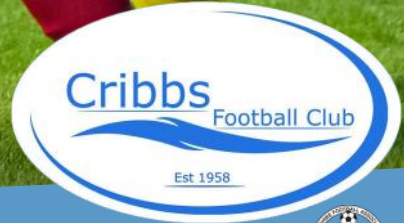
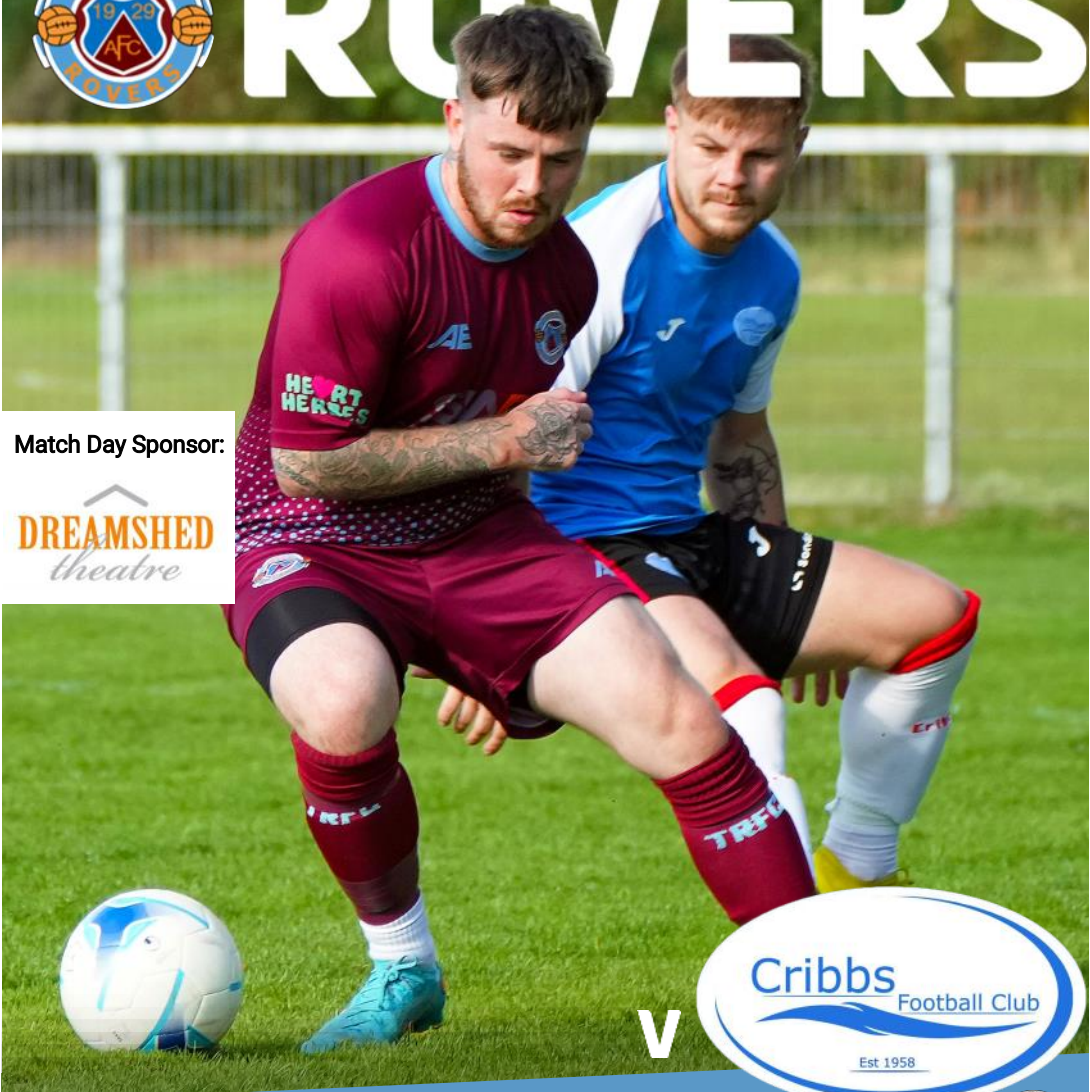


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EDITOR'S COMMENT



Welcome to everyone visiting Glevum Park this evening for the visit of Cribbs. I would like to welcome all their players, supporters and officials to our home.

This is our third meeting with Cribbs this season and we've had contrasting fortunes, albeit with two defeats from the previous two meetings.

A narrow 2-1 defeat at home was followed by a 5-0 thrashing away on a Friday night, so we'll be hoping for third time lucky tonight, with the winners progressing to a GFA Challenge Trophy semi-final against either Bourton Rovers or Lydney Town. Fingers crossed we can build on Saturday's win and progress to another round, which keeps alive the hope of some success in a competition this season.

Success in the league has taken on a very different form and we need more days like Saturday. We were far more clinical than we have been in many games this season and it was great to see a clean sheet for Luke Merchant, alongside a first goal for Tomos Shyamapant. It was great to see the lads with a smile on their faces and long may that continue. On paper, we have some genuinely winnable league games coming up but as Muzzy keeps reminding us, 'on paper' means nothing if it isn't matched by what goes on once the game kicks off.

Cribbs will be no pushovers (quite the opposite!!) so we'll need to not only match Saturday's performance but exceed it if we are to stay in this competition. However, in Muzzy we trust!

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to read this. I hope everyone enjoys the game. Safe travels home.

