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EDITOR'S COMMENT

Welcome to this evening's game against Bradford Town. I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone in attendance who has travelled here tonight.

Another programme that I wasn't expecting to produce because I hadn't anticipated that we'd still be playing in mid-April, given that the league season ended on 19 March...but I am grateful that we have managed a few more games!

As I said in the last edition of the programme, this has been a challenging season, so having a cup quarter-final to play gives us some hope that we could have a positive end to the season. Tonight's opposition, Bradford Town, will be a severe test but we did manage to beat them here in early October, so there is a chance that we could pull off another shock this evening. The winners will play away at Hereford Pegasus in the semi-final and it would be great if we had the opportunity to prolong our season just a little further but that will take a really fantastic performance tonight.

We've had some good games against Bradford Town and I think they enjoyed visiting us and us them, despite the results for either side on each occasion. Fingers crossed they feel welcome again this evening, but leave in good spirits off the back of a poor result for them! I can hope...

I do believe that this will definitely be our last home first team game this season. If I am correct, thank you to everyone who has supported us, in any way, for the past 9/10 months. I'd like to say it has been a blast and a good showing tonight might make it feel a little more like that!

Until next season...

- NEIL

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CHAIRMAN'S COMMENT

Good evening all and a warm welcome to Glevum Park.

Firstly, a welcome back to Glevum Park to the Committee, players, coaching staff and travelling supporters of Bradford Town.

We have **Monday Night Football** at Glevum Park; not quite Sky Sports coverage, but I am sure everyone here tonight would rather be watching non-league football as true football supporters.

There were two very contrasting results in our previous two meetings between the clubs this season, but I would prefer that we just call it 'one-a-piece' in terms of results. I certainly hope it is a closer affair compared to our last encounter back in January.

I hope you enjoy this evening game, as well as the hospitality we provide to all visitors. Here is hoping for a great cup tie this evening.

Cheers,

- Dan

Dan Boon
Football Chairman
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MANAGER'S COMMENT

Good evening and a warm welcome to the players, supporters and officials of Bradford Town FC, in what will be a hard encounter but hopefully more competitive than our last meeting in January.

That visit to Bradford Town was a game that proved to be a bit of an eye opener for me, as I was introduced to the league and squad. It certainly gave me a sense of what we were going to need to get the job done of securing our Hellenic Premier league status.

Since that game, other than the last league game against Fairford Town, we either got a result or lost by the odd goal and were competitive in every game. That is what I asked after the 7-1 defeat at Bradford Town.

We did have a few injuries and suspensions - and what seemed to be a very long sin-bin – when we played at Bradford, but we were well beaten on the day.

Tonight we will have to be organised, disciplined and concentrating fully if we are to get a result tonight and combat their strengths. We will also need to be better with the ball and our decision making as we have not tested the opposition goalkeeper often enough in the last few games.

Last Saturday's result against Studley was pleasing, not just for the win but the clean sheet against a team flying high and who had won the Division below, scoring 86 league goals in the process.

Tonight offers us a chance to continue our season. Hopefully it is an entertaining game and we can get a result to get us through to the semi-final, where Hereford Pegasus await.

Thanks again for all your much needed support. I hope you enjoy the game.

- Muzz

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. The next season, a much younger side finished a slightly disappointing 11th but with a year's experience gained the Rovers challenged again at the top of the table for most of the next season before finishing 3rd.

The 2010/11 season saw some variable performances in the league, with a final finishing position of 6th, followed by a third place finish in 2011/12. 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.

