Despite those struggles, Molesey had by far and away the best player on the park in their number seven, Sam Lampard, who ran the game from start to finish.

Curiously, it was McShane who earned the hosts' man-of-the-match award and that may have been for putting away that early chance, created when Lampard was allowed to make easy progress down the right.

Hassocks were woeful for the first 30 minutes. They simply couldn't get going and that was perhaps the most disappointing aspect of their exit

from their competition – that they chose what could have been a winnable game to deliver their poorest performance of the season.

Stuart Faith put in some crucial blocks at the back and although James Laing had the beating of the Molesey back line in the air every time, the Robins were able to do little with the frequent headers that their veteran striker won.

It took until the 33rd minute for Hassocks to fashion a chance. Anthony Hibbert played in Spencer Slaughter and his low shot had Young beaten but unfortunately not the frame of the goal.

Shortly after and Hassocks had strong penalty appeals turned down by referee Steve Woodinson when Slaughter saw another goal bound effort blocked by a hand in the Molesey box.

The first half nearly ended as it began for the Robins with Molesey seeing a golden chance to double their advantage somehow kept out with seconds remaining.

Centre half Joe Yeates stooped to head a corner towards the top corner but the ball rattled the inside of the post, Arni Kublickas then managed to head it off the line and onto the bar, from where it was incredibly scrambled clear.

Having proved his worth at one end with that bit of defending, Kublickas had a chance to make a difference at the other early in the second half when he broke forward from left back, only to slice a fair chance wide.

As the half progressed, it was Hassocks who looked the most likely to score.

Faith's glancing header was comfortable enough for Young, who then produced heroics along with Lampard to keep out Slaughter's powerful shot and follow up effort following a superb run by Terry Gacias.

It was Neil Kane's turn to be denied by Young next. The ball was returned into the box where the Hassocks forward met with an acrobatic overhead kick that was brilliantly tipped over at full stretch.

Hibbert squandered a free kick after Kane had been brought down by big number four Moses Spencer, who had already been booked and looked pleasantly surprised when the referee failed to mete out another yellow card.

Hassocks were still plugging away to try and find an equaliser as the game entered the final 10 minutes.

With seven left to play, a delightful one-two released Hibbert and his shot looked perfectly placed until Young went full length to his left to get the faintest touch on the ball.

Any hopes Hassocks had of forcing extra time were extinguished with 88 on the clock.

Matt Baxter was played through and he drilled low and hard under the body of Joel Harding to make it 2-0, a poor goal to concede but one that summed up a disappointing afternoon at the office for the Robins.



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Around the League



The Southern Combination League will have three representatives in FA Cup action this midweek following last Saturday's preliminary qualifying round. Here's our roundup of the action from the weekend just gone...

Crawley Down Gatwick, Steyning Town and Little Common are the sides left flying the flag for the Southern Combination League in the first qualifying round of the FA Cup after they picked up excellent results last weekend.

There was a bumper crowd at the Shooting Field where **Steyning Town** saw off **Hanworth Villa** 2-1 to progress.

George Cousins scored both the goals inside the opening 20 minutes for the Barrowmen, who now have the chance to make history having never gone beyond the first qualifiers in the competition before.

The journey to Surrey proved to be worthwhile for **Crawley Down Gatwick** as they were 3-1 winners away at Combined Counties Premier Division side **Egham Town**.

Ben Chowney netted for Down in the first half with further second half goals arriving from Oliver Moore and Nicky Sullivan to secure a convincing win.

Player-manager Russell Eldridge led by example as he scored twice for **Little Common** in their 3-2 win away at **Stansfield**.

Adam Smith was the other player on target as Eldridge's side made it through.

Three Premier Division sides exited on penalties. **Langney Wanderers** had an unusual 11.30am kick off against **Harrow Borough** which ended 1-1 thanks to David Smart's 87th minute equaliser.

Their joy was short lived however as the shoot out ended 3-2 in favour of the visitors to Priory Lane.

Alfold's first FA Cup adventure ended from 12 yards away at **Erith**

& Belvedere following a 1-1 draw in which Ashley Mutongerwa netted and **Eastbourne Town** were eliminated 6-5 on spot kicks by **Faversham Town** with Jack Shonk scoring in a match which ended 1-1.

