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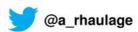


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## FROM THE EDITOR:



Welcome to all our visitors to Glevum Park this afternoon, notably the players, management team, committee and supporters of Roman Glass St George. Welcome, also, to this afternoon's match officials.

Today is a sad day for the club, as we will say "goodbye" to our physiotherapist Mike De Bear after this game. He has, without any doubt, been the best physio we've had at this club during our time in the Uhlsport Hellenic League, Premier Division. He has just been simply brilliant – no fuss, no ego, just a guy who knows how to look after the players, who commands respect and has been utterly professional throughout his time with us. That he has secured a role at Leicester City says everything about the professional that Mike is.

We will miss you, Mike. Thank you for all that you have given to Tuffley Rovers.

I hope that on the field we can rediscover some of our early season form and mark Mike's last game with a win over an in-form and very tough opponent. We need to be more consistent, but as Muzzy says in his programme article, we have been looking to play a more aesthetically pleasing brand of football this season and it is taking a little time to get the players to perform consistently as a consequence. I am sure we will come good in time.

After today's game we have something of a hiatus of first team action at Glevum Park, as we are currently scheduled to play seven consecutive away games, with trips to Mangotsfield United, Hereford Pegasus, Slimbridge, Cheltenham Saracens (GFA Challenge Trophy), Cribbs, Fairford Town and Droitwich Spa. For those who don't travel to away games you will have the option to watch both our U18s and Reserves at Glevum Park before we return home in early-December (yes, early-December!!!).

There is a Challenge Cup round scheduled for 1 November, so I'll keep my fingers crossed that we get a home draw on that date. If today is to be our last home game for some time, hopefully we can sign off with a positive display today and that will tide our home support over until we return in two months' time.

I hope everyone enjoys the game. Safe travels home.

- Neil

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Saturday, 11 October 2025

Uhlsport Hellenic League, Premier Division

Cinderford Town v Droitwich Spa

Cirencester Town v Lydney Town

Cribbs v Fairford Town

Hallen v Highworth Town

Hereford Pegasus v Longlevens

Mangotsfield United v Pershore Town

Tuffley Rovers v Roman Glass St George

Westfields v Royal Wootton Bassett Town

Worcester Raiders v Corsham Town

# FROM THE CHAIRMAN:



Good afternoon and welcome to Glevum Park for this Uhlsport Hellenic League fixture against Roman Glass St George. May I first take this opportunity to welcome our visitor's supporters, committee, management team and players. An extended warm welcome to the match officials who will be facilitating the game today.

The first team are in what feels like a really strange situation at the moment. When I reflect upon the last 6 games we have only picked up 6 points, where we should have realistically had been targeting 12-15 points - and I believe we could quite possibly have achieved that target.

Two games in particular show how polarised are performances and results have been. We played well against Westfields, but lost 7-2, and then the following week played poorly against Royal Wootton Bassett Town and came away with a 2-1 win! The lads need to show a bit more desire and consistency, as they did in pre-season and the first 6 games of the season.

The next 6 games are not easy, as no fixtures in the league this season are going to be, but there needs to be a more positive consistency if we are going to reach are targets for the season. When you look at the league table before today, we find ourselves only four points off the play-off places. Let's hope this isn't a season of "what ifs"!

Moving on to midweek and we saw the U18s start the week on Monday with a good win 5-1 victory in Hereford FA Giantkillers Cup against Bromyard. On Tuesday evening our Reserves hosted Abbeymead Rovers, who are one of the favourites for the Stroud League title. However, a fantastic performance here at Glevum Park resulted in another 5-1 victory and the Reserves are now top of the league, with games in hand on both 2nd and 3rd place teams. The target for the management team was promotion this season, and, so far, they have every chance of achieving that.

Other fixtures this weekend see our 3rds hosting Sharpness Reserves at Kingsway and our 4ths away at Stroud Utd Reserves, looking to follow up another performance to match their 7-0 win last Saturday.

Sadly, we have to say goodbye to our current club physio, Mike, after today's game. Mike joined us a couple of seasons ago and made an immediate impact on not just the first team squad, but the wider football club. He fitted in straightaway as if he had been here for a long time. Mike has brought an unprecedented level of professionalism in his area of expertise and because of that we always knew sadly we wouldn't keep him for too long.