- Neil

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CHAIRMAN'S COMMENT



Good evening all and welcome to Glevum Park. Firstly, a warm welcome to the supporters, players, management and committee of our opponents Cribbs, who have made the short trip up the M5 this evening.

It is great to write a programme note focused on a very good performance and a winning result after Saturday's victory away to Bradford Town. A small crowd of us travelled down by coach with the first team and it was great to share a few beers on the bus on the way back with the lads. It is amazing how one victory can lift the spirits of everyone involved on the day. There is a lot more work to do between now and the end of the season to ensure our survival in the Hellenic Premier Division, but this is all in the players hands now, and there are 6 or 7 games that we should be targeting maximum points, whilst also hoping to grab a few extra points in the games we are not expected to take much from.

Tonight we have the chance to take our mind off the league for an evening, as we look to progress further in this GFA Challenge Trophy fixture. It would be nice for us to do well in this competition, but knowing how competitive Cribbs and their manager are, they will still want to win everything available this season.

We have an unbelievably busy schedule over the next week or so across the club with four fixtures here at Glevum Park and ten fixtures in total including all of our other teams, between now and next Thursday, so my gratitude goes out to all of the staff and volunteers that will be busy ensuring the fixtures are prepared for. Good turn outs for home fixtures really does make the difference to them, when they see that all the hard work that goes into this, draws in good home support.

I hope you have an enjoyable evening and a safe trip home.

Many thanks,

Dan

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MANAGER'S COMMENT



Good evening and welcome to all players, officials and supporters of Cribbs FC.

After Saturday's 'must win' game, we head into a cup tie and it is one of those games where I believe both teams will want to progress, but will have one eye on the league games coming up. It will be good to get a few minutes for some players tonight, as we will need everyone as fit as possible going into our run in.

Today will be a tough encounter, whatever eleven we come up against, as we are fully aware of the strength and depth Cribbs have, along with possibly some development talent gaining experience.

Whatever the outcome we are hoping to put on a better display than our most recent encounter. Having previously given a good account of ourselves in the last fixture at Glevum Park, we were second best in every respect when we visited Cribbs a little while ago.

I hope you all enjoy the game.

Thanks,

Muzzy

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Tuffley Rovers • Club History

The late Donald E Hall founded Tuffley Rovers FC in 1929. The Club's Headquarters were in a former railway carriage, which served as Mr Hall's Boot and Shoe repair shop on the Stroud Road at Tuffley in the City of Gloucester. The Club started its playing life in the North Gloucestershire League. Senior XI Championship honours include that of the North Gloucestershire League and Stroud and District League (4 times) and in 1987/1988 the Club were Champions of the Gloucestershire Northern Senior League and gained promotion to the Gloucestershire County League.



After two seasons of consolidation the Club won the County League Title in 1990/1991, their application to join the Hellenic League was successful and they were accepted into Hellenic Division One. Progress continued as in the 1992/1993 season Rovers were Champions of Division One and also Division One League Cup Winners and after promotion competed in the Premier Division of the Hellenic League from 1993/1994, regularly finishing in the top half of the table. The 1998/1999 season saw Tuffley win the Norman Matthew's Floodlit Cup defeating Carterton Town in the final. Whilst the Club enjoyed this success, the 2nd XI and 3rd XI also gained promotion and championship honours. The 1998/1999 season saw the 2nd XI win the Northern Senior League and reach the finals of both the County Cup and League Cup, unfortunately losing out on both occasions. Promotion, however, was not possible as reserve teams were not allowed at that point to enter the Gloucestershire County League and progress further up the pyramid system.

The Club continued to thrive in the Hellenic League and managed to win the Floodlit Cup again in the 2002/2003 season defeating Brackley Town over two legs in the final. However, the ever-changing ground grading requirements, if the club was to remain in the Hellenic League, and the financial strain these improvements imposed on the Club forced Tuffley Rovers to make the decision to withdraw from the Hellenic League in 2005 and settle for local football in Gloucestershire.

After a difficult start Rovers were crowned champions of Division 2 of the Northern Senior League in the 2005/2006 season and were promoted to Division 1. After a slow start the team put together a consistent run and managed to claim the Division 1 Title as well as win the GFA Senior Amateur Cup and reach the final of the Reg Davis Memorial League Cup.

A return to the Gloucestershire County League followed and the club finished a very creditable 4th place (2007/8) but the summer of 2008 saw a number of senior players retire. Over the next few seasons, an evolving squad finished 11th, 3rd, 6th and 3rd in the County League, before the 2012/13 Season marked an improvement for the club. After challenging for league championship honours all season, the club couldn't quite maintain the form to secure the title, finishing second. However, this was enough to gain promotion to the Hellenic League Division One (West) for the 2013/14 season.

On their return to the Hellenic League, The Rovers saw a season that witnessed some turmoil – including the departure of manager, Doug Foxwell – to record a decent sixth place finish and some good cup results. This was followed up with the Runners'-up spot in 2014/15 and promotion back to the Hellenic Premier Division, exactly ten years after they had withdrawn from the League.

The first season saw a struggle against relegation, ultimately resulting in the resignation of Warren Evans as manager, before the club retained their status due to a vacancy in the league, after finishing 17th. Mark Pritchett was then appointed as Player/Manager and took the side to consecutive 10th placed finishes, before a 15th place finish in 2018/19.

Two pandemic affected seasons then passed, with Pritchett leaving the club part-way through. Rich Cox took over as Manager for a single season, but resigned midway through 2021/22 after a disastrous run of results. Former Manchester United player Neil Mustoe then took over, steering the club away from danger (finishing in 17th place).

