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EDITOR'S COMMENT

I want to extend a warm welcome to our visitors from Street today, particularly their committee and supporters. I'd also like to say a big thank you to the match officials and every single person at Glevum Park today.

We have a chance to equal a club record today, as no Tuffley Rovers team has gone further than the Second Round Proper in the FA Vase competition, but we've fallen at this hurdle many times before and so no-one will be taking anything for granted, as we host what promises to be a competitive tie.

Our form is much improved, so we should bring confidence into the fixture and I hope that, whatever the outcome, it is a good game, hopefully played in better weather than our midweek game against Chipping Sodbury Town!

These last couple of seasons have been tough but this run of home games is starting to repair much of the damage done and I, for one, can't wait for this game today.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the fixture today. I wish you a safe journey home.

Our next home first team fixture will be against Westbury United next Saturday, although we will host an U18s fixture at Glevum Park this coming Thursday (7:45pm v Stourport Swifts).

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CHAIRMAN'S COMMENT

Good afternoon and welcome to Glevum Park.

Today we welcome Street Football Club to Glevum Park in the FA Vase, in what we all hope will be a good game of football. All of us at Tuffley Rovers wish all of their officials, supporters and players the warmest of welcomes and hope that they not only enjoy the football, but also our hospitality and facilities.

Our last few games have seen us pick up five well earned points and the victory in Tuesday evenings Hellenic League game against Chipping Sodbury in some challenging weather conditions, saw us play some expansive football and in the right way.

Without wishing to curse them, Coxy, Ritchie and Dave have now got the lads playing a style of football that we as a club have been looking for for some time now. There is a good buzz about this group and I hope this continues long into the future. With the hard work that our Development & Under 18s managers and coaches are putting in aswell, we can certainly see a talent pipeline of players coming through our youth system and into the senior section.

It is also pleasing to see that our investment into a well overdue replacement drainage system has started to already pay dividends in terms of the pitch being in a much better place than it has of years gone by. Already this season we have had games go ahead, that just last season, would have not stood up to the conditions meaning abandonments and postponements. It may still not look the finished article, but we are confident that with time and attention, this will mean we have a drainage system and pitch that for many years to come will be one of the best in Gloucestershire.

I would like to thank not only our wider committee for the commitment to this, whilst also trying to keep the football club, business and employees sustainable throughout the most challenging 18 months for all of us, but to all of the volunteers, members and supporters for doing their bit for the club through not just the good times but more importantly the tougher times.

Have a great afternoon and a safe journey home.

- Dan

Dan Boon
Football Chairman #uptherovers

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MANAGER'S COMMENT

Welcome all to Glevum Park for our FA Vase fixture v Street.

Firstly I am delighted we have a home tie, after months of no action it's great to have another opportunity to play in our own back yard and hopefully we can make home advantage count.

We've had two positive results in the last 7 days but not only have we picked up points but we've played some excellent football and credit must go to the players who have executed game plans effectively.

Although we don't know much about today's opponents, like every team at this level they will come with their threats and it's important we nullify these whilst also trying to stamp our authority on the game in order to get the result we want.

As always, thanks for your continued support.

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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. 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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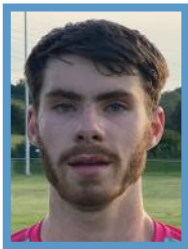
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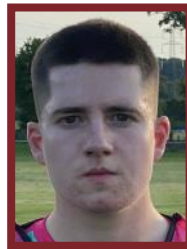
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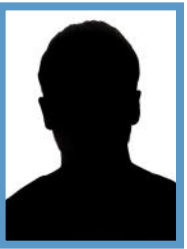
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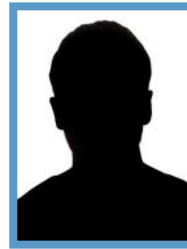
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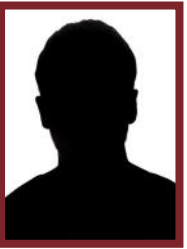
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STREET FC



LIAM NORRIS

Goalkeeper:

Good shot-stopper who joined the club in 2019 from Wincanton Town - can also play up front if needed!