It is no surprise that he is joining a professional outfit and has taken up a post at Leicester City. He will be sorely missed, even his bear-like grip when he shakes your hand! We wish Mike all the success he deserves in his next adventure into the professional game. Mike will be handing the reigns over to Kayleigh who has been with the club working alongside Mike now for the last few months, as part of a handover, and even with enormous shoes to fill, Kayleigh is certainly more than capable of doing so.

If you are looking for somewhere to host a party or event we currently have a promotion on for anyone wishing to hire our 1929 Suite at our other site on Tuffley Lane. For further information, please see me or email <a href="mailto:gm@tuffleyroversfc.co.uk">gm@tuffleyroversfc.co.uk</a>.

I hope everyone enjoys this afternoon's hospitality and have a safe journey home. Thanks.

- Dan Boon

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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 11<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup>. Mark Pritchett was then appointed as Player/Manager and took the side to consecutive 10<sup>th</sup> placed finishes, before a 15<sup>th</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> place).

Mustoe achieved an 18<sup>th</sup> place finish at the end of the 2022/23 season, his first full campaign, before achieving a healthy 14<sup>th</sup> place in 2023/24, with a much improved squad. The 2024/25 season ended with further improvement, as Mustoe's squad finished in 11<sup>th</sup> place.

# FROM THE MANAGER:



Good afternoon welcome to all players, management, officials and supporters from Roman Glass St George to Glevum Park, home of Tuffley Rovers.

We can't wait to get a going today, as a week is a long time in football. Although we seem to have the season finish early most years, with an overload of midweek games in the first half of the season, we seem to be experiencing a very different phenomena this year and have gone from feast to famine!

We are aware that our home record, which was solid after a good start, isn't what we would like and we need to remedy this quickly, as we have a spell of away games coming up.

Last week was a disappointing result and performance in my eyes but after speaking to many people post-game and watching it back it was probably the case that between the two boxes wasn't that bad, we just need to be more clinical in the final third and stop shipping silly goals.

Today's opponents have had a good start to the season after a bit of transition in the summer, where a few of their most pivotal players in recent seasons moved on. Their recruitment has been good and then backed up with results.

If we are at oar best i know we can compete with anyone in the league and with our transition in style this year we've been a bit inconsistent, with a young group (average age of last week's squad was around 22) and I need to be realistic in my expectations. If we want to play a better style and win, there may be some indifferent performances on the journey, which we need to manage and learn from, which will benefit everyone going forward.

Enjoy the game. Thank you for your support.

- Muzz

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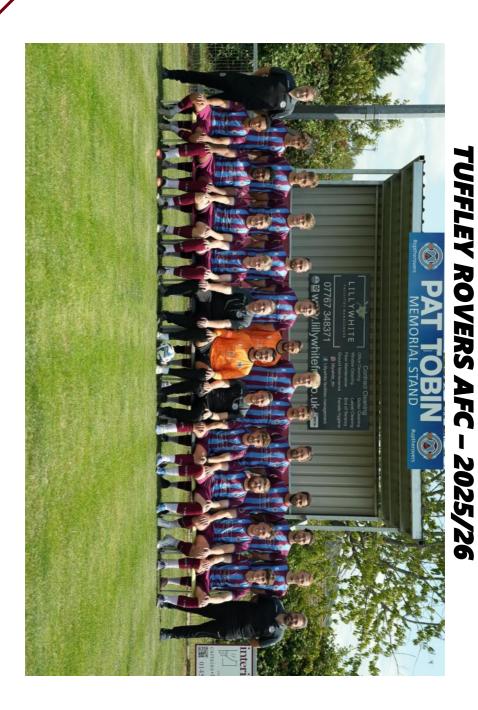












## HALF-TIME QUIZ: BREAK FOR FIVE



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 it is all about England v Wales after the midweek International Friendly...

1. Wales' last win against England came in 1984 in a British Home Championship fixture at The Racecourse Ground, Wrexham. Can you name the Wales manager on that occasion (pictured)?