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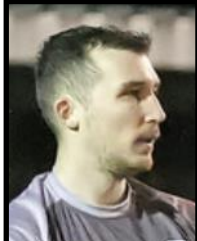


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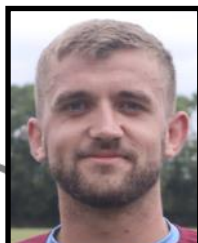


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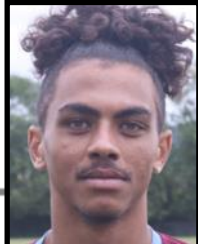


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HELLENIC LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION TABLE

Up to and including 18 February 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Malvern Town	29	22	5	2	52	71
2	Cribbs	27	22	3	2	48	69
3	Westfields	30	16	7	7	26	55
4	Worcester Raiders	27	16	5	6	35	53
5	Roman Glass St George	28	14	6	8	25	48
6	Corham Town	21	14	5	2	30	47
7	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	27	13	7	7	12	46
8	Hereford Pegasus	28	14	2	12	-1	44
9	Wantage Town	29	10	6	13	0	36
10	Strivenham	29	10	4	15	-33	34
11	Brinscombe & Thrupp	26	9	6	11	8	33
12	Mangotsfield United	27	10	3	14	-12	33
13	Hereford Lads Club	30	10	3	17	-20	33
14	Fairford Town	30	9	4	17	-12	31
15	Longlevens AFC	28	8	5	15	-9	29
16	Lydney Town	27	7	6	14	-32	27
17	Bradford Town	27	7	3	17	-29	24
18	Thornbury Town	27	7	2	18	-21	23
19	Chipping Sodbury Town	25	5	7	13	-29	22
20	Tuffley Rovers	26	5	3	18	-38	18

Appearance information

Up to and including Saturday, 18 February 2023

(includes selected list of former players)

It was great to see Tomos Shyamapant score his 1st competitive first team goal on Saturday, in his 13th appearance, whilst Luke Merchant's penalty save late in the game meant that he kept a 1st clean sheet of the season on his 10th appearance. Meanwhile, Warren Mann picked up his 14th yellow card of the season (alongside a red for two yellows!), as Macaulay Herbert scored his 1st goal in 18 months. It was our 37th competitive game, of which we've won 10. Numbers that will all probably change before the end of the season – 20th in the league table is only a number for as long as we can reach higher.



Name	Apps	Goals	Name	Apps	Goals
Alder, Kieran	94	26	James, Richard	125	40
Anson, Shayne	71	4	Jones, Elliot	19	0
Azubilla, Paul	21	1	Kent, Dominik	162	19
Barry, Jordan	4	0	Lander, Daniel	18	0
Beardsell, Jack	72	13	Lewis, Mason	27	3
Beasley, Daniel	20	4	Lomotey, Yeshaya	23	3
Bird, Ashley	66	5	Mace, Ryley	7	1
Birkett, Henry	73	5	Maher-Goldsmith, Kian	1	0
Bradley, Shayne	257	117	Mann, Warren	492	83
Butler, Matt	5	1	McGuirk, Callum	31	0
Cornwall, Leone	70	4	McNally, Laurie	10	0
Davies, Ashley	180	27	Merchant, Luke	67	0
Dobbins, Ryan	73	16	Middlecote, Martin	88	2
Driver-Dickerson, George	9	0	Nicholls, Scott	14	0
Fallows, Dayton	1	0	Perks, Christopher	92	0
Ford, Mark	164	61	Poole, Bradley	8	0
Foxwell, Marcus	302	32	Pritchett, Mark	135	21
Geddes, Jacob	51	4	Shutt, Joe	72	15
Griffith, Stuart	129	22	Shyamapant, Tomos	13	1
Hamilton, Courtney	178	6	Smerdon, Noah	4	1
Hands, Ben	1	0	Smith, Liam	39	1
Haswell, Joey	11	2	Squires, Kieran	83	7
Haswell, Tristan	99	1	Thomas, Peter	79	15
Hawkins, Luke	13	0	Tomkins, Lyndon	1	0
Herbert, Macaulay	242	9	Walker, Harry	67	6
Hicks, Sammie	21	0	Wallington, Lee	131	4
Hill, Sam	120	8	Wallington, Mark	220	29
Hoffland, Robin	4	0	White, Joel	108	4
Iddles, Harrison	5	0	Wright, Liam	124	3
James, Brett	185	64	Yussuf, Demilade	13	0

NB: The figures are correct for all league competitions from season 2007/08, when Tuffley Rovers returned to the County League (Step 7) and include all competitive games since the start of the 2013/14 season. There are some gaps in the information relating to cup games prior to the start of the 2013/14 campaign. This period is currently subject to a thorough review and there may be some variation to statistics in due course.

