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# Welcome

On behalf of every one connected with Dorchester Town F.C. we extend a very warm welcome to The Clayson Stadium our loyal fans and of course to our opponents and their travelling officials and supporters. We hope that you will all enjoy the match with us today and we wish our visitors a safe journey home from Dorset.

## Cross Talk

Good afternoon to everyone who has come along to watch today's opening Evo-Stik Southern League Premier Division South encounter against Metropolitan Police, our first competitive fixture on our new 4G pitch.

Pre-season has come and gone, and it produced a real mixed bag of results and performances. It all began with good positive results at Saltash United and Portland United, and they were followed by a sound performance in the opening home friendly on the new 4G pitch against Football League side Plymouth Argyle which ended goalless. Next came two tough home encounters, also against higher league opposition, in the shape of Yeovil Town and Torquay United, which were both deservedly won by the visitors, with The Magpies producing hard working performances in both games. Sadly the final pre-season game produced what was by all accounts a very poor performance at Winchester City, who trounced The Magpies 5-1,

and although the results of these games are not that important, nonetheless you do not expect a heavy defeat like that against a club who play in a league below us!

Well whatever the rights and wrongs of those games, they are all behind us now, and we now have to concentrate on the competitive games ahead of us, starting with today's home fixture against Metropolitan Police, which promises to be a tough test of our credentials.

Our line-up contains most of the squad that finished last season, with the additions of goalkeeper Kingsley Latham, on loan for the season from Southampton, Harry Kite on loan from Exeter City for six months, Sean Stewart, who was with Blackfield & Langley last season, Callum Thompson formerly with Launceston, Cameron Murray whose previous clubs include, York City, Farsley Celtic and FC United of Manchester, and who has just relocated to the area, Josh Williams previously in Exeter City's Academy,



**melvin**

Michael Edgar who was with Bashley, Cameron Allen, who is on loan from Bristol Rovers and Ben Morris who made a number of appearances for our reserve side last season. A warm welcome to all.

The beginning of the new season is always hectic, with games coming thick and fast, and this season is no different, with our next game coming on Tuesday at Wimborne Town, KO 7.45pm, and that is followed by another relatively short trip to Salisbury next Saturday, KO 3.00pm. Our next home game is in a fortnight when we entertain Kings Langley KO 3.00pm.

Keep the faith

Up The Magpies

Melvin



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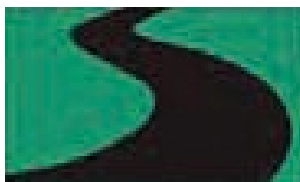
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# Club History



## The Abridged History of Dorchester Town Football Club

1880	Club founded
1896 to 1947	Members of The Dorset League
1947 to 1972	Members of The Western League
1972 to 2004	Members of The Southern League
2004 to 2014	Members of The Conference League South Division
2014 to	Members of The Southern League

### Landmarks

1937/1938	Won The Championship of The Dorset League
1954/1955	Won The Championship of The Western League
1979/1980	Won The Championship of The Southern Division
1983/1984	Relegated from The Southern League Premier Division
1986/1987	Won The Championship of The SL First Division South
2000/2001	Relegated to The Southern League Eastern Division
2002/2003	Won The Championship of The SL Eastern Division
2003/2004	Won a place in The Conference South via Play Offs
2013/2014	Relegated to The Southern League Premier Division

### League Competitions

### Landmarks

1896/1898/1902/1904/1925/1928	Won The Dorchester Charity Cup
1897/1898/1899	Won The Frisby Cup
1911 & 1914	Won The Dorset Junior Cup
1951/1961/1968/1969/1972/1994	Won The Dorset Senior Cup
1996/2001/2003/2007/2011/2012	

### Cup Competitions

### FA Cup

1954/1955	Round 2 P v York City
1957/1958	Round 2 P v Plymouth Argyle
1981/1982	Round 2 P v AFC Bournemouth
2012/2013	Round 2 P v Luton Town

### FA Trophy

1971/1972	Round 3 v Telford United
1996/1997	Round 3 v Woking

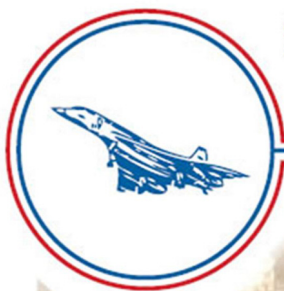
### Southern League Cup

2001/2002	Won The Southern League Cup v King's Lynn
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### Managers Since 1951

1951 – 1953	Reg Gundry	1953 – 1954	Tommy Rowe
1954 – 1959	Ken Bird	1959 – 1960	Arthur Proudler
1960 – 1964	Marcel Gaillard	1964 – 1966	Tommy Brawley
1966 – 1970	Bob Forrest	1970 – 1973	Len Drake
1973 – 1974	Jim Daily	1974	Jim McManus
1974 – 1976	Ronnie Bolton	1976 – 1980	David Best
1980 – 1981	Martin Chivers	1981 – 1984	Stuart Bell
1984 – 1991	Keith Miller	1991	Paul Rodgers
1991 – 1993	Paul Arnold	1993 – 1999	Stuart Morgan
1999 - 2006	Mark Morris	July 2006	Gary Borthwick (Int. Manager)
2006 – 2007	Mick Jenkins	2007 – 2009	Shaun Brooks
Feb. – March 2009	Brian O'Driscoll	March – Nov. 2009	Roy O'Brien
Nov. 2009 – Oct. 2011	Ashley Vickers	Oct. – Nov. 2011	Phil Simkin (Interim Manager)
Dec. 2011 – April 2012	Alan Knight	April 2012 – Aug. 2014	Phil Simkin
Aug. 2014 – Sept. 2014	Stuart Heath (Interim Manager)	Sept. 2014 – Jan. 2015	Graham Kemp
Jan. 2015 – Dec. 2016	Mark Jermyn (Player Manager)	Jan. 2017 - Aug. 2017	Craig Laird
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# Thomo Talks

I would like to start the new season by saying I hope that you all had a good summer break, and managed to find time to enjoy the unusually hot weather that we have all been experiencing. It has certainly caused a headache to a few non-league ground staff up and down the country, and the water that pitches need does not come cheap. As you can see today, that is not an issue for Dorchester Town FC with our newly completed 3G surface.

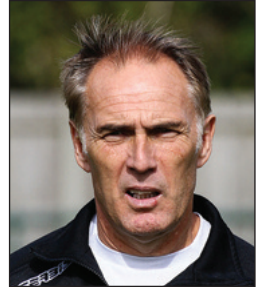
It has certainly been a difficult summer in terms of recruitment. I made no secret of our desire to find an experienced centre forward at the end of last season, however having spoken with six or seven experienced forwards over the summer, either the traveling or the league that we compete in, has been an issue for them. We are a very young squad and hopefully we can find that type of player as the season progresses. On the positive side, we have managed to secure Callum Rose and Kyle Egan, two of our most consistent performers last season, on contracts

As a football manager, you always hope that you can retain your best players during the summer, and without doubt it was a blow to lose Chris Weale to

Exeter City. Chris was very happy at Dorchester, and had told me on a few occasions that he would only leave if a full time coaching opportunity became available. That's exactly what transpired, as Exeter City changed managers, and Chris was offered a full time goalkeeping coaching position. We wish Weale all the best in his new role, and thank him for his consistently good performances, and being such a good role model for the younger players

Talking of younger players, we have taken Kingsley Latham (Southampton) and Harry Kite (Exeter City) on long-term loans. They both have great potential, and as we saw last season with Kyle, Callum, Archie Collins and Jordan Storey, they can develop very quickly playing at this level. Also we have added Sean Stewart and Callum Thompson to the squad. I would like everyone to give all of them a warm welcome to the club.

With regards to injuries at the moment, we are missing Aaron Rodrigues, Ollie Griggs and Harry Kite. We are hoping that Harry will be available for Tuesday, after that horrendous concussion at Winchester. Aaron and Ollie will be more long term, as they recover from a



**steve**

broken foot in the case of Aaron, and an infection that has resulted in Ollie having three operations on his ankle. Let's hope for a quick recovery for both players.

Finally, I would like to welcome all the players, staff, directors and supporters of Metropolitan Police to The Avenue for today's match. I hope your journey down was not affected by the holiday traffic, and would like to wish all the people here today, a safe journey home.

Thomo

## Matt's Message

Good afternoon everyone and welcome back to The Clayson Stadium for our first competitive league game of the season.

I have to say that this year's off season has been extremely busy for everyone associated with our club, with the installation of our new wonderful 3G pitch, the continuous functions that take place at the club on a daily basis, and the general maintenance and work that goes into a stadium before a new season starts, has given everybody plenty to do in a relatively short period of time.