- 2. The first ever international between England and Wales took place in January of which year (with England winning 2-1)?
- 3. In a Home Championship fixture of 1970 England were preparing to defend the World Cup at the Finals' Tournament that year. The two teams played out a 1-1 draw at Ninian Park, Cardiff, with the Welsh side captained by a player who recently passed away. Can you name the Wales captain on that evening (pictured)?



- 4. Which player scored the goal that decided the 2016 European Championships Group Stage fixture between England and Wales in England's favour?
- 5. Can you name the each of the three players pictured, who are the only three players to have won 100 caps for Wales (at least for now!)?







## STATISTICS 2025/26

Uhlsport Hellenic Premier Division, unless stated

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

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## **PLAYER PROFILES** 2025/26

#### Luke Merchant Goalkeeper

Club captain who returned to the club in the 2022/23 season, after a Hellenic League Premier Division title winning season at Bishops Cleeve. A great shot stopper, commanding presence and accomplished keeper. Holds the club record for Hellenic League appearances as a keeper.

#### Robin Hoffland Goalkeeper

A long-serving player, despite his age, who acts as a capable back-up to Luke Merchant in goal, whenever needed. Has played for the club's 1sts, 2nds, 3rds, 4ths and 5ths, as well as the U18s and always gives his all. Reliable, in a word.

#### Macaulay Herbert Defence

Our second longest-serving member of the squad. 'Macca' came through our U18s and is solid and dependable; an excellent defender who has been getting better with every season that passed. Has made over 300 first team appearances, despite several injuries punctuating each season.

#### Callum McLean Defence

New signing, who has impressed at right-back in pre-season and could prove to be a great addition to the squad. Tough tackling and comfortable on the ball. Came through the U18s at local rivals Longlevens.

#### Elijah Simpson Defence

Player under Neil Mustoe at Gloucester City U18s and joined from Brimscombe & Thrupp for 2024/25. Comfortable on the ball when in possession, shows a turn of pace, and good defensively. One of the leaders in the squad.

#### Daniel Lander Defence

Rarely a regular starter but a player who gives his all when selected and never lets his manager down. Now has over 50 first team appearances to his name and is a solid, dependable member of the squad.

#### Mark Pritchett Defence

Tasted Hellenic League title success at Bishops Cleeve. Previously at Rovers as Player / Manager before stepping away from the role in 21/22. Offers a no nonsense, old-fashioned approach in each game and is a threat in the opposition box.

#### Ellis Clifford Defence

Came through the U18s squad, after joining from Gloucester City's youth set-up. Made a breakthrough in 2023/24 and has now amassed almost 60 appearances at left-back. An improving and emerging talent.

#### Sammie Hicks Defence/Midfield

Now in his fifth season at the club, after spells at Gloucester City and Cinderford Town. Injuries have hampered his progress but he remains a reliable and very versatile member of the squad, capable of filling in at full-back, in midfield or in the No.10 role.

#### Harley Mustoe Defence/Midfield

Has gained experience playing County League football for Hardwicke and has held down a regular first team spot after making his debut as a substitute in our first game of 2024/25. Most comfortable in midfield but has played at full-back and looked very accomplished. Young Player of the Year 2024/25.

#### Callum McGuirk Defence/Midfield

Signed from Longlevens in 2022, where he'd largely been used at full-back, he is a hardworking midfielder, who looks comfortable on the ball. Played academy football during his earlier years, including a spell at Bristol City. Has become a vital part of the squad.

#### Corey Warrington Midfield

Signed at the start of 2024/25 after excelling at Northern Senior League side Tredworth Tigers during 2023/24. A highly energetic midfielder who likes to get on the ball and is well regarded in local football. A real talent.

#### Warren Mann Midfield

Our longest serving player with 543 competitive games at Step 7 and above over a 20 year period. The player opposition players, officials and supporters love to hate! Has played in all positions over the last few seasons and happy to play wherever needed.

#### Liam Smith Midfield

Has Southern League experience. Calm in possession and possesses a good passing range, although injuries have limited his progress.