DRAGOS OJOG

Goalkeeper:

Local lad working his way up through the club's ranks who will improve further with more game time



KAM ANDREWS

Midfield:

Captain. A robust, attack-minded playmaker who scores plenty of goals. Joined from Bridport in 2019



JAMES REGAN

Defence::

A quality young left or right full-back who joined this season from divisional rivals Bridport



LEIGH BAILEY

Defence:

An experienced player in his third spell at the club. Rejoined from Melksham Town in season 2019-20



ELLIOT HEGARTY

Defence:

A popular local lad and a very talented central defender who, hopefully, has a big future ahead of him!



JOSH PHILLIPS

Defence:

A promising young signing this season who'll make a big impact - certainly one to keep an eye on in the future!



CALLUM CORBRIDGE

Defence:

A promising young defender who joined this season from Yeovil Town's academy



TOBY DAVEY

Defence/Midfield:

A popular local lad promoted from the reserve team after several excellent performances. Utility player



ANELE NCUBE

Defence:

A product of the Yeovil Town FC academy who can play anywhere he's asked to across the back line

the cobblers



LUCAS KYSELICA

Midfield:

A strong, skilful midfielder who joined the club this season after moving to the area from Slovakia



DAN PEACH

Midfield:

Signed in 2020-21 from Axminster Town - where he was club captain. He has also played for Bridport FC



OLLY PEARSON

Defence/Midfield:

A player with bags of Western League experience - who's been added to the club's coaching / management team



BRAD SHEPHARD

Midfield:

A reliable utility player now back in senior football after a spell at lower level playing for Pen Mill FC



MAX FAHY

Defence/Midfield:

Another promising youngsters coming up through the ranks from the clubs' U18 and Reserve teams



BEN FOWLES

Midfield:

A promising young central midfielder who joined the club earlier this season from Dorchester Town



JORDAN LOVIBOND

Midfield/Forward:

Joined from Cribbs but he has higher league experience at several clubs in the area



HARRY FOSTER

Forward:

Natural goalscorer who returns this year after a couple of seasons playing (and scoring) for Wells City



FIN SKIVERTON

Forward:

Promoted from our u18 team this year. He has also played - and scored - for Yeovil Town's first team in the SPC



KYLE STRANGE

Forward:

Extremely resilient player and a very popular local lad with well over 100 Street FC goals to his name already

**UHLSPORT HELLENIC LEAGUE, PREMIER DIVISION
TUFFLEY ROVERS 3-1 CHIPPING SODBURY TOWN
TUESDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2021**



For the second Tuesday evening in a row Rovers would play host to a club two points and two places below them in the Hellenic Premier table. It would also, as with Calne Town seven days earlier, be an opponent Tuffley had already beaten in their away league fixture, 3-2 at The Ridings on the 4th of September. A third coincidence was that the Sods, like Calne, had also lost a Saturday home match before travelling to Gloucester in the following midweek. But statistics alone don't determine results. Both clubs needed points quickly to move away from the division's bottom three.

Considering how handicapped they were by having to play their first eleven League and Cup matches of the season away from their Glevum Park home, Rovers have three wins and three draws from the seven matches since their short-term exile ended with the latest of those victories coming with a disciplined and composed performance as they brushed aside Chipping Sodbury Town in the most foul weather conditions imaginable.

Rovers kept faith with the defence which had taken a point from Bishops Cleeve three days earlier and another shut-out would have been achieved had it not been for Connor Waldon's late consolation goal for the visitors.

The Sods optimistically appealed for a penalty inside the opening minute but it was the hosts who threatened more early on. Joe Shutt had an early attempt blocked but when the same player raced on to a sublime through-pass from Joel White which took out the left full-back completely he could only watch in despair as his crisp shot crashed against a post before rebounding to safety.

At the other end Abdul Tankora, who was lively and innovative all evening, had the visitors' first serious attempt on goal but he dragged his shot wide. A shot from Waldon soon followed, which Jack Copland saved low down, the first of many excellent saves by the young goalkeeper in the first half alone. Kye Simpson was the next visiting player to threaten but his good work down the left was wasted when his cross went past several players before being cleared.

Rovers' build-up play had been patient and it wasn't a surprise when they opened the scoring. Aaron Basford made progress on the left but his shot ricocheted into the path of Brennan Denness-Barrett who placed his shot carefully to goalkeeper Luke Roberts' right and into the net.