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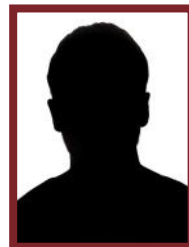
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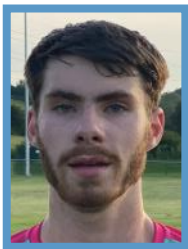


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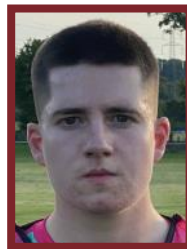
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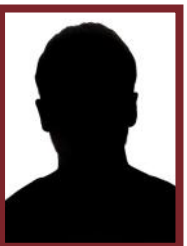
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Steve Geddes

UHLSPORT HELLENIC LEAGUE, PREMIER DIVISION TABLE

(up to and including fixtures played on Saturday, 9 April 2022)

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Bishops Cleeve	38	28	8	2	62	92
2	Westbury United	36	24	8	4	48	80
3	Cribbs	38	23	6	9	41	75
4	Malvern Town	37	22	8	7	38	74
5	Bradford Town	37	21	6	10	34	69
6	Corsham Town	37	20	9	8	30	69
7	Longleaves AFC	38	20	4	14	14	64
8	Brinscombe & Thrupp	37	19	6	12	27	63
9	Westfields	36	18	9	9	22	63
10	Roman Glass St George	37	19	3	15	17	60
11	Fairford Town	38	17	5	16	9	56
12	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	36	15	6	15	-7	51
13	Hereford Lads Club	37	14	4	19	-6	46
14	Thornbury Town	37	10	8	19	-26	38
15	Shrivvenham	37	9	6	22	-56	33
16	Lydney Town	38	8	7	23	-33	31
17	Tuffley Rovers	38	8	5	25	-52	29
18	Chipping Sodbury Town	38	8	4	26	-48	28
19	Calne Town	38	5	4	29	-68	19
20	Hallen	38	4	6	28	-46	18



Appearance information

Up to and including Saturday, 2 April 2022

Just when you thought the fixtures had been concluded and we could gaze at the appearance list with that sense that they were the final standings, and along comes another game!

In the last round of the competition, Jordan Barry made his debut against Studley, becoming the 52nd player to appear in a competitive first team match this season, having joined the club earlier this season, from Newent Town. He has made a really positive impression in our Development Squad, making 16 appearances and captaining the side over the past few months. Congratulations, Jordan.

Brad Poole has been named in tonight's squad and if he plays it will be his first competitive appearance at Hellenic League level since 2013/14 when he started the first two games of that season, after making his debut – and only other first team appearance – in the 2012 season, in a 3-0 victory at Ellwood.

Name	Apps	Goals	Name	Apps	Goals
Aldridge, Josh	27	0	Jordan, Scott	1	0
Anson, Shayne	71	4	Kent, Dominik	128	16
Bainbridge, Lewis	62	10	Lawrence, Isaac	24	1
Barry, Jordan	1	0	Lawrence, Jamal	10	4
Basford, Aaron	39	5	Ledger, Dan	1	0
Beardsell, Jack	56	10	Lomotey, Yeshaya	11	1
Bird, Ashley	65	5	Mann, Warren	461	82
Bradley, Shayne	230	106	Marszalek, Jerzy	2	0
Brain, Callum	5	0	McKinnon, Rudi	22	1
Butler, Matt	3	0	McNally, Laurie	10	0
Clark, Adam	13	0	Mendes, Sam	22	0
Copland, Jack	34	0	Morgan, Harry	25	3
Davies, Ashley	166	27	Nicholls, Scott	4	0
Denness-Barrett, Brennan	15	6	Parsisson, Jake	1	0
Ellis-Clark, Dion	16	1	Price, Lucas	23	2
Foxwell, Marcus	302	32	Pritchett, Mark	130	20
Geddes, Jacob	50	4	Ramsey, Will	7	1
Greenhouse, Daniel	2	0	Rhodes, Jake	74	24
Greenslade, Harvey	6	3	Romais, Billy	5	0
Griffith, Stuart	129	22	Shutt, Joe	71	15
Hailwood, Ben	3	0	Shyamapant, Tomos	9	0
Hallmann, Ruben	1	0	Smith, Liam	23	1
Hamilton, Courtney	178	6	Spencer, Tom	4	0
Haswell, Tristan	97	1	Swales, Josh	7	1
Herbert, Macaulay	218	8	Walker, Harry	67	6
Hicks, Sammie	5	0	Wallington, Lee	131	4
Hill, Sam	120	8	Wallington, Mark	220	29
Hunt, Ollie	7	1	White, Joel	107	4
Idowu, Jerry	14	0	Williment, Tomas	1	0
James, Brett	185	64	Woodall, Archie	13	1
James, Richard	125	40	Wright, Liam	121	3
John, Harri	41	0	Yates, Charlie	1	0
Jones, Xander	11	0	Yussuf, Demilade	10	10