Statistics 2022/23

Competition

Uhsport Hellenic Premier Division, unless stated

FAC = FA Cup; FAV = FA Vase; GFA = GFA Challenge Trophy;

BFCC = Bluefin Sports Challenge Cup;

WLFC = Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup; SC = Supplementary Cup

		Att	Scorers	Jones, Elliot	Nicholls, Scott	Mann, Warren	Smerdon, Noah	Lander, Dan
2022								
03/Aug	7:45pm	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A	0-0	143	-		
06/Aug	3pm	Slimbridge	FAC	H	1-2	186	R Mace	
09/Aug	7:45pm	Malvern Town		H	1-3	124	R Dobbins	
13/Aug	3pm	Lydney Town		H	4-0	84	J Beardsell (2), M Lewis (2)	
17/Aug	7:45pm	Fairford Town		A	1-4	90	N Smerdon	
29/Aug	3pm	Longlevens		A	0-0	222	-	
03/Sep	3pm	Hereford Pegasus		A	1-4	50	M Butler	
13/Sep	7:45pm	Newent Town	WLFC	H	2-1	65	S Bradley (2)	
17/Sep	3pm	Thornbury Town		A	2-0	47	J Beardsell, D Kent	
24/Sep	3pm	Fleet Spurs	FAV	H	1-1*	74	S Bradley	
01/Oct	3pm	Hereford Lads Club		A	1-2	60	P Azubilla	
08/Oct	3pm	Cribbs FC		H	1-2	64	S Bradley	
11/Oct	7:45pm	Lydney Town	WLFC	A	4-0	77	J Haswell (2), D Kent, D Beasley	
15/Oct	3pm	Shrivenham		H	1-1	55	K Squires	
19/Oct	3pm	Worcester Raiders		A	0-5	178	-	
22/Oct	3pm	Hartpury University	FAV	A	0-1	67	-	
25/Oct	7:45pm	Fairford Town		H	2-4	127	R Dobbins, O.G.	
29/Oct	3pm	Roman Glass St. George		H	0-5	67	-	
01/Nov	7:45pm	Worcester Raiders		H	1-2	73	S Bradley	
05/Nov	3pm	Mangotsfield United		A	2-4	199	S Bradley, D Beasley	
12/Nov	3pm	Wantage Town		A	4-2	82	S Bradley (3), K Alder	
15/Nov	7:45pm	Hartpury University	GFA	H	3-2	62	R Dobbins, S Bradley (2)	
19/Nov	3pm	Meadow Park	BFCC	H	6-2	45	R Dobbins (3), W Mann (pen), K Alder, Y Lomotey	
22/Nov	7:45pm	Malvern Town	WLFC	A	1-9	104	M Lewis	
30/Nov	3pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		A	A-A	83	-	
03/Dec	12noon	Bradford Town		H	4-5	90	O.G., R Dobbins, K Squires, D Beasley	
06/Dec	7:30pm	Almondsbury FC	GFA	A	2-1	37	R Dobbins, Y Lomotey	
20/Dec	7:45pm	Hereford Pegasus		H	1-0	61	K Alder	
27/Dec	3pm	Longlevens		H	0-4	373	-	
2023								
10/Jan	7:45pm	Malvern Town	BFCC	H	0-1	65	-	
14/Jan	3pm	Roman Glass St. George		A	0-5	79	-	
27/Jan	7:45pm	Cribbs FC		A	0-5	90	-	
31/Jan	7:45pm	Shrivenham		A	0-1	68	-	
04/Feb	3pm	Corsham Town		H	0-2	73	-	
07/Feb	7:45pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		A	1-2	81	D Beasley	
11/Feb	3pm	Westfields		H	0-7	77	-	
18/Feb	3pm	Bradford Town		A	4-0	111	K Alder, M Herbert, M Pritchett, T Shyamapant	
21/Feb	7:45pm	Cribbs FC	GFA	H				
25/Feb	3pm	Wantage Town		H				
04/Mar	3pm	Thornbury Town		H				
07/Mar	7:45pm	Mangotsfield United		H				
11/Mar	3pm	Westfields		A				
18/Mar	3pm	Lydney Town		A				
21/Mar	7:45pm	Corsham Town		A				
25/Mar	3pm	Hereford Lads Club		H				
28/Mar	7:45pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		H				
01/Apr	3pm	Malvern Town		A				
10/Apr	3pm	Chipping Sodbury Town		H				
15/Apr	3pm	Brimscombe & Thrupp		H				
18/Apr	7:45pm	Chipping Sodbury Town		A				

* Tuffley Rovers won 4-2 on penalties

TOTAL APPEARANCES	19	9	30	4	18
STARTS	19	7	29	4	16
SUBSTITUTE	0	2	1	0	2
UNUSED SUBSTITUTE	0	0	0	0	6

Goalscorers

Bradley, Shayne	11	O.G.	2
Dobbins, Ryan	8	Mace, Ryley	1
Beasley, Daniel	4	Smerdon, Noah	1
Alder, Kieran	4	Butler, Matt	1
Beardsell, Jack	3	Azubilla, Paul	1
Lewis, Mason	3	Mann, Warren	1
Kent, Dominik	2	Herbert, Macaulay	1
Haswell, Joey	2	Pritchett, Mark	1
Squires, Kieran	2	Shyamapant, Tomos	1
Lomotey, Yeshaya	2		

TUFFLEY ROVERS AFC

Brad Poole

Goalkeeper

Fantastic keeper, who first played under Doug Foxwell in the County League promotion season in 2012/13, after being attached to Cheltenham Town in youth football, but has been unable to commit to first team football in the years that have followed, due to work commitments, and has made just four competitive appearances in a Rovers shirt. Now providing goalkeeping cover for the 2022/23 season.

Elliot Jones

Goalkeeper

Signed on a dual registration from Gloucester City, where is a highly rated member of the U19s squad, Elliot joined on the eve of the season and made a solid start in the early season games. Calm, commanding, offers good distribution and has been a good addition to the squad. An exciting prospect who we hope to see regularly in the side this season.