Newhaven exited 2-1 at the hands of **Corinthian** as Henry Watson's 71st minute strike proved to be nothing more than a consolation for the Dockers at the Trafalgar Ground.

There was a heavy defeat for **Pagham** as they went down 3-0 at **AFC Stoneham** and **Horley Town** were unable to cause an upset as they were beaten 4-1 by **Kingstonian**, who represented just about the biggest club that you can draw at the preliminary round stage of the competition.

Broadbridge Heath meanwhile forfeited their game against **Haywards Heath Town** after some of their squad tested positive for coronavirus, the Bears quite rightly deciding that the safety of their players and fans was more important than desperately trying to get the game on for financial reasons.

Two games took place in the Premier Division with **Lingfield** getting their first three points of the season after defeating **Loxwood** 1-0 at the Sports Pavilion.

Rhys White hit a brace for the Lingers with Luke Brodie netting for the visitors.

Hill Park was the venue for a meeting between two of the very early pace setters as **Saltdean United** and **AFC Uckfield Town** played out a 1-1 draw.

Morgan Vale put Uckfield 1-0 ahead on 63 minutes and it looked

like that would be the decisive goal right up until injury time when home substitute **Tigana Quebe** equalised.

In Division One, **Littlehampton Town** hit six goals for the third game running as they hammered **Worthing United** at the Flora Sportsfield.

Joe Benn scored four times along with goals from Jordan Layton and Shay Wiggans as the Golds stunning start to the campaign shows no sign of abating.

Bexhill United hit a half dozen of their own when beating **Oakwood** 6-1 at Tinsley Lane and **Roffey** put five past **Hailsham Town** in a 5-1 victory at the Shooting Field.

Former Hassocks favourite Jamie Hillwood got his first goal for **AFC Varndeanians** as the Vs won 4-1 away at **Billingshurst** and **Mile Oak** had two goals from Tom Biggs to thanks for helping deliver their 3-1 home win over **Selsey**.

The division's final game saw Danny Simmonds grab a brace as **Wick** beat **Storrington** 2-1.

Two 100% records remain intact in Division Two after **Rustington** beat **Jarvis Brook** 2-0 and **Worthing Town** were 1-0 victors over **Copthorne**.

There 10 goals at Colwell Road where **St Francis Rangers** suffered a 6-4 defeat against **Littlehampton United** while **Charlwood** picked up their first win as a Southern Combination club when beating **Brighton Electricity** 4-2.

Bosham drew 2-2 with **Upper Beeding**, **Ferring** won 4-1 at home to **Rottingdean Village** and **TD Shipley** drew 1-1 with **Montpelier Villa**.



How they stand...

Southern Combination Premier Division Table

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

Premier Division Attendances

	Ave	High	Low
Peacehaven & Telscombe	257	257	257
Hassocks	176	176	176
Lancing	120	120	120
Eastbourne United	118	118	118
Little Common	107	107	107
Pagham	107	107	107
Steyning Town	89	89	89
Crawley Down Gatwick	88	88	88
Lingfield	67	67	67
Langney Wanderers	40	40	40
AFC Uckfield Town	0	0	0
Alfold	0	0	0
Broadbridge Heath	0	0	0
East Preston	0	0	0
Eastbourne Town	0	0	0
Horley Town	0	0	0
Horsham YMCA	0	0	0
Loxwood	0	0	0
Newhaven	0	0	0
Saltdean United	0	0	0
Steyning Town	0	0	0

Premier Division Form Guide

	Last 6
Eastbourne United	WLWW
AFC Uckfield Town	WDDW
Saltdean United	WWDL
Lancing	WLW
Crawley Down Gatwick	WW
Pagham	WDD
Newhaven	DWD
Alfold	WDD
Lingfield	LDWD
Horley Town	DW
Loxwood	LWLD
Eastbourne Town	LWD
Peacehaven & Tels	LLWL
Little Common	DDD
Steyning Town	LLW
Hassocks	LWL
Horsham YMCA	WLLL
East Preston	DLLD
Langney Wanderers	LDL
Broadbridge Heath	L