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 2021/22

Competition

Unisport Hellenic Premier Division, unless stated

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

BFCC = Bluefin Sports Challenge Cup;

BLFC = Banbury Litho Floodlit Cup; SC = Supplementary Cup

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	Att	Scorers	Parissson, Jake	Bainbridge, Lewis	Swales, Joshua	Geddes, Jacob	Herbert, Macaulay	Kent, Dominik	Shutt, Joe	Wright, Liam	Lawrence, Jamal	Mendes, Sam	Price, Lucas	Romalis, Billy									
03/Aug	7:45pm	Thornbury Town	A	L	1-2	134	J Lawrence	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12				
08/Aug	3pm	Windsor FC	FAC	H	W	3-2	193	J Swales, D Kent, A Basford	16	3	4	5	8	17	7			10	11	U			
14/Aug	3pm	Corsham Town		A	L	0-2	60	-	2	3	4		8	7	10			15	U				
21/Aug	3pm	Flackwell Heath	FAC	H	D	2-2	78	M Herbert, L Price	3	15	4	5	8	11	7			10	16	U			
24/Aug	7:45pm	Flackwell Heath	FACr	A	L	0-6	139	-	2	9	U	5	8	7					U	3			
28/Aug	3pm	Shrivenham		A	L	2-3	65	O.G., W Mann		3		6	7										
30/Aug	3pm	Longlevens		A	D	2-2	87	D Ellis-Clark, A Basford		5		8	2										
04/Sep	3pm	Chipping Sodbury Town		A	W	3-2	52	L Bainbridge, A Basford, B Denness-Barrett	3			8	7							12	16		
08/Sep	7:45pm	Calne Town		A	W	2-1	92	L Bainbridge, B Denness-Barrett	3			8	7	U							12	15	
11/Sep	3pm	Malmesbury Victoria	FAV	A	W	4-2	83	H Morgan (2), L Price, L Bainbridge	2											7	11	12	
18/Sep	3pm	Brimscombe & Thrupp		A	L	1-5	102	B Denness-Barrett	2			8	7	U							14	11	
25/Sep	3pm	Fleet Spurs	FAV	H	W	3-2	82	O.G., J Shutt, J Geddes	10	4		6	7	2	U						9	12	
02/Oct	3pm	Bradford Town		H	W	1-0	71	J Shutt	11	4		6	7	2								9	
05/Oct	7:45pm	Malvern Town		A	D	3-3	174	J Lawrence, J Shutt, A Woodall		4		6	7	2	14							15	3
09/Oct	3pm	Hereford Lads Club		A	L	1-9	106	B Denness-Barrett		4		6	7	14								11	U
12/Oct	7:45pm	Calne Town		H	D	1-1	87	J Lawrence	11	4		6	7		9							14	
16/Oct	3pm	Bishops Cleeve		A	D	0-0	70	-	3	4		6	7	12									
19/Oct	7:45pm	Chipping Sodbury Town		H	W	3-1	56	B Denness-Barrett (2), L Bainbridge	3	4		6	7		9	16							
23/Oct	3pm	Street FC	FAV	H	L	1-4	70	A Basford	11	4		6	7	5								10	U
26/Oct	7:45pm	Westfields		A	W	1-0	142	J Lawrence		4		6	7	12	9	17							
30/Oct	3pm	Westbury United		H	L	0-3	79	-	12	4		6	7	11								15	
03/Nov	7:45pm	Roman Glass St. George		A	L	1-4	40	J Shutt	11	4		7	3	U								8	15
06/Nov	3pm	Thornbury Town		H	L	1-3	55	O.G.	3			6	7	5								10	15
09/Nov	7:45pm	Malvern Town		H	L	0-3	133	-		4		6	7									14	10
13/Nov	3pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		H	L	0-1	66	-		4		12	7									8	10
16/Nov	7:45pm	Cheltenham Saracens	GFA	H	L	2-5	66	D Kent, J Shutt	11	4		6	7									19	12
20/Nov	3pm	Cribbs FC		A	L	0-3	68	-		4		10	7	12								16	9
30/Nov	7:45pm	Fairford Town		H	L	0-1	73	-		4		8	7	3									
04/Dec	3pm	Lydney Town		A	L	0-4	77	-			4	10	14	3									17
18/Dec	3pm	Corsham Town		H	L	0-3	81	-	11	4		8	7	3	9								12
27/Dec	1pm	Longlevens		H	L	0-1	331	-	11	5		10		2	9								7