Shortly after Joe Aldridge's free-kick had cleared the crossbar as Rovers sought to increase their lead, Chipping Sodbury were awarded a free-kick in a central position twenty yards from goal. Tankora's shot was saved but as the goalkeeper recovered to claim the ball Waldon fell to the ground claiming a penalty-kick and was so incensed that his claim was turned down that he was cautioned by referee Paul Herbert for his over-exuberant protest.

Sodbury threatened more once the half-hour mark had passed. From Keane Ashwood's free-kick on the right, Matty Jenkins powered in a header from close range but Copland reacted instinctively and majestically to parry the ball up into the air, after which it was cleared for a corner. Jack then raced off his line a couple of minutes later to smother the ball as Simpson was poised to flick it past him. That save protected Rovers' lead until the interval.



Copland made another fine save from Simpson early in the second half, a crucial stop as it turned out because instead of being 1-1 it was almost immediately 2-0 to Rovers as Lewis Bainbridge cut in from the left and saw his deflected shot fly past Roberts.

A third home goal soon followed. Jamal Lawrence received a throw-in on the left, accelerated past the defender who was confronting him and played the ball carefully across the six-yard box. Denness-Barrett took one touch to control the ball and his second smashed it past Roberts into the net.

Copland's evening of agility and concentration continued as he parried Simpson's fierce shot; Waldon was following up but could only put his header just the wrong side of the upright.



Both teams made substitutions as the rain lashed down harder than ever. Jacob Geddes had a tame shot which Roberts dealt with easily but as the rain finally eased in the closing minutes Chipping Sodbury pulled a goal back. Waldon found himself in space mid-way inside the Rovers half and dragged the ball a little to the right before firing in an explosive shot with his right foot which even Copland could not reach but there was no shame in that because his handling, distribution and agility had already been a key feature of the evening's action.

So Rovers moved up into 15th position in the table and left Chipping Sodbury looking nervously over their shoulders at the three clubs below them. Considering that only three of Tuffley's thirteen league fixtures so far have been home games, they can be pretty satisfied that they have collected sixteen points and know that another couple of wins are quite likely to take them into the top ten, which would have seemed a long way off after they had started the season with three successive away defeats.