Premier Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Goals
Devon Fender	Alfold	7
Paul Rogers	Saltdean United	5
Conor Bull	East Preston	3
Callum Chalmers	Pagham	3
Ben Connolly	Lancing	3
Ben Chowney	Crawley Down	3
Matt Daniel	Lancing	3
Adam Grant	Horley Town	3
Ebou Jallow	Lancing	3
Phil Johnson	Crawley Down	3
Mohammad Mekawir	Langney Wand	3
Dan Perry	AFC Uckfield	3
Charlie Pitcher	Hassocks	3
Alfie Rogers	Newhaven	3
Tyler Scrafton	Peacehaven	3
Morgan Vale	AFC Uckfield	3
Cam Wiltshire	Peacehaven	3
Michael Wood	Crawley Down	3
Luke Brodie	Loxwood	2
Tyler Capon	Peacehaven	2

Southern Combination Under 23 North Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Alfold	1	1	0	0	7	0	3
Horsham YMCA	1	1	0	0	7	2	3
Crowborough Athletic	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
St Francis Rangers	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
Horley Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loxwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Broadbridge Heath	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Hassocks	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Oakwood	1	0	0	1	2	7	0
Jarvis Brook	1	0	0	1	0	7	0

Under 23 North Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
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Southern Combination Under 18 North Division Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Billingshurst	1	1	0	0	4	0	3
Hassocks	1	1	0	0	6	1	3
Horsham YMCA	1	1	0	0	3	1	3
St Francis Rangers	1	1	0	0	6	3	3
Alfold	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Broadbridge Heath	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crawley Down Gatwick	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burgess Hill Town	1	0	0	1	3	6	0
Roffey	1	0	0	1	1	6	0
Steinyng Town	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Upper Beeding	1	0	0	1	0	4	0

Under 18 North Division Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
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London & South East Women's Division 1 South Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Worthing	1	1	0	0	10	0	3
Herne Bay	1	1	0	0	2	0	3
Crawley Wasps	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
Ashford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lewes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newhaven	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Parkwood Rangers	1	0	0	1	0	2	0
Hassocks	1	0	0	1	0	10	0

Division 1 South Top Scorers

Player	Club	Gls
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Coming up...

For the first time this season, we have no midweek action to look forward to with our next game taking place next Saturday away against Eastbourne Town - opponents who we do not have the best of records against...



Eastbourne Town

When?

Saturday 26th September

Where?

The Saffrons

Time?

3pm

Competition?

Southern Combination League
Premier Division

Eastbourne Town last season?

Last season might have finally been the year when Eastbourne Town won promotion back to the Isthmian League. Town have been promotion contenders every season since 2014-15 but have always fallen short. When 2019-20 was declared null and void, they were Lancing's closest pursuers, six points behind the Lancers with a game in hand. We will of course never know what would have happened, but judging by John Lambert's summer recruitment, Town are determined to get over the line this time with their headline capture being striker Trevor McCreadie from Haywards Heath Town.

Our record against Eastbourne Town?

We have met on 35 occasions with Town winning over half of them – 20 – to the Robins' nine with six draws along the way. In 25 meetings in the Southern Combination Premier, Town again lead the head-to-head with Hassocks having won just once in the

past 14 years – a shock 2-1 success towards the end of the 2016-17 season with Phil Gault scoring twice and James Broadbent saving a penalty against his former club.

Last time we met?

It was an afternoon to forget back in January when Town inflicted the heaviest home defeat we have ever suffered in senior football when winning 7-0 at the Beacon. There were six different scorers for Town - Sam Cole, Zac Attwood, George Taggart, Jack Langford, Tyler Scrafton and Aaron Capon who netted twice.

How to get to the Saffrons?

The normal route to Eastbourne via the A27 and the A2770, following the road towards Eastbourne town centre. Turn right into The Goffs just before reaching the main station followed by an immediate left into Southfields Road. That is followed by another right into Dittons Road with the Saffrons on the left at the end of the road.



Pagham

When?

Tuesday 29th September

Where?

The Beacon

Time?

7:45pm

Competition?

Southern Combination League
Premier Division

Admission?

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

Pagham last season?