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03/Jan	3pm	Brimscombe & Thrupp		H	L	2-6	168	W Ramsey, L Bainbridge	11	4		8	3	9	7									
08/Jan	3pm	Shrivenham		H	W	3-2	59	H Greenslade (2), D Kent	10	4		8	12	3								15	U	
11/Jan	7:45pm	Roman Glass St. George		H	L	0-3	125	-	10	4		8	12	3	15							6	U	
15/Jan	3pm	Bradford Town		A	L	1-7	116	J Geddes	12	4		8	7											
22/Jan	3pm	Bishops Cleeve		H	D	2-2	100	H Greenslade, A Basford		4		7	12	2								U		
29/Jan	3pm	Hereford Lads Club		H	W	3-1	94	J Geddes, W Mann (pen), J Shutt	U	4		10	7	2										
05/Feb	3pm	Hallen		H	L	1-2	113	W Mann (pen)	14	4		6	7	2										
12/Feb	3pm	Westfields		H	L	0-1	56	-				10	7	4										
19/Feb	3pm	Westbury United		A	L	1-2	102	J Shutt	12	4		10	2											
22/Feb	7:45pm	Hallen		A	W	2-1	75	J Beardsell (2)		4		10	2											
26/Feb	3pm	Cribbs FC		H	L	0-1	67	-														10	2	4
05/Mar	3pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town		A	L	2-3	95	L Smith, Y Lomotey	8	4		U	7									3		
12/Mar	3pm	Lydney Town		H	L	0-1	72	-			4	U	8	U										
19/Mar	3pm	Fairford Town		A	L	0-3	75	-				4	U	7	2									
28/Mar	7:45pm	Newent Town	BFCC	A	D	1-1*	85	B James			4	8	7											
02/Apr	3pm	Studley	BFCC	H	D	0-0*	65	-	11															
11/Apr	7:45pm	Bradford Town	BFCC	H								8	2											

Goalscorers

Shutt, Joe	7	Price, Lucas	2
Denness-Barrett, Brennan	6	Beardsell, Jack	2
Bainbridge, Lewis	5	Swales, Josh	1
Basford, Aaron	5	Herbert, Macaulay	1
Lawrence, Jamal	4	Ellis-Clark, Dion	1
Kent, Dominik	3	Woodall, Archie	1
O.G.	3	Ramsay, Will	1
Greenslade, Harvey	3	Smith, Liam	1
Geddes, Jacob	3	Lomotey, Yeshaya	1
Mann, Warren	3	James, Brett	1
Morgan, Harry	2		

STARTS

STARTS	1	23	6	33	4	40	34	24	7	10	12	2
SUBSTITUTE	0	5	1	0	0	1	5	4	2	9	11	3
UNUSED SUBSTITUTE	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	2	5	3

TUFFLEY ROVERS AFC

Jack Copland

Goalkeeper

A hugely talented young goalkeeper who was a mainstay of the club's U18 campaign in the 2020/21 FA Youth Cup. Terrific handling and shot stopping ability is equally matched by his excellent distribution, from the hand or with the ball at his feet. 2021/22 is his breakthrough season and so far it is going well, as he is now undoubtedly first choice between the sticks!