Whilst mentioning the stadium it is clear to see that when something new comes in like a new pitch, it does show very clearly the areas of the stadium that need work and time being spent on them, whether it be decorating, making good or general cleaning up. Can I therefore make a plea that if anyone has any time available, and feels they can help in some way you either let Mark our General Manager know, or myself, or any other Director of the club.

It's been great to attend a number of the pre-season sessions that has meticulously been planned by Steve and the backroom team. All the players have reacted well to the sessions and have worked extremely hard in attending three intense sessions a week. It's also clear to see how well the management team work together, from Steve, Trevor, Emma, Dodge and Del they have all worked extremely hard to make sure that our young squad has had the best possible preparation.

With a young squad, we need to continue to support all our players from today's game through to the last game of the season, so they can feel confident, and to provide a base where our players can express themselves freely and play with plenty of enthusiasm, which I am sure will aid them all in their personal development.

I would also like to wish our young players and managers of Dorchester Town Youth, Kixstart and our Ability Counts teams, Dorchester Town Ladies and of course Yeovil Town Ladies as we welcome them to The Avenue this



**matt**

season. Plenty to look forward to!

I'm sure that if we all continue to work hard as one, and to support our club and team the best way we can then we will see further improvement as we move forward to the new season. Let us therefore cheer on the lads, and hope that we as supporters can help the team make a big difference this year.

UTM

Matt



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## How They Finished

### Leading Goal Scorers

Brandon Goodship	Weymouth	38	(Inc. 3 penalties)
Aaron O'Connor	Kettering Town	32	
Mathew Stevens	Kettering Town	28	(Inc. 2 penalties)
Adam Marriott	Royston Town	27	(Inc. 5 penalties)
John Mills	Hereford	27	(Inc. 7 penalties)
Levi Landricombe	Tiverton Town	24	(Inc. 1 penalty)
Ben Stephens	Stratford Town	22	(Inc. 2 penalties)
Brett Solkhon	Kettering Town	22	(Inc. 10 penalties)
James Dobson	Slough Town	21	
Jefferson Louis	Chesham United	21	(Inc. 3 penalties)
Ben Wright	Basingstoke Town	21	(Inc. 5 penalties)
Perry Coles	Slough Town	20	
Jamie Cureton	Bishop's Stortford	20	(Inc. 1 penalty)
Ian Traylor	Merthyr Town	20	(Inc. 2 penalties)
Sam Smart	Basingstoke Town	19	
Chris Flood	Slough Town	19	(Inc. 1 penalty)

# Evo-Stik League South News

The main news over the close season has been the revamping of the leagues at Step 1 to Step 6 of The Non-League Pyramid, with a key consideration being to reduce the amount of travelling that clubs have to make, thus making the leagues more “geographically friendly”. However as we are members of The Southern League, I will concentrate on that league at Steps 3 and 4.

There are now two Premier Divisions of The Southern League at Step 3, each with twenty-two teams, which is a reduction of two clubs when compared with last season’s Premier Division. First of all there is now a Southern League Central Division at Step 3 which is comprised of clubs in the Midlands and the east of England. Those clubs who were members of The Southern League Premier Division last season, and who are now in this division are: Banbury United, Biggleswade Town, Hitchin Town, Kettering Town, King’s Lynn Town, Redditch United, Royston Town, St. Ives Town, St. Neots Town and Stratford Town. Clubs promoted into this division are: AFC Rushden & Diamonds (ex SLE), Alvechurch (ex NPLS) and Bedworth United (ex NPLS). A number of clubs have been moved laterally into this division, namely: Barwell, (ex NPLP) Coalville Town, (ex NPLP) Halesowen Town, (ex NPLP) Leiston, (ex ILP) Lowestoft Town, (ex ILP) Needham Market, (ex ILP) Rushall Olympic (ex NPLP) and Stourbridge (ex NPLP). One club, Tamworth, has been relegated from NLN.

Next at Step 3 is the division that The Magpies will compete in, The Southern League South, and those clubs who were members of The Southern League Premier Division last season and are now in this division are: Basingstoke Town, Chesham United, Dorchester Town, Farnborough, Frome Town, Gosport Borough, Kings Langley, Merthyr Town, Tiverton Town and Weymouth. Clubs promoted into this division are: Beaconsfield Town (ex SLE), Hartley Wintney (ex SLE), Salisbury (ex SLW), Swindon Supermarine (ex SLW), Taunton Town (ex SLW), Walton Casuals (ILN) and Wimborne Town (ex SLW). Again a number of clubs have been moved laterally into this division namely: Harrow Borough, Hendon, Metropolitan Police and Staines Town (all ex ILP)

At Step 4 there are now two Southern League divisions, as there were last season, East and West, although the number of clubs has been reduced from twenty-two last season to twenty this season, and again there are a number of teams that have been promoted, relegated and moved laterally.

Those clubs who were members of last season’s East Division and remain there are: AFC Dunstable, Aylesbury, Aylesbury United, Barton Rovers, Bedford Town, Cambridge City, Didcot Town, Kempston Rovers and Thame United.

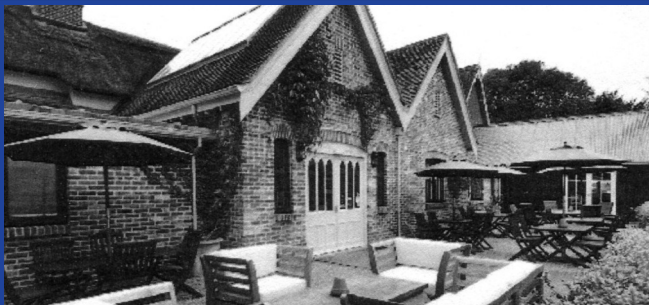
Clubs promoted into this division are: Berkhamsted (ex. SSMP), Bromsgrove Sporting and Coleshill Town (ex. MLP), Welwyn Garden City (ex. SSMP) and Yaxley (ex. UCLP). Again a number of clubs have been moved laterally into this division, and they are: Corby Town (ex. NPLS), Kidlington and North Leigh (ex. SLW), and Peterborough Sports (ex. UCLP). Two clubs have been relegated into this division which are: Dunstable Town (ex. SLP) and Sutton Coldfield Town (ex. NPLP).

Those clubs who were members of last season’s West Division and remain there are: AFC Totton, Barnstaple Town, Bideford, Bristol Manor Farm, Cinderford Town, Cirencester Town, Evesham United, Fleet Town, Larkhall Athletic, Mangotsfield United, Moneyfields, Paulton Rovers, Slimbridge, Winchester City and Yate Town.

Clubs promoted into this division are: Blackfield & Langley (ex. WELP), Highworth Town (ex. HLP), Melksham Town and Street (ex. WLP) and Thatcham Town (ex. HLP).

**Key:** SLE = Southern League East NPLS = Northern Premier League South  
NPLP = Northern Premier League Premier ILP = Isthmian League Premier,  
ILN = Isthmian League North NLN = National League North SSMP = Spartan South Midlands League  
MLP = Midlands League Premier UCLP = United Counties League Premier  
SLW = Southern League West SLP = Southern League Premier WELP = Wessex League Premier  
HLP = Hellenic League Premier and WLP = Western League Premier.





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Our designers who put the said Pyramid Poster together are already thinking ahead a couple of years, and quite how they are going to fit it all in. As you will know, the number of divisions have expanded from this season, with an extra at both Step 3 and Step 4. It's all part of The FA's ongoing restructuring with the system in need of a reshape to fit with modern day life and an emphasis on reducing travelling times and costs. Clearly, it's never going to be perfect. The very shape of our shores mean there will always be clubs on the periphery of boundaries. Even with the new divisions, we still see some clubs particularly hard hit, often through no fault of their own, in the case of Hampshire outfit Fleet Town being shifted to a new division as a knock-on effect of Yorkshire club Shaw Lane's demise.

But there will be further changes as we move forward. The FA have confirmed they plan to introduce an eighth division at Step 4, almost certainly in the north-east, for 2020-21. There are some oddities that need to be fixed with the bottle neck that has now been created in promotions at Step 3 and 4. With only six clubs coming down from The National League North, it means only six clubs can go up from Step 3, four champions, and then super play-offs across the divisions to decide the next two. And at Step 4, only five of the seven play-off winners will go up on a points-per-game basis. It's, as the FA acknowledge, far from ideal. So expect the system to evolve over the coming years and, maybe, we could also see the much-needed third promotion place from The National League into The Football League. The English football system is unique, and fluidity of movement up and down is vital.

THE FA Cup kicks off this weekend, with more prize money on offer than ever before. It's been doubled this season, and in The Extra Preliminary Round and Preliminary Round, losing clubs will also take home a slice of the pie (£750 and £960 respectively). Fantastic news for all clubs at this level, and even more of an incentive to strive for a great run in the competition. Of course clubs can use the extra cash how they see fit but hopefully many will choose to invest it into their club, buy those new seats, put it towards that new toilet block and generally improve their facilities. No doubt, some will fancy bringing in a new striker!