#### Kieran Alder Midfield/Forward

Returned to the club in 2022/23, after spells with Cinderford, Bishops Cleeve and Worcester City; and overcame injuries to return to his best. Gifted No.10, whose work rate is as noticeable as his work on the ball - a creative player. Previously with Neil Mustoe's U18s at Gloucester City reunited at Rovers.

#### Karnell Chambers Forward

Experienced at a higher level, this is a player who Neil Mustoe was delighted to sign in November 2023. Previously at Gloucester City, Hungerford Town, North Leigh, as well as a spell overseas, and is a goalscorer equally at home wide or in the middle. Finished 24/25 as top scorer for the Firsts with over 20 goals.

#### Oliver Barnes Forward

Signed from Westfields in December 2024, a prolific goalscorer at Hellenic League level and will offer a different option in attack. Previously with Brimscombe & Thrupp, Oli had time out due to injury over the past two seasons, but is now looking sharp as we move into 2025/36.

#### Vlad Yarmoloenko Forward

Ukrainian who joins from Brimscombe & Thrupp, having previously been at Longlevens. A little raw but has pace to burn and could be a great signing. Has impressed during pre-season.

#### Connor Walters Forward

Wide player who joined from Gala Wilton in 2023/24. Strong and full of trickery, he had a fantastic start to his first season and contributed goals, as well as being a threat to opposition defences. Has an eye for goal, although will hope to improve his goals per game ratio this season.

#### Brad Bevan Forward

Signed from Fairford Town in 2023/24. Incredibly hardworking, tenacious, a real team player. Runs all day and although not a prolific goalscorer has been a good signing, who regularly contributes a goal. Can play wide or down the centre and is a clever player who has become a vital part of the squad.

#### Jamie Creed Forward

Signed on a dual registration basis from County League side Gala Wilton last season, he is an old fashioned striker – tall, good with his back to goal and already a regular goalscorer. Still only 17, he is attached to Gloucester City, too, and has the potential to be a star in the future.

#### Neil Mustoe Manager

Appointed as Manager in January 2022, took the club away from relegation fears in 2021/22, before successfully battling against relegation in 2022/23. 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.

#### Liam O'Neill Assistant Manager

Appointed as Assistant Manager in 2023, after a spell as Manager at Frampton United. Still in the formative stage of his coaching journey but offers great support to Muzzy and is an important presence in the first team set-up.

#### Mike De-Bear Physio

Joined in 2024/25 and a great signing off the pitch. Has experience working at EFL clubs and is a fantastic member of the backroom staff.

#### Alex Butler Coach

Joined in 2023/24 after previous experience in local football. Mr Reliable and a really positive influence in the dressing room on match-days.





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## APPEARANCE INFORMATION

## Up to and including Saturday, 4 October 2025 (includes selected list of former players)

Congratulations to Connor Walters, who became the 23rd player to reach at least 100 appearances in competitive fixtures for Tuffley Rovers since our modern records began in 2007.

Having made his debut at the start of the 2023/24 season, Connor has been a near constant member of the first team squad, making 45 appearances (scoring 9 times) in his first season, before making a further 41 appearances (8 goals) in the next season. This is his third season and Connor has made the 14 appearances this term – including last week's against Cirencester Town – that has taken him to a century.



Connor's 18 goals put him level with Ryan Dobbins in our all-time goalscoring list; with only 15 players having scored more.

Thank you for your service to The Rovers, Connor. Here is hoping you can add plenty to your appearances and goals record!