Statistics 2021/22

Competition

Uhsport Hellenic Premier Division, unless stated

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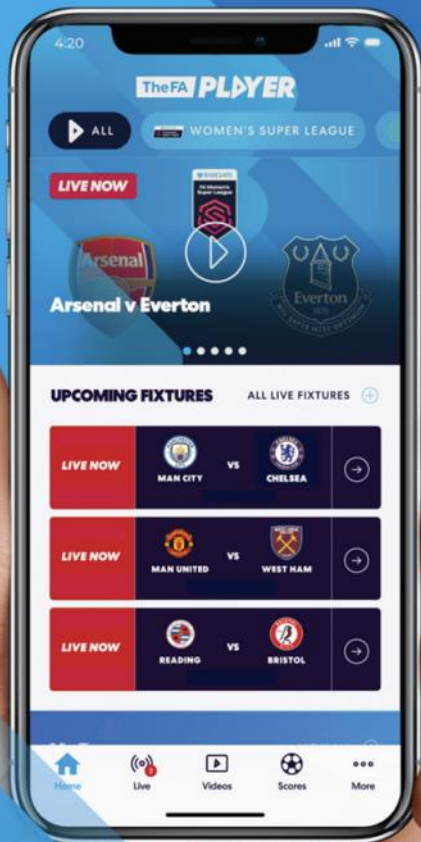
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		Att	Scorers	
2021				
03/Aug	7:45pm	Thornbury Town	A L 1-2	134 J Lawrence
08/Aug	3pm	Windsor FC	FAC H W 3-2	193 J Swales, D Kent, A Basford
14/Aug	3pm	Corsham Town	A L 0-2	60 -
21/Aug	3pm	Flackwell Heath	FAC H D 2-2	78 M Herbert, L Price
24/Aug	7:45pm	Flackwell Heath	FACr A L 0-6	139 -
28/Aug	3pm	Shrivenham	A L 2-3	65 O.G., W Mann
30/Aug	3pm	Longlevens	A D 2-2	87 D Ellis-Clark, A Basford
04/Sep	3pm	Chipping Sodbury Town	A W 3-2	52 L Bainbridge, A Basford, B Denness-Barrett
08/Sep	7:45pm	Calne Town	A W 2-1	92 L Bainbridge, B Denness-Barrett
11/Sep	3pm	Malmesbury Victoria	FAV A W 4-2	83 H Morgan (2), L Price, L Bainbridge
18/Sep	3pm	Brimscombe & Thrupp	A L 1-5	102 B Denness-Barrett
25/Sep	3pm	Fleet Spurs	FAV H W 3-2	82 O.G., J Shutt, J Geddes
02/Oct	3pm	Bradford Town	H W 1-0	71 J Shutt
05/Oct	7:45pm	Malvern Town	A D 3-3	174 J Lawrence, J Shutt, A Woodall
09/Oct	3pm	Hereford Lads Club	A L 1-9	106 B Denness-Barrett
12/Oct	7:45pm	Calne Town	H D 1-1	87 J Lawrence
16/Oct	3pm	Bishops Cleeve	A D 0-0	70 -
19/Oct	7:45pm	Chipping Sodbury Town	H W 3-1	56 B Denness-Barrett (2), L Bainbridge
23/Oct	3pm	Street FC	FAV H	
26/Oct	7:45pm	Westfields	A	
30/Oct	3pm	Westbury United	H	
03/Nov	7:45pm	Roman Glass St. George	A	
06/Nov	3pm	Thornbury Town	H	
09/Nov	7:45pm	Malvern Town	H	
13/Nov	3pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	H	
16/Nov	7:45pm	Cheltenham Saracens	H	
23/Nov	3pm	Cribbs FC	A	
27/Nov	3pm	Fairford Town	H	
04/Dec	3pm	Lydney Town	A	
11/Dec	3pm	Roman Glass St. George	H	
18/Dec	3pm	Corsham Town	H	
27/Dec	1pm	Longlevens	H	
2022				
02/Jan	3pm	Brimscombe & Thrupp	H	
08/Jan	3pm	Shrivenham	H	
15/Jan	3pm	Bradford Town	A	
22/Jan	3pm	Bishops Cleeve	H	
29/Jan	3pm	Hereford Lads Club	H	
05/Feb	3pm	Hallen	H	
12/Feb	3pm	Westfields	H	
19/Feb	3pm	Westbury United	A	
26/Feb	3pm	Cribbs FC	H	
05/Mar	3pm	Royal Wootton Bassett Town	A	
12/Mar	3pm	Lydney Town	H	
19/Mar	3pm	Fairford Town	A	
26/Mar	3pm	Hallen	A	

Goalscorers	
Denness-Barrett, Brennan	4
Basford, Aaron	3
Bainbridge, Lewis	3
Shutt, Joe	3
Price, Lucas	2
Morgan, Harry	2
Lawrence, Jamal	2
O.G.	2
Swales, Josh	1
Kent, Dominik	1
Herbert, Macaulay	1
Mann, Warren	1
Ellis-Clark, Dion	1
Geddes, Jacob	1
Woodall, Archie	1

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STREET FC - IN BRIEF

Founded in 1880, **Street Football Club** is one of the oldest Association Football clubs in Somerset and were given the nickname 'The Cobblers' due to the large shoemaking industry in the village and surrounding area.

Playing at county level for the first quarter of its history, the Club won the Somerset Senior League 5 times and the Somerset FA Senior Cup 3 times before making its first foray into the Western League a few seasons before the onset of World War One.

For the remainder of the 20th century Street FC yo-yoed between the Western League and the Somerset Senior League winning a few honours along the way. The Club also had its best FA Cup runs during this period by reaching the First Round Proper twice, once either side of World War Two; in 1938 away to Ipswich Town and 1947 at Cheltenham Town - after beating Yeovil Town 2-1 in front of a record 5,000 crowd at The Victoria Field in the previous round.

The closest the Club came to winning the Western League Championship during the 20th century was in season 1952-53 when they were pipped to the title by Barnstaple Town, who had a 0.01 better goal average after the sides had finished level on 44 points each. However, leaner times returned and the Club soon found itself back at county level once more.