Kieran Squires

Defence

Previously with the club from 2014/15 to 2017/18 but then spent time at Slimbridge, Longlevens and Hardwicke, before dropping down to play local league football. Returned to the club this season has proved a shrewd acquisition. Thunderous tackling, powerful in the air and has a terrific long-throw that could add a dimension to our play.

Paul Azubilla

Defence

Joined from local side Gloucester Athletic this season, after requesting a trial in the summer. Impressed in the pre-season and could be a great acquisition. Raw but has pace, power, strength and desire to improve. Very calm on the ball and capable of hitting a pass, meaning he could be a good prospect as the season develops.

Dan Lander

Defence

Returned in pre-season, having spent a short spell with the club a few seasons ago, without making a competitive appearance. Has returned with more experience and is a tall centre-half, who is strong, fierce in the tackle and decent in the air. He's also sensible in possession and knows his role in the side.

Ryley Mace

Defence

After time served in the U18s and then Development Squad has started to feature in the first team. Plenty of potential, whether at full-back or in a more attacking role.

Macaulay Herbert

Defence

Now the second longest-serving member of the first team, 'Macca' came through our U18s and is a solid, dependable; an excellent defender who has been getting better with every season that passed. Has now made over 200 first team appearances but has only recently returned following a lengthy absence with a serious shoulder injury.

2022/23 PLAYER PROFILES

Ashley Davies

Defence

In his 3rd spell with the club. Has had spells away at Hardwicke, Shortwood United & Cinderford Town but returned briefly last and now raring to go in 2022/23! Was Neil Mustoe's 1st signing last season; an incredible coup. Brings class on the ball, a physical presence, leadership and a wonderful work ethic to the squad - his influence will be of huge value to the club.

Scott Nicholls

Defence

A member of our hugely successful 2020/21 FA Youth Cup squad, Scott secured a scholarship to attend college in the US but returned to the club in December 2021 and made a solid contribution in five appearances, punctuated by a return to the USA. Tall, athletic and comfortable on the ball will be looking to collect more first team appearances this season.

Warren Mann

Midfield

Our longest serving player and has now made over 450 appearances at Step 7 and above, which is a record for the club. 'Wazza' may now lack pace in comparison to the winger who started with the club, but is hugely committed and massively experienced. Brings energy, passion and excellent technique; he's constantly involved in every game. Practical joker off the field; usually the opposition support's least favourite player!

Sammie Hicks

Midfield

Signed in January to bolster the squad following Neil Mustoe's appointment as manager, on a dual registration agreement with Cinderford Town. Has now committed to the club for 2022/23. A super talented midfielder, now with experience at a higher level and just what we needed after a difficult season. Coming back from a series of injuries that have hampered his progress but a stellar signing, nonetheless.

Dominik Kent

Midfield

About to start his fifth season with the club, Dom was a product of Neil Mustoe's Gloucester City U18 squad and is a talented midfielder, who is good on the ball, industrious and quick across the ground but also incredibly tenacious, whether looking to retain possession or win the ball back. Has often sacrificed his natural attacking instinct to play in a deeper midfield role but still retains a healthy goals per game ratio.

Callum McGuirk

Midfield

Signed from Longlevens, where he'd largely been used at full-back, he is a hard-working midfielder, who looks comfortable on the ball. Previously spent time at Rovers, where he featured in our U18s squad. Will look to make an impact in 2022/23 but his versatility could also be an important asset.

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Mason Lewis

Midfield

Recently signed after impressing in pre-season. Capable of playing at centre-back or left-back and can also play further forward in a wide role. Tall, commanding, strong and comfortable on the ball. Will be looking to secure a regular starting berth after spells at Cirencester Town, Lydney Town and Longlevens, amongst others.

Liam Smith

Midfield

Another player with Southern League experience. Calm in possession and possesses a good passing range, whilst also physically strong, will be looking to hold down a regular place in the side, after an injury hit campaign in 2021/22. Offers experience and capable of dropping into the back four when needed.

Luke Hawkins

Midfield

Joined during pre-season, having previously been at Newent Town, and will be looking to make the step up into Hellenic League Premier Division football this season. Looks to have plenty of pace, combined with an industrious style of play. Could prove to be a good acquisition, particularly as he looks comfortable playing in a wide position.

Henry Birkett

Midfield

Now in a third (or fourth!) spell with Rovers, after a fairly nomadic life in Hellenic League & County League football. Has made forty appearances for the first team over 7 years but returned during pre-season with a new maturity - could be the season where he settles down to become the key player that we all believe he can be? Great energy, good passing ability, hard-working & can add goals. An important year ahead.

Kieran Alder

Midfield

Recently returned to the club after spells with Cinderford Town, Bishops Cleeve and Worcester City. A gifted No.10, whose work rate is as noticeable as his talent on the ball. Scored once in every four games during his previous spell with the club and scored eight league goals for Cleeve in their title winning season in 2021/22. Previously part of Neil Mustoe's U18s side at Gloucester City and now reunited with him at Rovers.

Ryan Dobbins

Forward

Another returning player, who started out at the club's Stroud League sides, before a successful period in the Reserves' squad was followed by a prolific spell at County League side Gala Wilton. Then moved back into Hellenic League football, where he played for Cheltenham Saracens, before a return to Glevum Park this season. Has the potential to contribute goals, but his all-round game has improved immeasurably and he is adept at holding the ball up and bringing his teammates into the game. Good signing for 2022/23.