Name	Apps	Goals	Name	Apps	Goal
Alder, Kieran	182	42	Mann, Warren	543	85
Barnes, Oli	22	9	Mason, Preston	8	1
Bennett, Adam	85	0	McLean, Callum	12	0
Bevan, Bradley	81	11	McGuirk, Callum	134	0
Birkett, Henry	127	10	Merchant, Luke	170	0
Bradley, Shayne	260	117	Middlecote, Martin	88	2
Chambers, Karnell	77	44	Mustoe, Harley	49	6
Clifford, Ellis	72	0	Mustoe, Neil	1	0
Creed, Jamie	21	6	Perks, Christopher	92	0
Davies, Ashley	190	27	Pritchett, Mark	223	29
Dobbins, Ryan	87	18	Rhodes, Jake	75	25
Ford, Mark	164	61	Roberts, Tyrel	32	2
Foxwell, Marcus	302	32	Simpson, Elijah	47	0
Griffith, Stuart	129	22	Smith, Liam	107	1
Hamilton, Courtney	178	6	Squires, Kieran	90	7
Haswell, Tristan	99	1	Thomas, Peter	79	15
Hoffland, Robin	14	0	Valenti, Gino	5	1
Herbert, Macaulay	333	11	Venna, Kaelan	1	0
Hicks, Sammie	67	2	Wallington, Lee	131	4
Hill, Sam	130	9	Wallington, Mark	220	29
James, Brett	186	64	Walters, Connor	100	18
James, Richard	125	40	Warrington, Corey	50	2
Kent, Dominik	175	21	White, Joel	140	4
Lander, Daniel	51	1	Wright, Liam	124	3
Lynden, Joss	6	0	Yarmolenko, Vladyslav	2	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.

# ROMAN GLASS ST GEORGE CLUB HISTORY

The club Roman Glass St George is the result of an amalgamation between Bristol St George and Roman Glass. Bristol St George was formed in 1882 and is the oldest club in Bristol. They were founder members of the GFA in 1886 and won the GFA Senior Challenge Cup on two occasions 1894 and 1895 beating Eastville Rovers 3-1 on the first occasion.

The club also entered the FA Cup in 1891 and the inaugural FA Amateur Cup in 1894. The current ground at Bell Hill was opened with a match between a Bristol & District XI and the English champions Aston Villa in 1894. In 1897 the club turned professional and spent two seasons in the Birmingham & District League. The club reverted to amateur status in 1901 and continued that way until joining the Western League in 1928. In 1935 after struggling financially they dropped out and joined the Bristol & District League once again. They won the first division only once in 1949/50 but were always a leading team until they became founder members of the Bristol Premier Combination in 1957. St George played in this league winning it five seasons in succession from 1963/64 season to 1967/68 until they joined the Gloucestershire County League on its formation in 1968.

The Sixties was the Golden era for the club as in addition to winning these league titles they also managed to win the Gloucestershire Senior Amateur Cup, five times which included four successive seasons. Success was also found in the FA Amateur Cup when they regularly took on the top amateur clubs in the Country such as Hendon, Dagenham, Hayes and Leytonstone in front of crowds numbering thousands. St George won the County league in 1969/70 and was runners-up twice before a gradual decline in fortunes until in 1987 the club were expelled from the league due to sub standard facilities. A return to the Premier Combination saw a brief improvement resulting in winning the Premier Division in 1992/93. With no promotion gained the club nosedived and were in danger of folding when Roman Glass stepped in.

Roman Glass originated as a street team called Wyndham Wanderers in 1960 and played in the Bristol Church of England League and then joined the Bristol & District League in 1974. The club enjoyed moderate success gradually climbing the leagues and in 1980 changed its name to Roman Glass. The club began to decline until in 1990 Roger Hudd took over as manager and steered them to win the Division 4 title the club continued to improve gaining successive promotions until the amalgamation in 1995.

Roman Glass St George in the Premier Combination immediately gained success, winning promotion to the Premier Division that season and then winning that league in 1998/99 season to earn promotion to the County League. The club won the County league in 2001/02 and then season 2006/07 which resulted in promotion to the Toolstation (Western) League, a league the club last played in, in 1935.

Following Promotion to step 5 of the pyramid Roman glass st George FC had 2 Seasons in the Toolstation Western league Premier division and now due to the restructure, compete in the Hellenic Premier Division.

## 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 this 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 had four games on 11 October which we've reviewed to reflect on our fortunes over the years.

#### 11 October 2008

Tuffley Rovers produced a good display to bring Berkeley Town's good start to the 2008/09 season to a halt, as they returned to Tuffley with a 3-1 win under their belts.

Rovers opened the scoring after 12 minutes with a simple tap in by Chris Lee from close range, and then went further ahead when Stuart Griffith netted a second on 28 minutes. Just before the break Matt Bryant pulled a goal back for Berkeley, but a second from Griffith just three minutes into the second half gave the visitors a two goal cushion, which they defended well until the final whistle.