Season 1996-97 saw the Club win the Somerset Senior League for a record eighth time, thus gaining promotion

back to the Western League after a 37-year absence. Ten years later, after gaining promotion to the Premier Division in season 2005-06, the Club had its best run in The FA Vase when reaching the Fifth Round Proper before losing at Wimborne Town.

After finishing as Premier Division Runners-up the previous season, the 2017-18 campaign was the Club's 50th in the Western League, and was a momentous one too! Early results were inconsistent: but starting on 12th September, manager Richard Fey's charges completed a sensational run of **26 consecutive league victories** that eventually saw the team win the title by 15 points (falling just one point short of the century) after winning 32 of their 38 games and scoring 100 goals, thus earning a place in the Southern Football League for the first time in the Club's 138-year history.

However, 2018-19 was to be the only season at the higher level for the Club as it soon became clear that Southern League football was a 'step too far': and despite a respectable seventh-place finish, the decision was taken to protect the long-term future of the Club and return to the Toolstation Western League.

For the last two truncated seasons (and now in 2021-22) the Club has changed emphasis and has recruited a management team and squad that focusses more on youth and player development and progression...



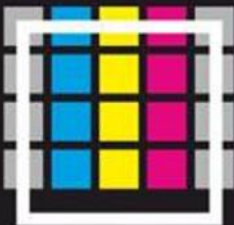
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Appearance information

Up to and including Tuesday, 19 October 2021

(Includes selected list of former players)

After starting this season with a much changed squad, it has been great to see so many players either reaching or approaching landmarks, whether that is 50, 100 or more first team appearances.

Warren Mann leads the way in appearances for our current squad, as he approaches a staggering 450 appearances for the first team at Step 7 and above, but we have recent seen Dom Kent and Liam Wright make it to 100 first team appearances and there are several more players who will soon make it to 50 or 100 games.

Warren is also the second highest goalscorer at this level, behind Shayne Bradley, but he'll need to go some to beat Shayne's total, as he trails by 26 and only has one goal this season!

Name	Apps	Goals	Name	Name	Goals
Aldridge, Josh	8	0	Kent, Dominik	100	15
Bainbridge, Lewis	47	9	Lawrence, Isaac	24	1
Basford, Aaron	16	3	Lawrence, Jamal	5	3
Bradley, Shayne	230	106	Lomotey, Yeshaya	5	0
Brain, Callum	5	0	Mann, Warren	442	80
Butler, Matt	3	0	McKinnon, Rudi	22	1
Clark, Adam	13	0	McNally, Laurie	7	0
Copland, Jack	7	0	Mendes, Sam	12	0
Davis, Felix	0	0	Morgan, Harry	18	3
Denness-Barrett, Brennan	8	6	Parsisson, Jake	1	0
Ellis-Clark, Dion	12	1	Price, Lucas	12	2
Foxwell, Marcus	302	32	Pritchett, Mark	130	20
Geddes, Jacob	25	2	Romais, Billy	5	0
Hailwood, Ben	3	0	Shutt, Joe	46	11
Hamilton, Courtney	178	6	Shyamapant, Tomos	1	0
Haswell, Tristan	97	1	Smith, Liam	11	0
Herbert, Macaulay	218	8	Swales, Josh	7	1
Hill, Sam	120	8	Thompson, Antoine	63	1
Hunt, Ollie	7	1	Walker, Harry	67	6
Idowu, Jerry	14	0	White, Joel	91	4
James, Brett	184	63	Woodall, Archie	7	1
James, Richard	125	40	Yussuf, Demilade	1	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.

Congratulations, Dominik – 100 appearances! The story so far...

Dominik Kent became the latest Rover to make it to 100 appearances for the club when he appeared in our midweek victory over Chipping Sodbury Town, having first appeared in a heavy defeat against Royal Wootton Bassett Town on the opening day of the 2018/19 playing season.



Dom's debut was in a 1-6 defeat away at Royal Wootton Bassett Town in the UHlsport Hellenic League in 2018/19.



By the end of 2018/19 Dom was a regular in the squad and regular contributing a steady supply of goals. Here he is seen celebrating a goal against Easington Sports in January 2020.






In 100 appearances, Dom has netted fifteen goals, with his best return eight goals, in thirty-five appearances in his debut season.