Will Ramsey

Defence

Signed from Cheltenham Town, where he was previously a scholar, until the end of the season. Consistent and hard-working, Rambo has been a great addition to the squad. Good going forward, too, and capable of lending his support to the attacking play.

Liam Wright

Defence

Returned to the club recently, after spells away at Bishops Cleeve and then Cinderford Town. Capable of playing in midfield or in the back four, Liam is now seen as an energetic part of our squad. A ball player but incredibly hard-working and other with a powerful shot from distance.

Jacob Geddes

Defence

A rising star for Rovers, after joining the club in 2020. Immediately held down a regular place in the first team, aged just 16 years of age, showing a maturity beyond his years. Joined after leaving Cheltenham Town and is a tough, uncompromising defender, but also good in possession. A natural leader; now captain in Macaulay Herbert's absence.

Joel White

Defence

Rejoined the club from Frampton United, having spent a couple of seasons with Slimbridge, in the Southern League. A commanding presence and hugely influential in our young squad. Calm on the ball, fantastic in defence; one of the leaders we need to support the development of our squad amidst some of the challenges during this campaign.

Laurie McNally

Defence

Another product of the club's successful Under 18s side and another player of whom much is expected this season. Competent in either full-back position and also capable of playing at centre-half, Laurie is one of the most natural defenders at the club, but also extremely capable on the ball. Previously at Forest Green Rovers Academy.

2021/22 PLAYER PROFILES

Lewis Bainbridge

Midfield

Joined the club at the start of the 2019/20 season and now entering his 3rd season as a Rovers player. A former Gloucester City youngster who joined as a really promising wide player but now amongst our most versatile players and being deployed to fill any gap in the line-up. Abundant energy and dangerous in an attacking position, also weighing in with some important goals.

Sam Mendes

Midfield

Former Slimbridge player, who graduated from Cheltenham Town as a youngster. Very gifted and capable of drifting past opponents, creating chances and weighing in with. Joined in 2021, after a spell at County League side Hardwicke and already looking a key player for the team. An enigmatic talent.

Ashley Davies

Midfield

Returns to the club for a third spell, having previously been the Club Captain at Cinderford Town. Neil Mustoe's first signing and an incredibly coup. Brings class, leadership and a wonderful work ethic to the squad and his influence will be of huge value to the club.

Dom Kent

Midfield

A product of the Gloucester City U18 squad, Dom is now amongst our longest serving players and a fixture in the squad. A talented midfielder, who is good on the ball, industrious and quick, but also incredibly tenacious, whether looking to retain possession or win the ball back. Ended 2019/20 as Players' Player and Manager's Player.

Warren Mann

Midfield

By far our longest serving player and entering his nineteenth season in the first team squad, 'Wazza' might lack some of his former pace, but is hugely committed and massively experienced asset, bringing passion and excellent technique; he's constantly involved in every game. Practical joker on and off the field - usually the opposition support's least favourite player!

Jack Beardsell

Midfield

Re-signed in October on a transfer from Fairford Town, having previously played for the club 33 times, scoring 8 goals. A mercurial talent who is capable of producing some high quality goals. Needs to add consistency to his game and we're hoping that his second spell with the club is the time that he realises his full potential.

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Demilade Yussuf

Midfield

Just sixteen years old but captain of our U18s squad and already collecting regular first team appearances. Strong, calm on the ball and incredibly hard-working, Demi was previously at Cheltenham Town and is a real talent. One to watch in future years.

Harry Morgan

Midfield

'Spanish Harry' is another player who joined the club whilst at Hartpury Uni but is staying at the club after completing his studies. Joined late in the active season (2020/21). Tidy on the ball and industrious off it, on his day a pivotal figure in the squad.

Joshua Aldridge

Midfield

Signed on a Work Experience arrangement from Cheltenham Town, Josh has previously had trials with Tottenham Hotspur and it is evident that he is incredibly talented. Comfortable on the ball and fast becoming a key member of the Rovers squad.

Sammie Hicks

Midfield

Signed mid-February to bolster the squad following Neil Mustoe's appointment as manager, on a dual registration agreement with Cinderford Town. 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.