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# A Look Back in Time – On This Date – 11th August

**T**he Magpies have only played three games on this date, all away, since moving into our current home in 1990, two of them ended in defeat, whilst the other resulted in a comprehensive victory.

The two defeats were at Staines Town in 2009, when we lost 3-0, and the other was in 2015 when we went down 4-3 at Cirencester Town, when our goal scorers were Matt Oldring, Jonah Ayunga and Tony Lee.

The game that I have chosen to concentrate on, not surprisingly, is the 3-0 win at St. Albans City in 2007, which saw The Magpies surge to the top of The Blue Square South table, admittedly for a very limited time, after an impressive opening day performance, which saw Hardy Pinto-Moreira make his debut appearance.

The game began with little in the way of goalmouth excitement from either side in the first fifteen minutes, but the first goal scoring opportunity came the way of the home side, but Paul Bruce's free kick flew well wide from thirty yards. The Magpies then forced two corners without reward, before a superb through ball from Mark Jermyn looked to have set Charlie Henry through on goal, but he stumbled at the pivotal moment and the chance was lost.

The influential John Docker then began to make his presence felt, and he drilled in a low shot from twenty-five yards which Nick Eyre in the home goal smothered to his right, and the keeper then tipped over another effort from the same player.

The Magpies then turned their ascendancy into goals in the final fifteen minutes of the first half, but not before Eyre was needed to make a fine close range save from Henry. However there was nothing the home keeper could do in the thirty-seventh minute when Docker and Henry combined to set up Jamie Gleeson whose twenty yard shot flew into the top corner. Six minutes later a long diagonal ball from Docker found Pinto-Moreira who mesmerised the home defenders, beating three of them once and two a second time, before finally drilling a shot from twelve yards between Eyre and his near post.

City enjoyed more of the second half, but the visitors defended stoutly and Magpies' manager Shaun Brooks also changed his attacking formations a number of times during the match, with Elliot Bent replacing Pinto-Moreira to join Henry, and then substituting Henry with Matt Groves for the final ten minutes, whose first involvement saw him force a near post save from Eyre.

Then in the eighty-ninth minute The Magpies confirmed the win with the third goal, constructed by all three substitutes, after Mark Robinson, who had replaced Docker, supplied the cross which was well controlled by Bent who found Groves, and he beat Eyre with a fierce shot into the roof of the net off the underside of the cross bar from six yards.

**Magpies:** Simon Evans, Mark Jermyn, Jake Smeeton, Roy O'Brien, Alex Browne, Nathan Peparah-Annan, James Rowe, Jamie Gleeson, Hardy Pinto-Moreira (Elliot Bent 63 mins), John Docker (Mark Robinson 76 mins) Charlie Henry (Matt Groves 80 minutes). Unused substitutes: Jamie Cumming and Jones Awuah.





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# Magpie Player Profiles

## Steve Thompson - Manager



Steve was appointed to replace Craig Laird in September 2017, having previously been first team coach at Woking for almost seven years. Prior to that he had been manager and first team coach at Yeovil Town, and had also managed at Truro City. In his playing career Steve had spells at Bristol City, Torquay United, Slough Town, Yeovil Town, Woking and Wycombe Wanderers. He also represented England Schoolboys at U18 level, and was also a member of The England Veterans' squad that recently retained The Veterans' World Cup, which was held in Thailand in the close season. He also holds a Diploma in Football Management. Born Plymouth. Age 55.

## Trevor Senior - Assistant Manager



Trevor returned to the club last year, having originally left to pursue a career in the full time game as a striker with Portsmouth, who paid £35K for his signature in December 1981, although he did also return for a short spell in October/November 1993. Trevor initially signed for The Magpies in August 1977 from local football, and became a fans' favourite, and in total made 83 league/cup appearances and scored 63 goals in his two spells with the club. Trevor then went on to make a total of 356 league appearances, and scored 165 goals in a Football League career that spanned ten years with Portsmouth, Aldershot, Reading (two spells), Watford and Middlesbrough. In season 1983/84, when Reading won promotion from The Fourth Division, Trevor was top scorer in all four divisions of The Football League, with 36 goals in the league and 41 in all competitions. Trevor subsequently returned to play non-league football with Woking, and had two spells with Farnborough Town. He then held managerial posts with Weymouth, Bridgwater Town, Bashley, and Bridport and also managed The Magpies' U18 side until May 2008. Born Dorchester. Age 56.

## Goalkeeping Coach – Steve Dodge



Not surprisingly Steve was a goalkeeper in his playing days, and was a member of Eddie Belt's outstanding Magpies' Youth Team in the 1980's along with David West, and he also appeared in The Magpies' Southern League side. Steve also played for Weymouth, Swanage, Bashley, Christchurch, Hamworthy United, Portland United and Weymouth Sports. As a Police Officer Steve also played for the Dorset Police team for fifteen seasons, as well as their veterans' side, and in recent seasons has served as goalkeeping coach at Portland United before joining The Magpies. Born Weymouth. Age 52.

## Emma Tonkin - Physiotherapist



Emma qualified with a BSC Honours Degree in Physiotherapy in 2008, and has spent a few seasons with local rivals Weymouth, but having taken a year out, she joined The Magpies in 2015. Emma also works for The NHS in two local hospitals. Born Bristol. Age 36.

## Goalkeepers - Kingsley Latham



Kingsley has signed on a season long loan from parent club Southampton's Academy, where he now has a professional contract, having previously been with Yeovil Town and Torquay United. Born Barnstaple. Age 19.

## Michael Edgar



Michael joined The Magpies just prior to the start of the season, and will provide cover for Kingsley, and was previously with Bashley. Born Poole. Age 21.

## Defenders - Ross Carmichael



Ross is a centre back who has resigned for the forthcoming season, after a successful first season with The Magpies, when he was arguably our best defender on a consistent basis, having previously played for Arlesford Town and Portland United where he was a member of their successful Sydenhams Wessex League Championship in season 2016/17. Born North Shields. Age 30.

## Chris Clarke



Chris is a local lad who first joined The Magpies on a non-contract basis last season, having played for the successful Portland United side who won The Sydenhams Wessex League Championship the previous season. Chris has now decided to re-sign for The Magpies for the forthcoming season. Born Dorchester. Age 28.

## Kyle Egan



Kyle returned to the club on a six month loan from his parent club Exeter City last season, having previously had a loan spell with The Magpies the previous season, but, having been released by The Grecians, has now signed for The Magpies. Kyle was The East Devon Young Player of the Season in 2015/16, and made his professional debut in August 2016 against Hartlepool United, and was also an unused substitute against Port Vale and Luton Town. Kyle has also captained The Grecians' FA Youth Cup side. Born Bristol. Age 19.

# Magpie Player Profiles

## Neil Martin



Initially joined The Magpies in August 2009, and was a consistent performer, before leaving the club to join Poole Town in November 2013. He subsequently joined neighbours Weymouth before deciding to re-join The Magpies prior to season 2015/16. Neil is a skilful, versatile player who can play either at left back or left wing back. Previously with Exeter City and Salisbury City, he played twenty games for Hayes & Yeading in their promotion season, 2008/09, from The Conference South. Neil has now made over three hundred first team appearance for The Magpies, and has scored ten goals to date. Born Yeovil. Age 29.

## Callum Rose



Callum initially joined The Magpies on loan from his parent club Plymouth Argyle last season, and made his debut against Basingstoke Town in The FA Trophy. Callum has spent time at Aston Villa's Academy, and played local junior football, before joining Argyle's Academy in the 2014-15 season. Callum played in The Pilgrims Youth Alliance League and South West Peninsula League successes, and was an unused substitute for Argyle's FA Cup Third Round replay against Liverpool the season before last. He then signed his first professional contract with Argyle, but having now been released by The Pilgrims has decided to sign for The Magpies for the new campaign. Born North Surrey. Age 19.

## Midfield - Tom Blair



Tom is a midfield player, who joined The Magpies prior to the 2016/17 season, having previously been a member of The Southampton Academy from ages 8- 11, and he had also played for Bridport prior to joining The Magpies. Tom has become a regular fixture in the first team squad for the past two seasons, making 78 appearances and scoring 9 goals. Born Dorchester. Age 19.

## Jason Brookes



Jason joined the club prior to season 2014/15, and has now made 77 first team appearances and scored three goals during the course of the past four seasons, with the vast majority of those appearances having been as a substitute. Jason is a very versatile player, who can play in a variety of positions when called upon. Was previously a scholar at the

Southampton Academy, but was released and signed for Eastleigh, before moving to Bashley. Born Southampton. Age 30.

## Ollie Griggs



Ollie initially joined The Magpies on loan in January 2016 until the end of that season from parent club Eastleigh. Ollie is now a contracted player who plays in central midfield, and is a highly regarded young player, who has all the credentials to progress in the game. Has also spent spells on loan at Wimborne Town and Winchester City. Born Poole. Age 19.