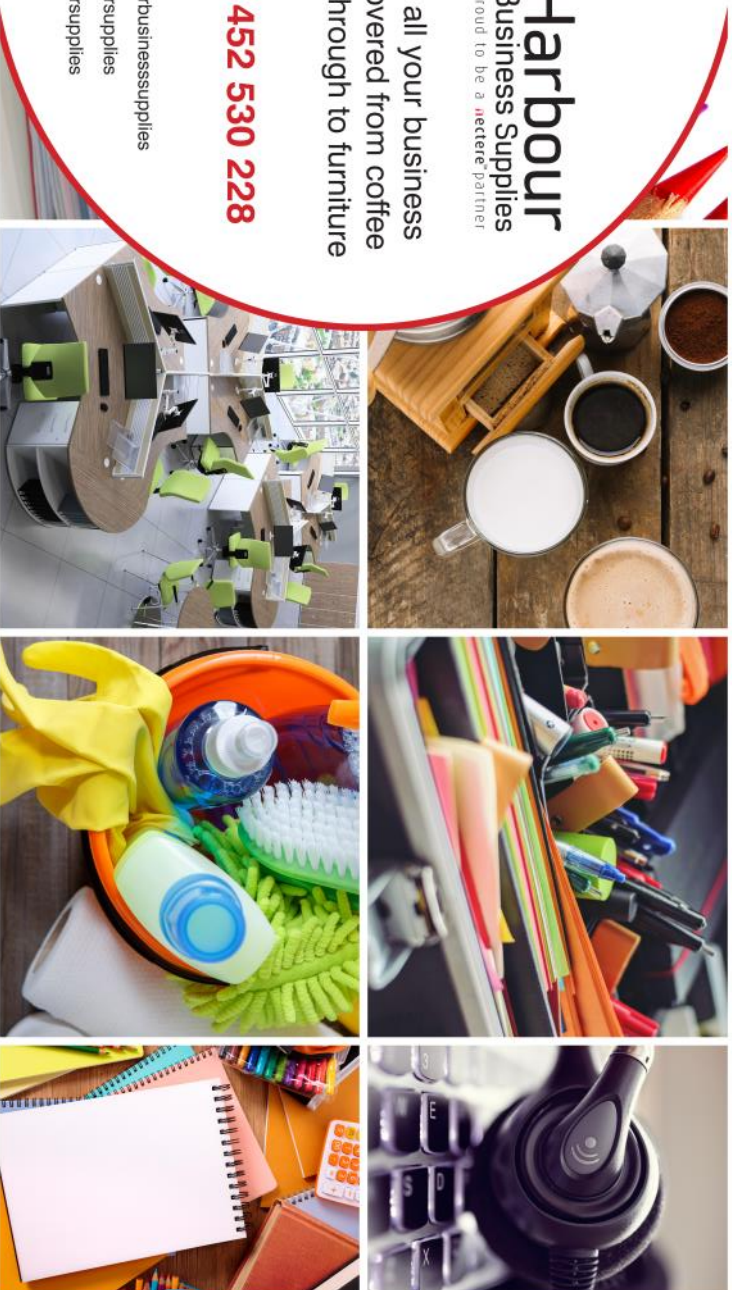
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Half-time quiz: Break for five

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 this week we focus on answers related to the word “street” ...

1. Which current Premier League club used to play their home fixtures at Filbert Street?

2. Here is a former Crewe Alexandra player - who made appearances for several Football League clubs, including Bristol Rovers and Shrewsbury Town – with the surname Street. What is his first name – Colin, Kevin, Kim or Karl?



3. Former England captain and striker Wayne Rooney once hosted a show on Sky One, which ran for three series, called what?

4. This player (pictured) once said: “I’d call myself a street footballer, that’s where I learned my tricks”. Who is he?



5. Rustu Recber Street and Hakan Sukur Street are situated in the country for which the two players commemorated made a combined total of 232 international appearances. Which country is that?

Quiz Answers: (1) Leicester City; (2) Kevin; (3) Street Striker; (4) Jadon Sancho; (5) Turkey.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR FA VASE

Twenty-nine years ago, in 1992, Tuffley Rovers AFC played a first ever FA Vase tie, away at Calne Town, and won 4-1. We are now in our 21st year competing in what is now The Buildbase FA Vase and today will be our 35th tie.