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 missing the start of the season. Offers experience and capable of dropping into the back four when needed.

Lucas Price

Forward

An excellent summer signing from Bishops Cleeve, Lucas is lightning fast, energetic and has an eye for goal. Impressed in pre-season with his ability to quickly turn defence into attack and is as industrious, as likely to make a recovering challenge as he is to conjure a shot on goal.



2021/22 PLAYER PROFILES

Harvey Greenslade

Forward

Initially signed on a six week Work Experience arrangement from Bristol Rovers and began his spell in style, with two goals on debut, including a first minute opener. Pacy, industrious, committed and a fantastic addition to the squad on the early evidence.

Aaron Basford

Forward

Another addition to the 2021/22 squad, 'Bash' has been with Step 4 side Evesham United in recent seasons but was lured to the club in the summer. A hard-working, hugely talented youngster – formerly with Cheltenham Town – who has a good goalscoring record.

Ashley Bird

Forward

Another returning player, who struggled to secure a regular starting berth under Mark Pritchett and eventually left the club. Signed by Rich Cox but didn't return to the side until his former mentor, Neil Mustoe, took the reins. His industry, strength and running power will set the mark for others to follow. Great to have him back.

Jamal Lawrence

Forward

A former professional with Cheltenham Town, who briefly played in the Football League, before spells at National League side's Hungerford Town and Gloucester City. Returned to play for Rovers after two years away from the game and will be looking to add both goals and intelligent link-up play to our young squad.

Joe Shutt

Forward

Small in stature but capable of making a big impact, 'Shutty' joined from Chipping Sodbury Town in 2019 and has become a firm favourite with the Rovers support. Quick, skillful, full of energy and hard-working, he has already contributed goals on a regular basis and has attracted attention from higher league clubs.

Neil Mustoe

Manager

Recently appointed as interim first team manager, following Rich Cox's resignation. 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.



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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, given each of today's teams won on penalties in the last round, we ask questions about cup quarter-finals....

1. In August 2020, in a game played behind closed doors, Barcelona lost their Champions League quarter-final 8-2. Which team defeated them so comprehensively?

2. Which side are pictured celebrating a goal that helped them to win their last sixteen tie in the 2016/17 FA Cup, making them the first Non-League club to reach the quarter-finals in 103 years?



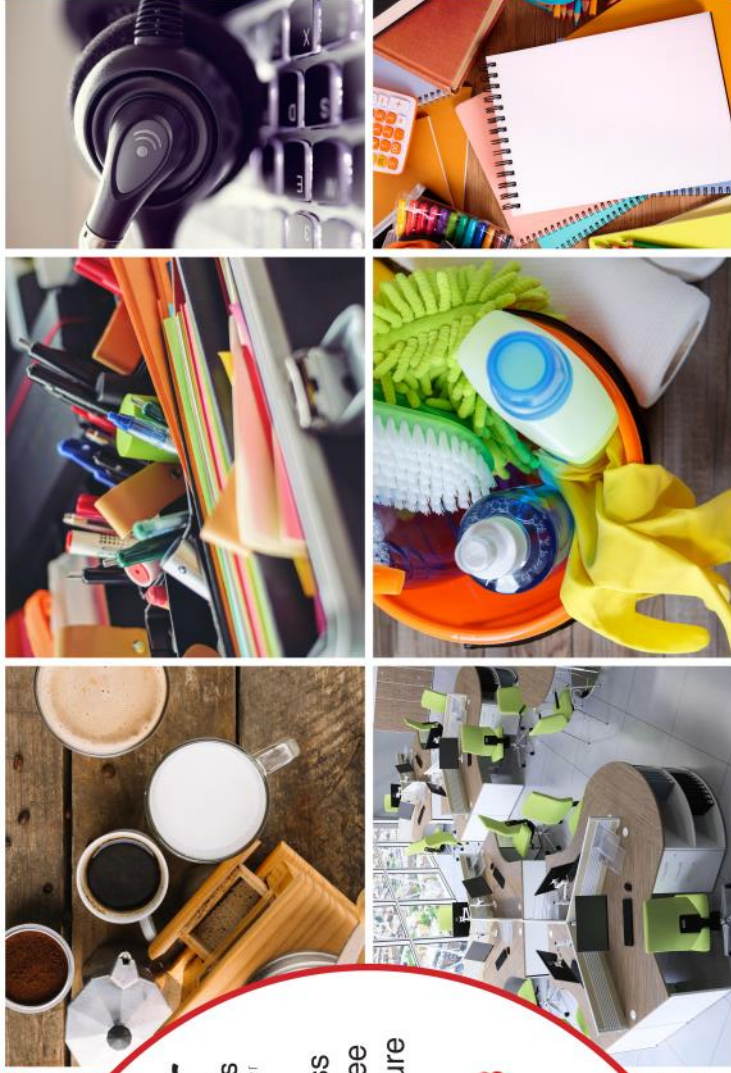
3. The 2018 FIFA World Cup quarter-final between England and Sweden finished 2-0 to Gareth Southgate's side, but who were the two goalscorers on 7 July 2018?