## Harry Kite



Harry is a midfield player who has joined The Magpies on a six month loan arrangement from his parent club Exeter City, having first joined the Devon club's academy at U9. He has made one first team appearance to date for The Grecians, and is under contract with them until June 2019. Harry is a good passer of the ball, and has an energetic work rate. Born Crediton. Age 18.

## Billy Lowes



Billy signed for The Magpies prior to last season, having previously been with Weymouth. Billy has also had spells in the academies of AFC Bournemouth and Yeovil Town, and he then joined Poole Town where he won The Young Player of the Year award before he had loan spells with Wincanton Town and AFC Totton. Born Poole. Age 21.

## Cameron Murray



Cameron signed for The Magpies just before the start of the season, having relocated to the area. Cameron was with both Leeds United and Bradford City as a youth player, before moving to Spain on a scholarship. He returned after fracturing his clavicle to join York City's youth team, and made his first team debut for York as a substitute in a Football League Trophy fixture against Rotherham United in October 2013, before signing a professional contract in January 2014. He then spent a short period on loan at Frickley Athletic, and after leaving York City has subsequently played for Scarborough Athletic, FC United of Manchester and Stalybridge Celtic. Born Halifax. Age 23.

# Magpie Player Profiles

## Dom Panesar-Dower



Dom is a talented, pacey right sided midfielder player who joined The Magpies prior to last season, having previously played for Weymouth, with whom he made his Southern Premier League debut the previous season, and also Poole Town. In his youth days Dom was selected to represent Great Britain Colleges, and played in two warm up matches in the UK ahead of an international tournament in Italy. Born Bedford. Age 20.

## Aaron Rodriguez



Aaron has now signed for The Magpies, having spent a previous period with us last season on loan from Weymouth. Aaron had joined Weymouth from Gillingham Town in the summer of 2016, having previously played for Frome Town. Aaron is renowned as a tricky player, who adds a new dimension to the team. Born Salisbury. Age 22.

## Sean Stewart



Sean is a central holding midfield player who signed for The Magpies during the close season, having previously appeared for Bridport, Weymouth and Blackfield & Langley. Born Dorchester. Age 28.

## Callum Thompson



Callum has joined The Magpies just before the start of the season, having previously played for Launceston, and impressed in the pre-season friendlies. Born Plymouth. Age 21.

## Josh Williams



Josh signed for his hometown club just prior to the start of this season from Exeter City's Academy, having impressed in the pre-season friendlies. Born Dorchester. Age 17.

## Luke Winsper



Luke initially joined The Magpies on a dual registration basis from Sydenham Wessex League side Blackfield & Langley last season. He was with neighbours Weymouth for a number of seasons prior to that, during which time he progressed through the youth and reserve teams before breaking into the first team on a regular basis during the 2013-14 season. Unfortunately

Luke was then plagued by injuries, which hindered his progress, and which led to his departure from Weymouth. He subsequently signed for Blackfield & Langley, where he played regularly again, having regained full fitness, and he has now resigned for The Magpies for the new campaign. Born Dorchester. Age 25.

## Forwards

### Cameron Allen



Cameron has joined The Magpies on loan from his parent club Bristol Rovers, having previously been with Bristol City, where he finished as The U18's leading goal scorer at the end of the 2016-17 season, Cameron is renowned for his trickery. Born Bath. Age 18.

### Ben Morris



Ben is a local lad who has progressed through The Magpies' reserve side last season, and has now joined the first team squad, and has featured in the pre-season friendlies. Born Dorchester. Age 17.

### Ashley Pope



Ash is a striker who joined The Magpies last season on a work experience basis from AFC Bournemouth, having been with The Cherries for six years. He has gained previous experience with Wimborne Town, Kingwood Town and Poole Borough, and has decided to re-join The Magpies for the coming season. Born Poole. Age 18.

### Alex Stafie



Alex whose full name is Alexandru Marius Stafie is from Romania, and has previously played for Chard Town and Sherborne Town. He first made a number of appearances for The Magpies' reserve side last season. Born Pascani (Romania). Age 28.

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# Centre Spot



*Callum attempts to win the ball against Yeovil Town.*



*Harry Kite wins the ball in a tussle with a Torquay defender.*





*Callum breaks forward against Torquay United*



*A Magpie is outnumbered two to one against Yeovil Town.*

# Pitch

Work started on the pitch on the 3rd May, with the club spraying the grass to kill it off. On the 9th May McArdle moved in to strip back the top 100mm of soil, which was transferred up to Poundbury where The Duchy of Cornwall had agreed to take it. The remaining soil was then mixed with lime and cement to form a solid base and levelled. New drainage was dug in and the surface was covered with a membrane. The next stage was the new technology, the TigerTurf EcoCept engineered performance base layer, this porous layer is made from recycled plastic and rubber, and it was mixed on site and put down almost like a road surface. At 40mm it is thicker than traditional shock pad layers, and offers a more consistent absorbency across the entire pitch. Finally, the green carpet layer was put down and lines cut in, this was completed on the 18th August, leaving just enough time for a team of volunteers to have a clear up and build the goals before our first match on the surface against Plymouth Argyle.

The club would like to thank West Dorset District Council, Dorchester Town Council, Dorchester Town Youth FC, The Duchy of Cornwall, Dorset County Council, Tesco Bags of Help, The Postcode Lottery Community Trust and of course everyone who purchased a square in The Pitch for the Community scheme, without their support this project would have never happened.

We would also like to thank The Dorchester Round Table for their £500 donation, allowing us to purchase a stock of football boots. In order to maintain the surface, there are strict footwear rules in place, but we don't want this to be a barrier to someone playing on the pitch. These boots will be available to hire for £1.50, the hire fee will be put back into a reserve so we have funds to replace the boots when required, making this element sustainable.

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# Ups and Downs

As I do every year I will attempt to chart the movements that have occurred affecting clubs at Step 1 to 3 of The Non-League Pyramid, to include those who have been promoted, relegated or transferred since the end of last season, and this year's movements have been more challenging, due to the revamping of the three leagues at Step 3.

## **National League**

Macclesfield Town and Tranmere Rovers promoted to Division Two of The English Football League. Barnet and Chesterfield relegated from Division Two of The English Football League. Harrogate Town and Salford City promoted from National League North. Braintree Town and Havant & Waterlooville promoted from National League South.

## **National League North**

Altrincham and Ashton United promoted from Northern Premier League Premier Division and AFC Hereford from Southern League Premier Division. Chester and Guisely relegated from National League

## **National League South**

Billericay Town and Dulwich Hamlet promoted from Isthmian League Premier Division and Slough Town promoted from Southern League Premier Division. Torquay United and Woking relegated from National League

## **Isthmian Premier Division**

AFC Hornchurch, Carshalton Athletic, Corinthian Casuals, Haringey Borough, Lewes and Potters Bar Town all promoted from Isthmian League North. Bishops Cleeve moved laterally from Southern League Premier Division. Bognor Regis Town relegated from National League South.

## **Northern Premier League**

Bamber Bridge, Hyde United, Scarborough Athletic and South Shields promoted from Northern Premier League North, and Basford United promoted from Northern Premier League South. Gainsborough Trinity and North Ferriby United relegated from National League North.

## **Southern League Central**

AFC Rushden & Diamonds promoted from Southern League East, and Alvechurch and Bedworth United promoted from Northern Premier League South. Tamworth relegated from National League North. Barwell, Coalville Town, Halesowen Town, Rushall Olympic and Stourbridge all moved laterally from The Northern Premier League Premier Division, whilst Leiston, Lowestoft Town and Needham Market have all been moved laterally from The Isthmian League Premier Division.

## **Southern League South**

Beaconsfield Town, Hartley Wintney both promoted from Southern League East, Salisbury, Swindon Supermarine, Taunton Town and Wimborne Town all promoted from Southern League West, Walton Casuals promoted from Isthmian League North. Harrow Borough, Hendon, Metropolitan Police and Staines Town have all been moved laterally from The Isthmian League Premier Division. Poole Town relegated from National League South.

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# Focus on The Met

**T**his afternoon's game will be the first time we have played against Metropolitan Police for forty-one years, and is due to The Met moving from The Bostik (Isthmian) Premier Division to The Evo-Stik Southern League Premier Division South following the major revamp of the leagues at Steps 3 to 6 of The Non-League Pyramid, which took place during the close season.



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Last season The Met finished in a solid tenth position in The Bostik Premier Division with sixty-six points from their forty-six games, having had three points deducted for playing an ineligible player. Of the twenty-three games played at home The Met won thirteen, drew five and lost five, whilst away from home they won six, drew seven and lost ten. Overall they scored seventy-six goals and conceded seventy-one.