**Squad:** Adam Bennett; Lee Wallington; Marcus Foxwell; Martin Middlecote; Patrick Boyd; Ben Surman; Stuart Griffith; Jamie Harper; Shayne Bradley; Christopher Lee; Peter Thomas. **Subs used**: Imran Parekh; Daniel Gillespie; Warren Mann.

#### 11 October 2014

Tuffley Rovers brushed aside Letcombe to record a second successive win in the Uhlsport Hellenic League, Division One (West), keeping alive their good start to the season and keeping them in pursuit of a potential promotion place.

Goals from Brett James, Steve Bick, Shayne Bradley and Marcus Foxwell carried Warren Evans' side to a comfortable 4-0 win that took The Rovers to 16 points from a possible 21 since the start of the 2013/14 season.

**Squad:** Aaron Taylor; Marcus Foxwell; Stuart Griffith; Ashley Davies; Glenn Gittins; Sam Drew; Steve Bick; Warren Mann; Shayne Bradley; Mark Ford; Brett James. **Subs used:** Jordan Dowdeswell; Elliot King.

#### 11 October 2016

Having exited the Perpetua Press, Hellenic League Floodlit Cup at the first attempt in the past two seasons, Tuffley Rovers completed a hat-trick of first round defeats, as they were comprehensively defeated by an impressive Thatcham Town at Glevum Park.

Despite holding their visitors 0-0 at half-time, Rovers succumbed to a 3-0 defeat following second half goals from Josh Helmore (2) and Jemel Johnson, with the disappointment compounded when debutant Gareth Jones was sent-off for violent conduct to leave Mark Pritchett's side with 10 men.

**Squad:** Dave Evans; Sam Hill; Tristan Haswell; Ashley Davies; Courtney Hamilton; Ben Tunnicliff; Ryan Dobbins; Harry Walker; Gareth Jones; Liam Wright; Jamie Goodwin. **Subs used:** Brett James; Keiron Mace; Mark Pritchett.

#### 11 October 2022

Tuffley Rovers eased their way into the 3<sup>rd</sup> Round of the Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup, as they returned from Lydney Town off the back of a 4-0 win that featured on excellent performance from new signing Joey Haswell, who had signed from Cinderford Town and netted a brace on his first appearance. Further goals from Dominik Kent and Dan Beasley made it a perfect night for Rovers' boss Neil Mustoe.

**Squad:** Elliot Jones; Paul Azubilla; Warren Mann; Kieran Squires; Macaulay Herbert; Dominik Kent; Joey Haswell; Henry Birkett; Ryan Dobbins; Kieran Alder; Mason Lewis. **Subs used:** Daniel Beasley; Callum McGuirk; Luke Hawkins; Shayne Bradley; George Driver-Dickerson.

# PREVIOUSLY AGAINST TODAY'S OPPOSITION AT GLEVUM PARK

We hosted today's visitors in a Hellenic League Premier Division fixture at Glevum Park back in January 2022, having recorded a first win in 2 ½ months, which was the first of Neil Mustoe's reign as manager. Unfortunately, despite the backing from a healthy crowd in attendance the visitors proved too strong for us on that occasion...

#### UHSLPORT HELLENIC LEAGUE, PREMIER DIVISION TUFFLEY ROVERS 0-3 ROMAN GLASS ST GEORGE TUESDAY, 11 JANUARY 2022

Photographs courtesy of Brian Rossiter



"One swallow does not a summer make" is an old expression. In football parlance that could be translated as "one victory does not a recovery make". Ultimately, despite a performance of spirit and enthusiasm, Rovers were unable to overcome a Roman Glass team that was far too streetwise to be picked off the way Shrivenham had been three days earlier.

Manager Neil Mustoe kept faith with the team which had started against Shrivy apart from bringing in Sam Mendes for the unavailable Ashley Davies. The visitors had already beaten Tuffley 4-1 at Almondsbury two months earlier and were looking to add to the five previous occasions this season in which they had picked up all three points in away league fixtures, one of which had been a commendable 3-1 win at Brimscombe & Thrupp in November.