Yeshaya Lomotoy

Forward

Powerful striker who joined in 2021/22 after spells at other local clubs, including Slimbridge and Cinderford Town. Struggled for fitness during his first season but showed his quality on the ball and packs a powerful shot that could be a potent weapon. Will be hoping to stay fit and if he does, will be looking to contribute a regular supply of goals.

Dan Beasley

Forward

Recent signing from Westfields, who already looks to be a great acquisition. Strong, holds the ball up well, has an electric turn of pace and shows plenty of composure in front of goal.

Shayne Bradley

Forward

Could this season see an Indian Summer for the club's leading goalscorer since our return to Step 7 football (and progression since)? 106 goals in 230 appearances were hugely valuable to our progress from County League football and Bradders still possesses the quality that saw him make four Premier League appearances, as well promotion success at Mansfield Town, before injury curtailed his professional career. Last appeared in a Rovers shirt during 2018/19 but now set for a return in 2022/23.

Tomos Shyamapant

Forward

Youngster who has been a consistent goalscorer for both the U18s and Development Squad over the past two seasons. Highly rated and a genuine prospect. Made his debut against Cheltenham Saracens in the GFA Challenge Trophy last season and gained more experience as the season drew to a close. Natural finisher, who will be looking for more opportunities to make an impact this season. One for the future, for sure!

Neil Mustoe

Manager

Appointed as first team manager in January and took the club away from relegation fears to a place of safety. Spent many years as a professional at Manchester United, Wigan Athletic, Cambridge United, Stevenage and Yeovil Town, before over 350 appearances for Gloucester City. Previous coaching experience with City before a spell away from the game until his appointment with The Rovers.

Ritchie Warden

Assistant Manager

Appointed as Assistant Manager in 2020, when Richard Cox took on the Caretaker Manager role, Ritchie is a UEFA B qualified coach who has experience from working at Cheltenham Town. Stayed on to become Neil Mustoe's assistant after Cox's resignation and is an important part of the management team.



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Half-time quiz: Break for five

Grab a cup of tea and something to eat, then spend the five minutes of your half-time break trying to answer these questions. As ever, there is a theme and today the questions or answers are about cup quarters finals from five different competitions...

1. Which four teams won the quarter-finals at the 1986 FIFA World Cup tournament in Mexico, with England, Spain, Brazil and the hosts exiting at that stage?

2. England's Women won their Euro 2022 quarter-final 2-1 against Spain, with the winner coming in the extra-time. The player who scored the winner is pictured. Can you name her?



3. Four FA Cup quarter-finals took place on Saturday, 8 March 1980. Each ended with a one-goal margin enough to secure the win at the first attempt (without a replay). Watford, Ipswich Town, Tottenham Hotspur and Aston Villa all lost out. West Ham United went on to win the trophy, defeating Arsenal in the Final. Who were the other two sides who progressed from the quarter-finals, with Bob Latchford and Terry McDermott scoring the decisive goals for their teams?

4. From which year do the African Nations Championship quarter-final ties come – and (for a bonus point or two) which country was it hosted in and which team went on to be the champions?

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Mali Sinayoko ⚽ 89	1-2 Report	Zimbabwe Sihole ⚽ 11 Mahachi ⚽ 56
Gabon Cousin ⚽ 79 (pen.)	1-1 (a.e.t.) Report	Libya Omar ⚽ 50
Engozo'o Avebe Djissikadie ⚽ Cousin ⚽ Sokambi ⚽	Penalties 2-4	Salah Ghanodi Abushnaf Fadel
Ghana Adusei ⚽ 68 (pen.)	1-0 Report	DR Congo

5. The 2002/03 Champions League produced a memorable quarter-final between Manchester United and Real Madrid. The second leg at Old Trafford saw United win 4-3 but they lost 6-5 on aggregate after losing at the Bernabeu. Which Brazilian player scored a hat-trick in the second leg?

Quiz Answers: (1) Argentina, Belgium, France and West Germany; (2) Georgia Stanway; (3) Everton and Liverpool; (4) It was 2014 in South Africa, with the tournament won by Libya, who had originally been the intended hosts; (5) Ronaldo.

CLUB HISTORY



Cribbs Football Club (Cribbs FC) are currently in their 65th season since they were founded back in London in 1958 as 'Sun Life Assurance'. The Bristol team was established in 1976 when Sun Life first relocated to Bristol. Initially they ran two teams in the Bristol and Avon League, playing at Dundridge Farm. However, when the Cribbs Causeway (now The Lawns) ground was opened in 1978, the 1st team were promoted straight to the Avon Premier Combination League where they stayed for 20 years until they eventually won promotion to the Gloucestershire County League by winning the re-named Bristol Premier Combination in the 1999/2000 season.

In the 1998/1999 season the 1st team finished runners up to Roman Glass St George in both the Combination & Premier Combination League Cup. In 1997/1998 the 1st team also finished runners up, after a replay, to Ridings High in the GFA Senior Amateur Cup.

The club adopted the name of AXA Sun Life FC at the end of the nineties following the merger of the AXA Equity & Law and Sun Life Assurance Society, and became AXA FC in 2002. At the end of the 2010-2011 season, following the acquisition and merger of AXA Sun Life & Friends Provident, we became the Cribbs Friends Life Football Club. At the end of June 2013, with the closure of the companies Cribbs Friends Life Sports & Social Club and with the creation of the new volunteer run, Cribbs Sports & Social Club at "The Lawns", we renamed ourselves as Cribbs Football Club.