In last season's national cup competitions The Met eliminated Staines Town in The First Qualifying Round of The FA Cup, but were then eliminated from the competition themselves in the next round by Heybridge Swifts after an away replay, which ended in a penalty shoot-out. Magpies' fans will recall that it was Heybridge Swifts who eliminated The Magpies from last season's FA Trophy. In The FA Trophy The Met reached The Third Qualifying Round, having eliminated AFC Sudbury and Thamesmead Town in the previous rounds, before they were eliminated by Wingate & Finchley in a home tie.

By all accounts The Met have had a difficult close season, primarily due to the aforementioned move from The Isthmian League to The Southern League, despite an appeal, and which has resulted in their manager and some of their players leaving the club, with his assistant stepping up to fill the void. Thus the squad has had to be rebuilt apparently with a number of young players who are eager to do well at this level.

The Met began their pre-season friendly games on the 10th July, so, despite the difficulties mentioned above, they will undoubtedly be well prepared for the new campaign, and as with all teams from The Bostik (Isthmian) League they will prove to be difficult opponents this afternoon, so The Magpies will need to be on their mettle if they are to take anything from this game.

## **Players to Watch**

**"Luke" Williams** - Goalkeeper. Talented keeper who has played at a higher level.

**George Frith** - Midfield. Has played in The National League.

**Max Blackmore** - Striker. A renowned goal scorer.

# History of The Met

On the 6th July 1829, Sir Robert Peel formed The Metropolitan Police, the first organised police force in the world, with an office overlooking The Thames at Whitehall known as Scotland Yard, a name that has become famous throughout the world, and also became synonymous with The Metropolitan Police.

Ninety years later, in 1919, The Metropolitan Police Football Club was formed, playing friendly matches until joining The Spartan League in 1928. Apart from the war years (1939-45), the club remained in that competition until 1960. During that time The Blues were League Champions eight times, runners-up once and League Cup winners once. In 1960 The Blues joined The Metropolitan League, winning The League Cup in 1969.

In 1971 The Blues were accepted into The Southern League, and played in Division South until 1977, under Team Manager Vic Rouse, the former Wales and Crystal Palace goalkeeper.

In 1977, The Blues moved to The Isthmian League, becoming one of the founder members of the restructured Division Two. A successful first season (1977/78) resulted in the club finishing runners-up to Epsom & Ewell and being promoted to Division One. In season 1981/82 the club finished third in Division One, missing promotion by 2 points. However, fortunes changed and in 1984/5, as a result of finishing third from the bottom, The Blues were relegated to Division Two (South). Ironically, in that 1984/5 season The Blues enjoyed their best run in The F.A. Cup, reaching The First Round Proper. The home tie against Dartford was subsequently featured on the BBC's "Match of the Day" programme. Defeat against Dartford was followed by a run of defeats in the league, which saw The Blues drop into one of the four relegation places introduced that season.

On returning to Division Two (South) The Blues finished seventh in both 1985/6 and 1986/7. During 1987/88 The Blues led The Division Two (South) table in January by seven points, but they were overhauled by Chalfont St Peter, who won their last two games of the season and became champions by just one point. The Blues were runners-up by virtue of a one-goal difference over Dorking. It was a nail-biting finish to a season in which The Blues lost just two league matches, both away. The next two seasons saw the club finish in mid-table in Division One, but in 1990/1 the club finished second from bottom and were relegated into the newly formed Division Two of the restructured Diadora (Isthmian) League. The club remained in Division Two for several years, always finishing in the top half, but just outside the promotion positions. In 1993/4 The Blues again reached The First Round Proper of The F.A. Cup, losing 2-0 to Crawley Town.

Season 1994/5 saw the club celebrate its 75th Anniversary with a game against The Army, and the opening of a new grandstand at Imber Court. The Blues finished fifth in Division Two, and ended the season with a thrilling victory in The Carlsberg Trophy, defeating Collier Row in a penalty shoot-out following a 1:1 draw after extra-time.

During the next few seasons the club continued to finish in the top half of Division Two, and in 1999/2000 reached The Fifth Round of The F.A. Vase, the last eight, losing to the eventual winners Deal Town.

In 2002/3 The Ryman League was restructured, and The Blues were placed in Division One South. That season the club finished second from bottom, and faced the prospect of relegation. By a stroke of good fortune, only three teams were relegated from Divisions One North and South, therefore we found ourselves in a relegation play-off against Wembley, who finished second from bottom in Division One North. Fortunately, we won both legs of the play-off and retained our place in Division One South. Another poor season in 2003/4 saw us finished just above the relegation places in twentieth position.

Following The F.A. restructuring of The Non-League Pyramid, in 2004/5 we found ourselves in The Ryman League Division One. In their first full season in charge, the new management team of Jim Cooper, assisted by Gavin MacPherson and John Nicholson, had an immediate impact and we finished fifth in Division One, thus qualifying for the play-offs, introduced as part of The F.A. restructuring, where we played Bromley. An evenly balanced encounter ended with the scores 1-1 after extra time, but we lost 4-3 on penalties.

In 2005/6 we finished in fourth position in The Ryman Division One, but again fell at the play-off semi-final stage, losing 1-0 to Dover Ath. Further F.A. restructuring resulted in a Ryman League Division 1 North and Division 1 South in 2006/7, and the club finished in sixth position in Division 1 South. With only one club promoted automatically, the club narrowly missed out on a play-off place. However, the club reached the final of The Surrey Senior Cup for the first time since 1933, but were beaten 4-1 after extra time by Tooting & Mitcham United, the score after ninety minutes was 1-1.

In 2007/8 The Blues finished fourth in Ryman League Division 1 South, but for the third time in four years was beaten in the play-off semi final, this time 2-0 by Cray Wanderers.

In 2008/9 the club again finished in fourth position in Ryman Division One South, thus qualifying for the play offs for the fourth time in five seasons, winning the semi final play off match 1-0 against Fleet Town, but losing 1-0 to Cray Wanderers in the final.

In 2009/10 MPFC had a disappointing Ryman Division 1 South league campaign. After a poor start the club was never in a position to mount a serious challenge for a play off position, and finished in tenth position. However, this disappointment was off-set by winning The London Senior Cup for the first time in the club's history, beating AFC Wimbledon in an exciting final, 4-3 on penalties, after the match ended 4-4 after extra time.

The 2010/11 season proved to be the most exciting in the club's history, culminating in the club winning The Ryman League Division 1 South Championship by the narrow margin of one goal. Bognor Regis Town had a two point advantage during the latter stages of the season, and that was the situation when the clubs lined up for the final match. Bognor

were held to an unexpected draw by Chatham Town, and with The Met managing to scramble a 1-0 win against Merstham, it was enough to win the title with a goal difference of sixty-one against Bognor's sixty.

So, for the first time in the club's history it competed in The Ryman League Premier Division during the 2011/12 season. The club got off to a flying start, and at Christmas found themselves in fourth position, but unfortunately fell away in the second half of the season and finished in twelfth position. The 2012/13 season proved to be the most successful in the club's history at that stage, finishing in sixth position in The Ryman League Premier Division, missing out on a play-off place on goal difference of nine goals. The club had a good run in The F.A. Cup, reaching The First Round Proper, eventually losing 2-1 to Crawley Town from League One of The Football League.

The 2013/14 season was less successful in respect of The Ryman League Premier Division, in that we spent much of the season in mid-table, eventually finishing in seventeenth position. Although we were knocked out of The FA Cup and FA Trophy at an early stage, we reached the final of The London Senior Cup and Surrey Senior Cup. The 2014/15 season ended with us reaching The Ryman League Premier Division play-offs, albeit, via an unusual set of circumstances. We actually finished in sixth position in The Premier Division, but after a protracted series of appeals, Enfield Town were deducted three points, and we ended up in fifth position. Unfortunately, we lost the play-off semi-final 2-1 to Hendon. However, we enjoyed success in The Surrey Senior Cup, beating Merstham 2-0 in the final.

In 2015/16 we finished in twelfth position. We had mixed fortunes in the cup competitions, falling at the first hurdle in The FA Cup, after a replay with Sittingbourne, and The First Round of The London Senior Cup to London Bari on penalties. We fared marginally better by reaching The Second Round of The Ryman League Cup and The Third Round of The Surrey Senior Cup before losing to Tooting & Mitcham and Molesey respectively. We had a decent run in The FA Trophy losing eventually in The Third Qualifying Round to a good Wealdstone side, after beating AFC Hornchurch and Canvey Island in previous rounds. The 2016/17 season was one of mixed emotions and ups and downs. The first eleven struggled with form and consistency, which resulted in a relegation battle that went to the last game of the season. The high point was reaching the final of The London Senior Cup, with some memorable and exciting matches, but unfortunately we lost in the final.

The 2017/18 season was again one of mixed emotions, with the first eleven in the hunt for play off places for the majority of the season, before falling away and finishing tenth. We reached the final of The Bostik League Cup where we lost 5-3 to Billericay Town.