It was season of two halves for Pagham in 2019-20. Before New Year, the Lions were one of the sides firmly in the Premier Division relegation battle. Post-December saw a complete turnaround as they became one of the form teams in the league, pushing themselves into contention for a top 10 spot before football was suspended. 2020-21 has seen them continue where they left off and they are unbeaten at the time of writing with an impressive 6-1 win away at Langney Wanderers their most impressive result to date.

Our record against Pagham?

Games with Pagham aren't clashes that we have tended to enjoy through the years. The Lions lead the head-to-head by some way, having won 27 games to the our 18 with nine draws. Hassocks' league form against Pagham in recent years is particularly dire. Since 2014, we've picked up a grand total of seven points from a possible 36. Another opponent who can count as a bogey club.

Last time we met?

Considering the fact that Pagham were in sensational form after Christmas and our woeful recent record against them, January's 2-0 win here at the Beacon was an excellent result. Goals from Liam Benson and Harvey Blake secured it while the star turn came from midfielder Kit Tregear on his Robins debut.

Played for both sides?

Given the distance that separates Hassocks and Pagham, not many players have turned out for both clubs down the years. In fact, there is only one - Jack Rowe-Hurst, who had a brief spell at Nyetimber Lane during the 2018-19 season. He rattled through four clubs that season, also turning out for Lancing, Shoreham and ourselves.

Pagham's dangerman?

Callum Chalmers leads the Lions' scoring charts but they can score from anywhere with David Crouch and Jared Rance also real threats.



AND THE REST...

Unfortunately, that is as far as the Robins' fixtures go for now. Because of the current uncertainty surrounding for how long non league football will be allowed to continue, the Southern Combination League are releasing fixtures on a monthly basis and at the time of going to press, October's were not yet available.

We will post news as soon as we have it on our website and social media channels, so those are your best bets for finding out where you can catch the Robins in the second month of the campaign.

There is plenty of football below first team level taking place at the Beacon over the remainder of the month which we would love to see you down here for.

The Under 23s host Horley Town here on Thursday at 7:45pm before travelling to Broadbridge Heath on Thursday 1st October.

The Under 18s kick off their home campaign tomorrow at 11am against Steyning Town with entry free for all supporters.

Brad then takes the side to Broadbridge Heath a week later on Sunday 27th September - the High Wood Hill Sports Ground is going to become a very familiar place for us over the coming weeks!

The Ladies meanwhile are away tomorrow at Crawley Wasps. Their next fixture at the Beacon takes place at 2pm on Sunday 27th September against Parkwood Rangers and again, entrance is free for anyone looking for an afternoon football fix.

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 2020-21

Balham away **Jack Troak**
Alfold away **Charlie Pitcher**
Lancing home **Charlie Pitcher**
Bedfont Sports away **Charlie Pitcher**
Steyning Town home **Louis Pittock**
Peacehaven & Telscombe home
Eastbourne Town away
Pagham home

Hassocks Player of the Month 2020-21

September 2020

1st
2nd
3rd

October 2020

1st
2nd
3rd

November 2020

1st
2nd
3rd

December 2020

1st
2nd
3rd

January 2021

1st
2nd
3rd

February 2021

1st
2nd
3rd

March 2021

1st
2nd
3rd

April 2021

1st
2nd
3rd



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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.

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Money raised in 2020-21

**September £70
October
November
December
January
February
March
April**

TOTAL £70

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Next at the Beacon



Pagham
 Tuesday 29th September. 7:45pm
 SCFL Premier Division



Peacehaven & Telscombe

	Harry Mills
	Cam Wiltshire
	Jake Brocklebank
	Josh Spinks
	Aaron Capon
	Matt Gunn
	Max Hollobone
	Tyler Scrafton
	Matthew Cheeseman
	Michael Lloyd
	Liam Benson
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Today's other FA Vase fixtures

Alfold v Chessington & Hook United
 Erith & Belvedere v Loxwood
 Fisher v Little Common
 Forest Hill Park v Lingfield
 Horley Town v Hollands & Blair
 Horsham YMCA v Arundel
 Langney Wanderers v Eastbourne United
 Lydd Town v Broadbridge Heath
 Oakwood v East Preston
 Steyning Town v Bagshot