4. Which current Premier League side were involved in a League Cup quarter-final thriller in January 1985, as they came back from 3-0 down against Sheffield Wednesday to lead 4-3 - courtesy of goals from Canoville (2), Thomas and Dixon - before a late Mel Sterland penalty earned The Owls a draw and a replay that eventually saw Wednesday eliminated?

5. The four quarter-finals from the 1966 FIFA World Cup are captured in the images below. Which eight teams made the last eight that year?



Quiz Answers: (1) Bayern Munich; (2) Lincoln City; (3) Harry Maguire & Dele Alli; (4) Chelsea; (5) Portugal; North Korea; England; Argentina; West Germany; Uruguay; Soviet Union; Hungary.



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BRADFORD TOWN CLUB HISTORY

The Early Years

Bradford Town F.C. was founded in 1992 by Les and Pat Stevens, joining Division Two of the Wiltshire League. Home matches were initially played at St Laurence School in Bradford where the pitch was roped off before each game, dugouts were carried to the pitch and the half time tea was made in the boot of a car.

Following a short spell at Trowbridge Town's old Frome Road ground the club came home to Bradford on Avon in 1996 moving into Trowbridge Road. The ground was established in 1912 as the home of rubber works team Spencer Moulton FC and latterly Avon Bradford FC before they folded in the early 1990s, enabling Town to become custodians.

Western League status achieved

Bradford achieved promotion to the Western League in the 2005-06 season under the leadership of Mark Hodgkinson after finishing runners up in the Wiltshire League Premier Division. Former founding players Paul Shanley and his assistant Mark Edwards took over at the helm in 2008-09 season which saw a third place league finish and floodlights installed at the ground.

The following season saw the installation of a 100-seat main stand, a 4th place league finish and a creditable 2nd Round appearance in the FA Vase. Town then posted successive 6th, 5th and 4th place league finishes before embarking on a year to remember in 2013-14 when they won the Division One title by 13 points.

Progress in the Premier

The team's first season in the Premier Division concluded with a respectable 8th place finish but it was their exploits in the FA Vase which proved to be the highlight of the campaign. A gate of 621 at Trowbridge Road witnessed a 3-1 victory over Melksham Town in the 4th Round, their sixth scalp of the campaign, before bowing out in the next round. Another 8th place finish was recorded the following year whilst after three victories in the FA Cup the team were edged out 3-2 by Chippenham Town in the 2nd Qualifying Round.

After eight years in charge, the 2016-17 season began with Paul Shanley stepping down, being replaced by ex- Forest Green stalwart Danny Greaves, assisted by former fans favourite Aaron Wilson. After 25 tireless years as Chairman Les Stevens handed over the reins to Mark Hodgkinson with Jon Phillips as deputy, both of whom have long standing connections with the club.

An impressive 5th place finish, was bettered in 2017-18 by 4th place after the side just came up short of promotion. This thrilling campaign also saw the club reach the FA Vase 5th Round again. The long trip to Redcar in the next round however proved a bridge too far as Town went down 2-0 to eventual Northern League champions Marske United on a weekend that will live long in the memory of the 100-plus travelling supporters.