Today the Club runs three Saturday sides, spread across the Hellenic League, Gloucestershire County League and Bristol Premier Combination.

On a Sunday we ran a successful side in the Regional League for many years (who won the Gilbert Pullin Sunday Cup in 2003/2004 & 2013/2014 season and were runners up in 2006/2007 season) and continue to run a Vets side in the Casuals League. In addition, we have an Under 18's team in the Bristol Premier Combination U18's league.

The club's 3rd team managed at the time by current Cribbs media man, Nick Veale, won the GFA Minor Cup in the 2004/2005 season when beating Winterbourne United's 3rd team in a tight and tense final where the "evergreen" goalkeeper John Hembrow was man of the match.

The 1st team reached the semi final stage of the Les James League Cup on three occasions since joining the county league in the 2000/2001 season. They unfortunately lost on all three occasions, against Ellwood on penalty kicks in March 2005, 2-1 against Highridge United in March 2006 and against Hardwicke, 1-0 in 2008.

At the start of 2007/2008 season the football club embarked on an ambitious change of direction that they hope would lead to their 1st team being a regular top 3 side in the Gloucestershire County League, and possibly higher.

At the end of the 2010/2011 season, under the tutelage of Gavin Tufton (in his second spell in charge) and assisted by Matt Shaughnessy, the 1st team finished runners up in the Gloucestershire County League. Unfortunately, promotion to the Toolstation Western league wasn't possible as the league champions, Brimscombe & Thrupp, had applied and been granted promotion to the Hellenic League.

With planning permission having been granted for floodlights to be installed and stands to be built, the 1st team went one better in the 2011/2012 season and completed the league championship & league cup double (the first time it had been happened).

This was obviously a fantastic achievement and meant the highly anticipated promotion to the next level of the pyramid system and entry into the Toolstation Western League for the start of the 2012/2013 season.

The floodlights & stand were installed in August 2012 and the lights were first used for the 1st team's home league game against Hengrove Athletic on 16th October 2012.

The 2011/2012 season was probably the most successful year in the club's history with not only the 1st team completing the double and gaining promotion as in addition the 2nd team gained promotion to the Premier Division of the Bristol Premier Combination.

The 2012/2013 season continued in the same vein with the 1st team finishing 8th in their first season in the Western League and the 3rd & 4th teams being promoted. In addition, the U18 side won their league and came runners up in the League Cup Final.

2013/2014 season was another good season for the club with the 1st team finishing 5th in Western League One and qualifying for the next season's FA Cup whilst being runners up in the Les Phillips Cup Final. The 3rd team won promotion again and the Sunday team won the Gilbert Pullin League Cup.

2014/2015 was yet another successful season for the club with the 1st team finishing in 3rd place in Division One after a very hard fought & close battle with Barnstaple Town & Welton Rovers for the major honours. This was enough to secure promotion to the next step of the pyramid, the Western League Premier Division.

The progress of the club continued on an upward trend during the 2015/2016 season with the First XI finishing a respectable 15th in their first Step Five season. The Reserve team were runners up to Mendip Broadwalk in a thrilling finale to the Premier Division of the Bristol Premier Combination. The 3rd team also finished runners up in Division One of the Bristol & District league which as a result meant promotion to the Senior Division for the 2016/2017 season. The Sunday team won the Regional League Cup. The Under 18's also won their league and were runners up in the league cup.

The outstanding progression of the club continued in the 2016/2017 season with the 1st team finishing 8th in only their 2nd season in the Premier Division of the Toolstation Western League and again finishing runners up in the Les Phillips Cup, whilst the Reserve team won both the Bristol Premier Combination League and the League Cup.

Our Sunday team finished runners up in both the Premier Division of the Bristol Regional League and the Gilbert Pullin Trophy. Finally, the U18's (after a play off) finished runners up in the Central Division of the Bristol Combination league and won the League Cup.

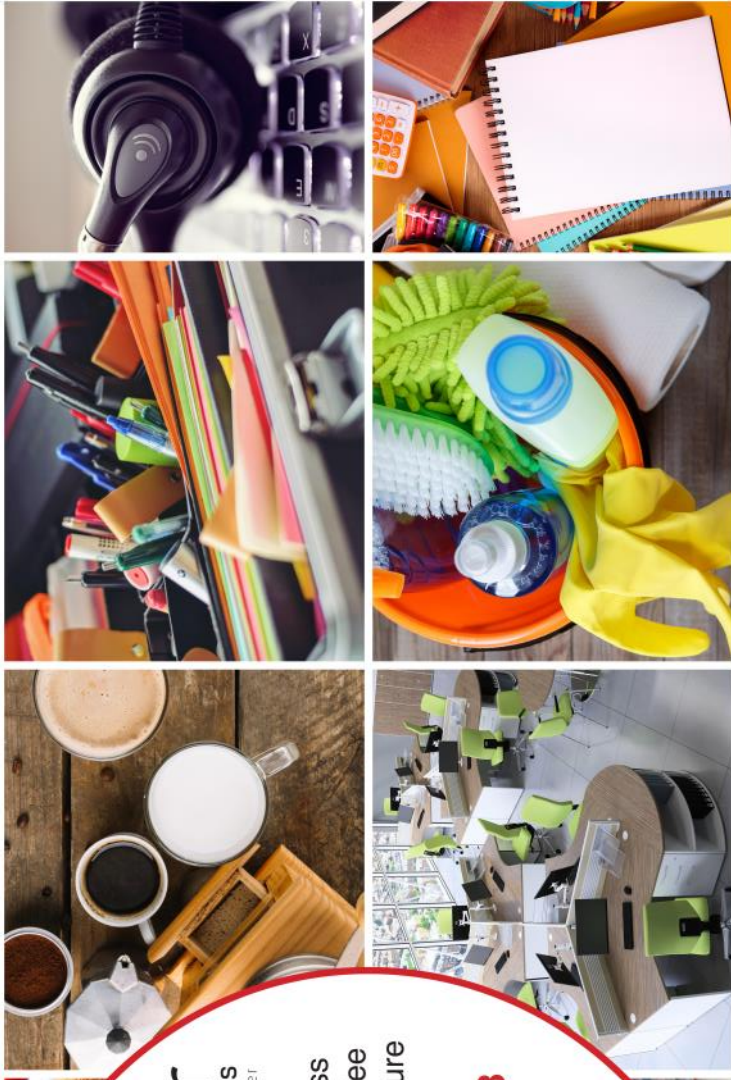
In the 2017/2018 season the 1st team finished 11th, 2nds were runners up, 3rds mid table and the 4th team finished 4th place. The under 18s finished 3rd and the Sunday team once again finished in runners up in the Bristol Regional League.