Due to FA restructuring we have been moved from The Bostik league to The Southern League, which has led to the departure of our long serving manager Jim Cooper, a number of players and also greatly increased travelling costs.

# Meet The Met

## Management GAVIN MACPHERSON.

Appointed as manager at the start of this season following the resignation of Jim Cooper. Gavin has been with the club for a number of years as a player, reserve team manager and Jim's assistant for over twelve years. Regarded by his peers and many players as a fantastic, innovative coach. Previously as a player, was a professional footballer at Barnet and Carlisle United before playing non-league for Wealdstone, Windsor & Eton and Metropolitan Police.

**JON NURSE.** Former professional footballer with Dagenham and latterly Barnet FC. Jon scored the winning goal in the 2010 Division Two Play-Off Final at Wembley, but has also won The F.A Trophy with Stevenage in 2006-7. Jon helped coach Barnet to be Conference champions under the management of Martin Allen. Jon has six caps for Barbados, and has now been promoted to Assistant Manager at the start of this season.

**STEVE BOGIDI.** Became the club's Physiotherapist in March 2017. He previously played for The Met, spanning an eight year period, before turning his hand to Physiotherapy. Steve previously played for Dulwich Hamlet and Croydon Athletic.

**SCOTT TARR.** Ex England C international goalkeeper. Became the club's goalkeeping coach midway through the 2014-15 season. He was an excellent shot stopper himself, and was regarded at the time as one of the best in non-league circles. He played the majority of his football career with Basingstoke Town, but also with Yeading and Farnborough Town.

## Players

**Thomas "LUKE" WILLIAMS.** A talented goalkeeper who joined from Harrow Borough in July 2017. Luke is the brother of defender Sam Williams. Luke has previously played for Aldershot, Hereford and Slough Town.

**Sam WILLIAMS.** Defender, aged 20, who joined The Met in 2016, having previously played for Cardiff City and Motherwell. Sam is a tough tackling defender, who can play anywhere across the back four. He is a former Wales Youth International, and had a short spell at Hungerford Town before returning to Imber Court in January 2017.

**Oliver KNIGHT,** Aged 21. Oliver is an attacking midfielder, who joined the club at the start of this season from Frome Town. His previous clubs are Forest Green Rovers and Cirencester Town.

**Alex FISHER.** Alex is aged 21, and an attacking left back. He was an academy player at Q.P.R. before joining the club this season from Ashford Town (Middlesex).

**Luke MITCHELL.** A versatile player aged 19. Began at Guildford City FC before joining The Met's youth team, and was part of the team that completed a treble that season. Was part of the reserve team that won the league last season, and has now progressed to the first team squad.

**Jack MAZZONE.** Jack is 25 years old and joined the club this season from South Park. He is a goal scoring forward whose previous clubs include Woking, Hendon, Godalming and Tooting and Mitcham. Won The Ryman Division 1 South with Tooting and Mitcham in 2016/2017 season

**Mekhail McLAUGHLIN.** Aged 21. A quick and versatile athlete, who can play at centre back or wing back. Mekhail is a product of the club's youth team, and returns to the club following a season at Carshalton Athletic.

**Jeremy ARTHUR.** Jeremy is a commanding centre half who is very comfortable with the ball at his feet. He was captain of QPR U18 and represented their U23 team on a regular basis.

**Bayley MUMMERY.** Another exciting young talent who joined at the beginning of last season from Ashford Town (Middlesex). He has bags of energy and an eye for goal, and is starting to

establish himself as a key member of the squad.

**Kyle BAILEY.** Kyle is a right back/centre back aged 24 years, who joined the club this season having previously played at Leatherhead, Godalming, Lordswood and Westfield. He won The League Cup and The League Championship with Westfield

**Jack BEADLE.** Aged 24. A winger, who has previously played for Bedfont Sports and Ashford Town (Middlesex) before joining the club at the start of this season.

**George FRITH.** George is a midfielder who played for two seasons in The National League with Woking. His previous clubs include Slough, Godalming and Knaphill.

**Max BLACKMORE.** A striker aged 25 years. Signed for the club this season, having scored a combined 98 goals for Westfield FC, and achieved promotion in the second season. Prior to joining Westfield Max played and studied in America where he won a National Championship and was the nation's top scorer at that level.

**Gurkan GOKMEN.** Aged 24 a Turkish midfielder, who was a professional at Ankara Sekerspor A.S. in Turkey and has played for Wealdstone and Slough Town before joining the club at the start of this season.

**John GILBERT.** Aged 18. A product of our successful reserve and youth teams who is entering his first season in the squad having made his debut last season. A talented midfielder with an eye for goal.

**Nesta GUINNESS-WALKER.** Aged 18. Another product of our successful reserve and youth teams, who is entering his first season in the squad having made his debut last season. A quick and versatile defender.

**Louis BIRCH.** Aged 20. A tough tackling midfielder, who was part of the club's very successful reserve team last season, and is now part of the squad for the new season.



# How They Line Up First Team

DATE	OPPONENTS	COMP	RES	ATT.	1	2	3	4	5	6
11TH AUG	METROPOLITAN P	H	PDS							
14TH AUG	WIMBORNE TN	A	PDS							
18TH AUG	SALISBURY	A	PDS							
25TH AUG	KINGS LANGLEY	H	PDS							
27TH AUG	WEYMOUTH	A	PDS							
1ST SEPT	HARTLEY WINTNEY	H	PDS							
8TH SEPT			FAC 1Q							
15TH SEPT	BEACONSFIELD TN	A	PDS							
22ND SEPT			FAC 2Q							
29TH SEPT	HENDON	H	PDS							
6TH OCT	BASINGSTOKE TN	A	PDS							
13TH OCT	WALTON CASUALS	H	PDS							
16TH OCT	TAUNTON TOWN	H	PDS							
20TH OCT	HARROW BORO	A	PDS							
27TH OCT			FAT 1Q							
3RD NOV	MERTHYR TOWN	H	PDS							
10TH NOV	FROME TOWN	A	PDS							
17TH NOV	CHESHAM UTD	H	PDS							
20TH NOV	POOLE TOWN	A	PDS							
24TH NOV	SWINDON SUPER	H	PDS							
1ST DEC	STAINES TOWN	A	PDS							
8TH DEC	GOSPORT BORO	A	PDS							
15TH DEC	FARNBOROUGH	H	PDS							
22ND DEC	METROPOLITAN P	A	PDS							
26TH DEC	WEYMOUTH	H	PDS							
29TH DEC	WIMBORNE TN	H	PDS							
1ST JAN	TIVERTON TOWN	A	PDS							
5TH JAN	TAUNTON TOWN	A	PDS							
12TH JAN	FROME TOWN	H	PDS							
19TH JAN	CHESHAM UTD	A	PDS							
26TH JAN	POOLE TOWN	H	PDS							
2ND FEB	MERTHYR TOWN	A	PDS							
9TH FEB	HARROW BORO	H	PDS							
16TH FEB	STAINES TOWN	H	PDS							
23RD FEB	SWINDON SUPER	A	PDS							
2ND MAR	GOSPORT BORO	H	PDS							
9TH MAR	FARNBOROUGH	A	PDS							
16TH MAR	BASINGSTOKE TN	H	PDS							
23RD MAR	WALTON CASUALS	A	PDS							
30TH MAR	BEACONSFIELD TN	H	PDS							
6TH APR	HENDON	A	PDS							
13TH APR	SALISBURY	H	PDS							
20TH APR	KINGS LANGLEY	A	PDS							
22ND APR	TIVERTON TOWN	H	PDS							
27TH APR	HARTLEY WINTNEY	A	PDS							

## Action Replay



*Chris Clarke plays the ball forward.*

**Key: PDS = Premier Division South**

**FAC = FA Cup**

**FAT = FA Trophy**



*Luke in an aerial duel as Dom looks on admiringly!*

# Head to Head

## Dorchester Town v Metropolitan Police

Some Magpies' fans may be surprised to learn that The Magpies and The Met have met on ten previous occasions, all of them in the 1970's, and all of them Southern League fixtures, and today's encounter will be the first played between the two clubs for over forty years.

The first meeting took place on the 16th December 1972, when we visited Imber Court in East Molesey, Surrey, and we came away with a point after a 1-1 draw, thanks to a goal scored by Brian Gosby. The return fixture was a day that The Magpies would not wish to revisit by choice, with The Met dishing out a 6-1 thrashing on the old Avenue Ground, with Colin Guy our solitary goal scorer. I would imagine that our President, Keith Kellaway, may well have played in those fixtures, so I will be interested to hear of any memories he may have of those games!

In overall terms our record against The Met is a reasonable one, with four wins overall, three at home, three draws, one at home, and three defeats, again one at home, referred to above.