This is our eight fixture in the First Round Proper and we have twice recorded victories at this stage, to take us through to the Second Round, which is our best run in the competition. A win today will take us to our joint best performance, matching 1994, when we eventually went out to Westbury United, and the 2016 campaign when we lost 2-0 against Bodmin Town.

Today's opposition, Street FC, have fared rather better, in terms of a single campaign, since first competing 1998, having reached the fifth round in 2006/07. However, they haven't gone past this stage since 2008/09, losing on penalties against Brockenhurst in the First Round Proper last year.

Courtesy of the Football Club History Database, our FA Vase history:

1992-93	EP	CALNE TOWN	A	4-1	
	PRE	CHIPPENHAM TOWN	H	1-0	
	1	WELTON ROVERS	A	0-2	
1993-94	EP	KEYNSHAM TOWN	H	1-4	
	1994-95	PRE	CIRENCESTER TOWN	A	3-1
1		WOTTON ROVERS	H	2-1	
2		WESTBURY UNITED	A	1-4	
1995-96	2Q	SHORTWOOD UNITED	A	1-3	
	1996-97	1Q	OLD GEORGIANS	A	0-4
1997-98		2Q	FAIRFORD TOWN	H	1-2
1998-99	2Q	TRURO CITY	H	0-1	
1999-00	1Q	MINEHEAD TOWN	A	2-1	
	2Q	WILLAND ROVERS	A	0-1	
2000-01	2Q	ILFRACOMBE TOWN	A	3-0	
	1	LYMINGTON & NEW MILTON	H	0-2	
2001-02	2Q	WELLINGTON (SOMERSET)	H	2-1	
	1	MONEYFIELDS	A	0-5	
2002-03	2Q	CULLOMPTON RANGERS	H	3-1	
	1	CHRISTCHURCH	A	2-4	
2003-04	1Q	PORTHLEVEN	H	1-2	
2004-05	1Q	BRISLINGTON	A	0-1	
2005-06	1Q	HAMWORTHY UNITED	A	SCR	
2014-15	2Q	EVERSLEY & CALIFORNIA	A	3-3	- Tuffley Rovers won 6-5 on penalties
	1	PLYMOUTH PARKWAY	A	1-4	
2015-16	1Q	CHERTSEY TOWN	A	1-5	
2016-17	2Q	ARDLEY UNITED	H	4-1	
	1	SHERBORNE TOWN	H	4-0	
	2	BODMIN TOWN	H	0-2	
2017-18	1Q	CRAWLEY GREEN	A	1-2	
2018-19	2Q	LONGLEVENS	A	0-0	
	2Qr	LONGLEVENS	H	0-1	
2019-20	1Q	SHORTWOOD UNITED	A	0-5	
2020-21	1Q	CLANFIELD	A	0-2	
2021-22	1Q	MALMESBURY VICTORIA	A	4-2	
	2Q	FLEET SPURS	H	3-2	

Our overall record in the competition is:

Tuffley Rovers	P	W	D	L	F	A
	34	12	2	20	48	70

THE BUILDBASE FA VASE, SECOND QUALIFYING ROUND

TUFFLEY ROVERS 3-2 FLEET SPURS

SATURDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2021



A much-changed Tuffley Rovers team took to the field for a serious competitive match at their own home for the first time since they had played Ardley United 361 days earlier. Repair work to the Glevum Park pitch had seen Rovers play their opening seven league fixtures of 2021-22 away from home in addition to three cup-ties and one cup replay which were also played away from Gloucester.

Hampshire club Fleet Spurs arrived having endured a difficult time since their transfer from the Combined Counties League to Division One of the Wessex League. Just a single point from their opening seven league fixtures, four of which had been lost by five-goal margins, were not encouraging statistics to bring up to Gloucestershire with them.

Teams who have never met before tend to sound each other out during the opening minutes of a match. Unfortunately, this sounding-out lasted for almost the whole of a first half which was pretty tedious to watch even if it did contain a couple of goals. By contrast, the second half was much better and contained most of this game's major incidents and talking-points.