Just as on Saturday, Rovers were awarded a free-kick on the right in the opening minute, but this time it did not lead to a dramatic start to the match. The opening minutes were rather frantic with the ball pinging around to all corners of the pitch. Roman Glass made some early inroads down the right, in which the speed and close ball control of Aaron Goulty was a feature and he would have plenty more to contribute as the opening half continued.

The Glass won a corner on the left but sixty seconds later Rovers had a corner on the right after a strong run down the left by Lewis Bainbridge. Another sixty seconds later and the visitors won another corner on the left and when Lewis Leigh-Gilchrist's flagkick came across Ciaran Greening was unchallenged as he jumped to head the ball firmly into the net before home goalkeeper Jack Copland knew what was happening.



Goulty's trickery soon won his team a free-kick just outside the penalty-area on the left. The ball was whipped in and as Copland struggled to claim it Loui Ward pounced to drive the loose ball into the roof of the net.



It would soon get even worse for the hosts. Another trip on Goulty, by Mendes, saw a spot-kick awarded but Copland chose the right way and dived low to his right to make a thrilling save from the penalty-kick. Joel White was quickest to the rebound and cleared the ball to safely as Roman Glass players closed in.

Shortly before the half-time break Rovers had a decent chance to pull a goal back but Jacob Geddes could only direct his header wide of the posts when Josh Aldridge's free-kick came in from the left.

The visitors brought on Shacquille Smith and Jake White at the start of the second half and it wasn't long before Rovers put Joe Shutt on in place of Liam Wright.

Lewis Bainbridge, who had been involved in much of Rovers' attacking play, found another opportunity to cut in from the left but fired over the crossbar and his evening was soon over when Jack Beardsell replaced him. Rovers' final throw of the substitution dice came when Jamal Lawrence came on for Joel White. There was a chance shortly after, when a delightful through-pass sent Shutt through on goal but Ross Grimshaw came off his line quickly to block the ball.



The Glass were nowhere near as threatening as they had been in the in the first half but could still move the ball around quickly with Goulty still seeing a lot of the action. He would be involved in the final decisive act of the evening when Shutt tripped him to concede another penalty. Goulty took this one himself and drove the ball confidently past Copland's right-hand side.

Rovers won a late corner but the ball was cleared and the game was over. Was this a surprise result? Not really. The defensive deficiencies Rovers had shown in the weeks leading up to this match were again apparent, but the players worked hard and there was no shame in losing to good opponents who were strong in defence and inventive in attack, with Goulty being their Man of the Match by a considerable margin. The Glass look very comfortable in mid



-table but Tuffley know that they still have plenty to do to ensure that they are still playing in the same division next season. On a cold evening, this was a pretty decent match to watch and an excellent crowd of over a hundred for a midweek game indicated that the locals thought so too.



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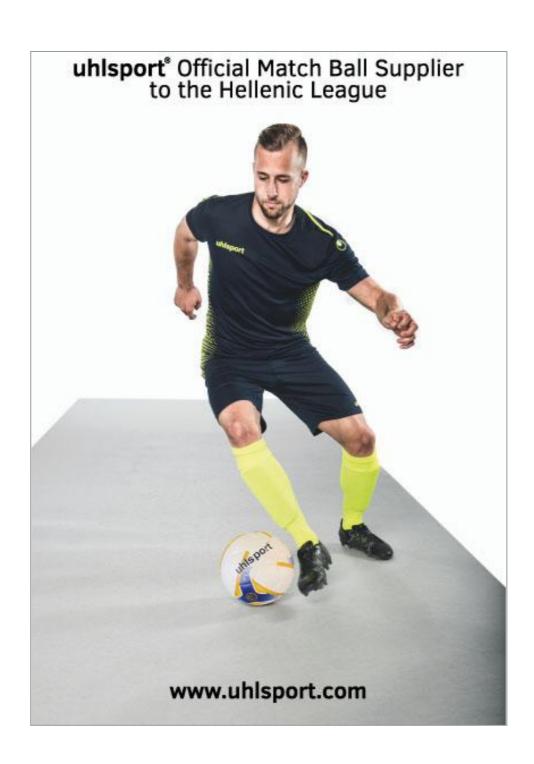
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