Full details of those games, together with the other eight matches are detailed below:

Season	Home	Magpies' Scorers	Away	Magpies' Scorers
1972 - 73	1-6	Guy	1-1	Gosby
1973 - 74	2-1	Gater & Reader	2-2	Poore (2)
1974 - 75	3-3	Naylor (2 pens) & Archer	2-3	Poore & Tokesi
1975 - 76	3-2	Arnold, Burley & Poore	0-2	
1976 - 77	4-0	Davies, Ayles, OG & Turrell	1-0	Poore



## How They Finished SPL Form Guide

### Evo-Stik League South Premier - Last six matches to 28.04.18

Teams	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
1 Hereford	6	0	0	14	1	18	13
2 Slough Town	5	1	0	15	6	16	9
3 Weymouth	4	1	1	14	6	13	8
4 Basingstoke Town	4	1	1	12	8	13	4
5 Kettering Town	4	0	2	22	10	12	12
6 Kings Lynn Town	3	3	0	13	6	12	7
7 Gosport Borough	3	1	2	13	10	10	3
8 St. Neots Town	3	1	2	13	10	10	3
9 Royston Town	3	1	2	9	8	10	1
10 Banbury United	2	3	1	10	7	9	3
11 Chesham United	3	0	3	8	9	9	-1
12 Tiverton Town	2	2	2	9	8	8	1
13 Bishop's Cleeve	2	1	3	12	7	7	5
14 Redditch United	2	1	3	8	9	7	-1
15 Merthyr Town	1	3	2	10	12	6	-2
<b>16 Dorchester Town</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-4</b>
17 St. Ives Town	1	2	3	5	12	5	-7
18 Stratford Town	1	1	4	8	12	4	-4
19 Kings Langley	1	1	4	12	17	4	-5
20 Dunstable Town	1	1	4	3	9	4	-6
21 Biggleswade Town	1	1	4	5	12	4	-7
22 Farnborough	1	1	4	10	19	4	-9
23 Hitchin Town	1	1	4	2	11	4	-9
24 Frome Town	1	1	4	5	19	4	-14





# First Team Fixture Grid

The Evo-Stik League South Premier South Division Fixtures and Results for 2018/2019 Season		Basingstoke Town	Beaconsfield Town	Chesham United	Dorchester Town	Farnborough	Frome Town	Gosport Borough	Harrow Borough	Hartley Witney	Hendon	Kings Langley	Merthyr Town	Metropolitan Police	Poole Town	Salisbury	Staines Town	Swindon Supermarine	Taunton Town	Tiverton Town	Walton Casuals	Weymouth	Wimborne Town										
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		10/11	5/1		19/1	16/3	24/11	2/2	29/9	16/2	22/4	26/12	11/8	29/12	9/3	13/10	13/4	8/12	30/3	20/10	20/11	25/8	1/9										
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TBA = New date for this fixture to be arranged.

# How They Finished

## THE EVO-STIK LEAGUE SOUTH PREMIER 2017 - 2018

Teams		Home							Away					GD	Pts
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A			
C	Hereford	46	19	1	3	58	13	17	4	2	53	20	78	113	
2	King's Lynn Town	46	16	6	1	48	15	14	4	5	51	24	60	100	
3	Slough Town	46	15	5	3	59	24	15	4	4	52	25	62	99	
4	Kettering Town	46	19	2	2	69	17	11	5	7	53	39	66	97	
5	Weymouth	46	16	4	3	52	17	14	3	6	51	31	55	97	
6	Tiverton Town	46	14	4	5	46	27	10	2	11	32	42	9	78	
7	Royston Town	46	16	2	5	55	30	8	3	12	29	35	19	77	
8	Chesham United	46	11	6	6	51	30	10	5	8	34	31	24	74	
9	Banbury United	46	8	8	7	46	31	11	7	5	44	28	31	72	
10	Basingstoke Town	46	17	3	3	57	30	4	5	14	35	42	20	71	
11	Hitchin Town	46	11	5	7	34	25	8	4	11	33	41	1	66	
12	St. Neots Town	46	11	5	7	45	42	6	8	9	34	37	0	64	
13	Frome Town	46	8	4	11	31	39	10	3	10	47	57	-18	61	
14	Redditch United	46	11	7	5	52	29	4	3	16	21	44	0	55	
15	Stratford Town	46	7	6	10	33	34	8	4	11	35	47	-13	55	
16	Biggleswade Town	46	9	6	8	34	29	5	5	13	18	34	-11	53	
17	Merthyr Town	46	9	6	8	41	35	4	8	11	35	63	-22	53	
18	Bishop's Stortford	46	9	5	9	38	35	5	5	13	36	44	-5	52	
19	Dorchester Town	46	11	2	10	37	31	2	10	11	25	52	-21	51	
20	Farnborough	46	9	2	12	49	58	6	4	13	33	62	-38	51	
21	Kings Langley	46	5	9	9	35	47	3	5	15	28	51	-35	38	
22	St. Ives Town	46	3	5	15	29	52	5	4	14	25	53	-51	33	
23	Gosport Borough	46	2	4	17	24	76	3	1	19	17	66	-101	20	
R	Dunstable Town	46	2	2	19	13	69	2	3	18	14	68	-110	17	

## Evo-Stik League South Premier South Division

### Today's Fixtures

Beaconsfield Town	v	Salisbury
Chesham United	v	Merthyr Town
<b>DORCHESTER TOWN</b>	<b>v</b>	<b>METROPOLITAN POLICE</b>
Farnborough	v	Wimborne Town
Frome Town	v	Hendon
Gosport Borough	v	Kings Langley
Harrow Borough	v	Weymouth
Poole Town	v	Hartley Wintney
Swindon Supermarine	v	Tiverton Town
Taunton Town	v	Staines Town
Walton Casuals	v	Basingstoke Town



# How They Finished

## THE EVO-STIK LEAGUE SOUTH EAST 2017 - 2018

		Home							Away							
Teams		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts		
C	Beaconsfield Town	42	11	4	6	45	21	18	1	2	54	25	53	92		
P	AFC Rushden & D's	42	13	6	2	49	10	14	4	3	43	15	67	91		
3	Hayes & Yeading	42	14	3	4	56	21	12	2	7	47	28	54	83		
4	Hartley Wintney	42	16	1	4	60	21	10	3	8	36	32	43	82		
5	AFC Dunstable	42	13	5	3	46	20	10	5	6	34	17	43	79		
6	Cambridge City	42	11	3	7	51	24	12	5	4	48	29	46	77		
7	Kempston Rovers	42	13	5	3	44	27	8	5	8	36	41	12	73		
8	Bedford Town	42	13	2	6	37	21	9	4	8	33	27	22	72		
9	Chalfont St. Peter	42	9	6	6	30	21	11	6	4	26	18	17	72		
10	Moneyfields	42	12	4	5	45	29	7	8	6	34	34	16	69		
11	Thame United	42	12	1	8	49	33	8	3	10	35	45	6	64		
12	Ashford Tn (Middx)	42	9	4	8	48	31	7	4	10	33	37	13	56		
13	Aylesbury United	42	8	4	9	31	35	9	0	12	21	38	-21	55		
14	Marlow	42	10	6	5	37	25	3	4	14	17	50	-21	49		
15	Uxbridge	42	8	3	10	34	38	6	4	11	24	49	-29	49		
16	Egham Town	42	7	5	9	31	33	6	4	11	23	55	-34	48		
17	Northwood	42	7	4	10	31	33	3	7	11	23	38	-17	41		
18	Hanwell Town	42	4	3	14	26	48	5	4	12	22	40	-40	34		
19	Fleet Town	42	7	4	10	27	32	1	6	14	11	54	-48	34		
20	Barton Rovers	42	3	5	13	20	30	5	4	12	19	56	-47	33		
21	Aylesbury	42	3	5	13	20	43	6	1	14	20	45	-48	33		
R	Arlesey Town	42	0	3	18	14	65	3	2	16	22	58	-87	14		