Changes at the top

After two excellent seasons Danny Greaves left Bradford for Frome Town. Following Rob Mallet's short reign in the hot-seat in October 2018, former Larkhall Athletic boss Wayne Thorne was appointed manager along with his assistant Pete Maddison. The pair guided Town to a solid 7th place finish. 2019-20 saw a third FA Vase 5th Round appearance but were again eliminated in front of nearly 500 at Trowbridge Road.

The season also saw Mark Hodgkinson step down as Chairman with deputy Jon Phillips taking over at the helm. In the league, the team were lying 3rd in March with the best points per game ratio before the coronavirus struck resulting in the abandonment of the league. The management pair subsequently decided to move on with former team captain Lee Davidson appointed as manager and Jamie Lyons as his assistant.

Cup winners and a new league

The 2020-21 league campaign was cut short again due to Covid-19 but saw Town claim their first trophy since 2014. The decision to complete the previous year's Les Phillips League Cup culminated with Bradford defeating a much fancied Bridgwater Town side 1-0 at Street FC. It was also announced that as part of the FA's league restructuring, Town would play the 2021-22 season in the Hellenic League Premier Division for the first time, a challenge the club is very much looking forward to .

On (or around) this day in history...



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 only played twice on 11 April but there are a couple of other notable games that have been played around this particular date ...

11 April 2009

Tuffley Rovers suffered a fourth consecutive defeat away at Highridge United, losing 4-0 against one of the lowest ranked teams in the league in the Gloucestershire County League. Mickey Adams and Nicky Pratten each bagged a brace to send the Bristolians to a comprehensive victory in their battle to beat the drop.

Squad: Adam Bennett; Ben Surman; Lee Wallington; Patrick Boyd; Martin Middlecote; Stu Griffith; Mark Wallington; Dan Gillespie; Rich Stevenson; Peter Thomas; Warren Mann. **Subs used:** Robbie Foran; Phil Crabb.

12 April 2011

Tuffley Rovers kept up their charge for a top five finish in the Gloucestershire County League, as they returned from Kings Stanley with an excellent 3-2 win, courtesy of goals from Rich James and Scott Jones (2). Matthew Davis and Sam Prior had scored for Stanley but Rovers won by the odd goal in five to move within four points of their hosts, with a game in hand.

Squad: Christopher Perks; Ben Surman; Mark Pritchett; Richard James; Richard Workman; Neil Griffiths; Peter Thomas; Liam Harding; Shayne Bradley; Scott Jones; Warren Mann. **Subs used:** Kyle Kennedy.

11 April 2015

This was very much as case of two points dropped, as Tuffley Rovers left Clanfield with a 2-2 draw, all but ending their hopes of winning UHlsport Hellenic League, Division One (West) and handing the title to their local rivals Longlevens. Jordan Dowdeswell opened the scoring, before the hosts equalised and then took the lead, before Brett James levelled the scores. Rovers wasted several chances to win the game, leaving them not only unlikely to win the league but also one point behind Lydney Town in the quest for a promotion place.



Squad: Aaron Taylor; Marcus Foxwell; Stuart Griffith; Macaulay Herbert; Sam Drew; Ashley Davies; Jordan Dowdeswell; Warren Mann; Kieran Tracey; Mark Ford; Brett James. **Subs used:** Steve Bick.

13 April 2017

Goals from Ryan Dobbins and Warren Mann secured a memorable Supplementary Cup win for Tuffley Rovers, as they defeated Hellenic League Champions Thame United 2-0 in an enthralling tie at Glevum Park. Dobbins gave Rovers on 19 minutes, before Mann scored just before half-time to make it 2-0.

Squad: Dave Evans; Jack Overthrow; Tristan Haswell; Mark Pritchett; Macaulay Herbert; Courtney Hamilton; Jamie Goodwin; Jake Burns; Shayne Bradley; Harry Walker; Warren Mann. **Subs used:** Ryan Dobbins.

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