Fleet got the game going kicking towards the changing-room end but Rovers had the better of the opening exchanges until Aaron Basford went down injured but was able to continue without being treated on the pitch. Tuffley dominated the early possession with Dominik Kent having a really positive influence in midfield and Liam Wright pinging balls down both flanks for the wide players to run on to, a tactic which would have worked better had the home forwards not been caught in offside positions on several occasions.

The opening goal when it came was as scrappy as the play which had preceded it. Warren Mann made progress down the left and when he cut the ball back towards the near post it appeared to be defender Connor Allison who unluckily diverted the ball into his own net.



The Spurs were struggling to get through Tuffley's defence but, when they did, Khoury Taylor missed a decent opportunity when he dragged the ball just wide of the goal. The visitors would soon rue that miss as Rovers won two corners in quick succession. From the second Jacob Geddes powered in a fierce downward header which was first saved then cleared, but the second goal

soon arrived when Kent stole the ball deep on Fleet's left-hand side, burst past his man to the byline and calmly rolled it across to Joe Shutt whose simple side-footed effort went past Aaron Bufton's left side.

Nothing in the first half had really indicated a Fleet comeback from going two goals behind. But within a minute of the resumption they had pulled a goal back. Liam Smith dallied on the ball a second too long and in a flash Fleet centre-forward and captain Tom White had gained possession and clipped a shot across goal which beat Adam Clark and bounced in off the far post.

Rovers nearly restored their two-goal advantage when Geddes strolled forward for another corner and again reached the ball before any defenders but his header was comfortably claimed by Bufton.

The goal by White had given the visiting team belief and confidence they had shown little of before. Ethan Yewings set up White for a right-footed shot which flew over and the Tuffley defence, marshalled superbly by Geddes, found itself having to work hard to keep the visitors at bay. Further up the field Lewis Bainbridge ran clear from just inside his own half but his shot just cleared the far post. The referee called for a water-break when Bainbridge went down injured and he was almost immediately replaced by Dion Ellis-Clark. Fleet replied in kind by taking off Ryan Goddard and replacing him with Larry Briggs; a few minutes later they took Taylor off and brought Rhys Master on.

At the three-quarter point of the match it looked as if the next goal would be decisive whichever way it came. Things were getting tense off the field as well as on it and Rovers' Dave Strain was ordered to leave the dug-out by referee Dan Forrester. Joe Shutt's corner from the left was cleanly caught by Bufton at full stretch but another corner by the same player and from the same side was cleared and saw Fleet break into a menacing position before the assistant's flag alerted the referee to the fact that Shutt's corner had been taken from outside the quadrant. When the corner was re-taken it was third time lucky for Geddes whose header this time fizzed out of Bufton's reach.



Liam Smith went down injured but Rovers had already made all three permitted changes. Ellis-Clark missed a good opportunity to put the tie out of Fleet's reach completely. With time almost up White scored a second for Fleet after a goalmouth scramble and immediately rushed to reclaim the ball as the Spurs looked for an even later goal that might send this tie to penalties.

Rovers hung on to claim a place in the First Round Proper and a decent crowd starved of competitive football at this ground for just short of a year had ultimately enjoyed an absorbing contest in which the second half was a lot better than the first.

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THE BUILDBASE FA VASE FIRST ROUND PROPER

SATURDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2021 — 3PM KICK OFF

TUFFLEY ROVERS

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STREET FC

Claret & Blue shirts; Claret & Blue shorts;
Claret & White socks (GK: Grey)

Jack Copland	1
Laurie McNally	2
Lewis Bainbridge	3
Jacob Geddes ©	4
Xander Jones	5
Dominik Kent	6
Joe Shutt	7
Liam Smith	8
Aaron Basford	9
Liam Wright	10
Sam Mendes	11
Harry Morgan	12
Warren Mann	14
Yeshaya Lomotey	15
Dion Ellis Clark	16
Adam Clark	17
	18

Green shirts; White shorts; Green socks
(GK: Purple).

Liam Norris ©
Anele Ncube
Callum Corbridge
Leigh Bailey
Elliot Heggarty
Toby Davey
Dan Peach
Josh Phillips
Kyle Strange
Jordan Lovibond
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Korey Andrews
Finn Skiverton
Luke Newman

Rich Cox

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Nik Andrews / Jason Behan

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Asst. Manager

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