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Teams	Home							Away							GD	Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A					
C Taunton Town	42	17	3	1	58	22	14	7	0	49	19	66	103			
P Salisbury	42	11	6	4	53	23	14	3	4	55	32	53	84			
3 Wimborne Town	42	13	3	5	59	28	10	5	6	45	29	47	77			
4 Evesham United	42	11	4	6	32	27	12	3	6	41	26	20	76			
5 Swindon S'marine	42	13	5	3	49	24	8	6	7	37	30	32	74			
6 Didcot Town	42	13	5	3	47	23	8	5	8	42	40	26	73			
7 Cirencester Town	42	13	2	6	54	32	9	5	7	39	42	19	73			
8 Bideford	42	10	5	6	36	28	11	4	6	43	30	21	72			
9 Bristol Manor Farm	42	12	6	3	53	30	8	3	10	30	31	22	69			
10 AFC Totton	42	11	3	7	42	29	8	6	7	23	20	16	66			
11 Winchester City	42	12	3	6	43	27	5	7	9	30	39	7	61			
12 Kidlington	42	6	9	6	38	32	9	3	9	42	32	16	54			
13 Cinderford Town	42	7	6	8	51	37	7	6	8	30	34	10	54			
14 Yate Town	42	7	8	6	33	30	7	6	8	39	44	-2	53*			
15 Larkhall Athletic	42	6	5	10	33	32	7	1	13	33	46	-12	45			
16 Mangotsfield Utd	42	6	5	10	24	38	4	6	11	29	48	-33	41			
17 Shortwood	42	5	5	11	28	60	5	5	11	35	64	-61	40			
18 North Leigh	42	6	4	11	30	43	4	4	13	23	41	-31	38			
19 Paulton Rovers	42	5	5	11	25	34	5	2	14	32	47	-24	37			
20 Slimbridge	42	5	2	14	34	62	4	6	11	20	68	-76	35			
21 Barnstaple Town	42	2	3	16	20	52	5	5	11	33	53	-52	29			
R Bishops Cleeve	42	5	2	14	27	53	3	1	17	16	54	-64	2			

# Town Travel

## Focus on Wimborne Town

Wimborne is a market town in East Dorset with a population as at 2014 of 15,552, and is most famous for Wimborne Minster, which is a Saxon church, and is famed for its chained library and the tomb of King Ethelred, the brother of Alfred The Great, as well as the tombs of John Beaufort, Duke of Somerset, and his duchess, the maternal grandparents of King Henry V11 of England.

We have travelled to play "The East Dorset Magpies" on numerous occasions over the years, the most recent being on the 28th November last year, when we lost 2-0 in a Dorset Senior Cup tie.



## The Match

### Evo-Stik League South Premier South Division

#### Wimborne Town v Dorchester Town

**Tuesday 14th August 2018 - KO 7.45pm**

The Cuthbury, Cowgrove Road, Wimborne, Dorset. BH21 4EL. Tel. No. 01202 884821

**Admission:** Adults: £10; Concessions: £6; Under 18's £2; Admission at half-time £5 to all.  
**Parking:** Free. **Mileage:** 23 miles. **Nearest rail:** Poole 8 miles.

## Focus on Salisbury

Salisbury is a city in Wiltshire with a population of just over 40,000, and is world famous for its cathedral, whilst the city has been in the news constantly of late due to the tragic issues related to the Novichok poisonings.

Again, as with Wimborne, we have played Salisbury many times over many years, with the most recent being on the 2nd October last year when we entertained The Whites in a League Challenge Cup tie at The Avenue Stadium, but

lost the tie 2-1, whilst the last time we visited Salisbury is best forgotten, as we went down by the embarrassing margin of 10-0, again in a League Challenge Cup tie.



## The Match

### Evo-Stik League South Premier South Division

#### Salisbury v Dorchester Town

**Saturday 18th August 2018 - KO 3.00pm**

Raymond McEnhill Stadium, Partridge Way, Old Sarum, Salisbury, Wiltshire. SP4 6PU. Tel. No. 01722 776655

**Admission:** Adults: £11; Concessions: £7; Child (5-16): £3

**Parking:** £1. **Mileage:** 40 miles. **Nearest rail:** Salisbury 3.1 miles.

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# The Same Old Few

**So...where were we?**

Ah yes, football.

After a wonderful summer of things coming home, and it becoming perfectly acceptable to go out and get absolutely Groovered in the middle of the week, it's time to get back to reality. So what have we missed? Not a great deal really. Sadly, we've lost Chris Weale to Exeter and Ed Bastick to Portland, but aside from that all of the players from last year returned to training, fit and healthy. Well, apart from Aaron Rodriguez and Ollie Griggs who picked up injuries and illness in the break. Stay clear of those fish Ollie.

Its quite ironic that a season where travelling distance has been greatly reduced, began with one of the longest trips of the season, for a friendly. Myself, Luke and The General decided to make the trip, for reasons that we still do not know, but found it to be better than what was predicted. The unexpected sight of Callum Rose in the starting line-up, and the news that he wished to stay, made the trip worthwhile, and the 2-0 victory wasn't so bad as well.

Portland followed, and again a number of us had our vaccinations and took the journey across the border. Yet again, we saw a comfortable victory and a positive performance, as well as Jamie Beasley showing as much passion and energy in forty-five minutes than he did in his entire Magpies' career. Maybe a bit too much passion and a well-deserved red card, sorry Jamie.

Finally the night we had waited years for arrived. The first fixture on our brand new pitch, two squares sponsored by yours truly at TSOE, after years of anticipation to see the surface in action was met with, well a 0-0. Typical Dorset really. Only at our wonderful club could a fifteen minute cameo lead to a Man of the Match award. Standard.

The next two fixtures didn't have many talking points if I am honest. Pre-season is pre-season, and still bores everyone to death, but you know, needs must. We ended at Winchester. Let's just say get well soon Harry Kite and forget the rest of the game ever happened?

Agreed?

Agreed.

So onto the new season. The opening month has been reasonable to us in terms of fixtures, as we start with Whoop Whoop, that's the sound of Met Police at home before having to go to Wimborne. Yep, Wimborne. I'm being deadly serious. We are in the same division as Wimborne. After this we put on our hazard suits and go to Salisbury for the first league game between us since they reformed for the 584th time. The Bank Holiday weekend brings Kings Langley at home before we have to go, you know...there. The last occasion we visited The Southernners seemed to go off without a bang, anyway, we just have to hope that goes well.

New season, new pitch, probably more of the same.

UTM

Tom







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**Notice: Entry to the Ground is expressly subject to acceptance by the visitor of these Ground Regulations and the rules and regulations of The Football Association and The Southern Football League in respect of the relevant competition and the laws of the game.**

**Entry to the Ground shall constitute acceptance of the Ground Regulations.**

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2. *Play cannot be guaranteed to take place on any particular day or at any particular time and the Club management reserve the right to change its advertised fixture without notice or liability.*
3. *In the event of a match being postponed or abandoned, any refund of the admission charge will be at the sole discretion of the Club management. This is subject to a time limitation, the details of which are obtainable from the Club.*
4. *No alcohol to be brought into the ground.*
5. *The Club management reserves the right to refuse admission to the Ground, or eject from the Ground, any person who refuses to be searched by any servant or agent of the Club or any Police Officer.*
6. *Fireworks, flares, smoke canisters, knives, bottles, cans, poles and any article that might be used as a weapon and/or compromise public safety are not permitted within the Ground.*
7. *The following offences are strictly forbidden. The club reserves the right to prosecute or eject any person who within the club premises is deemed to behave in any of the following ways:*
  - *The throwing of any object onto the field of play.*
  - *Unauthorised entry onto the Field of Play, except in an emergency.*
  - *Being under the influence of alcohol or drugs; making vulgar gestures; using any form of verbal abuse or any form of discrimination; using obscene language; taunting opposing team supporters; or entering reserved areas for opposing supporters. The club may at its discretion bar anyone guilty of such an offence for a period of up to five years.*
8. *The obstruction of gangways, access ways, exits and entrances, stairways and like places at all times and the standing in seated areas whilst play is in progress is strictly forbidden. Any person who persistently contravenes this Regulation will be ejected from the Ground.*
9. *The climbing of floodlight pylons stands or any other structure within the ground is strictly forbidden.*
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11. *Only persons specifically authorised in writing by the Club management are permitted to offer for sale or distribute within the Ground any newspaper, periodical or other article.*
12. *Any person found damaging or defacing the property of the Club will be prosecuted.*
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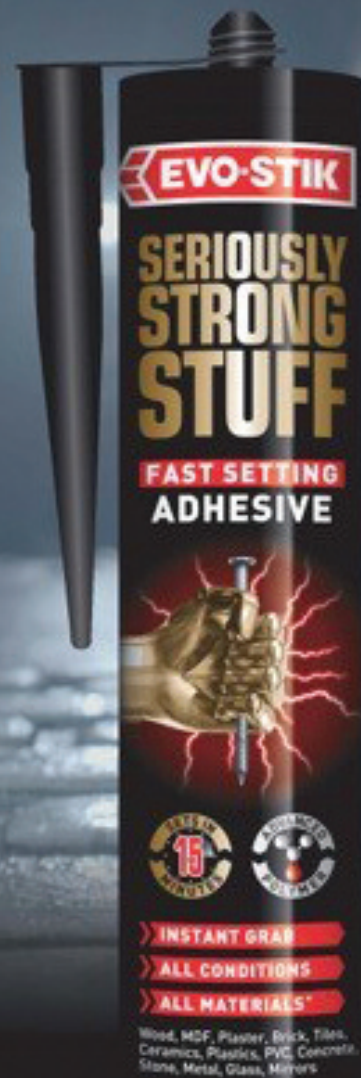
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