The last completed football season prior to the pandemic, saw the 1st XI finish eighth in the Toolstation and secured silverware by winning the GFA Challenge Trophy in 2018/2019. In the same season, our 2nd XI secured an unprecedented treble of the Bristol Premier Combination League, League Cup and GFA Senior Amateur Cup. The 3rd XI continued to make progress and started the curtailed the 2020/2021 in the Bristol Premier Combination Division One.

In 2021/2022, our current manager, Richard Luffman, led the 1st XI to their highest ever Step 5 finish as we secured 4th position in the Hellenic League Premier Division following a lateral move from the Western League. He also delivered silverware as we defeated Hereford Pegasus in the League Cup.

With our excellent junior section (Shire Colts/Shire-Cribbs) also continuing to thrive, we are hope the progression of the football club continues for many years to come.

The club is well known for the tremendous facilities. Bristol Rovers used the ground as their training base for many years prior to their recent move up the A38 to their new facility in Hortham. The England Under 21 side then managed by Peter Taylor trained at the ground in 1997 and played a warm-up match against a Cribbs FC (then AXA) side prior to their game with Italy. There have also been two games televised on Sky Sports Soccer AM programme between Cribbs FC (then AXA) teams & celebrity sides.



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Current records date back, fairly accurately, to the 2007/08 season and although there are a few gaps stopping us having a full set of data, it gives us the opportunity to include a new programme feature that allows us to reflect on days gone by and fixtures on, or around, today's date.

Since those records began, we've haven't actually played a competitive fixture on 21 February but we have selected a few from around the date to reflect on our fortunes during this time of the year...

23 February 2008

Tuffley Rovers returned from their Gloucestershire County League tie against Henbury with a 3-2 victory, thanks to a late goal by Gary Cornwall. Another Gary, Clark, had given Henbury the lead but Rob Cook levelled for the visitors. Cornwall then put Tuffley in front only for Henbury to hit back through Pat Mathison, before a late goal stole the show for Tuffley.

Squad: Mark Harris; Robert Cook; Marcus Foxwell; Mark Patterson; Ben Surman; Gary Cornwall; Jon Corbett; Mark Wallington; Peter Thomas; Martin Middlecote; Warren Mann. **Subs used:** Stephen Summerell.

20 February 2010

Tuffley Rovers returned from AXA with well-deserved 3-1 victory in the Gloucestershire County League. Rovers took an early lead through Richard James, before AXA equalised through Matt Shaughnessy. A 51st goal from Eddie Weyman restored Rovers' lead and Victor Webb sealed the victory with a penalty.

Squad: Adam Bennett; Marcus Foxwell; Lee Wallington; Richard James; Leone Cornwall; Ashley Davies; Daniel Wallington; Mark Wallington; Victor Webb; Edward Weyman; Warren Mann. **Subs used:** Ollie Everitt; Stuart Griffith; Mark Ford.

21 February 2015

Tuffley Rovers returned from Carterton with a 6-1 victory in the UHlsport Hellenic League, Division One (West), boosting their hopes to win the league in the process. Goals from Kieran Squires, Jordan Fletcher, Macaulay Herbert, Brett James, Shayne Bradley and a Marcus Foxwell penalty ensured Warren Evans' side returned from Oxfordshire with all three points.

Squad: Aaron Taylor; Marcus Foxwell; Kieran Squires; Sam Drew; Macaulay Herbert; Ashley Davies; Jordan Dowdeswell; Warren Mann; Jordan Fletcher; Mark Ford; Brett James. **Subs used:** Stuart Griffith; Shayne Bradley; Courtney Hamilton.

22 February 2020

A brace from Callum Ebanks and a goal from Jake Rhodes ensured that Tuffley Rovers returned from Brackley Town Saints with all three points and recorded a third consecutive win in all competitions in the process.

Squad: Luke Merchant; Isaac Lawrence; Ben Pricor; Mark Pritchett; Macaulay Herbert; Jake Rhodes; Joe Shutt; Dominik Kent; Warren Mann; Callum Ebanks; Jack Beardsell. **Subs used:** Ashley Bird; Lewis Bainbridge; Harri John.



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